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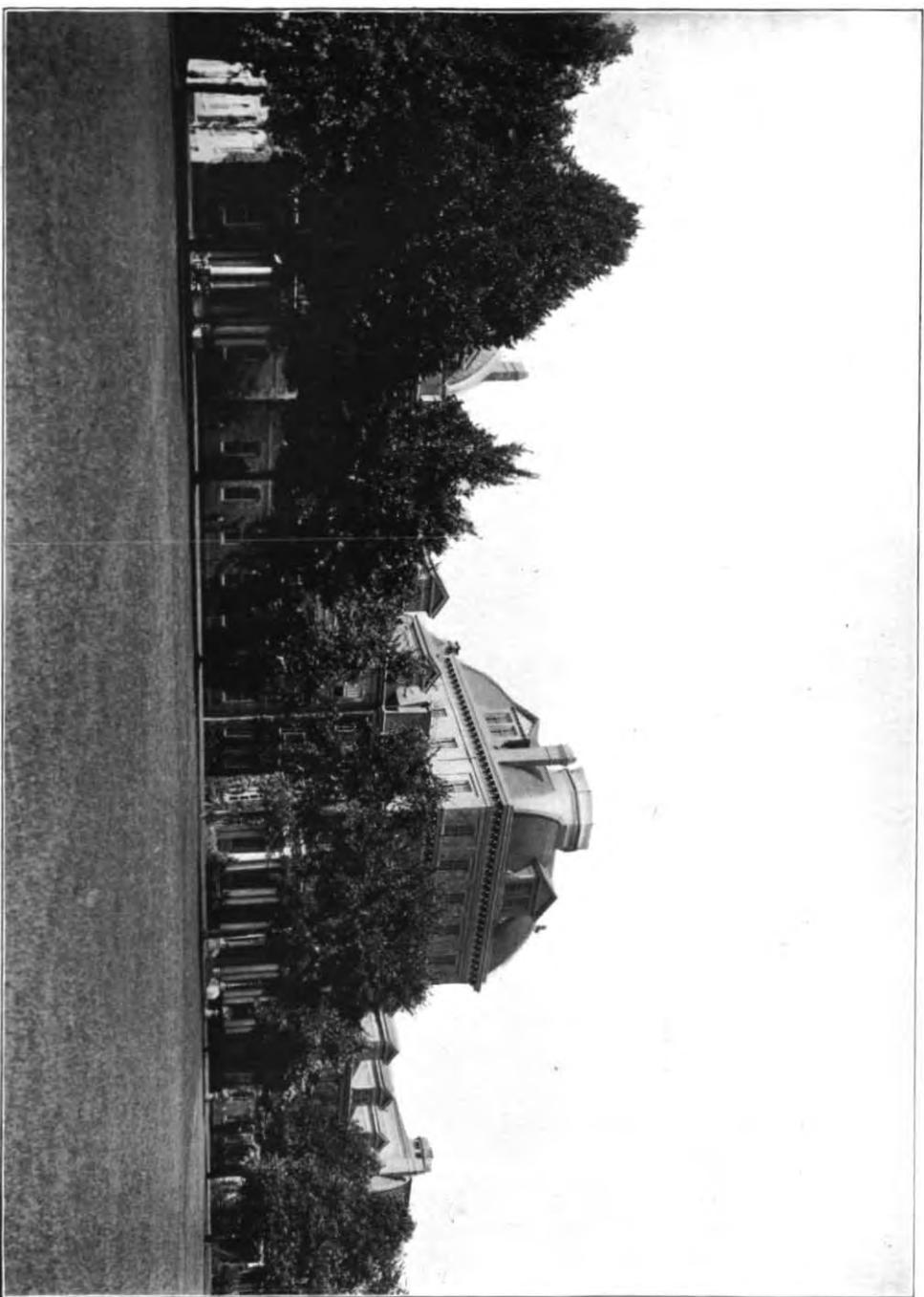
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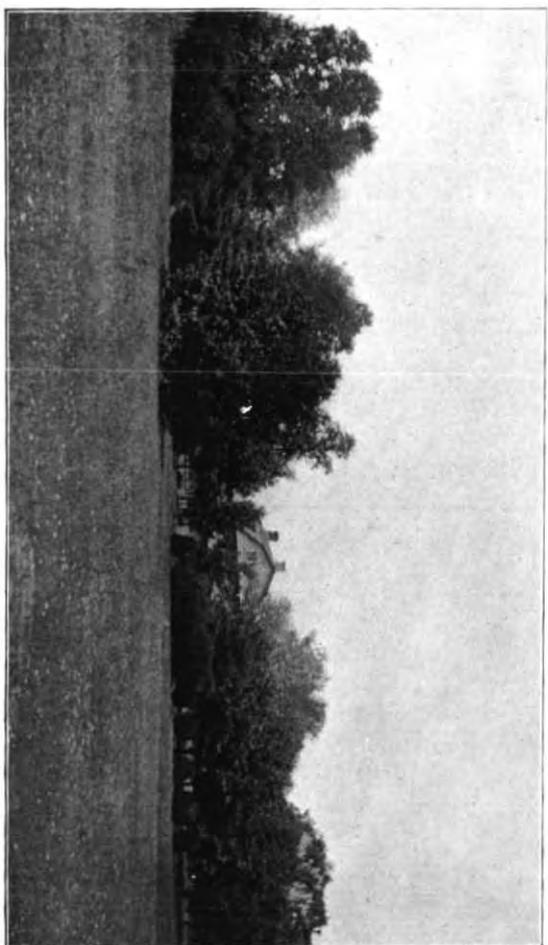
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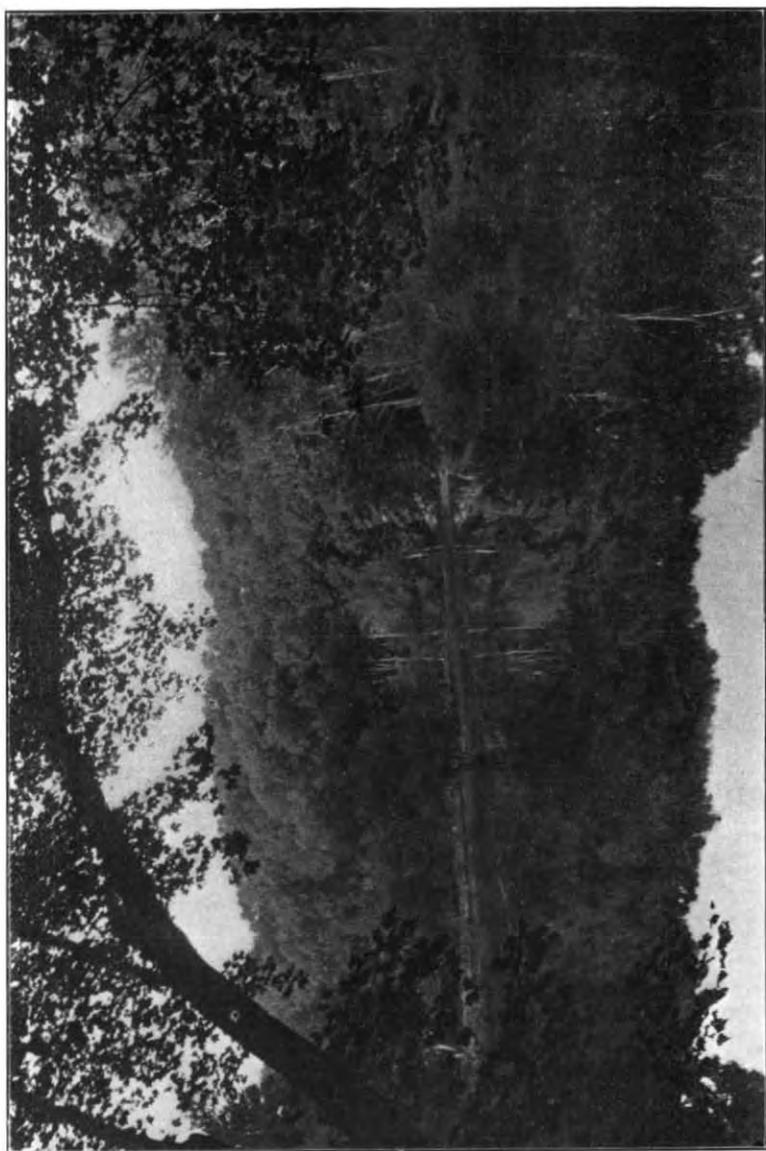
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## ANNOUNCEMENT

TWENTY-FIRST BIENNIAL CONVENTION OF PI BETA PHI

*Swarthmore—June 27, 28, 29, 30, 1910*

The Twenty-First Biennial Convention of the Pi Beta Phi Fraternity will be held at Strathaven Inn, Swarthmore, Pa., on Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday of the week beginning June 27th, 1910. The three Pennsylvania chapters will act as hostesses.

The programme will be as follows, subject to necessary changes:

Monday, June 27, morning—arrival and registration of delegates.

2 P. M.—Opening business session.

8 P. M.—Informal reception, in charge of Pa. Gamma.

Tuesday, June 28, 9 A. M. Second business session.

2 P. M.—Third business session. (Alumnae meeting.)

6 P. M.—Informal supper in Swarthmore woods, given by Pa. Gamma, Wednesday, June 29.

A. M.—Convention picture.

4 P. M.—Garden Party on Swarthmore College Campus, tendered to delegates and visitors by Pa. Alpha.

8 P. M.—Stunt Party. Convention entertained by Penna. Beta.

Thursday, June 30, 9 A. M.—Fourth business session.

2 P. M.—Fifth business session. Election of officers.

.. P. M.—Convention Banquet, place to be decided.

On Friday and Saturday various trips have been arranged to Philadelphia and nearby points of interest including among others:

1—To historic points in Philadelphia.

2—Bartram's Garden.

3—Museum and Botanical Gardens of the University of Pennsylvania.

4—Walking trip to Bryn Mawr.

5—Afternoon walk up the Wissahickon. Tea at Valley Green.

6—Atlantic City (all day trip).

7—Valley Forge (all day trip).

The Grand Guide is Mary Cooper Johnson, Langhorne, Pa.

The Convention Committee consists of:

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The Grand Council meeting will be held Saturday, June 25th. at Strathhaven Inn. All delegates are due by Monday noon of June 27th, as the first business session is called for two o'clock at which time delegates will receive their regular seats in the Convention hall. The first meal served to delegates will be Monday noon, and the last, except at individual expense, breakfast on Friday morning, July 1st.

The delegates and visitors are to be housed at the preparatory school about two blocks from the Inn, where all meals will be served. A uniform rate of \$3.00 per day for room and board at Strathhaven Inn has been secured. In addition to this there will be a banquet fee of \$1.50.

Swarthmore is eleven miles southwest of Philadelphia on the P. B. & W. branch of the Pennsylvania railroad. From the Reading terminal in Philadelphia take a car going west on Market Street to the Broad Street station, and from the B. & O. station, take a car going east on Market Street. All baggage must be transferred and rechecked to Swarthmore from Broad Street station, Philadelphia. Pennsylvania Alpha, Beta or Gamma girls will meet all trains at Swarthmore, and delegates and visitors will be met in Philadelphia on Monday, June 27, if they will advise the chairman of the Transportation Committee, Miss Ferrier, when and where their trains arrive. Trains leave Philadelphia for Swarthmore at 8.20, 9.50, 10.45 A. M., and 12.15 noon. It is suggested that an effort be made for as many visitors and delegates as possible to prepare to take the 9.50 train from Philadelphia, where they will be taken in charge by members of the local committee. Heretofore, there have been fifteen, thirty-day, and season rates to sea-shore points, all good to stop over in Philadelphia, and there will likely be such this year, but definite information is not yet available.

Each delegate and visitor is requested to register immediately on arriving, in the official register, which she will find in charge of Mrs. Theiss in the Inn.

Each chapter is expected to bring as a chapter exhibit, which will be placed in Convention hall:

- 1—Record books.
- 2—Treasurer's books.
- 3—Banners and pennants—college, university and fraternity.
- 4—College annuals, catalogues, magazines and newspapers.
- 5—Fraternity song book.
- 6—Chapter pictures.
- 7—Chapter memory books.
- 8—Copy of local Pan-Hellenic regulations.

Also the delegation from each chapter will be expected to give some kind of a stunt on Stunt night.

A prize loving cup will be given to the chapter with the largest delegation, which will include the following points: percentage of total enrollment of the chapter, age of same, the greatest number from the active chapter, and percentage of miles covered. It will be necessary for all to sign convention register to be credited in this contest. There will probably be a Convention poster.

In issuing the call to the Twenty-First Biennial Convention the Grand Council wish to urge every Pi Beta Phi, alumna and active, to whom the trip is possible, to make an effort to be present. No fraternity can stand still, it must go either forward or backward, and there are matters to be discussed at this Convention of vital importance to every fraternity woman. For instance the Council proposes to give one entire session to the discussion of *Extension policy*, and naturally wishes to hear the views of many women from all sections of the country on this point.

It intends also to take up "The evils connected with the present system of rushing," and discuss them together with some of the measures proposed by the National Pan-Hellenic Association to annihilate these evils. The government of chapter houses, the question of financial aid by alumnae or general fraternity to chapters wishing to erect houses, the question of a students' loan fund, the adoption of a coat-of-arms, all of these questions and many others are to be discussed; hence the earnest wish of the Council for a large attendance at Convention of visitors from all chapters and alumnae clubs, as well as the regular delegates.

It is with genuine pleasure that the Grand Council announces the

presence of two of the founders as the guests of the fraternity at Convention. Mrs. Turnbull (Jennie Horne) has accepted the invitation to Convention and Mrs. Kilgore (Emma Brownlee) is trying to arrange to be present.

With cordial greetings from the Grand Council, and the hope of meeting as many of you as can possibly arrange to spend the last week in June at Swarthmore, I remain,

Fraternally yours,

MAY LANSFIELD KELLER,

*Grand President.*

March 5th.

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## SWARTHMORE, A QUAKER COLLEGE

Through the efforts and desires of the Society of Friends for "the establishment of a boarding school for Friends' children and for the education of teachers," under the direction of those of their own faith, Swarthmore College was founded and chartered in 1864. It derived its name from Swarthmore Hall, the home of George Fox the founder of the Society of Friends. The teaching and management of the college, however, has no sectarian character. In the first charter ten members of the Board of Managers had to be Friends. This restriction has been renounced since the college has been enrolled on the Carnegie list.

The site selected for the college is about eleven miles southwest of Philadelphia, situated on the Central Division of the Philadelphia, Baltimore and Washington Railway. This location affords all the pleasures and opportunities of country life, and very easy communication with Philadelphia. There are more than twenty inbound and outbound trains a day, the time of which varies between nineteen and

twenty-five minutes. Swarthmore is also connected with the city by two trolley lines.

The college property consists of 200 acres of land, including much woodland. The college buildings are erected upon an elevation which commands a view of the historic Delaware.

Upon the campus are ten college buildings. They are Parrish Hall, Wharton Hall, the Hall Gymnasium (for the young men), Somerville Gymnasium (for the young women), the Library, the Observatory, Science Hall, the Engineering Building, the Hall of Chemistry and the Meeting House. On the campus still stands the house in which Benjamin West, himself of Quaker parentage, the first great American artist and a president of the Royal Academy, was born. It is now used as a professor's residence. All the buildings are of solid gray stone except the Chemistry Building, which is of brick.

The corner-stone of the first building, Parrish Hall, was laid May 10, 1866. It was named in honor of the first president, Edward Parrish, who at the time of his appointment was professor of materia medica in the Philadelphia College of Pharmacy, and president of the American pharmaceutical association. Parrish Hall is a large graystone building comprising a central portion and two wings. This central portion which is 348 feet long, contains the lecture hall, class rooms, parlors, dining-room and offices. The wings contain the dormitories of the women students.

Wharton Hall, the dormitory for young men, on the west campus, was named in honor of its donor, Joseph Wharton, late President of the Board of Managers. There are only two portions of the building completed, although the will of its donor provides for the third and last section when it becomes necessary.

The Library on the lower part of the east campus, was the gift of Andrew Carnegie, who provided \$50,000 for its construction and furnishing, and of several friends of the college, who furnished an equal amount for its maintenance. The style of the building is English scholastic Gothic. The interior is finished in dark oak. The first floor contains a large reading room with alcoves on each side and a stack room. A gallery runs around three sides of this reading room. On one side of this gallery there are seminar rooms, and on the other side the Friends' Historical Library.

The latest gift to the college is the Sproul Observatory by State Senator William C. Sproul. The present house of the President has

been chosen for the new observatory. The house will have many alterations and in addition a circular building, 45 feet in diameter is now being built. The first floor of this will contain a shop, a room for storing and measuring photographs, and the second floor will contain the new twenty-four inch refracting telescope. This telescope will be the largest one on the eastern coast.

In numbers Swarthmore is a small college and it is the desire and purpose of the Board of Managers to keep it so. They would limit the number of men students to 250, and the women students to a like number. The wish to keep the number of each equal is indicative of "the cardinal Quaker doctrine of equality of opportunity for men and women." There are now 345 students enrolled. When Swarthmore was founded it was made a co-educational college and bids fair to continue ever as such. The students meet in a common dining-room, and have an hour after dinner every evening for a social time. The religious life of the college students is in accordance with the spirit of its founders. Only students under twenty-one years of age are required to attend Friends' Meeting held every Sunday morning in the College Meeting House. Recently a mission study class has been formed which meets Sunday evenings after the usual half-hour singing of hymns in the assembly hall. Students are also required to be present at the morning "collection."

Whittier Field is the atheletic ground for the young men. Football, basket-ball, baseball and lacrosse are the main sports. Probably Swarthmore is best known by its superiority in lacrosse. In 1905 Swarthmore won the American championship, and in other years has won the United States championship. On the east campus Cunningham field, the women's athletic ground, is situated. It was named in honor of Susan J. Cunningham, who for many years was professor of mathematics and astronomy. In the fall, the main sport among the women students is English field hockey. Class matches and many games are played with near by country clubs. In the springtime out-door basket-ball and tennis are in high favor.

Swarthmore has now at the opening of its forty-first year 45 members in its faculty. Perhaps no small college contains more professors of national reputation than does Swarthmore. Dr. John A. Miller, professor of mathematics and astronomy was the leader of a party of astronomers who went to Spain in 1904 in search of the intra-mercurial planet. Dr. Gilbert Alleman, professor of chemistry is considered the American authority on the preservation of woods;

Dr. Spencer Trotter, professor of biology and geology, is the author of many books on scientific subjects.

Dr. Joseph Swain is president of Swarthmore. He came to Swarthmore in 1902 after having been connected with Indiana University for 21 years. Dr. Swain accepted the presidency of Swarthmore on the condition that the endowment fund should be increased from \$400,000 to \$1,000,000 within three years. This condition was fulfilled before the end of 1905 and the endowment fund has since been increased to \$1,500,000. Throughout the West Dr. Swain is known for his work in strengthening the connection between the college and the public school system.

In this college in 1892, Pennsylvania Alpha was founded and began its history. On October 12 Miss Lucy Maris and Mrs. Zuell Preston Tyler, both of Michigan Beta, installed the chapter. Pi Beta Phi was the second national fraternity established in Swarthmore. In the preceding year, 1891, Kappa Alpha Theta had been established and in 1893 Kappa Kappa Gamma received her charter. Pennsylvania Alpha had six charter members. All of them are now living near Swarthmore and still take a deep and sincere interest in the growth of the chapter. This year Pennsylvania Alpha's active chapter numbers fifteen, all of whom are eagerly anticipating the time when they can welcome to this college their sisters in Pi Beta Phi.

ANNABELLE BOYLE, '11.

## ORDINARIES



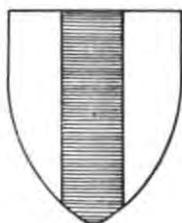
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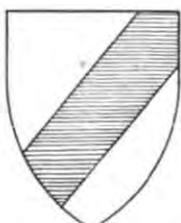
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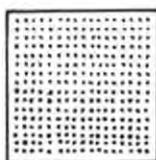
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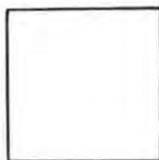
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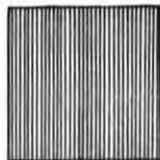
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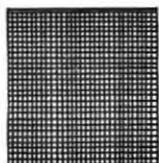
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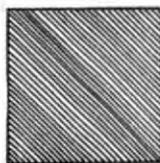
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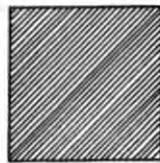
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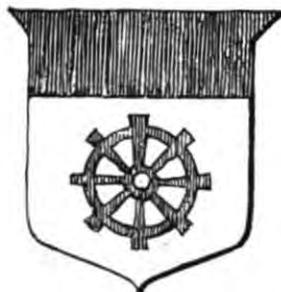
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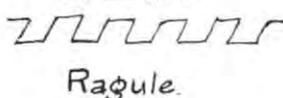
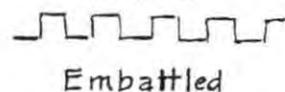
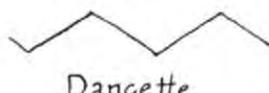
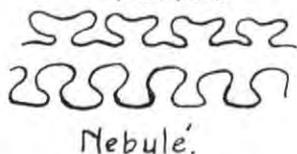
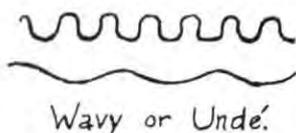
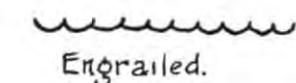


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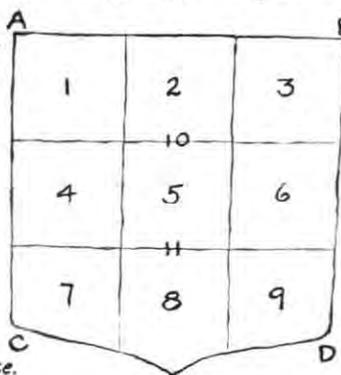
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## DIVISIONS of the Shield, into 9 quarters or fields.

- AB: Upper Margin.
- CD: Lower Margin
- AC: Dexter Margin.
- BD: Sinister Margin.
- 1.2.3: Chief
- 4.5.6: Fesse
- 7.8.9: Base.
- 1.4.7: Dexter Tierce.
- 2.5.8: Pale
- 3.6.9: Sinister Tierce.



- 1. Dexter chief canton.
- 2 Chief Point.
- 3. Sinister chief canton.
- 4. Dexter flank.
- 5. Centre point.
- 6. Sinister flank.
- 7. Dexter canton of base
- 8. Base point
- 9. Sinister canton of base.
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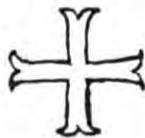
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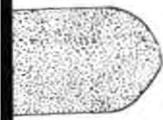
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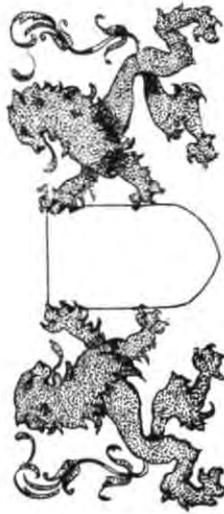
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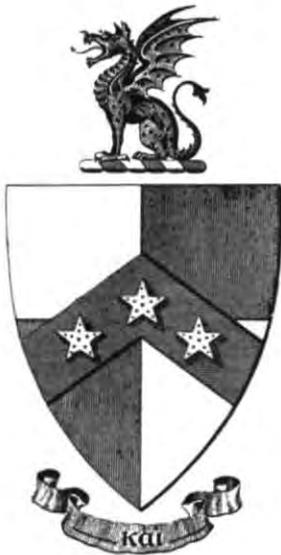
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## HERALDRY

## ITS HISTORY

The revived interest in Heraldry is only a manifestation of that pendulum-like swing of civilization, forwards, then backwards, linking the present with the past and at the same time producing something essentially new. Heraldry to-day, though following many of the rules laid down in the middle ages, serves a very different purpose.

The use of armorial bearings arose toward the end of the 11th century, when the custom of fighting in heavy armor and closed helmet made it necessary for the knights to adopt distinctive insignia to identify them. Heraldry, therefore, originated out of a live necessity. Among the many stories which prove its one time importance is that of the death of the last De Clare who at the Battle of Bannockburn neglected to wear his coat-of-arms. His enemy, not recognizing him, slew him, thereby losing the advantage of taking a valuable prisoner. So much importance was placed upon armorial bearings that instances are recorded where sovereigns used as bribes the privilege of granting arms. Though the real need of Heraldry has long since passed away, we cannot entirely disregard the importance and interest attached to this knowledge of a "gentle heritage," and the fact that it opens vistas into a dark and mysterious age, an age, which to-day is strangely lacking in authenticated historical data, makes it the more fascinating.

Heraldry is but the outgrowth of the vital movements of the times; of the crusades, the custom of military games and tournaments, the elevation of the nobles into a corporation, the addition of the family name or surname, and the practices of chivalry. To-day we understand armorial bearings to be "distinct badges, fixed according to certain principles which individuals, families and corporations are entitled to bear in perpetuity."

The earliest armorial bearings received the right to be borne simply from common consent and were not strictly hereditary nor even always permanent in the same person. Soon, however, the barons who had assumed arms for themselves began to grant them to their followers. Naturally enough those granted frequently resembled the arms of the donor so that in England it is not infrequent to find a common type of arms prevalent in certain localities. A coat-of-arms became not only capable of being transmitted from father to son, subject to certain conditions, but could be willed or granted away, wholly or in part, like chattel property.

Like the ancient Teutonic belief in the transmission of strength from the vanquished to the conqueror, the arms of a warrior could be transmitted to his conqueror. This fact explains many exotic and otherwise incongruous charges. Although in the beginning the arms may have had a meaning, it is evident that this system of heredity and transmission quickly did away with any such individual significance except in those cases where the charges stood for the family name, as three towers in the arms of Tours, or the golden lion in the arms of Lyon, or where in the arms of an institution some emblem symbolic of its peculiar traditions was blazoned.

The crusades undoubtedly exerted an immense influence in creating a need for Heraldry, but the real origin of many of the charges attributed to them is undoubtedly of an earlier date. In estimating the effect of events upon the promotion of Heraldry, it would be difficult to overstate the influence of the tournaments. These spectacular games, perhaps more than any other thing, stimulated the progress of Heraldry.

The history of armorial bearings is generally conceded to divide itself into three principal periods: (1.) The rise of Heraldry from the 11th to the 13th century in which the decorated shield formed the arms; (2.) The Golden Age of Heraldry from the 13th to the 15th century in which shield, helmet and crest formed the arms, and painted shields and helmets were actually worn; (3.) Period of decay from the 16th century to the present time in which the wearing of arms was discontinued. There is good evidence to prove that even in the best days of Heraldry the coat-of-arms was not confined to the armor but was blazoned upon personal ornaments, furniture and weapons.

Naturally as one generation succeeded another the problem of arms became more and more complicated and finally led to quartering or marshalling of many coats in one shield, "a practice when pushed to any extent quite inconsistent with the original use of coat armor," but extremely significant in developing eventually into the compendium of family pedigree which present day coats-of-arms have become.

The function of the herald as defined by Dr. Johnson was "to proclaim peace and to denounce war; to be employed in martial messages; and to judge and examine coats-of-arms." This last function developed to such an extent that in the reign of Richard III, the whole system of Heraldry in Great Britain was placed under specific

control by the establishment of the Herald's College of which the following is an abridged account from Mr. Eugene Zieber's *Heraldry in America*.

"In England in modern times, armorial bearings have been regulated by the college of arms or Herald's College. At the head of this college is the Earl Marshal of England, and this office of great antiquity and honor, is hereditary in the family of the Duke of Norfolk. It is the prerogative of the Earl Marshal to appoint and control all Kings-of-arms, Heralds, and Pursuivants, except those of the Lyon office (Scotland), and through the various Kings-of-arms he confirms arms and pedigrees, and grants new armorial bearings to those who are not entitled to them by descent, but who are nevertheless in a position to sustain the rank of gentleman. The date at which the English College of Arms was organized remains uncertain, but it is generally believed to have been during the reign of Henry V, though it was not incorporated until 1483, by a charter from Richard III. The body then established varied from time to time until 1622, when it was limited to three Kings-of-arms, six Heralds and four Pursuivants. In early times the heralds made periodical visitation to the various provinces of the realm and summoned all those bearing arms and those styling themselves Esquires or Gentlemen to appear before the proper officers and prove their right to the arms or titles. On these visitations, pedigrees were inquired into and arms were traced, and an accurate record was kept of both at the Herald's College. Many of these records have come down to us, and in them are found the hereditary arms of the older English families. The first of these visitations was probably undertaken in the early part of the 15th century, but the records are fragmentary until a century later. From 1529 until 1687 the circuits of the kingdom were regularly made every twenty or thirty years and these records of pedigrees and arms have proved invaluable to the genealogist and herald."

In the United States Heraldry receives no government recognition and no official records are kept.

#### CLASSIFICATION OF ARMS

The Encyclopedia Britannica classifies arms as those of dominion, of a community, of office, of concession, family or paternal arms, and arms of alliance.

The origin of arms of dominion, including those of a kingdom or

feudal lordship and arms of pretension, is often obscure. Arms of pretension are those claimed by a sovereign to a possession which he no longer holds or in some instances never has held. A striking example of this class was the armorial shield of the house of Austria at the dissolution of the Empire. Besides Hungary, Bohemia, Dalmatia and Slavonia, it contained Aragon and Sicily, Brabant, Swabia, Antwerp, Flanders, Burgundy, Naples, Jerusalem, Lombardy and Milan.

Perhaps the most familiar example of arms of office is that borne by the Electors of Saxony, the crossed swords seen on Dresden china.

Arms of concession are those granted by a sovereign to a feudal lord in memory of some noble deed. Wm. I, Earl of Douglas, in 1356 was granted the heart to commemorate James, Lord Douglas's quest for the heart of Robert Bruce. Under this head also came arms of patronage granted to indicate the connection between the lord and his follower.

Family or paternal arms by custom descend to the male heir. The descendants of heiresses can only quarter their arms. This rule has been much abused both in England and America.

Arms of community, borne by corporations, religious houses, colleges, cities, etc., are often adopted from the arms or in honor of some founder, great benefactor or early distinguished member.

#### LANGUAGE AND DEVICES OF HERALDRY

Heraldry is couched in a language of its own and at first glance seems but a labyrinth of technicality. For purposes of clearness this phase of the subject may be divided into the following headings: (1.) Heraldic Language. (2.) the Heraldic Achievement. (3.) Tinctures. (4.) Ordinaries. (5.) Charges. (6.) Blazoning. (7.) Marshalling. (8.) Cadency. (9.) Rules of Heraldry.

#### HERALDIC LANGUAGE

A superficial investigation of Heraldry is likely to leave us with the impression that it is unnecessarily difficult, particularly in the special language which it employs, but a more detailed study brings to light the fact that as a science, it is the result of slow and natural development and that every technical expression has a reason for being, a tradition which makes its continuance worth while. If the language shows a slow synthesis of the progress of the science in many nations, then the corresponding analysis will throw a new light

upon the origin and growth of Heraldry. It seems purely arbitrary to term what to us is the left side of the shield, the right or dexter, until we consider that in the days when the name was first applied, it actually was the dexter or right hand side for the warrior who bore the shield. For the same reason the sinister or left side is exactly opposite to what we would expect.

#### THE HERALDIC ACHIEVEMENT

The entire composition of a coat-of-arms is called the achievement. This may include, shield, helmet, mantling, wreath, crest, motto, supporters, crown or coronet. One of the most important and at the same time most intangible rule of Heraldry, is that the achievement must be thoroughly consistent in form and historical period. The ornate decorations which surround some of the engraved coats-of-arms form part of the hereditary coat.

The shield or escutcheon which was the most essential part of a knight's defensive armor is likewise the most important part of the achievement. Upon it, as in the days of the actual wearing of arms, the armorial devices are charged. The whole surface of the shield must be covered. This surface is called the field because the charges blazoned upon it were originally marks of distinction in the battle-field.

The helmet or helme is the representation of the armor for the head. Its shape varies according to the period to which the achievement belongs. English rules insist that it face dexter and deny to women the privilege of bearing it. The helmet is not mentioned in a blazon but is understood to form part of the achievement.

The helmet borne by a sovereign is of gold, full-faced and open, generally with six bars and lined with crimson.

The helmet borne by dukes and marquises is of steel, with five golden bars, full faced and open.

The helmet borne by earls, viscounts, or barons is of silver and guarded with ten golden bars, but placed in profile.

The helmet assigned to baronets and knights, is full-faced, of steel, the visor up and without bars. It is ornamented with silver and lined with crimson.

Helmets of "esquires and gentlemen" are of steel with the visor or beaver, down, ornamented with silver and placed in profile. With few exceptions, this is the only helmet that should appear in American Heraldry.

The mantle or mantling is represented as attached to the helmet, hanging down over the armor as if protecting it. It is not mentioned in blazoning.

The wreath, bandeau, or torse, originally made of two rolls of silk or leather twisted together, a customary and necessary part of the warrior's equipment, is represented by the leading metal and the leading color—the metal invariably commencing on the dexter side.

The crest originally the distinctive emblem worn by leaders in battle so that their followers might more easily distinguish them. It was held therefore as an individual emblem. Later when it became hereditary and passed from father to son, the existence of this tradition led to its prohibition to all women except the sovereign. In England and in other countries this rule still holds good. In America alone it has become the unauthorized custom for women as well as men to bear crests.

The coronet represents the crown worn by peers as a mark of noble rank. It is often represented with a crimson velvet cap beneath. It is naturally out of place on American arms. The ducal coronet, (See the Washington family coat-of-arms, Fig. 5) is an exception. The crown is the distinguishing mark of the sovereign.

#### HERALDIC TINCTURES

Heraldic tinctures include two metals and five colors. These are gold, in heraldic language, or : silver, argent ; red, gules ; blue, azure ; black, sable ; green, vert ; purple, pupure.

Tenne (orange) and sanguine, (color of cold blood) and a number of other colors have been recognized by some of the later heralds. They are not in good usage in England.

The representation of furs, which are generally classified under tinctures, probably arose from the ancient custom of covering shields with the skins of beasts. The furs most commonly used are ermine, vair, potent, erminois, pean and ermines.

Damaskeening is a very small decoration used to enliven the tinctures without interfering with the effect of the colors or altering the coat. This ornamentation is a part of the shield.

Charges or crests represented in the natural colors of the objects are termed proper (ppr.). Purple is used on crowns and mantlings but not on shields.

In earlier times when coats-of-arms were pictured uncolored, the tinctures were indicated by marking with abbreviations. This is

called tricking. At present, the tinctures, when not proper, are represented by dots and lines. Gold is indicated by dots, red by vertical lines, silver is plain, etc. (Fig. 3.)

The most important rule concerning tinctures is that metal must not be laid upon metal, nor color upon color. This is only one of the many instances which prove that heraldic rules are not arbitrary inventions but necessary precautions to produce a desired result which in this case was vividness and simplicity. (Fig. 3 shows an example of adherence to this rule).

#### ORDINARIES

Ordinaries are the geometrical figures formed when the field is divided by lines, which are supposed to represent the clamps or fastenings of the shield converted into ornaments by painting or gilding. They are called ordinaries from their frequent or ordinary use. When not otherwise designated the dividing lines are straight. Irregular lines (Fig. 4) however, frequently occur. The teeth in engrailed lines enter the field, in invected they enter the charge.

Authorities differ as to the number of ordinaries. Those most commonly given are Chief, Fesse, Bar, Pale, Bend, Bend Sinister, Cross, Saltire, Chevron, Quarter, Bordure and Pile. (Fig. 2.)

Subordinaries are merely combinations and derivations of ordinaries and are less frequently used.

Following is a very brief description of some of the ordinaries and subordinaries.

Chief contains in depth the upper third part of the shield.

Fesse occupies the horizontal central third part.

Bar is one-fifth the width of the shield, placed horizontally in any part of the field except absolutely in chief or in base. A single bar is never found in an heraldic composition, without some other ordinary.

Pale is one-fifth of field in a vertical position and always in the center.

Bend is formed by two parallel lines, equidistant from the Fesse Point, drawn diagonally from dexter chief to sinister base. When charged Bend contains one-third of the field. When plain one-fifth. Bend always refers to Bend Dexter.

Bend Sinister is exactly like Bend except reversed in direction, *i. e.*, extending from the sinister chief to the dexter base.

The Scarp is a diminutive of the Bend Sinister and is one-half its width.

Baton Sinister is one-half of the Scarp—couped or cut off at its ends. It is a mark of illegitimacy. A number of batons, however, is an honorable charge. So general a misunderstanding has existed concerning the Baton Sinister that it is worth while to explain this more fully. Mr. Eugene Zieber says:

"An erroneous impression exists in the minds of many persons not only in the United States but also in Europe, that the Baton Sinister, Bend Sinister, and "Bar Sinister" are identical, but this is not the case. The Baton Sinister is a distinct mark of illegitimacy, the Bend Sinister is defined as an honorable ordinary, while the Bar Sinister is an heraldic impossibility and the use of such a term in English or American heraldry is considered a great fault."

The Cross is a combination of the Fesse with the Pale. When charged it occupies about one-third of the field, otherwise about one-fifth.

The Saltire is a combination of a Bend and a Bend Sinister. When charged it contains about one-third of the field, otherwise, one-fifth. The charges slope with each of its limbs.

The Chevron comprises somewhat more than the lower half of a Saltire; when charged it occupies one-third of the field. Charges set on a Chevron slope in the same manner as those set on a Saltire. Two Chevrons may appear in the same composition.

A Quarter is formed by a Fesse line and a Pale Line terminating at the Fesse Point. It occupies one-fourth of the field and is always placed in the chief.

The Border or Bordure generally occupies one-fifth of the field and surrounds the edge of it. It is always represented in relief.

The Pile is formed by two lines which form a wedge-shaped figure. Its length depends on the figures occupying the Shield.

The Fillet, a diminutive of and one-fourth the width of the Chief, always occupies the lower portion.

A Bendet is one half of a Bend.

A Cotise is one-fourth of a Bend.

A Ribbon is a Cotise with the ends cut off.

A Chevronel is one-half of a Chevron.

A Couple Close is one-fourth of a Chevron.

A Canton is a square figure, generally occupying one-third of the chief and unless its position is otherwise blazoned it is situated in the dexter position of the Chief. It is the only subsidiary that may be placed over the Bordure. It is named last in blazoning.

The Orle is an inner border of the same shape as the Shield which does not touch the edges. The field therefore surrounds it on all sides. It is blazoned by some heralds as an "Inescutcheon voided." It is one-half the width of Border.

The Tressure, generally borne double, is one-half the width of the Orle.

A Gyron is a triangular-shaped figure formed by two lines, one diagonally from the corner in the dexter chief and the other a horizontal line, meeting at the Fesse Point. When a field is divided into a number of gyron-shaped pieces the blazon would be "Gyronny" and the number of pieces named.

An Inescutcheon is a small Escutcheon borne upon the Shield.

#### HERALDIC CHARGES

A charge is a figure borne upon a shield. The law which provided that no two coats-of-arms should be alike led to infinite multiplication of charges. The heraldic vocabulary is exceedingly large in describing the position of charges. Some of the terms most frequently used are:

accompanied; the main figure is surrounded by smaller figures.

accosted; a figure has other figures by its side.

armed, beaked, membered; an animal is furnished with claws, beak, members, etc., of a different color from the animal itself.

charged: when one figure bears another.

counterchanged: when the different tinctures alternate with each other. (Fig. 3).

couped: when a part of a figure appears to have been cut off clean.

erased: when a part of a figure appears to have been torn off.

issant: when a figure rises out of the bottom of an ordinary or shield.

flanked: when one figure stands by the side of another.

naissant: when part of a figure rises from the centre of an ordinary.

passant: when an animal is representing as walking with one foot raised.

rampant: when an animal rises on its hind feet; the usual position for wild animals.

statant: when all four feet of an animal touch the ground.

semé or powdered: when an arbitrary number of one figure is scattered over the shield, according to certain set forms.

Charges may be classified as follows: those which originally had a significance, those transferred from a defeated opponent, those received as marks of favor, and those that have been assumed arbitrarily.

#### BLAZONING

To blazon is to describe in technical terms a coat-of-arms, so that an exact reproduction could be made. The word is probably derived from the custom at ancient German tournaments of blazoning or blowing horns to attract attention to the arms of the contestants.

The following order is employed in blazoning. If the field is divided by lines these are mentioned first, followed by the tincture of the dexter side (except in the case of the Saltire where the tincture first mentioned occupies the upper and lower triangles). After the field comes the charge which lies nearest the centre and afterwards, those more remote. The name of the tincture is never repeated but is referred to as "The first," "The second," etc. If tinctures are proper, they must be blazoned so instead of their actual color. A charge upon another charge is not mentioned until all the charges lying next to the field have been named. There are also definite rules for punctuation and capitalization.

#### MARSHALLING

By marshalling is meant the grouping of two or more parts of or whole coat-of-arms in one escutcheon to indicate family alliances or official rank. In the early stages of Heraldry this was accomplished by placing the arms beside each other in separate escutcheons. This process was followed by the marshalling of the arms of husband and wife into one shield by dividing each shield vertically, and omitting the adjacent half of each; the dexter side of the husband's shield being combined with the sinister side of the wife's. This method, called dimidiation, led to so many ridiculous combinations of charges that it developed into the present method of impalement where the entire field of the husband is condensed and blazoned on the dexter side, that of the wife on the sinister.

The other method of marshalling is quartering, or the bearing of two or more coats-of-arms on one escutcheon, placed according to certain rules in the quarters. A shield divided quarterly is not necessarily divided into four parts. When it is divided into equal parts by lines drawn through it at right angles it is said to be quar-

terly of that number whether of four parts or more. This method is sometimes carried out to such an extent that a single shield affords a synopsis of family history.

The arms on the seal of the Johns Hopkins University (Fig. 5) is an example of quartering. "In the design for the seal, symbols of learning have been added (in the chief) to the well-known arms of Maryland, which are those of Lord Baltimore (Cecil Calvert), the first proprietor (1649.) The Calvert arms (in the quarters I and III) are "paly of six, or and sable, a bend dexter countercharged." Quarters II and IV are for Crossland (derived by Lord Baltimore from his grandmother, Alicia Crossland, an heiress), namely quarterly argent and gules, a cross flory counterchanged." The chief is azure and it bears a terrestrial globe, or, between two open books, argent. The whole seal presents an heraldic picture of a university devoted to science (signified by the globe) and literature (the open books), situated in the State of Maryland.

#### CADENCY

In America it has been customary for a coat-of-arms to be handed down without differentiation. The first son claims no higher rank than the second and, shocking as it may seem, even the daughters feel free to use the entire family arms! But in England, especially in former times a very complete system of differentiation to show order of birth was worked out. The marks of Cadency shown in Fig. 4. were placed in the chief of the sons' shields according to seniority. The wife (if not an heiress) of the head of the house bore his shield alone. His daughters bore his arms in a lozenge. The wife of the first son bore her husband's shield with the label of three points in the chief. Their first son bore a smaller label upon the label, the second son, a small crescent upon the label, etc. The names of the marks of cadency are: (1.) label. (2.) crescent. (3.) mullet. (4.) martlet. (5.) annulet. (6.) fleur-de-lys. (7.) rose. (8.) cross-moline. (9.) octofoil. (Fig. 4.)

#### RULES OF HERALDRY

Consistency in techniques, uniformity of period, appropriateness to purpose, clearness, simplicity and a respect for the laws and traditions of Heraldry should be the general rules to guide us in our judgment of coats-of-arms.

In addition to these and in more specific line, Mr. Zieber's compilation of rules for Americans may be suggestive and helpful:

(1.) Apply the rules of English heraldry in America wherever it is possible to do so, especially as to the following:

(2.) Metal upon metal, color upon color should be avoided.

(3.) All charges and crests should face dexter.

(4.) Men should avoid the bearing of such helmets as designate technically a rank not possessed by them. The use of the esquire's helmet is permissible and advised.

(5.) Great care should be taken against the bearing of the coronet of an English duke, a French count, a German prince or other foreign noblemen. Coronets indicate the rank of the bearers. The crest coronet (ducal coronet) is an exception. (See George Washington coat-of-arms for example.)

(6.) For individual use omit supporters. If belonging to an ancestor they may be portrayed in an original copy of his arms, but upon personal seals, plates, etc., they would be out of place, as they indicate rank. In England with few exceptions, supporters are borne by peers and inherited by the oldest son only.

(7.) The garter decoration, which is peculiar to Knights of the Garter, around arms, should not be used by those not members of the order.

(8.) Retain original marks of cadency if desired, in cases where they have been borne in the family arms for several generations and thus have practically become a part of the arms.

(9.) A husband may impale the arms of his wife. The impaled arms can be borne by both, or by the survivor of either, but these arms should not be borne in the form of impalement by the children.

(10.) If the tinctures of a coat-of-arms have long been reversed in accordance with heraldic law, do not change them. The arms are possibly thus differenced for some just purpose. If they are unintelligibly reversed it is better to conform them to the original blazon.

(11.) Ladies who desire to conform to the laws of English heraldry will omit the helmet and crest at all times and unmarried ladies or widows will bear their heraldic devices in a lozenge. Mottoes are also denied ladies by heraldic law, the sovereign, alone, excepted. In both cases the English rule is advised.

(12.) A widow may bear her husband's arms in a lozenge, either

separately or impaled with her own, but if she marries again, the arms of her late husband should be discarded.

(13.) In the United States, in which it has been the custom for all branches of the family to bear the same coat-of-arms without change or modification, and in which a coat-of-arms may be said to be preserved as a family tradition, the coat-of-arms of the mother as well as the father is sometimes used and cherished by the children, male and female, and their descendants without question. Thus in America, coats-of-arms of maternal ancestors (not heiresses) are occasionally borne by descendants as paternal arms, simply because they have been handed down the paternal line for several generations.

By prescriptive right, it may be considered proper to continue the bearing of such arms. But to search out a mother's coat and adopt it as one's own is contrary to heraldic laws, unless she was an heiress.

(14.) In carving, engraving or designing for any purpose, the tinctures should be indicated by heraldic marks and lines, unless the device is borne proper. Failure thus to indicate the tinctures will create false heraldry.

#### SYMBOLISM

Although symbolism may be considered as the forerunner of Heraldry, its importance has decreased as civilization has increased. To attempt any adequate interpretation of symbols would not only produce confusion but would lead to much misunderstanding, so varied is the significance of even the same symbol. The following list is appended, not with any attempt to be comprehensive, but simply because of the interest always attached to "hidden meanings." The lion, or king of beasts, is the symbol of strength, sovereignty; the eagle, king of birds, is the symbol of vigilance, keenness; the griffin, is physically and symbolically a combination of the two. The owl signifies wisdom; the unicorn, virtue of the mind and strength of the body; the cat, liberty; dolphin, swiftness; the bee, industry; ass, humility; the caduceus, a symbol of Mercury, the messenger of Gods; the olive, peace; hawthorn, constancy; oak, strength; ivy, faithfulness and dependency; palm, victory and righteousness; lily, purity; erect burning torch, life; inverted torch, death; cut flowers, death; Maltese cross, the beatitudes; St. Andrew's cross, humility; five-pointed star, the star of beauty, health; six-pointed star, the Creator; seven-pointed star, seven gifts of the Holy Spirit; eight-pointed star, regeneration; nine-pointed star, fruits of the Holy Spirit, love

joy, peace, long-suffering, gentleness, goodness, faith, meekness and temperance; anchor, steadfastness. The rose is sometimes a symbol of the Virgin, sometimes of martyrdom; the lily-of-the-valley, humility; the holly, rejoicing. The following significance is sometimes attributed to colors:

Blue, divine truth, divine eternity and human immortality; white, divine wisdom; red, love, strictly speaking the love of man to God; green, regeneration.

I have written this somewhat technical article descriptive of the history and devices of heraldry to help prepare our members in the discussion and possible adoption of a coat-of-arms for our fraternity at the Swarthmore convention in June. In discussing the matter we must consider the question of necessity. Has a fraternity any real need for a coat-of-arms? As an ornament on our charters, our magazine cover, or our note paper, it will undoubtedly have pleasant uses. The fact that so many fraternities have already adopted some device indicates, at least, a desire for coats-of-arms, although it of course does not prove the ultimate need for these insignia. We must also consider the matter of consistency. Are such insignia democratic? No fraternity as a fraternity is guilty of snobbery. But will such insignia not be credited to snobbishness? On the other hand no fraternity need be more democratic than the college to which the fraternity owes its existence, and most colleges have coats-of-arms, or seals, which are also heraldic devices.

If a coat-of-arms be adopted by Pi Beta Phi, I would suggest that either the Brownlee arms or the seal of Monmouth College be used as the basis of the device. Mrs. Kilgore as Emma Brownlee was not only our founder, as she first suggested the formation of the sorosis, but she was also our first president. It is believed that the arms of the United States were derived from those of the Washington family. Those of Johns Hopkins University are the arms of Lord Baltimore, proprietor of Maryland. It might also be possible to make some use of the arms or seal of Monmouth College, where the fraternity originated, in devising a coat-of-arms. Either the use of the Brownlee coat-of-arms or that of Monmouth College would seem to be historically possible and proper heraldic developments.

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(The editor has written to 38 editors of fraternity magazines for permission to use copies of their respective coats-of-arms in this issue of the ARROW. It is a pleasure to be able to state that but one fraternity, Sigma Phi Epsilon, was unwilling to allow the

reproduction of the fraternity coat-of-arms. The plates for the coats-of-arms of Beta Theta Pi, Theta Delta Chi, Phi Kappa Psi, Chi Omega, Delta Delta Delta, Alpha Gamma Delta, Phi Delta Theta, and Beta Sigma Omicron, we owe to the courtesy of the editors who lent them for reproduction in the *Arrow*. In all other cases the editors kindly furnished prints of their coats-of-arms from which plates were made. Delta Gamma has lately adopted a coat-of-arms but it was not yet possible to procure a print. Kappa Kappa Gamma, Alpha Phi, Gamma Phi Beta, Alpha Omicron Pi, Chi Psi, and Sigma Kappa have no coats-of-arms.—Ed.)

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## CONSERVATIVE EXTENSION

Probably none are more astonished at the size and prominence to which Pi Beta Phi has attained than those wise women who long ago planned her beginning. To them we owe a great debt of gratitude which we can never wholly repay, but which we shall ever be glad to owe. The best way in which to show them our appreciation of their efforts is to plan for the future wisely and well, with a view to strengthening and broadening the structure they began.

Everything must grow or it will fall backward in the race. This is a law of progress, and is applicable equally to an individual, to a nation, and to a fraternity.

It is evident that Pi Beta Phi has grown thus far in her history, and it is equally evident that she must continue to grow, or run the risk of falling behind. This growth has been manifested in two ways, first externally, in the addition of new chapters, or in expansion; and, second, in internal improvement. This internal growth appears in many ways. In the active chapter, we see a more careful choice of initiates, and more careful training of them in chapter government and in the history of the fraternity, in the belief that knowledge of the history of the institution brings loyalty to that institution. The maintenance of high scholarship is also made more important, and in many cases the efforts of the chapter are directed toward some special work for the college or the outside world, thus broadening the horizon. Inter-chapter relations have also been a source of growth, and here there is room for even more growth. Frequent exchange of visits between neighboring chapters cannot fail to be of much advantage to both.

The alumnae have formed clubs which have worked with and for the active chapters near them, or which have engaged in social or philanthropic work. State associations have been formed which have helped to keep alive the fraternity spirit of both old and new graduates. The interest of the individual alumnae has been revived by

subscription to the fraternity publication, and by fraternity bulletins and annual bulletins from the chapter to which an alumna belongs.

The work of the visiting delegate has played an important part in obtaining all these results, and there is much more to be done in all these lines. The list of subscribers to the ARROW should grow until it includes *every* member of Pi Beta Phi. A campaign should be instituted for this purpose. In the ability to keep the alumnae vitally interested in all the problems and work of the fraternity will lie much of our strength. Kappa Alpha Theta at her last convention decided to issue private numbers of her *Journal* to keep the alumnae posted on such matters as they did not wish to have appear in the regular public edition. This same plan might be followed by Pi Beta Phi to advantage. The report of the convention also mentioned that "the semi-annual Grand Council reports will be replaced by bi-monthly bulletins throughout the college year. Any Theta may, upon request and the payment of postage, receive these bulletins." This scheme should help mightily to maintain the intelligent interest of the alumnae.

Some in our fraternity, as in other fraternities, favor internal improvement, (along some such lines as I have hastily sketched above,) to the exclusion of expansion or external growth. I feel sure that there are none in our entire membership who wish to grow, merely for the sake of becoming the "biggest" fraternity in size. But the question arises, are we perhaps inclining to take too conservative a stand and refuse the applications of some groups whose addition to our chapter roll would bring us added strength? Conservative we should be to a certain extent, and add to our number only those chapters which will give us strength, but are we beginning to look askance at *any* applicants merely on account of our already long chapter roll? Let us be careful not to err on either side, but to plan for external as well as internal growth. I feel sure that we are sufficiently strong and capable so to plan for the government of our fraternity that we shall be able to guide and control a much larger body than we now have. There are, I am confident, many strong alumnae in our midst, who are both capable and willing to work for the advancement of the fraternity, and who have leisure to devote to such work.

Perhaps it might be well for us to inform ourselves as to what other fraternities are thinking along this line, and what action they took on the question of extension at their recent conventions. This same question will come up at our own convention to be held at

Swarthmore this summer, and a little forethought about the matter may enable us to act wisely and intelligently at that time. It is very probable that the next few years will be very important ones in the fraternity world with the opening of the new, rapidly growing western universities, where we have so far been somewhat slow in entering.

Kappa Alpha Theta at her recent convention granted three charters to the state universities of Oregon, Montana and Oklahoma. "Eight petitioning groups were refused further consideration and six petitioners were referred to the incoming administration for further investigation." Their editorial in the convention number of the *Journal* welcomes the new chapters with the words, "We are proud of each new college chapter because each is composed of fine, womanly girls in a strong institution where there is unquestionably a field of usefulness open to Theta. May opportunities for extension such as these always find an open door in our fraternity!"

I do not know of any better standard for us to set up for ourselves; in fact, it is practically what we have heretofore set up as our standard. We have demanded fine, strong, womanly girls in a strong institution where we might find a field of usefulness. What I wish to emphasize is that we should still continue this stand, and not refuse worthy applicants on the ground that our chapter roll is long enough. Refusal to grant a charter to worthy petitioners on this ground is a tacit admission that we are not competent to plan for the government of a larger body, and this I flatly deny. With all the talent that we have at our command, this is certainly untrue.

This idea that the policy of "conservative expansion," as it might be called, is not alien to the internal improvement of a fraternity is brought out very clearly in the *Delta Upsilon Quarterly* for December, 1908, from which I quote:

"We have assumed, and rightly, that those who stand for expansion do so from sincere motives. What it seems necessary to make clear is that expansion need not militate against an improved internal organization, but, on the contrary, may promote it. It is true a large organization requires more efficient direction than a small, but with such harmony of purpose as we should have, this very requirement gives rise to the improvement sought. Nor should we think that we can rest on our past laurels. To attempt this means first stagnation, and then inevitably a falling away from the standards already reached, and a decadent fraternity."

That the other women's fraternities are awakening to the advantages of being in the van and first on the field in the strong rapidly growing western state universities is shown by the three grants of Kappa Alpha Theta, and by the fact that even Gamma Phi Beta has recently established chapters in the Universities of Oregon and Idaho.

It is almost surprising, considering the extreme conservatism shown by Gamma Phi Beta in the past, to read the article in *The Crescent* for January, by Charles M. Moss, Ph.D., (Psi Upsilon), Professor of Greek at the University of Illinois. He advocates extension very strongly, saying that the unoccupied space is being filled up by a numerous tribe of second rate organizations, and that in order "to compass some part of the young life in all parts of the nation and partly to make their own life more vital, more significant, more complete and more competent, some of the better fraternities and sororities might well seek opportunity to enter some of these established and powerful state universities of the west, possibly some well known colleges, and why not include a few among those splendid southern girls? I say 'seek' deliberately, although I can see the air full of hands thrown up in amazement at such a profanation of, well, what? If that suggestion is too drastic, then, if a body of young women from other institutions are heard outside the door saying that they bring the endorsement of the authorities when they come, and ask to have the wreath placed in their heads also, it ought to be considered good policy to take the matter under immediate advisement, not to see how much delay and trouble and expense can be made, but how speedily a welcome can be given. Years and years ago Psi Upsilon 'turned down' a fine body of young men at Williams. Conservative of course. And Psi Upsilon has been shedding tears ever since."

As Delta Upsilon says, we do not want conservatism to become a sign of inertia, but "we want to see conservatism with growth, and that growth not hurried, not rapid, but calm, deliberate, judicious, enlightened, never forgetting quality, and never neglecting the internal development." Let us see to it that our rivals can never say truthfully of Pi Beta Phi that she has lapsed into a state of inertia and of placid self-satisfaction with her present conditions. This is certainly untrue at present, for I believe we have gone only a short way along the path which leads to the ideal to which our arrow points us. Let us not cease for a moment our striving to attain that ideal, and each year will see us making more and more advance.

Let us suppose, then, that Pi Beta Phi continues her policy of careful and conservative expansion, what colleges shall she enter? Shall we continue to follow the lines laid down in St. Louis, and accept petitions only from the institutions there selected? Shall our rule be made more rigid, or more elastic?

Our present method amounts, practically to the "White List" as some fraternities call it. At the convention of Theta Delta Chi, the White List committee reported that "nine universities in which this fraternity is not now represented were of such high standing that if an application for a charter were received, it should be given consideration." *The Shield of Phi Kappa Psi* says—"There are a number of great state institutions which we should enter. We cannot be represented in too many good institutions. The west is the logical field for future extension. There are many universities and colleges whose present rate of growth is so rapid and phenomenal as to compel our early recognition." Sigma Chi's committee on expansion reported "favoring a limited expansion in well established and growing state institutions, and in those institutions supported by adequate endowment," and called special attention to the south, saying, "We feel that more attention should be paid to this section which, in our opinion, is destined in the next few years to become the scene of enormous industrial and educational development." Delta Upsilon adopted as a "standard for institutions from which petitions of local societies may be received the requirements of the Carnegie Foundation for the Advancement of Teaching."

Again quoting from *The Shield*: "Has it ever occurred to those who fear that the fraternity may engage in undesirable extension (which I do not think Pi Phi need fear) that the best way to meet this situation is by directing the attention of the fraternity to fields which are really desirable. In this day of rapid change in the educational world and in the relative standing of institutions, it is impossible that we should stand still and not become reactionary in our attitude toward the college world. The question of expansion should command attention along the constructive rather than the obstructive side, particularly on the part of those chapters intelligently interested in preventing the fraternity from lowering its standard in the matter of chapter grants."

I am inclined to think, however, that we should not confine ourselves, necessarily, to the petitions from the larger institutions, but

should also consider favorably, when circumstances warrant it, the smaller colleges. Pi Phi has always been strong in the smaller colleges, and has some very loyal supporters from these institutions, and it is not the part of justice for us to deny the right of membership in our fraternity to applicants from a college, simply on the ground that it is small, and not a state institution. Middlebury College, supports a fine, strong group of girls in Vermont Alpha, and I think it not at all unlikely that we may perhaps, if we are not careful, deny the privileges of our fraternity to groups who may in the future prove as loyal and staunch Pi Phis as are the members of Vermont Alpha, or Illinois Delta. It will doubtless need much more care to distinguish the wheat from the chaff in the case of the smaller colleges, but let us not heedlessly set aside worthy petitions on the mere ground of the small size of the college, if the students have a high standing in the scholastic world, and bid fair to continue to do so.

In support to this position I wish again to quote, first from President Angell, who is reported to have said—"While the large universities are having this unparalleled growth, the smaller colleges are not standing still. Within the past five years many of them have made marked advance in endowment and equipment, and in the numbers and quality of the student body, and, what is more to the point, they seem likely to make still larger and more rapid advance in the immediate future. Many of them have been compelled to increase their requirements for entrance in order to limit the student body to proportions commensurate with their equipment. This movement is not exceptional, but it is true of nearly all the smaller colleges. There is a turning of the tide."

The *Chicago Record-Herald* says—"The day of the smaller college is coming again. Of course, the special inducements offered by state universities as public institutions will always make them popular, but may there not be some relief because of the preference which many people now express for small colleges. The country has scores of these colleges, and not a few of them enjoy an excellent reputation. They can give as fine a discipline as any of the larger institutions, have the advantage of bringing faculty and students close together, and are freer from distractions than the big rivals."

If then we consider a certain college or university a favorable place for the planting of a Pi Phi charter, and an application is received from a group of girls at that institution, what sort of inves-

tigation should be conclusive, and on what traits in the girls, and on what sort of backing should stress be laid? According to the method followed at present which consists in furnishing to each group of petitioners instructions as to the steps which they must take in order to accomplish the result they desire, the main burden is laid upon them to prove themselves worthy. The *Delta of Sigma Nu* considers that "Careful inspection by active chapters, alumni chapters and officials of the fraternity during the greater part of a college year should settle the matter beyond a doubt one way or the other." Delta Upsilon also believes in "searching investigations as to college and society standing by the chapters, especially those nearest the petitioning societies," urges alumni in a position to do so to contribute their sum of accurate information; suggests that these reports should be sent by the Executive Council to *all* the chapters, and that the statements therein, if debatable, be challenged by the opposition, but wishes the will of the *majority* of the chapters to prevail, perhaps not on the first vote, but that finally the will of the majority should control. Tri-Delta, I believe, submits the applications of each group to all the chapters, and each chapter reports to the province president the result of her vote, while the province presidents transmit to the Grand President the *majority vote* of the chapters in her province. Kappa Alpha Theta, who granted three charters at her last convention, seems to favor action on charters at convention, finding "the frank discussion of all phases of extension and the presentation in detail of reports by those who had personal knowledge of petitions most satisfactory." This is also the practice of Kappa Kappa Gamma.

It seems to me it might be possible, in our own fraternity, in case of adverse decision on any application in the interim of Conventions, (if such adverse judgment was the result of the negative vote of only a small minority of the chapters in that province,) to reopen the question at Convention time, even though it should not be a year distant, and that in the interval all the chapters should be furnished with the detailed information now sent only to the chapters within the province where the petitioners may be. Or, it might be possible for the blackball of one or two chapters to be referred to the Grand Council, or to the Extension Committee, and their judgment might overrule the minority vote, if they should decide it was for the best good of the fraternity that the petition should be granted.

In other words, the power of the blackball should not be used

unless a chapter can show good cause for it. The blackball does not really give to every chapter as much power as every other chapter. In reality it gives the chapter exercising it more power than the combined votes of all the rest of the fraternity, or of the chapters in the province. It should therefore be used with great discretion. It may very easily be the case that the chapter using the blackball may be one which knows least about the actual condition of the college, or the real strength of the petitioners, but which decides in the face of favorable information and the recommendation of the Grand Council that it does not want a chapter in that institution, although it has not sufficiently considered the advantage that might result to the fraternity from the addition.

The Grand Council have much responsibility placed upon them in the inspection of petitioners, and in recommending the granting of charters. It is right that this responsibility should be theirs, and it is right also that the chapters should give due weight to their recommendations. As food for thought, I would suggest that at the coming Convention an Extension Committee be formed, consisting of one member from each province, or perhaps two from the western section. To them should be given some of the work of inspection of the various petitioning groups, and their work should be to keep close track, under the direction of the Grand Council, and working in co-operation with them, of the colleges in their district where it might be desirable for us to enter, so that we should act neither too hastily nor too slowly. I say two members from the western section, because it is probable that our expansion will be largely in that direction, for the immediate future, though we should not neglect good opportunities where stronger inter-chapter relations might be established. Sigma Nu considers that "upon inter-chapter mixing depends the real strength of the whole fraternity," and says that "in establishing new chapters which shall act as connecting links, we shall promote inter-chapter mixing, and *help to assure our internal development*. Chapters should be planted in each division (or province) until every section of the country enjoys the fullest degree of fraternalism, of fraternity esteem and enthusiasm; until we reach a more ideal degree of inter-chapter relations; until all the great centers of the country support strong alumni organizations which will add to the strength and dignity of the order, and which will carry the usefulness of the fraternity out of college with each graduate."

As to the girls themselves, their scholarship, strong personality,

social standing and general spirit of loyalty would seem to be the prime requisites. If there are strong Pi Phi alumnae in the college town, or, perhaps, upon the faculty, who are enthusiastically backing the girls in their efforts, this should count for much in their favor. If they have proved by their life as a local that they know how to "rush" and that they know the meaning of loyalty, that too is a strong point in their favor.

Referring to the dislike which many of us have to entering a field already occupied by some of the older women's fraternities, the following quotation may be interesting: "The installation of the California chapter of Alpha Delta Phi after a long struggle on the part of the Phi Sigma Delta local for a charter shows the trend towards western expansion even on the part of the most conservative of the old eastern fraternities. Only fraternities of the recognized standing of Alpha Delta Phi could enter California at present with any hope of not being completely swamped." (If my statistics are correct Alpha Delta Phi was the last of twenty-one to enter.) This raises the question, is it not possible that the granting of a charter of Pi Beta Phi to a local, in a college field already occupied to some extent by nationals, might give to that local strength which it could not possibly possess as a local? It seems as though here was a rather important point which we are likely to leave out of our consideration.

If Pi Beta Phi is to grow, it will probably be necessary to re-district the chapters, subdividing the present provinces of Alpha, Beta, Gamma and Delta into Alpha Alpha, Alpha Beta, Alpha Gamma, etc. and Beta Alpha, Beta Beta, etc., for the purpose of developing strong inter-chapter relations, and of making it possible for the district presidents to keep in closer touch with the life and work of her chapters, than is possible in the large districts. Some such system will, undoubtedly, be necessary in the near future for all growing fraternities.

Let us, then, in the next few years, arouse ourselves to the opportunities which lie about us. Let us make our fraternity the best, the noblest and the greatest of all. Let us work for her healthy growth in the granting of charters to those colleges where she may grow and flourish, and most of all where she may do some good. Let us make her strong internally, in her government, and let us put to work many of those alumnae who need to have their interest roused, and who have time and talent to devote to the work of the fraternity. The very fact that one is working for an object maintains

one's interest at a white heat. Let us keep the alumnae better posted upon fraternity problems and work than we have heretofore, and thus we shall grow and prosper, and shall produce year by year women more cultured, nobler, and possessing in an ever higher degree those virtues which we seek to exemplify in our lives.

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## THE POLYTECHNICUM IN DRESDEN

### A LETTER FROM OUR PI PHI FELLOW IN GERMANY

A comparison of the Polytechnicum in Dresden with my own beloved *Alma Mater* is not possible, and if it were, I'm very much afraid that my new acquaintance would be the one to suffer. Of course it is not a university but a technical school of university standing. When I think of my own *Alma Mater* I think of the spirit of it, and here if such a thing does exist, I don't find it. The traditions to the Germans are not traditions to me, and so even in the University of Leipzig where one can feel at least the charm of the ages, for Leipzig is five hundred years old and Goethe and Schiller studied there, my feeling did not approach the emotions I felt in Westminster Abbey. There is something in the blood of us Americans which harks back to the time when England was our real mother.

The main building of the Polytechnicum occupies two sides of a square with a large open courtyard of no especial beauty in the center. Yet the three stories built in classic plainness are, from the open public square upon which the building faces, imposing. The number of students registered has long since exceeded the accommodations, and other buildings still farther out of town had to be built for the mechanical engineering department. The photographic institute, housed in the second story of what was once a tenement-like dwelling, awaits its proper setting, outlined as yet only on paper. The lectures are held in the main building and all demonstration apparatus must be carried over and back, a distance of two blocks. A great advantage is that there are few students and many assistants, though perhaps not one of the assistants would agree to this statement. The work of the institute is not dependent upon tile-topped desks or other handsome accessories, but centers about the will and energy of one man, the able Dr. Luther. The daily routine is so different from that in an American college that to become accustomed to it is at first rather difficult. A great deal of laboratory work, for

example, is scheduled for mornings and many lectures are held between five and seven in the evening. This is of course accounted for by the German meal-times, we would say; but the Germans say that school was arranged first and meal-times afterward. No observant, abstemious American, however, will believe that.

College life in Germany is not at all a repetition of American college life, at least to a woman; what it is to the American men who study here, I do not know. To at least one student in Berlin it seems to be the acquisition of some things German, including the language, and a short straw-colored mustache not long enough to have the Kaiser turn. Even when the student in the class room is obliged to ask an American girl to allow him to pass,—the benches are long rows of desks fitted together,—it is, "*gestatten Sie.*" The Americans have dubbed him "German Varnish" but if this particular specimen is destined to go back to America, he is sure to have some of it rubbed off.

The University of Berlin, however, I know only from my two days' acquaintance during Christmas vacation. Dresden I see every day, so Dresden is my life. Characteristic of Dresden student life, is the daily assembling of the fraternity men in the main corridor at a definite time. In fact in Berlin one sees very few "color students" in comparison with the students registered, and even in Dresden where there seem to be so many, they are greatly in the minority,—although they are much more in evidence. We think one fraternity meeting a week is all we have time for, but at least one of the fraternities here meets officially four times. It has one business meeting, one *Kneipe*, one fencing, one Sunday morning meeting,—probably this is another *Kneipe*, and the daily ten o'clock assembly in the lower hall. There each group may be distinguished by its colored cap and by the band of ribbon worn across the vest. All are smoking and talking, probably of plans for the next *Kneipe* or discussing the new students just as we do, for the German fraternities too size up their men. Their yardstick is of course, a little bit different from ours, and being a *Metermass*, it is a little more scientific.

Though I have not seen a single Pi Phi since the fifteenth of August, when I had the delightful experience of meeting one of the members of what was then our baby chapter, Ontario Alpha, I have not yet lost my allegiance to Pi Phi. I do not belong to the fraternity of the green caps, which has for its object the living of a typical student life, a history which comprises a record of *Kneipen* and duels.

As the German fraternity system is as old as the university itself this defending of one's honor is probably a remnant of the time when a wrong could be equalized by a wound. It is quite impossible for me to justify or appreciate the German student's point of view. The student who doesn't have any brave saber cuts will tell you that those who do, think it adds to their appearance, that a student shows his manliness by fencing for wounds; and those who look like scarred veterans will let their "kettles boil over" in laboratory while they stop to explain their system of honor which belongs to the dark ages. Many German girls, however, find therein an indication of bravery. Such girls,—I do not believe they are in the majority—can easily create a hero out of a man whom an American girl would call a barbarian. There is always a Romeo for every Juliet and those who don't admire the barbaric may select the *Student* who sports chain bracelets fastened with hearts. To believe in the existence of such effeminacy in the German man is difficult but the indications are altogether too numerous for us to conclude that it is exceptional. When a slender "youth," with shapely hands adorned with bangles sits opposite me in the library, I picture to myself this same unfortunate in an American college and wonder how long he would be tolerated.

Competitive athletics play no part in this college world. The various fraternities and clubs have their individual athletic interests; some devote themselves to fencing, others to gymnastics, to tennis, or to boating. The only typical student gathering I have seen, which showed the student body as a unit was the *Kaiser Kommers*—an official *Kneipe* in honor of the Kaiser's birthday. From the gallery decorated with the coats-of-arms and flags of the fraternities, one looked down upon a brilliantly colored picture of uniformed students gathered around white-covered tables. Each fraternity with caps and plumed baretts of various shades, made a splash of gorgeous color, offset by the somber black of the capless *Finken-schaft* as the non-fraternity men are termed. The faculty table was presided over by the president of the student body, whose gavel, as is the custom on such occasions, was a sword, brought down flat and heavily upon a plank. The presiding officers at the heads of each fraternity table were likewise provided with swords, which they used in unison with the presiding officer at each announcement. Toasts were given and many *Salamanders* drunk according to the well known German student custom, at the command, "*Ein, zwei, drei,*

*bebite.*" To me the speeches seemed "short on wit" and lazily prepared. Most of them were read or spoken from notes. Exuberant college spirit seemed reflected in the color, the laughter, the music, in *Corps Diener* wearing uniforms of the fraternity colors and carrying bunches of flowers to the favored damsels in the balcony. And I, would ye of Washington Alpha believe it, received the symbol of all symbols for a fraternity evening, a huge carnation, sent to me not by a student but what is still better by an old German professor, who just seemed to know. From the students' point of view this scene is not all pleasure. To sit the whole evening, singing songs, and drinking toasts at the clap of a sword, may be officially proper but it is a deadly bore. An unofficial, unobserved *Kneipe*, where the students drink, sing, and joke, in absolute abandon is much more to their liking.

Another typical student custom was seen when the new *Rektor* or president of the Polytechnicum took up the reins of government. A torchlight procession made up of students but preceded by the gamins of all Dresden, made a farewell visit to the outgoing *Rektor* and a visit of welcome to the new. The students assembled in the open square before the opera house, which is on the other side of the city from the Polytechnicum and the homes of the two *Rektors*, and marched through the main street which is far too narrow for even the traffic. The officers of the fraternities in open carriages each drawn by four horses were followed by their members afoot, each carrying a pitch torch. Some of the students, probably notables, if one might judge by the extra finery, rode horseback. Here one could see a show, that is the pride of the German student. If we have anything to equal it, I have yet to see it. The student is most attractive upon such an occasion and he knows it. Yet we should let him have his little day of show for on the six days that he is supposed to labor and do all his work, he is unattractive enough.

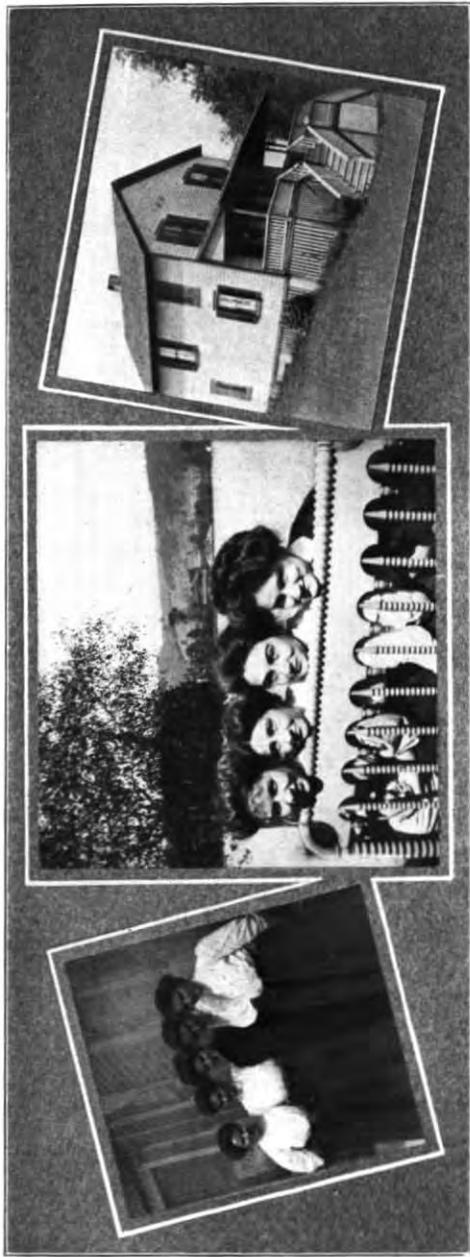
The German method of lectures, as I believe, is not carried out completely in the United States. Here no one knows what a student is doing until the great reckoning day comes. If he does not go to lectures it is his own affair, and if he does not work in laboratory he will probably not be "thrown out." There are few women students in the laboratories, three in chemistry and one other beside myself in the photography. Happily their small number does not seem to make any difference in the attitude of the assistants or of the students, for Germany is slowly awakening to a recognition of its women. But

in this particular Germany has still a great deal to learn. One is sure to question the standards and ideals of a country of which one may almost say, that the women do the work, or at least the drudgery. Another thing the majority of the people in this country will probably learn before they strike the "straight and narrow road" is, that fresh air and plenty of water, taken externally or internally, are not absolutely dangerous. Bath night, like wash day is a great *Fest* to many in Germany, and even in the family of a certain professor, who is at least supposed to be a cultured person, Saturday night is "scrub night."

But this is not telling my sisters in Pi Beta Phi that I get up in the morning, eat my regulation German *Futter* with relish and go to work either in the laboratory or at drawing. In the summer semester lectures begin at 7 A. M. At present, however, all my lectures are from five to seven in the evening, and one of the most interesting and delightful is that given by Cornelius Gurlitt, a famous art historian. His father was a landscape painter of some note and his brother for many years one of the foremost art dealers in Berlin. In a book concerning the notable men of Dresden, I read with interest under Professor Gurlitt's name, his motto, "When I discovered Böcklin." One of the advantages of school life in Dresden is the gallery, which is free four days in the week, and which, especially on Sunday, is crowded with students, soldiers, and transient Americans as well as with people from the country who touch Rembrandt velvet to see if it's real. In fact Sunday is a day to study people not pictures.

I can scarcely believe that I am on the "home stretch;" the time has been so short. I can't say that I shall be glad when it is over either, though America will look good to me and the responsibility of trying to be worthy of a fellowship has caused me many pangs. I shall be thinking of you all on the twenty-eighth of April, the first time I have missed our celebration since I knew Pi Phi; and probably, if I have the price, I shall treat myself to a dark red carnation. And I with my carnation will be at your banquet, Washington Alpha.

IMOGEN CUNNINGHAM.



HOUSE PARTY OF NEW YORK BETA JUNIORS

Left to right—  
 Georgia Hoag  
 Florence Heal  
 Rena Barry  
 Ethel Frouss  
 Pearl Gorham

Left to right—  
 Georgia Hoag  
 Pearl Gorham  
 Ethel Frouss  
 Rena Barry

House Party Camp

## HOUSE PARTY OF NEW YORK ALPHA JUNIORS

All last year the Junior girls—there were only four of us, Georgia Hoag, Rena Barry, Ethel Froass, and Pearl Gorham—talked about having a house party, but I think we were all rather inclined to be skeptical about the plans ever materializing, until the day finally came and we were on our way.

The grandmother of one of the girls, Georgia Hoag, had a cottage at a small lake not many miles south of Syracuse, and this was where we had our house party. The week between examinations and commencement seemed to be the only time we could get together, so we had only from Wednesday to the following Monday, but such a good time as we did have those few days. The weather was not all that could be desired, but there was a big open fireplace in the cottage, so when it was cold and rainy we sat about the fire and read, and even embroidered Pi Beta Phi letters on napkins for the chapter house. Of course we were anxious to get the mail every day, so on days when the weather was bad we would draw cuts to see which two would go to the post-office. Then the two who staid at home had to do the dishes.

When the pleasant days came we appreciated them the more because of the time we had spent in doors. Of course when the weather was fair there were all sorts of things to do, and our only trouble was that we didn't have half time enough for all the things we planned. We had the inevitable camera that goes with all house parties, and got several pictures, with which to remember our trip and entertain the rest of the girls when we got back.

On Sunday two of our alumnae girls, Florence Ford and Louise Coldwell came out and surprised us. One of the girls, Louise Coldwell came up from New York for commencement and we knew nothing of her coming until we heard a Pi Phi whistle, and, rushing out to the door found her on the porch. She was one of the girls who had entered in our delegation, and was graduated the June before from a two years' course, so it isn't hard to imagine how glad we were to see her.

We all felt very much impressed with our importance as seniors the coming year, and such lots of plans as we did make. Evenings when we were seated around the open fire seemed to be the favorite time for "Pi Phi talks." Two of us were girls who did not live at

the chapter house, and I think this house party brought us nearer together than we ever could have been otherwise.

After our good time last year, we are all very anxious to have another house party this coming summer, only this time we hope to have it a little later in the summer when we can have more time together.

GEORGIA HOAG.

## FRATERNITY WOMEN AT CHAUTAUQUA

Among the fifty thousand people who visit Chautauqua Institution each summer there are, of course, a large number of college girls. The following account of the activities of fraternity women during the past two years may be of interest to the readers of the *ARROW*:

The Women's National Pan-Hellenic Association of Chautauqua was organized in July, 1908. Previous to that summer, there had been reunions of the members of the various individual fraternities which had proved so pleasant, it was felt that a meeting of all fraternity women ought to be held to ascertain whether it would be possible or desirable to meet together during the summer. About twenty-five came to this first meeting which was held at the home of Mrs. Guy Walker, Kappa Kappa Gamma. It was a most enthusiastic gathering and plans were made to hold a banquet on August 5 and a committee of arrangements with Mrs. Walker as chairman was chosen. The banquet was held at the Tea Room in the Colonnade Building with forty-one fraternity women present, and proved a most enjoyable occasion. The fraternities represented at this banquet and number of members of each are as follows:

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K A Θ 5.	Z Θ Π 2.	A X Ω 1.
Γ Φ B 5.	A Φ 1.	K Φ 1.
Π B Φ 3.	Φ B K 1.	T X 1.
Δ Δ Δ 2.	B T 1.	Δ Σ P 1.

The three Pi Phis were Carlene C. Barrett, New York Alpha; Mrs. Elizabeth M. Stewart, Michigan Alpha; Mrs. Jeannette L. Bestor, Indiana Alpha.

At the close of the banquet there were a few short talks expressing the opinions of the different girls as to the advisability of a Chautauqua Pan-Hellenic. All seemed agreed that it was an excellent idea as it gave a splendid opportunity to meet our Greek-letter sisters.

As Chautauqua is such a busy place for every one it was decided that the meetings should be purely social—the first to be held early in July for the purpose of becoming acquainted, and the second the annual banquet to be held at the time when the largest number of women would be present, usually the last of July or first of August.

Mrs. Bestor, having been appointed chairman for the summer of 1909, the first meeting was held at her home early in July with fifteen present. The question had arisen since the last banquet as to what fraternity women should be eligible to belong to the Chautauqua Association. It was finally decided to restrict membership to those fraternities which belonged to the National Pan-Hellenic Conference. The banquet was held July 30, at the Hotel Athenaeum with twenty-six present.

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The Pi Phis present were:

Allena Mitzenberg, <i>Ohio State</i> .....	1901
Annabel Potter, <i>Swarthmore</i> .....	1909
N. Elizabeth Mould, <i>Syracuse</i> .....	1908
Carlene Barrett, <i>Syracuse</i> .....	1908
Louise Birch, <i>Washington University</i> .....	1910
Laura May Watts, <i>Washington University</i> .....	1910
Fanny K. Mitzenberg, <i>Ohio State</i> .....	1908
Edna B. Hatton, <i>Ohio State</i> .....	1901
Julie Lombard, <i>Lombard</i> .....	1901
Augusta Tunnicliff-Gorsuch, <i>Knox</i> .....	1899
Jeanette Lemon-Bestor, <i>Franklin</i> .....	1903

The restrictive measure accounted in large degree for the decrease in number rather than that there was any lack of interest on the part of the girls.

The following statistics are interesting: There were nineteen alumnae and seven active members present; fourteen of the alumnae continue to take their fraternity magazine; thirteen belong to alumnae organizations. There were seven from Allegheny, four from Syracuse, three from DePauw, three from Ohio State, two from Washington University, St. Louis, one each from Swarthmore, Franklin, Lombard, Knox, Colby, University of Arkansas and University of Texas. An interesting letter of greeting was read from the Secretary of the National Pan-Hellenic Conference. It was voted to continue

the policy of limiting the membership. Mrs. Bestor was chosen chairman for the summer of 1910.

A cooky shine was held the next week at the home of Mrs. Bestor and was thoroughly enjoyed by all the twelve Pi Phis present.

A Register for fraternity women is kept at the General Information Office and it is to be hoped that all Pi Phis who visit Chau-tauqua will not fail to register. JEANETTE LEMON-BESTOR.

## REPORTS OF ALUMNAE CLUBS

### CINCINNATI ALUMNI CLUB

The Alumnae Members of Pi Beta Phi fraternity living in Cincinnati, Ohio, met at the Gibson House Saturday March 5, and organized an Alumnae Club. Mrs. C. D. Kinney was elected President.

A social hour preceding luncheon was enjoyed and at that time a meeting was set for Saturday May 7.

The time will be twelve o'clock and the place the Gibson House. All resident members of Pi Beta Phi are requested to be present and aid in the complete organization of the Club.

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GERTRUDE HANCOX-CARMAN.

Mt. Auburn, Cincinnati, O.

(Mrs. J. Ernest)

### WESTERN MASSACHUSETTS ALUMNAE CLUB

The following clipping from the *Springfield Republican* tells of the formation of the Western Massachusetts Alumnae Club which was organized in January largely through the efforts of Sarah G. Pomeroy, Massachusetts Alpha, and Anna J. Berry, Colorado Beta:

Fourteen members of Pi Beta Phi fraternity met at Hotel Worthy for luncheon yesterday and afterward held a meeting and social hour in the parlors of the Young Women's Christian association on Howard street. Eight different chapters were represented by members from Washington, Kansas, Illinois, Colorado, New York, Massachusetts and Vermont. Those attending organized the Western Massachusetts alumnae club of Pi Beta Phi and elected the following officers: President, Mrs. Calvin Coolidge of 21 Massasoit street, Northampton; secretary, Miss Sarah G. Pomeroy of 115 Thompson street, this city; treasurer, Miss Grace Hayes of Ludlow. The next meeting will be held in Northampton April 16. Any members of the society are invited to send their names to the secretary for enrollment in the membership of the alumnae club.

## RESIDENCE AND TRAVEL SCHOOL IN EUROPE

Pi Beta Phis will be interested in the recently published announcement of the Residence and Travel School in Europe for 1910-1911

because its principal is a Pi Phi, Anna Frances Weaver, of the Stanford chapter. Miss Weaver who was graduated from Stanford in 1897, has also held a graduate fellowship in Greek and been an instructor at Stanford. At present she is principal of the Girls' Classical School of Indianapolis, Ind. Her co-workers are Mrs. Cora Campbell Barnett, an artist of Indianapolis, and a member of the first chapter of Kappa Alpha Theta at Butler, and Miss Ella J. Weaver of Butler College. Miss Anna Weaver has studied at the Universities of Zürich and Leipzig, and the three principals in fact have all lived abroad and are familiar with continental life.

In organizing a residence and travel school in Europe the aim of the principals has been to combine the merits of an American boarding school with the unquestioned advantages of European residence and travel. In this school a girl may prepare herself for intelligent travel, and without interfering with her regular college preparatory work she will acquire a knowledge of German, French, history, geography, and art in a way impossible in the States. For a girl with social aims the advantages of such a training are admirable. For girls who have gone to college or who do not plan for a college course, opportunity will be given for special work in the languages, music, art, and history.

The school party will sail for Europe with a chaperon the first week in September and return to America June 1, 1911. The period of the school year will be divided between Berlin and Paris. Sixty-five days will be spent in travel. Switzerland and the Italian lakes will be visited. Coaching trips will be taken in England in the late spring. Week-end trips to Versailles and Potsdam will be arranged. There will also be an opportunity to see the Passion Play at Oberammergau. The number of pupils is limited. The terms are: school, \$800, and travel, \$700.

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### FOUNDERS' DAY LUNCHEON AT INDIANAPOLIS

The Annual State Reunion and Luncheon of Pi Phis in Indiana will be held at the Claypool Hotel, Indianapolis, Saturday, April 30, 1910, at one-thirty o'clock.

Plates are one dollar and twenty-five cents. All Phis are welcome. Names must be sent to Fanny Miner, 519 E. Walnut St., Indianapolis, by April 27.

FANNY MINER.

## WHAT A FRATERNITY GIRL THINKS

It has been our custom the last few years to sing Pi Phi songs at the table between courses. It has undoubtedly been a help in learning our songs, and what is there that so centralizes interest and inspires fraternity spirit as singing together? We have had many visitors from outside comment on the number of songs that we know and the splendid way in which we sing them.

*How Iowa Gamma  
Learns Our Songs*

*Iowa Gamma.*

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The girls of Vermont Alpha have discovered a means of keeping the chapter roll in mind. It is a chapter-roll match. We are divided into two sides as for a spelling-match, and we are asked to locate chapters. The chapters are not asked according to provinces, but in any order the censors see fit. The winner is presented with a prize. We find that to stand even for a short time requires an exact knowledge of the chapter roll.

*How Vermont  
Alpha Learns Our  
Chapter Roll*

*Vermont Alpha.*

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This year we have a new local officer whom we call the monitor. The one chosen for this office is a strong, active upper classman. It is her duty to watch each Pi Phi as she conducts herself in every phase of college life. If her conduct is praiseworthy, the monitor reports such in chapter meeting; if however, in some field or other we are criticised by professors, neutrals, friends, or active and alumnae members the monitor waxes eloquent and specific—so we know what she means, and immediately set to work to remedy the fault. It is also her duty to see that our girls "go out" for those college activities for which they are best suited. The monitor has an able committee to help her.

*New York  
Alpha's Monitor*

*Rose Humann-Rogers.*

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Among the seniors, we have girls assigned to the three lower classes—one to each class. These girls act as sort of "father confessors" to the girls of the class to which they are assigned. These seniors have themselves experienced all the joys and sorrows of life, and as lower classmen find it easier to talk to one girl than to the assembled multitude, we decided upon this plan.

*Colorado Beta's  
Senior Guides*

Once a month, grades are gotten and woe be to her who is delinquent. We try always to keep our scholarship up to a high standard.

*Colorado Beta.*

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One of the fraternities has a custom which I think would be well worth our trial. Each one of the active girls is appointed as "fraternity mother" to some one of the pledges and hence becomes responsible for her to a great extent. It is the duty of this "fraternity mother" to get a monthly report of the work of the pledge in her charge; to advise her in all phases of her college life. Each pledge, in turn, feels at liberty to consult her "fraternity mother" upon any question that may arise or upon any matter, in which she needs the aid of a more experienced person. Thus the freshman has one definite girl to consult and the "fraternity mother" has one special girl under her care.

*Illinois Epsilon.*

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Maryland Alpha has recently adopted a custom which is already in use by at least two of the fraternities at Goucher College. This is the custom of keeping a complete file of examination questions given in all of the collegiate departments. So far we have a good-looking letter-file to keep them in, one complete set of examination questions and lots of enthusiasm to go on collecting.

This systematic habit formed by the whole chapter seems to be one of the most useful of all collecting habits, and one from which we expect to get definite good results.

*Maryland Alpha.*

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A chapter of one of the large fraternities has a meeting once a month called the Mutual Benefit Meeting. Here grades, general standing, conduct and such matters are freely discussed. Criticisms are given there and there only, and are given with kindly intent. They are accepted in the same spirit of good will in which they are given.

*Illinois Beta.*

It is the custom in our chapter when looking up the girls' grades in the middle of each term, instead of letting the upper classmen interview the various professors to mail them cards, with a stamped envelope for their return. On these cards are printed spaces for the name of the student, the subject, her attendance, daily recitations, mid-term examinations, and remarks. The professors like the plan much better than our former method of asking about the grades, for they can fill out the cards so much more completely, and then it is more convenient for them as well as for us. The cards are later read and received in fraternity meeting with delight or sorrow.

*Ohio Beta.*

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Recently New York Beta has been called upon by the local Pan-Hellenic Council to consider the question of a specified scholarship basis for all fraternities at Barnard. That question has never before troubled us particularly; if a rushee were a good "all-round" girl and we liked her, scholarship didn't count any too much.

But now that we have been brought face to face with the question, we believe that it really would be a move in the right direction. There are very few girls who get as far as college for whom it is impossible to have at least a fair average in their studies. No one wants a fraternity girl to be a "grind"—Heaven forbid! But don't we want her to think enough of her fraternity to make an effort for it if she won't make the effort for herself? If she is too indolent or too irresponsible to do this, will she be much of an acquisition to any fraternity, or to any college?

*New York Beta.*

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With the numerical increase in the college fraternities there seems to be a parallel growth of fraternity and interfraternity spirit. Columbia Alpha has enjoyed during this college year the most friendly relations with her two rival fraternities, and the preparations for the annual Pan-Hellenic party are doing much to cement the friendship already existing.

Another plan working toward the same end has been entered upon. On Tuesdays and Thursdays, there are but few girls at college dur-

ing the luncheon period, so Chi Omega and Pi Phi have planned to entertain alternately at luncheon on those days, the Pi Phis acting as hostesses on Tuesdays and the Chi Omega on Thursdays. Three hours each week of informal association in this way cannot fail to broaden us and make each see many of the good points in the other.

Of no less importance, we believe, is the kindly feeling existing between our chapter and the non-fraternity girls, a number of whom we entertain informally at luncheon from time to time, and so keep in touch with those, whom, in the absence of dormitory life, we might otherwise seldom see.

We are looking forward with great pleasure to a visit from Maryland Alpha for a joint celebration of Founders' Day, which Columbia Alpha trusts may prove a most enjoyable season for all Pi Phis.

*Columbia Alpha.*

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It has always been the custom in Louisiana Alpha for the chapter to give a Newcomb seal to each of her seniors on commencement day. These seals may be worn only by alumnae of Newcomb College, and so, in a way, they typify the pride which the chapter feels in her graduates.

*Newcomb Seals for  
Louisiana Alpha's Seniors*

*Louisiana Alpha.*

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Colorado Alpha each year just before commencement entertains her seniors at a breakfast. The juniors usually take charge of this particular party but the other two classes are only too willing to help. After the breakfast as a last course each of the seniors is presented with a silver spoon on which is engraved her name and the date of her commencement.

*Colorado Alpha's  
Breakfast to her  
Senior Delegation*

*Colorado Alpha.*

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Last year the custom of giving a Pi Phi ring to each senior was introduced. As a gift from the entire chapter it is indicative of the chapter's appreciation of the girl herself and the earnest effort she has made to attain Pi Beta Phi standards. Her pin will represent the fraternity as a whole, her ring the chapter where she spent her active fraternity life.

*Fraternity Rings  
For Indiana  
Alpha's Seniors*

*Indiana Alpha.*

Nebraska Beta always gives each senior a Pi Beta Phi spoon with the year of her graduation engraved upon the back. This we feel shows in a small way the appreciation we feel for her four years of work in Pi Beta Phi.

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Each year some time before initiation Iowa Alpha's freshmen give an affair of some sort to the chapter. This year it was a six o'clock dinner at the Brazelton House. The Phi table was decorated with candles, carnations and smilax. At each plate was a Valentine heart with a name as a place card. This delightful evening ended with a toast to our pledges of 1910.

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For some years past it has been the custom for the freshmen to give a supper to the upper classmen. Recently we changed this plan and now the freshmen buy, each year, some article of furniture for the chapter house.

*A Custom of  
Indiana Beta's  
Freshman Delegation*

*Indiana Beta.*

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Tradition has handed down to Pennsylvania Alpha several unique customs for gathering her kith and kin together at different times during the year. However, the custom of breakfast in Crum woods on Swarthmore's Alumnae Day kept itself in the greatest favor. Early in the morning we journey to the woods and spread our breakfast upon a large flat rock which is known as the Alligator. Bacon and lettuce sandwiches, eggs and coffee form a foundation for a grand finale of fresh strawberries. A box of strawberries and a little package of sugar is brought by every two girls. This happy breakfast is ended by a round of Pi Phi songs.

*Alumnae Day  
Breakfast in  
Crum Woods*

*Pennsylvania Alpha.*

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Missouri Beta is somewhat young to have any real traditions, but we are continuing new customs which, we hope, will become valuable traditions in a few years. One plan we are trying to carry out is a fraternity play which the chapter gives every spring. We invite our college friends and all our prospective rushees in the city. After the performance

*Missouri Beta's  
Annual Play*

we hold an informal reception in costume, and the rushees here meet all the girls of the chapter for the first time. We design and paint the programme. We always try to present a play written by a Pi Phi or a Pi Phi friend thus making it a Pi Phi play from every point of view.

*Missouri Beta.*

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Every year at the close of commencement week Indiana Alpha holds a reunion. To Pi Phis it has become a feature of that week which active and alumnae members alike look forward to. The "spread" is served on the campus. Indiana Alpha has found that this reunion not only affords a most enjoyable social affair but it also brings her active and alumnae members closer together. The out-of-town alumnae have here the opportunity of meeting the active girls as a chapter. The resident alumnae come to know them better. A renewed spirit of loyalty to their own chapter, is aroused in the alumnae and the life of the active chapter is broadened.

*"Spread" on  
The Campus at  
Commencement*

*Indiana Alpha.*

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Marie Waltemeyer, '08, this year presented a scrap-book to the chapter. She has spent a great deal of time collecting place cards, programmes, menus, press notices, etc., to put into this book. Being an artist herself she has put the book together in a most artistic fashion and the chapter is certainly rejoicing over its present.

*Colorado Alpha's  
Scrap-Book*

*Colorado Alpha.*

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Wisconsin Alpha observes birthdays by giving to the girl who has added a year to her age, a birthday cake decorated with the correct number of candles. The recipient is not supposed to be aware of the fact that the cake is coming but in truth the only surprise shown is by freshmen who are seeing the event for the first time. Nevertheless the spirit of kindly feeling is there without the novelty and every birthday cake holds as much enjoyment as the one before. The writer was unfortunate enough to be born in August and so speaks from experience when she says that her disappointment has been intense never to have had a Pi Phi birthday cake.

*Wisconsin  
Alpha  
Birthdays*

The cake contains a ring, a thimble and a penny, a veritable tra-

ditionary cake, and is required to be cut by the person to whom it is presented as a birthday gift—a long and difficult process, to be sure, and one of suspense.

The evening is usually spent at the spread given by the girl whose birthday falls upon the day and although this may seem rather unfair at first, like many another custom, it has become not a burden but a pleasure.

Although a customary event and an old idea, our birthday cakes and spreads have become occasions of great pleasure and interest because of the good spirit and will which radiate from them.

*Wisconsin Alpha.*

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Last spring our chapter had just moved into its new chapter house, and having a large part of our lot reserved for a flower garden we decided to have an "Arbor Day" or a special time for all of us to set out plants. This day came on a Saturday and armed with all necessary utensils, we scoured the neighborhood and country for cuttings of all kinds and for small plants. The result was that after a full day's work our garden was well laid out. We were all so pleased with this idea that we decided each spring to have just such another day, so again this year new plants have been put in, and before many years, we expect to have as large and beautiful flowers as any other chapter house possesses.

*California Alpha's Garden*

*California Alpha.*

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The girls of our chapter wear dark red carnations tied with wine Ribbons on and blue ribbons on Founders' Day.

*Founders' Day*

*Pennsylvania Gamma.*

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A custom in regard to giving wedding presents to the alumnae has been established in the chapter. Whenever a girl is married each of the girls who were in college at the same time she was, gives a dollar. In that way the gift comes from the members of the fraternity who were her best friends.

*Pennsylvania Gamma's Wedding Gifts*

*Pennsylvania Gamma.*

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Arkansas Alpha has adopted a berry ladle with a carnation design with the chapter and Pi Beta Phi engraved in the bowl, to be given to each bride from our chapter.

*Arkansas Alpha's gift to her brides*

## IN MEMORIAM

## FLORENCE BOWMAN-JOHNSON

Columbia Alpha mourns the death of Florence Bowman-Johnson who passed away on March 6, after a long illness. She was one of the loveliest and most loyal alumnae of the Washington chapter into which she was initiated in 1894. After a year's study at Columbian Florence Bowman was married June 17, 1896 to Mr. H. M. Johnson of Anacostia. A typical Pi Phi, gentle and sweet, an earnest student, a loyal friend, she met a warm welcome from the chapter upon her entrance into George Washington University, and became one of its most valued members.

For many years before her death she was too ill to join in the work and pleasures of the fraternity, but her interest in it was keen to the end. She leaves a husband and two children whose loss we realize through our own.

COLUMBIA ALPHA.

## LAVINIA OAKES-DICKSON

Wisconsin Alpha lately received word of the death of Mrs. John C. Dickson (Lavinia L. Oakes) at Sioux City, Iowa, on February 22. Mrs. Dickson has been ill for some time and was on her way to Chicago to undergo an operation when she was taken sick and had to be operated upon at Sioux City as she was not able to proceed to Chicago. She died there three days after the operation.

Mrs. Dickson was formerly a resident of Rockford, Ill., living there during her early girlhood days. She attended the public schools at Rockford and was graduated from the Rockford high school in 1895. She then attended the University of Wisconsin for one year and became a member of Wisconsin Alpha of Pi Beta Phi. She was married to Mr. John Dickson in 1897 and at first lived in Cleveland, Ohio, later in Rockford, and was a resident of Mt. Vernon, S. D. at the time of her death.

Mrs. Dickson was known to be a favorite. In all circles she found warm friends. And her death is mourned by many later friends as well as by her college chapter of Pi Beta Phi.

## VARA HELEN SAWYER

For the first time, death has entered the ranks of Massachusetts Alpha and taken from us Vera Helen Sawyer. She was a student at the Orange high school and entered Boston University in 1900.

She was initiated in the spring of 1901 and was always a devoted and helpful member of Massachusetts Alpha, not losing her interest when she left college at the end of two years. At that time, she returned to Orange and taught in the commercial department of the high school.

In August, 1908, she went to the Philippines to be with her brother who is Superintendent of Education on the Island of Panay. They had a home at Dagupan and Vara wrote very enthusiastically of their home and work. In October, 1909, she had a severe attack of nephritis. Her brother started with her to Manila but, on account of a typhoon, they were unable to get there. She suffered the nervous collapse which is typical of nephritis and died on October 28th without recovering consciousness. The body was cremated and the remains will be sent to her home in Orange.

Her death comes as a great shock to all of us who knew and therefore loved her. During her life with us at the university, she endeared herself to us all by her constant sweetness. Her work was always scholarly and she was, at all times, a credit to Pi Beta Phi.

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### A PI PHI'S SUMMER CAMP

A year ago this spring a group of Horace Mann School girls came to me and said, "Won't you take us with you wherever you are going this summer?" I was a bit non-plussed and replied, "Why, you would not care to go. We spend our summers in the quietest little New England village you ever heard of." But the girls enthusiastically assured me that was what they wished and so a new camp came into existence.

Our village is Thetford, Vermont, a pretty hill town, half way up the state and two miles from the railroad station on the Connecticut. The stage takes us up and up and we exclaim over the constantly widening view of the White Mountain foothills. We reach an elevation of 1600 feet and there find a level stretch occupied by the one elm-bordered street with a white spired Colonial church at one end and an Academy and library at the other.

The camp lies beyond, on the slope of the hill. We have chosen Turkish names calling ourselves Camp Hanoum, which means Camp Lady. The main building is the Keushk, a rustic pavillion having openings on all sides. This serves as the pleasant centre with its fireplace, piano and floor for dancing. The Konak is an

airy lodge where sixteen girls sleep, two in a room. Then there are shacks and tents, each having its especial view of valley, or pines, or hills. The athletic fields with its tennis courts, basketball, tether ball and track for field day events adjoins the Keushk, and a mile away in the Ompompanoosuc River, is the swimming pool with a beautiful sandy bottom and water of every depth.

We make a great deal of horseback riding, having a councillor who teaches the girls how to saddle and care for a horse intelligently and to ride in good form. Another councillor conducts handicraft classes, last season teaching designing, brass work and book binding. This year artistic jewelry making will be taught. A third councillor leads a group in camp cookery. This group plans our picnics and "gypsy trips." A competent instructor prepares pupils for school examinations.

Each day the bugle sounds at half past seven and breakfast is at eight. Immediately after breakfast the camp duties are attended to, then the chosen occupations and studies are followed until half past twelve. Dinner is at one. Then comes an hour's rest. The afternoon is devoted to sports and swimming, and the evening to folk and social dancing, and games in the Keushk, closing with the camp council, "Kalabaluk." Bedtime is at nine.

This daily programme gives way when we take excursions, such as a four days' White Mountain trip with nights in the Madison Hut and on the summit of Mount Washington, or a two days' trip to Mount Mossillauke and Lost River. More primitive and even more enjoyable are the gypsy trips of three or four days' duration. A wagon carries the provisions, the cook, and three or four of the party. Some ride horseback, and others walk, places being changed every hour.

At the end of the two months' season last year, when the girls were discussing what the camp had brought to them new, one said that besides gaining in physical pounds and health she had become more free,—free in that she had learned to sleep soundly in a tent, or on a cot under the stars, or on pine needles or on sweet hay in a barn. Free too in the matter of clothing, the camp costume being bloomers and sailor blouse. Even the councillor who said in the city, "I think I shall not wear bloomers," in a few days changed her remark to, "Must we wear skirts?" Another girl said she had added to her resources, because one visitor, an artist, had made her see new beauties in hills and clouds and children, and another visitor, a well known

scientist had made the stars her familiar friends. We came to look upon a disagreeable incident of travel such as a balky horse, or the rain, and once even a burning cottage, as an opportunity to keep cheerful for the sake of others, and to be commemorated in jolly camp songs. These incidents from the camp diary of 1909 give a good idea of our life.

July 4—Picnic on Houghton Hill. Bonfire and marsh-mallow roast. Evening Japanese lantern parade.

July 8—A driving trip to Hanover, sight-seeing about Dartmouth.

July 14—Visited by Campanoosuc, a camp of younger boys.

July 15—Trip to Camp Aloha, a camp for girls, eight miles distant.

July 20—Two days' trip to Mossilauke and Lost River.

July 30—Trip to Campanoosuc.

July 31—Trip to Holts Ledge.

August 5—Hare and Hounds Run.

August 11—Visited by seventy Camp Aloha girls who gave a concert.

August 13—Field day.

August 16-19—Gypsy party.

August 27—Finals in tennis.

August 25-29—Mount Washington trip.

CHARLOTTE JOY FARNSWORTH, *Colorado Alpha...*

Note: Mr. and Mrs. Farnsworth are to conduct Camp Hanoum from June 30 to September 1 this summer. Any who are interested may communicate with them at the Horace Mann School, 120th St. and Broadway, New York City.

## EDITORIAL

Miss Carpenter in her article on extension has raised a query which by its suggestiveness, at first arouses surprise. "Shall we continue to follow the lines laid down in St. Louis and accept petitions only from the institutions selected at the convention of 1904? Shall our rule be made more rigid, or more elastic?" Almost any college chapter of any fraternity will tell the inquirer that her fraternity is scarcely conservative enough. In this respect Pi Beta Phi are no exception to the other members of the fraternity community. Let us see to what the St. Louis restrictions committed us. If we take our figures from the report of the United States Commissioner of Education, which is authoritative, we shall find the situation to be somewhat like this. In the United States are 473 colleges which are open to men, or open to men and women. Upon inspection 127 of these are found to be open to men only. That is, there are 346 coeducational colleges; there are also 13 women's colleges listed as "Class A" and 119 women's colleges listed as "Class B." There are then in the United States a total of 478 colleges which any woman's fraternity may enter. The Commissioner's figures further show that only 75 of these 478 colleges come up to our present requirements of eligibility. In 25 of these selected institutions we already have chapters. That is to say, the total possible growth of our fraternity is limited to the establishment of chapters in two-sevenths of the total number of colleges open to women in the United States. There are only 50 institutions in the United States which, considered simply as financial organizations, are at present possible homes of chapters. To the editor it seems as if the question is not, are we conservative enough, but rather are we not too conservative for the proper development of the fraternity.

The fact that the women's fraternities nearest to us in number of chapters have, in the first case, 35 and in the second instance 32 chapters, might lead us to think that Pi Beta Phi with her 40 chapters is a large organization. When, however, we compare ourselves with the men's fraternities whom all fraternity literature credits us with imitating, we shall find that after all we have made a rather sorry job of that imitation. Of the men's fraternities that are reckoned as powerful organizations Alpha Tau Omega has 58 chapters; Delta Kappa Epsilon has 42; Delta Tau Delta has 52; Kappa Alpha has 50; Kappa Sigma has 76; Phi Delta Theta has 72; Phi Gamma

Delta has 56; Phi Kappa Psi has 43; Sigma Alpha Epsilon has 70; Sigma Chi has 56; Sigma Nu has 58, and Beta Theta Pi has 70.

In comparison we do not shine. And yet these large men's fraternities feel that they are not living up to their opportunities. Mr. Wm. R. Baird, the editor of Baird's *Manual of American College Fraternities*, himself for twenty years the editor of the *Beta Theta Pi*, the oldest fraternity magazine, said the other day in writing to the editor of the ARROW: "Your fraternity as well as mine could have three times as many chapters without being weakened and in fact the increased chapter roll would greatly increase its efficiency."

And that must be the key to whatever action we undertake. We must look forward not to belonging to the biggest fraternity, not to have the largest number of chapters but to giving our fraternity the greatest efficiency. Miss Carpenter has indicated how the increased size of a fraternity which one is likely to think of as merely indicating increased number of chapters, in reality is one of the most powerful factors for efficiency by strengthening internal development. It stands to reason that the strength of a fraternity is due to the strength of its chapters. And they in turn are strong in proportion as their inter-chapter relations are well developed. To the undergraduate it means more to belong to a fraternity that has chapters in all the good neighboring colleges than to belong to a fraternity whose nearest chapter is 500 or even 300 miles away. To the alumnae it means more to belong to a fraternity with strong alumnae organizations in every city of prominence.

Logically if we believe in exclusiveness we should have remained a local organization. It is only in a local organization that the individual members can control the make-up of the society. Hence, the local that decides to become a national, has thus decided to limit its growth only when it shall have chapters in every college that measures up to the standard set by the fraternity in question. That is the only logical outcome of the existence of a fraternity and is the great advantage a fraternity possesses over a local organization. Back in the beginning our founders planned for a national organization. And our building must be at least commensurate with their plans.

It is a pleasure for us all to learn something of our fraternity fellow's work the past year in Dresden. Miss Cunningham is too modest to tell us how successful her work has been in the Dresden laboratories. Neither will she allow the editor to make any official state-

ment of the results of her work with Dr. Luther. It is a great pleasure to us all, however, to learn that her investigations have shown unusual promise of creative work, and that we shall soon be privileged to hear more particularly of the first fruits. To Miss Cunningham it must be a pleasure to feel that she has so worthily held the fraternity fellowship. To the Council it must be a delight to feel that their choice was to well made. And to the fraternity it must be a joy to know that we are all aiding, inspirationally and practically, in this modest way, in the world's work.

Can any one supply the Historian, Miss Jeanette Zeppenfeld, Franklin, Ind., with all numbers of Vol. I, Vol. II, Vol. V, No. 1; No. 4; Vol. VI, No. 1, Vol. VIII, No. 3, No. 4—copies of Vol. I—Vol. XVIII are also needed for Grand Council files.

## ALUMNAE PERSONALS

## ARKANSAS ALPHA—UNIVERSITY OF ARKANSAS

Sunshine Fields, '07, is teaching in the public schools at Booneville, Ark.

Josephine Dubs, '07, was married to Thurman Bohart, Kappa Sigma, at her home February 22. Their home will be in Stilling, Mo.

Madge Campbell, '09, and William Aubrey Koser, Pi Kappa Alpha, were married February 9 at the First Christian church. They are living at Marion, Ark.

Elizabeth Nichols, '09, is substitute teacher in the Muskogee, Okla. schools.

Aileen Spencer, '09, is teaching in the high school in Weatherford, Texas.

Bess Jane Graham, '09, is teaching in the public schools at Corning, Ark.

## CALIFORNIA ALPHA—STANFORD UNIVERSITY

Anna Lena Lewis, '94, one of the charter members of California Alpha, died at her home in Saint Georges, Del., on January 7. She had been ill for some weeks with la grippe and rheumatism, but her death was due to heart failure.

Ruth Waterhouse, ex-'06, has gone to Seattle, Wash. to live.

Elizabeth Officer, '07, and Bessie L. Wendling, '09, are attending the Normal School in Los Angeles.

Ruth E. Lewis, '09, of San Francisco visited the chapter a short time ago.

Ruberta A. Roberts, '09, is attending the Normal School in San José, Cal.

Inez Jewett, ex-'11, is teaching in the grammar school in Fresno, Calif.

## CALIFORNIA BETA—UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA

Mary Day has moved away from Berkeley. Her new address is Williams, Colusa County, Calif.

## COLORADO ALPHA—UNIVERSITY OF COLORADO

Mrs. Daisy Davis Carney, '95, on her way home to Reno, Nev. from the East is visiting in Boulder.

Mr. and Mrs. Hugo Wangelin (Elsie Whitmore, '06,) are rejoic-

ing over the birth February 20, of a baby girl little Gainor Whitmore Wangelin.

January 2, a little daughter was born to Mr. and Mrs. Frank Wolcott.

Mr. and Mrs. Ethelbert Adams of Telluride, (Elizabeth Fonda) have little twin girls. Mary and Elizabeth.

Lu Pinger, '02, of Leadville, Mrs. Fan Plummer Morton, '01. and Honor Plummer of Idaho Springs, were in Boulder for the initiation February 19.

Helen Stidger, Mary Downer, Mrs. Laura Kilgore Epperson, Luella Corbin, Ethel Thornberg, Ruth Bishop, Mrs. Ethel Poley Bradbury, Florence Porter Robinson, Wisconsin Alpha, all of Denver, Colo., attended the initiation banquet.

Mrs. Hallie Chapman Collins of Creede, Colo., spent some time in Boulder.

Jessie Mosher of Greeley was in Boulder for initiation.

## COLORADO BETA—UNIVERSITY OF DENVER

Florence Spencer-Rathbone, '07, is improving after a long and serious illness.

Edna Stickney-Post spent a day with Colorado Beta during her visit in Denver.

Elaine Gullette is living in Ft. Lupton, Colo.

Anna Guthrie has again changed colleges and is now at Stanford.

Mrs. Florence Vaughn Meyer has a daughter born in January.

Lucy Bartholomew has returned from Paris and expects to be in college the last term.

In the February number of the *New Idea Woman's Magazine* Una Hudson has a piece of fiction entitled "The Princess of the Lonely Heart."

Pauline Huffine has left Pueblo. Her address is 1815 East Twenty-Seventh Ave., Denver.

## COLUMBIA ALPHA—GEORGE WASHINGTON UNIVERSITY

The Reverend Mr. and Mrs. Paul Sperry (Josephine Shallenberger, '02,) are visiting in Washington, D. C.

Born January 28, 1910, to Mr. and Mrs. Raymond M. Bettys, (Edith Giles, ex-'06,) a son, Roger Hopkins Bettys.

Marion McCoy, '06, is visiting Nelle Burt-Wright in Petersburg, Va.

Ruth Wellman has returned from a long visit in California  
Mary Birch Newbold, '07, visited her parents in Washington,  
during January.

Claire Dixon is again in Washington at Congress Hall.

Mabel Scott, '08, visited her brother at Christmas time.

ILLINOIS BETA—LOMBARD COLLEGE

The address of Mrs. T. P. Brown (Eula Tompkins, '10) is 515  
Park St., Trinidad, Colo.

Anna Ross, '09, visited at Lombard Hall recently. She reports  
that our Avon members are going to start an Avon fund for our  
lodge.

Mrs. Gallop (Winnie Hawley) a former I. C. at Lombard has  
been very ill in the Galesburg Hospital. She has returned home much  
better.

Charlotte Alspaugh, '02, is visiting her mother in Galesburg prior  
to leaving for California.

We received a letter from Lizzie Wigle-Anderson lately, assuring  
us of her loyalty and interest in our lodge plans. We do appreciate  
these letters and we value all suggestions.

ILLINOIS DELTA—KNOX COLLEGE

Mrs. Jessie Van Clute Johnson, '92, is visiting her mother in  
Galesburg.

Mr. and Mrs. Everett Hinchliff (Nelle Townsend) and Lulu  
Hinchliff are in a concert company giving concerts in the reading  
rooms of the Santa Fé Railway at division points. Last winter they  
took a similar tour.

The engagement of Annie Gaddis, '06, to William Anderson,  
student pastor at the University of Illinois, has been announced.

Mr. and Mrs. Corwin Giddings (Grace Avery) of Dayton, Ohio,  
have been in Galesburg for some time. They were at the Pi Phi  
formal.

Charlotte Stetson, '98, has moved from Galesburg to Granville,  
Ill.

Frances Arnold, '95, is spending the winter with her sister in Los  
Angeles, Cal.

Katherine Bagby, '04, of Rushville and Jess Archer, '09 of Peoria  
were back for the Pi Phi formal in February.

Miss Louise Fitch, editor of the *Trident* of Delta Delta Delta writes the editor of a pleasant visit that she enjoyed from Mrs. W. L. Frost (Mary Wiley), and Mrs. Amy Wiley Houghton. Mrs. Frost, whose home is in Sioux City, Iowa, had not been in Illinois for nineteen years. In the winter Mrs. Frost visited her aunt, Mrs. Amy Wiley Houghton in Galva, and she also spent a day in Galesburg as the guest of Frances Arnold, '95.

Mr. and Mrs. Will H. Tobey (Charlotte Ayres, '02), who for several years have been living in Cananca, Sonora, Mexico, have returned to the States and expect to live somewhere in the Northwest. After a visit in Los Angeles they will go up the Coast.

Frances Arnold, '95, substituted in the English department of the Galesburg high school during January.

## ILLINOIS EPSILON—NORTHWESTERN UNIVERSITY

Sybil Davis is spending the winter in San Antonio, Tex.

Amy Onken, '08, and Lucie Glos, '08, were here for initiation.

RuBerta Duchardt visited the Pi Phi house at Champaign the latter part of February.

Helen Spencer, '11, who left college last year on account of illness is with us again this semester.

Sybil Horning, '07, sails for Europe May 21 to be gone about three months.

May B. Kelley has moved to 2834 Van Buren St., Logan Square, Chicago, Ill.

Mrs. Ralph Countryman (Margaret Hubbard) has moved from Malta to DeKalb.

Walter E. Squire, *Northwestern*, '06, who is organist of the American church in Paris, is the father of a fine young S. A. E.—*Record of Sigma Alpha Epsilon*. Mrs. Squire was Carrie Mason, '04.

## ILLINOIS ZETA—UNIVERSITY OF ILLINOIS

Kate Mann spent the holidays with her sister Alice Mann, '03, who is librarian of the public library at Kewanee, Ill.

The address of Mrs. Frank Scott (Ethel Forbes, '03) is 600 West 133rd St., New York City.

Kate Mann has gone to live in Danville, Ill. Her address is 444 Franklin St.

Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Stoolman (Lois Franklin, '05,) have a little daughter Virginia Elizabeth, born January 12.

Mrs. James Marvin Giles (Anne Blanchard White, '07) has returned to her home in Guayama Porto Rico.

Agatha Hart Alpiner, ex-'08, is studying music and German in Berlin, Germany. Address next year, Lützow Place.

Ethel L. Douglas, ex-'10, completed the course at the Chicago Kindergarten school in February.

Kate Summerwill, '11, transfer from Iowa Zeta, has entered school after withdrawing for a semester.

INDIANA ALPHA—FRANKLIN COLLEGE

Mrs. Paul Monroe (Emma Ellis, '88) of New York visited here recently.

Ethelwyn Miller, '94, gave two addresses on art before the Johnson County teachers' institute in February.

Viola Murphy, '95, of Frankfort, Ind., spent a few hours in Franklin with her friends a short time ago.

Bertha Miller, '00, professor of domestic economy at James Millikin University addressed the Illinois State Farmers' Institute at Edwardsville on February 22.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Lanam (Elizabeth George, ex-'05) a daughter.

Mrs. J. T. Hoopingarner (Tillie Weyl, '08) visited her mother in Franklin for a week in February.

Jeane Wilson, ex-'09, will leave soon for New York and Washington to be gone for several weeks.

Grace McDowell, '09, who is teaching Latin at West Newton this year was the guest of Mary Murphy and Louise Carter recently.

Marguerite Allen, '09, is teaching at Rock Falls, Ill.

Anna Bryan, '09, is teaching this year at Warren, Ind.

The address of Mrs. H. D. Lawshe (Julia Wilson) is 1807 V St., N. W., Washington, D. C.

The address of Mrs. Wm. Kirby (Era Keeling, '12) is 2152 St. Mary's Ave., Omaha, Neb.

INDIANA BETA—UNIVERSITY OF INDIANA

Hazel Squires, '07, is ill with appendicitis.

Mrs. Otto Rott (Anna Cravens) spent several days at the chapter house recently.

Ruth White of Greensburg and Ruth Collins of Orleans were forced to leave college this term on account of ill health.

Rose Mary Hassmer who was teaching at Waseca, Minn., is spending the winter at her home in Lawrenceburg.

Mrs. Otto Rott had recently as her house guests Mary Murphy, Lucy Guthrie and Katherine Kenny, Pi Phi from Franklin College.

## INDIANA GAMMA—BUTLER COLLEGE

Sara Patterson has moved from Milroy to 635 North Penn. St., Indianapolis.

The marriage is announced of Ethel Woody, '07, and Raymond Fuller Horton which took place January 22 in Indianapolis, Indiana. They are living at Hacienda San José de Misaflores' Colima, Mexico.

## IOWA ALPHA—IOWA WESLEYAN UNIVERSITY

Mrs. Grace Hancher Beck, '04, of Mexico City, Mexico, has been visiting relatives in Iowa.

Bertha Snider is the pianist for the Iowa Wesleyan Glee Club. The club starts on its tour early in April.

Mrs. Lenore Lee Pace visited relatives in Mt. Pleasant in February. Her husband, the Reverend C. N. Pace, Phi Delta Theta, is one of the trustees of the college, and came to attend the board meeting.

Mrs. Edna Stickney Post of Kettle Falls, Wash., is visiting at her home in Centerville.

Born to Esther Work-Meyers, '06, a boy, in January.

May Stoddard, '07, is teaching in the high school at Ames, Iowa.

May Pierce, '09, visited Beth McMullen, '08, in Centerville.

Margaret Huffman-Youtz's husband has been very ill at their home in Henry, S. Dak.

Margaret Phillippi, ex-'10, visited Clara Munz-Voss, '09, in St. Joseph, Mo.

Jessie June, '09, was married January 19 to Frank West Lester, at Canyon, Tex. Mr. Lester is a banker in Happy, Tex., where the couple will live.

Clara Munz, '09, was married in October to Erwin Voss at her home in Covington, Ky. Mr. and Mrs. Voss live at 2531 Faraon Street, St. Joseph, Mo.

Katherine Alice Lundgren, '98, of Burlington, Ia., has recently compiled one thousand and twenty-five oration subjects as aids to pupils and teachers. Miss Lundgren was formerly assistant principal of the high school at New London, Ia. At present she is instruc-

tor in Latin and English in the high school at Aledo, Ill. The booklet which may be ordered from Miss Lundgren, sells for thirty-five cents.

## IOWA BETA—SIMPSON COLLEGE

Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Harlan (Madge Peasley) are spending the winter in Los Angeles, Cal.

Mrs. J. M. Kittleman (Elizabeth Buxton) of Chicago visited her parents at Indianola in January.

Mr. and Mrs. Golf (Maude Anderson) of Fort Collins, Colo., visited at Mrs. Golf's fathers in Indianola during January.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Frank Henderson (Myrtle Anderson) a daughter.

Mr. and Mrs. Chester Hummer (Inez Park) are moving to a farm near Indianola.

Mrs. J. E. Clark (Amelia Hinshaw) is in Florida at present. She will accompany her husband to Canada again this spring to spend the summer.

Nell Vale of Los Angeles, Cal., was married to Ralph Core on February 3.

Mabel Brown, '06, has been seriously ill with pneumonia but is able to be out again now.

Ruth Baker, '07, gave up her school work in Utah at Christmas time and is at home with her parents in Indianola.

Pearl Hathaway, '06, spent some time in Battle Creek, Mich., in December, with her mother, who was ill.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Krell (Cora Quayle) a son on February 14.

Grace Moss, '12, visited Mrs. Sigler (Sara Eikenberry) during the holidays.

Mrs. Robertson (Evelyn Meek) is spending the winter in the West with friends.

Mrs. Bruce Tallman (Nan White, '09) spent the holidays at her mother's home in Indianola.

Jessie Schee, '06, has been in the West for the past month, singing for the Evangelist W. J. Calfee.

On Friday evening March 4, eight of the younger Iowa Beta alumnae wended their way to the home of Lena Dunning. With work bags and suit-cases in hand they announced the fact that they

had come for a house party. During the evening Lena was the victim of aprons showered in her direction, in appreciation of the fact that she is to be married during the coming summer. A very pleasant time was spent in visiting, eating and in piecing a nine-patch quilt for the said lady.

Mrs. E. C. Leveke (Beatrice Requa) has moved to 1622 Forest Ave., Des Moines.

## IOWA GAMMA—IOWA STATE COLLEGE

The Misses Fannie, Elmina and Alda Wilson entertained Jennie Thornburg, *Cornell*, '93, during the New York Grand Opera season.

A woman's suffrage party was organized at the Hotel Martha Washington, in New York City on January 15. The new organization, which is announced as a regular political party, will have its permanent headquarters in the Metropolitan Life Building. Whenever the men candidates, set up by the existing political parties, refuse to welcome or endorse the principles of woman's suffrage, the new suffrage party will put up other and more sympathetic men as candidates in their stead. The permanent chairman for the party elected is Mrs. Carrie Chapman Catt, '80. The chairman for the Bronx is a former president of Kappa Kappa Gamma.

Alice Zimmerman has written a book entitled "Woman Suffrage in Many Lands," with a foreword by Mrs. C. Chapman Catt, '80, president of the International Suffrage Alliance.—*Philadelphia Press*.

Mrs. S. A. Beach (Norma Hainer, '87) entertained the alumnae chapter and the eight seniors of the active chapter at a most delightful dinner party.

Keo Anderson, '05, visited the chapter for a few days during March.

Margaret Stanton (Wisconsin Alpha) leaves soon for Boston from which place she will sail for Europe.

Louise Rowe, '04, is visiting at St. Elmo, Tenn.

Emma Leonard, '07, and Mr. Walter E. Packard, '07, Beta Theta Pi, were married at Miss Leonard's home in Waukee, Iowa, December 20, 1909. They are now located in El Centro, Cal., where Mr. Packard is engaged in soil experiment work for the California Experiment Station.

Mrs. W. J. Sievers (Lucetta Cameron, ex-'11) has been spending a few days with us.

The chapter has been enjoying a short visit from Mae Reed, ex-'12. Mrs. Charles E. Heston (Jennie Bechtle) is now living at 54 Livingston St., Brooklyn, N. Y.

## IOWA ZETA—IOWA STATE UNIVERSITY

On December 31 Madge Langstaff, ex-'10, was married to Dr. George Bemis, *Iowa*, '09. Dr. Bemis is a member of Sigma Chi and is now practicing in Hawarden, Iowa.

Edna Boerner, '05, is to be married on March 16 to Mr. E. S. Rose, a member of Sigma Chi and a graduate of the College of Pharmacy in '04.

Clara Stoltenberg, ex-'10, is spending the winter in California.

Marguerite Moore, '08, left the first of February for a trip around the world.

Miss Lucy Wilson of Illinois Zeta visited us at the time of the Junior "Prom.", as did also Miss Shirley Storm of Iowa Gamma.

Helen Walburn, '09, is teaching in the high school at Shenandoah.

Agnes Phenev, '10, is teaching in Council Bluffs.

Mrs. Mabel Bryce Roark of Indiana Beta visited the chapter for a few days in February.

We enjoyed a visit from Ella Ham, one of our charter members, during the latter part of January.

On February 10 Ella Ham, '84, was married to Mr. Frank B. Robinson, at Cedar Rapids, Iowa. Their address is 1112 South Walnut St., Spokane, Wash.

Mrs. Edward F. White (Emma Eaton, Iowa Zeta) who is prominent in woman's club circles of Indianapolis and among Sunday school workers, will leave in a fortnight for a four months' cruise on the Mediterranean and a trip to the Holy Land. Leaving here March 15 Mrs. White will join a large party from Cincinnati and they will sail from Boston March 24 on the Athena. During the travels Mrs. White will give a number of lectures on the countries which they are visiting. Mrs. White has made a special study of the Egyptian hieroglyphics and while the party is in Egypt she will give a lecture on this subject. Mrs. White is president of the Present Day club.—*Indianapolis Star*.

In the January number of *Country Life in America* Julia E. Rogers, '92, has two articles: "A Few Bird Neighbors" and "Life-saving feats of Tree Roots."

Mrs. Henry G. Cox has moved from Iowa City to 1501 South 29th St., Omaha, Neb.

The January number of the *Wyoming School Journal* contains an article by Dr. Grace R. Hebard, '82, on "Minimum Salary and State Aid." This is an interesting report that had been submitted to the Wyoming superintendents' and principals' round table conference held in connection with the state teachers' association.

## IOWA LAMBDA—CALLANAN COLLEGE

Mrs. Wm. E. Nichols (Florence Gillette) has moved to 35 East 65th St., New York City.

## KANSAS ALPHA—KANSAS UNIVERSITY

Mrs. Josephine Miles Woodward is visiting her sister, Mrs. Lena Miles March in Lawrence.

Bernice Taber recently visited at the chapter house.

Lottie Fuller came back for the freshman farce.

The engagement of Bernice Taber to Prof. Van der Vries of the University of Kansas has been announced.

## LOUISIANA ALPHA—NEWCOME COLLEGE

The engagement of Hélène Maury, ex-'07, to Ike Stauffer has been announced. The wedding will take place in June.

Celia Rainy has received her diploma from the New Orleans Training School for Nurses.

Alba Beauregard-Richardson has a daughter, born in February.

Pauline Curran-Perkins has a daughter, born in December.

May Logan-Monroe is spending some time in New York

We enjoyed very much seeing Margaret Hankins, Colorado Alpha, who was here for the carnival.

Lucy Elliott of Highlands, N. C., has been visiting in New Orleans.

Celeste Eshleman is visiting her sister in New York.

Carrie Hopkins was entertained by Colorado Beta during her stay in Denver during October and November.

Blanche Hopkins-Pickens has a son, born in July.

## MARYLAND ALPHA—GOUCHER COLLEGE

February 5 the chapter was delightfully entertained by a patroness, Mrs. Edward Janney.

Louise Van Sant, '08, who is teaching in Washington, D. C., visited the chapter in January.

Louise Weber, '09, spent several weeks in Baltimore during February.

Annabelle Miller, '09, spent a few days with Sara Porter, '10, and Mrs. Isabelle Drury Heubeck, '09.

Marguerite Fenderick, ex-'10, was married to Walter Nichol, of Pittsburg, Pa.

February 24 Mrs. Isabel Drury-Heubeck, '09, entertained the chapter at her home.

#### MASSACHUSETTS ALPHA—BOSTON UNIVERSITY

Harriette E. O'Donald, ex-'07, was married to Mr. Henry William Holbrook, Jr., on September 27, 1909 in the Cathedral of St. John the Divine, New York City. Mr. and Mrs. Holbrook are now at home at 441 West 151st St., New York.

Anna Robinson-Nickerson has just accompanied her husband on an extended trip to the Pacific coast. En route, she visited several Pi Phi chapters.

The Rev. and Mrs. Millard Lyman Robinson (Marion Bean, '05) are the proud parents of a little daughter, Ruth Louise, who entered their family circle in December.

Annie L. Jones' address is West Springfield, Mass.

Sarah G. Pomeroy, '07, has the leading story "When Mother Pretended" in the Christmas number of the *Congregationalist*.

The engagement is announced of Rena Stacy Oliver, '09, to Richard Howes Wheeler, *Rhode Island State College of Mechanic Arts*, '10. Mr. Wheeler is a son of the Rev. Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Wheeler of Brockton, Mass.

#### MICHIGAN ALPHA—HILLSDALE COLLEGE

On February 11 Alpha Tau Omega entertained the active chapter of Pi Beta Phi by a sleighride to the home of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Baker (Florence Meyers) at Reading, Mich.

Mrs. Lutie Meyers-De Yoe, '00, is the mother of a daughter, Gladys, born January 15.

Jennie Updyke, '04, was married to Mr. Wm. Beers, Alpha Tau Omega, January 1. Her address is 39 Wyoming Ave., Billings, Mont.

Mrs. Frank Baker (Florence Meyers) of Reading, Mich., visited the chapter January 21.

Mrs. J. W. Keyes (Zoe Leonard) has removed from Marysville, Ohio to East 1214 16th Ave., Spokane, Wash.

Alice Satterthwaite, '09, was with us for initiation on February 12.

Flossie Whitney, '03, instructor in music at Defiance, Ohio, was in Hillsdale a few days during the month of January.

Ellen Kerman, who is teaching at Jonesville, Mich., visited the chapter for initiation on February 12.

Nineteen of the active chapter attended the Intercollegiate Oratorical contest at Lansing, Mich., March 4. We were delightfully entertained at dinner on that day by Mrs. Katherine Cook Sloan who lives at 316 Kalamazoo St., Lansing.

Edith M. Wagstaff, who teaches in the public schools of White Plains, was confined to her home at Pulteney, N. Y., for some time after the holidays, owing to an attack of bronchitis.

Polly E. Branch who is studying art in Chicago may be addressed there at 288 Michigan Ave.

#### MICHIGAN BETA—UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Sharkey (Lois Rix, '10) in January, a son.

Frances Foster, '97, and Lenore Smith Wilson, '00, visited the chapter March 5.

Mr. and Mrs. John Bryant (Helen Spier, '04) took a pleasant trip to Florida in February.

Caroline Edwards, '09, spent the Christmas holidays in the east.

#### MISSOURI ALPHA—UNIVERSITY OF MISSOURI

Jean McCune visited the chapter last semester.

Dorothy Talbot of Kansas City, Mo., is the guest of Mrs. John Sykes (Lillian Johnson).

Amanda Painter was our guest during our mid-semester examination.

Lucille Lawson, now Mrs. Hall of Evanston, Ill., attended the Pan-Hellenic banquet given last fall at the close of the annual meeting of the National Pan-Hellenic Conference.

## MISSOURI BETA—WASHINGTON UNIVERSITY

Lois Tucker, '13, has left college for an extensive western trip with her parents.

Anna Dierfeld, '11, was married to Stratford Morton, *Washington*, Beta Theta Pi, on March 3. Their address will be 6146 Waterman Ave., St. Louis, Mo.

Julia McDaniel has left college because of the illness of her grandmother. Her address is Kerens, Tex., R. Route, Box 66.

Virginia Harsh, '08, is teaching in the Wellston high school.

## NEBRASKA BETA—UNIVERSITY OF NEBRASKA

A daughter, Helen, was born March 3 to Mr. and Mrs. Homer McAnulty (Margaret McLucus, '06.)

Mrs. Howard Kirkpatrick (Vera Wattles) is spending a couple of months in southern California. Soon after her return she will sail for a summer abroad.

Lennie Stuart and her mother are traveling through Europe, Egypt, and the Holy Land. They expect to be gone about five months.

Mrs. D. M. Sterns (Winifred Howell, '04) spent several weeks in Lincoln visiting friends.

Edna Scott and Mr. Allen J. Chantry, Jr., were married January 1. At home at Hotel Puritan, Commonwealth Ave., Boston.

Eva Blanche Carscadden and Mr. Jeffe Everett Wilson were married January 19. Their home is in Fort Collins, Colo.

## NEW YORK ALPHA—SYRACUSE UNIVERSITY

Florence Warner, '09, is teaching at Stillwater, N. Y.

Ada Meyer, '09, has a position in Franklin high school.

Anna Magee, '09, is teaching at Fort Edward, N. Y.

Mildred Dunham, '09, is teaching at Portville, N. Y.

The engagement of Dora Millen, '08, to Howard Hoffman of Syracuse has been announced. The alumnae club gave a cooky shine on February 7 in honor of Miss Millen.

Carlene Barrett, '08, and Bessie Dudley, ex-'11, are in Mechanics Institute, Rochester, N. Y.

Florence Heal, '09, is at Columbia University.

Miss Esther Crawford, '87, of Iowa State College, has accepted the position of head cataloguer at Syracuse University.

Mrs. Lonnelle Walker-Darling, '08, of South Bend, S. D., visited the chapter recently.

Laura Durand, '09, has a position as librarian at Attleboro, Mass.

Mrs. Cora Scott Doty of Brooklyn, N. Y., has received calls from Myrta Harrington of Akron, N. Y., and Gertrude Bauer, Syracuse.

Marion E. Barnhart, '06, has left Syracuse and is now living at 1640 West 25th St., Los Angeles, Cal.

The address of Mrs. Charles D. Cobb (Ella Rogerson) is 910 East 40th Ave., Seattle Wash.

New York Alpha announces the pledging of Thetis Petty, '10, of Essex, N. Y.

Marguerite Sloan, ex-'12, has recently told some of our Pi Phis of her engagement to Mr. Fonda of Fonda, N. Y.

#### NEW YORK BETA—BARNARD COLLEGE

The active chapter was very happy to have Julia Freed, '07, Ella Reaney, ex-'06, Sophie Parsons Woodman, '07, Bessie Beers, '08, and Maude Klein, '08, at their last initiation on December 25, 1909.

Bessie L. Lewis, '06, whose address is 511 Westfield Ave., Westfield, N. J., is teaching in the Grant School at Cranford, N. J.

Mrs. F. W. Schaefer (Ida Lewis, '06) has lately returned to her home in Nyack, N. Y., after spending a year abroad. She and her husband spend most of the time in Wiesbaden, Germany, but last winter they were in Italy, just after the earthquake.

Mary Matilda Wadsworth, ex-'09, was married on New Year's Day to Dr. Glenn Freeman Reed. After March 1 Dr. and Mrs. Reed are at home at 226 South 6th St., Council Bluffs, Iowa.

#### OHIO BETA—OHIO STATE UNIVERSITY

Ruth O. Wilson, '09, is spending the winter in Cuba and Palm Beach, Fla.

The engagement has been announced of Ruth J. Clarke, ex-'10, to Edgar W. Seeds, *Ohio State*, '09 Phi Delta Theta.

Helen Bertram Smith, '09, left March 8 for a two months' visit in Chattanooga, Tenn.

Jeannette Logan, ex-'10, attended the Junior Week festivities at Kenyon College.

The engagement of Vera McAlpine, ex-'07, to Robert Zeener,

*Cornell*, Phi Gamma Delta, has been announced. The wedding to take place in June.

Margaret Wilcox, '09, has returned from a two months' visit in Chicago, New Orleans, Florida and Cuba.

Nell Aylsworth, ex-'10, has been visiting friends in Durham, N. C.

The engagement of Bertha Rankin, *Wellesley*, '09, to J. Edgar Kinney, *Ohio State*, '10, Delta Tau Delta, has been announced.

Mrs. Elizabeth Campbell Kyle, Iowa Gamma, has moved to Washington Court House, Ohio.

A son has been born to Blanche Moss-Connolley, '96.

Madge Wilson-Stevenson, '08, is spending the winter in Florida.

#### ONTARIO ALPHA—UNIVERSITY OF TORONTO

Muriel Oakley, '07, is teaching in the Collegiate Institute in Sarnia, Ont.

The engagement of Ethelwyn Bradshaw, '08, to Angus C. Cameron, '05, *Toronto*, is announced. They will reside in Port Perry, Ont.

The engagement of Kathleen Ireland, '09, to Marmaduke Long has been announced. The marriage will take place in June and the couple will make their home in Winnepeg, Manitoba.

#### PENNSYLVANIA ALPHA—SWARTHMORE COLLEGE

Mrs. Herman Conrow (Emma Hutchinson, '95) of Moorestown, N. J., will give a recital at college on March 12.

Mrs. José Roman Fernandez Savage (Mary Elizabeth Hutchinson, ex-'97) of San Juan, Porto Rico, will come to the States in April to spend several months with her family at Hempstead, Long Island.

The engagement of Edith Spencer Lewis, '06, and Barclay White, *Swarthmore*, '06, Delta Upsilon, is announced.

Anna F. T. Pettit, '06, has visited the chapter several times this month.

Flora May Boyle, ex-'07, has been visiting her sister, Mrs. B. Carl McClure (Clara Louise Boyle, ex-'06) of Brooklyn, N. Y., for several weeks.

Edith Spencer Lewis, '06, visited the chapter recently.

Anna Frances Pettit, '06, gave a linen shower for Edith Spencer Lewis on Saturday, March 5.

Beatrice Victory, '07, has been appointed head of the French and German department of the Chester high school, Chester, Pa.

Hazel Davis, ex-'07, is visiting Edith Bunting, '08, of Chester, Pa.

Lucretia Shoemaker, '09, is taking a course in cooking at Drexel Institute, Philadelphia.

Bessie Bew, ex-'11, will spend the spring in Florida.

The engagement of Anna Elizabeth Stubbs, '09, and Walter Groff of London Grove is announced.

Mrs. Stanley Murdock (Elizabeth Carter, '06) has moved to 10937 Detroit Ave., Cleveland, Ohio.

## PENNSYLVANIA BETA—BUCKNELL COLLEGE

Mrs. Llewellyn Phillips (Jennie Davis, '01), our alumna Pan-Hellenic representative, expects to accompany her husband on a six months' tour through Germany, England, and Wales. Professor and Mrs. Phillips will leave about March 30.

The engagement of Grace Slifer, '00, and Martin Linnaeus Drum, '02, assistant professor of mathematics at Bucknell, was announced at the former's home at Christmas time. Miss Slifer has been on the Institute faculty for several years and her place there will not be easy to fill. We shall be glad to feel, however, that Lewisburg will continue to be her home.

Mrs. Edward Burrowes (Helen Buoy, '02) has returned from Joliet, Ill. and is living in Milton. We are glad to welcome her to our alumnae club.

Lila Long, '03, of the Williamsport high school faculty, came down to see us the latter part of February.

Mrs. Dann (Edna Innes) is the happy mother of a little Pi Phi.

Claire Conway, who is teaching in the high school at Nanticoke, visited us in February.

The engagement of Ursula Parmley, '07, to George Washington Leach, *Bucknell*, Sigma Alpha Epsilon, has been announced. The wedding will take place in June.

Mrs. George and Mrs. Frank Clinger, both Maryland Alpha alumnae, now members of the Lewisburg alumnae club, have recently moved into their new homes in Milton, Pa.

Dana Bower, '08, and Mae Jones, '08, expect to come back for commencement and then go on to convention.

Margaret Chappell, ex-'11, spent a week with us in February.

Professor and Mrs. Perrine (Grace B Roberts, '02) spent the Christmas vacation with friends in Philadelphia.

Dr. Mary M. Wolfe, '96, for the past nine years chief resident physician of the women's department, Pennsylvania State Hospital at Norristown, has opened a sanitarium at "Stonyhurst," corner of Frankford and Solly Avenues, Holmesburg, Pa.

Grace Ethel Watkins, '10, is teaching in the public schools of Peckville, Pa.

The chapter sympathizes with Rose and Alice Hartley who are doubly bereft in the recent deaths of their father and their uncle.

Priscilla R. Hardesty is living at 440 East 57th St., New York City.

Mildred Cathers, Verna Whitaker, Helen Hare, Mabel Johnson, Ruby Pierson, Olive Long, Suzanne Snyder, Florence Clum, Helen Levegood, Ada Brooks, and Gretchen Radack of the active chapter will attend convention. Mae Jones, Dana Bower, Mary Seaman, Nellie Johnson, Edna Seaman, Bess Harpel, Amy Bollinger, Frances Chaffee, Grace Slifer, and Mary Bartol-Theiss, of our alumnae, will also attend convention.

Dr. Mary M. Wolfe, '96, has been appointed lecturer on psychiatry at the Woman's Medical College of Philadelphia.

Mary G. Stanton, '07, with a group of friends from Stetson University, spent her Christmas vacation in Havana, Cuba.

Iza Martin, '00, sailed January 15 on the Main of the North German Lloyd from Baltimore. She expects to spend the winter in Germany, attending lectures at the Universities of Bremen and Berlin.

Amy V. Bollinger, '09, recently visited the chapter, as did Ursula D. Parmeley, '07, and Missouri Wolfgang, ex-'10.

"Why Women Go Crazy" is the title of an article in the Philadelphia *North American* for February 13 written by Dr. Mary M. Wolfe, '96.

#### PENNSYLVANIA GAMMA—DICKINSON COLLEGE

Delora Armstrong, '06, is doing settlement work in New Haven, Conn.

Mary Hoover, '07, was obliged to give up training in the Presbyterian Hospital in New York City on account of the illness of her mother.

Edith Super, '03, is doing six months' of special work as a nurse in the Woman's Hospital, Philadelphia.

Born to Helen Wright-Watson, '03, in February a son.

Bess Craighead, '01, has resumed her duties after a month of illness.

Sara Marvel-Coles, '00, Annie O'Brien, '08, Mary Leamy, '09, Mabel Kirk, '05, and Edith Super, '03, have said definitely that they will attend the convention and many more alumnae are expected.

## TEXAS ALPHA—UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS

Mr. and Mrs. Lynn Boyd Milam (Grace Hill) are the parents of a promising young lady, aged three months.—*Kappa Alpha Journal*.

Among the alumnae who were present at the reunion were the following: Mae Wynne, Myra Peacock, Naomi Peacock, Louise Andrews, Kate Martin, Ethel Matthews, Ellen Waggener-Lancaster, Mary Hilliard-Bickler, Wilna McKee, Serena Gould, Anne Townes, Ada Garrison, Margaret Robinson, Helen Hood, Florence Randolph, Sallie Belle Weller, Margaret Boroughs, Elizabeth Wilmot, Bessie Garrison, Julia Estill.

Miss Kate Dinsmore, of Kansas Alpha, was our only out-of-the-state guest for the reunion. Texas Alpha was delighted to know her, and also Mrs. William Driskill of Nebraska Beta, who lately passed through Austin on her way to Mexico.

Lucile Matthews, '12, of Fort Worth, visited in Austin recently. Born, to Mr. and Mrs. William Caswell, a daughter, Claire.

## VERMONT ALPHA—MIDDLEBURY COLLEGE

Bertha Kelsey's address is now South Swansea, Mass.

Mrs. Molly Kendall Gove of Greenfield, Mass., has been at her former home in Middlebury for several weeks, called there by the illness of her mother.

Florence Hemenway who has returned from the West is now assistant pastor of Central Congregational Church, Brattleboro, Vt.

Belle Anderson of Saxtons River, Vt., recently visited in Montreal.

Mrs. Florence Duncan Weld spent the Easter holidays with her mother at Middlebury, Vt.

## VERMONT BETA—UNIVERSITY OF VERMONT

Mrs. Grace Goodhue Coolidge, '02, was elected president of the recently organized alumnae association of Western Massachusetts and Grace C. Hayes, '09, was elected treasurer. Mrs. Coolidge is the wife of the mayor of Northampton, Mass.

Grace Turner Strong, '09, is now teaching in a young ladies' private school in Rochester, N. Y.

Kathryne Gebhardt-Welch, '01, is slowly convalescing.

Mrs. Alice Durfee Howe, '05, was a recent visitor in Burlington.

Mabel Balch, '09, sails June 25, for Naples where she will spend some time. From there she expects to make a short tour through Europe.

Mrs. Roy Skinner (Helen Allen, '07) has presented the chapter with a dozen silver spoons.

Mary E. Colburn, '03, died January 11 at Passaic, N. J. at the home of her sister, Mrs. E. J. Atkins.

The present address of Grace C. Hayes, '09, is Ludlow, Mass. R. F. D. 2.

#### WASHINGTON ALPHA—UNIVERSITY OF WASHINGTON

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Herbert T. Brown (Valeria Browne) a son.

Elizabeth Dearborn's, '09, present address is Skamokawa, Wash., where she is teaching.

#### WISCONSIN ALPHA—UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN

Margaret Stanton, '02, will sail for a trip abroad, April 2.

Mrs. Margaret Hutton Abels, who attended University of Wisconsin, 1897-1898 has returned to take her degree.

Minnie Lee Dodd, who attended Wisconsin University 1905-6, was married in June to Mr. Geo. Hill. Mr. and Mrs. Hill are residing at 115 S. St. Catharine St., Louisville, Ky., where Mr. Hill is employed in the Louisville boys' high school.

Announcement has never been made in the ARROW of the marriage of Rega Frances Bodden who attended Wisconsin University 1905-6 to Mr. Gustave Blatz, *Wisconsin*, '07. Mr. and Mrs. Blatz were married July 18, 1909 and are at present residing in Milwaukee. Mr. Blatz is a member of Delta Upsilon.

News has come to us of the death during last summer of a little son of Mrs. Jessie Davis Murphy, '00,

Announcement was received by Wisconsin Alpha of the marriage of Anna Pauline Houghton, '97, to Mr. Harry S. Williams on October 2, 1909. Mr. and Mrs. Williams will reside at 308 South Arch St., Aberdeen, S. Dak.

Flavia Olga Seville, '06, was married to Mr. Harry Lamb on October 12, 1909. Mr. and Mrs. Lamb are living at 702 West 9th St., Oklahoma City, Okla.

## CHAPTER LETTERS

## ALPHA PROVINCE

VERMONT ALPHA—MIDDLEBURY COLLEGE

(Chartered 1893)

Everything has gone along quietly in college this winter. There have been a number of small social affairs, but only one or two large functions. Pi Phi has done very little entertaining so far,—a few informal dances and chafing-dish parties being all. This spring, however, the chapter hopes to entertain a good deal. The sophomore delegation is planning a St. Patrick's Day party for all the sophomore girls in college; the whole chapter is to entertain the faculty ladies and ladies from the town some time in April.

Just at present a good deal of attention is being given to the preparation of a Roman drama, to be given during Commencement Week. A similar production was given ten years ago, upon the hundredth anniversary of the college, and was so great a success that the college has decided to repeat the play. A special building is to be erected on the campus; choruses, classic dances, and representations of several of the more important Roman ceremonies are to be features of the play.

This year, for the first time, the junior class is to give as its class play one of Shakespeare's comedies, "As You Like It." One of the leading parts in this is to be taken by a Pi Phi, as well as one of the lesser rôles.

This winter, for the first time, basket-ball teams have been organized among the girls, and Pi Phi has shown up well, many of the girls playing on the team, and also holding offices of manager and captain.

Eliza Hart, '11, has been elected convention delegate.

On the whole, all feel that this has been a successful year for Vermont Alpha, and the chapter sends wishes for equal good luck to all her sister Pi Phis.

MARGARET FRENCH.

VERMONT BETA—UNIVERSITY OF VERMONT

(Chartered 1898)

The last few months have been quiet ones with Vermont Beta. Our mid-year examinations ended February 12. Our freshmen did splendidly carrying off several honors.

We are sorry to lose two of our faculty: Professor Perkins and Professor Jones, Professor Jones has accepted a position in Wisconsin; Professor Perkins sailed February 7 for a trip around the world. We expect that he will be with us again next year which reconciles us to his departure. He has been with the university forty years. He is our state geologist and is considered one of the ablest scientific scholars in the United States.

We have recently moved into new rooms and have been very busy arranging them.

February 13, Mrs. Charles Pierce, '07, entertained us at her home at 15

Adset Court. We had a most enjoyable evening. We feel especially fortunate in having Mrs. Pierce with us for she is so actively interested in the chapter.

Two of our girls, Mabel Balch, '09, and Helen Catlin, '09, are anticipating a summer abroad. Helen Catlin expects to sail May 2, for Naples, from thence to Constantinople where she will meet her sister who is a missionary in Turkey.

Mabel Gillis, '11, was the Y. W. C. A. delegate to the Rochester convention. She met several Pi Phi sisters there and returned full of enthusiasm for the furthering of the association work at Vermont.

The Young Woman's Musical Club is actively at work. They are preparing an operetta "The Spanish Gypsies" which is to be given after the spring recess. All of our girls are taking an active interest.

We are looking forward to the July convention and hope that Vermont Beta may be well represented.

ETHEL M. CENTER.

#### MASSACHUSETTS ALPHA—BOSTON UNIVERSITY

(Chartered 1896)

On the evening of February 18, Massachusetts Alpha held a second initiation service,—this time to initiate into Pi Phidom, Emily Cutler Gordon, of whom we are all more than proud and whom we wish you might all know.

This semester the girls of the active chapter have planned a number of alumnae teas,—informal meetings of the active girls and alumnae at our fraternity room. The first one came February 27 and we were glad to have with us so many of the alumnae, among them Massachusetts Alpha Alumnae President and Mrs. Nickerson our Province President; also Miss Parmele, a Minnesota Pi Phi and Hallette Searcy from Texas Alpha. Our fraternity life becomes broader and fuller when we can meet and know girls from other chapters.

Our whole college has recently learned with regret of the resignation of Doctor Huntington, president of Boston University for more than twenty-five years.

Since the beginning of this semester we have been very busy with college affairs,—A Penny Social by the Y. W. C. A. came first, at which lunch and entertainment were bought with pennies; then the annual Gamma Delta banquet, with informal toasts, songs and cheers; followed, on March 4, by the Gamma Delta play. This year, Sheridan's "The Rivals" was given and reflected credit upon the college as well as upon the players. For the benefit of our Girls' Assembly room a unique entertainment was given, recently, by the faculty children,—the entire program, consisting of music, recitations and charades being given by children of Boston University professors.

Now we are looking forward to the annual Glee Club concert on March 15. Mildred Hood is our delegate to convention.

Best Easter greetings to all.

BEATRICE WHITNEY.

## ONTARIO ALPHA—TORONTO UNIVERSITY

(Chartered 1908)

Toronto has been favored this year with a "good old-fashioned winter" which has afforded us many opportunities for winter sports. We have had a great deal of snow and good sleighing since December which is very unusual for Toronto. Class skating parties have followed one after another proving more enjoyable than ever. Jessie Starr and Minnie Barry were on the committee for their year's event.

In sweaters, toques and moccasins Ontario Alpha set out one bright Saturday on a snow-shoe tramp. For a couple of hours we plodded gaily over white hills and fields and then ended up at our chapter room for a cooky shine. How much we wished our sister chapters could have enjoyed with us the fun of sliding down icy hills to arrive in a heap in a snow drift at the bottom!

Enthusiasm for hockey has run high and inter-year matches have been held for the first time. Jessie Starr, '11, Minnie Barry, '11, and Annie Edgar, '13, took part in these matches. Our college hockey team has again won the cup presented by the Inter-collegiate League and if we are successful next year the silverware will become the property of University College girls. Our junior team, also won all its games and owes its success a good deal to Annie Edgar, '13, its goalkeeper.

Our patroness, Mrs. Davidson, gave us a delightful little tea a while ago where we had an opportunity to be with our alumnae again and to meet some of the faculty ladies.

University College has had a bad attack of stage fever this winter. Under the auspices of the Modern Language club French, German and Italian comedies have been presented which were very good. "Cranford Dames" was given by the Women's Literary Society. Edith Gordon, '09, managed and staged the production in which were Jessie Starr, '11, in the rôle of Mrs. Forester, and Jeannette McCannell, '12, in that of Miss Betty Barker who took such good care of Carlo, her "poor iddy-biddy doggie." In the near future the Dramatic Club will present "A Winter's Tale" with one of our girls in the cast.

We have a chapter room now and have had several delightful cooky shines and informal luncheons there. On our chapter birthday we each gave something to our room for although we had rented a furnished one several little touches were needed to make it quite homelike.

With the exception of our Founders' Day celebration our good times are practically over till after the May examinations and we have all settled down realizing that spring—the time of tops, of skipping ropes, and of examinations—is here.

MINNIE L. BARRY.

NEW YORK ALPHA—SYRACUSE UNIVERSITY  
(Chartered 1896)

Dear Pi Phis:—Since last we heard from you all New York Alpha has been busy; doubtless, a condition which you too, have had the pleasure of enjoying.

On the fourth day of February we gathered at the chapter house with the usual Pi Phi anticipations for the cooky shine. I do not know how the rest of you feel about place cards for such an affair, but the present generation of New York Alpha has learned to expect "A Message from Cupid" through the medium of the chapter president. Such a message is always a profound secret; and it is wise to have a guard hovering over the tables until every girl has arrived and is ready to be seated. This performance was observed, as usual, on the evening of February 4. With hearts in our mouths, with eyes big as saucers in anticipation of surprise, we seated ourselves and immediately seized the card bearing Cupid's message; it read:—"Cupid is Sleeping." I'll allow you to imagine the rest. However, there's another cooky shine coming, and from appearances, I surmise Cupid is working and will have an excellent report at that time.

New York Alpha is proud to introduce to you her new pledge, Helen Frank, '12, of Buffalo, N. Y.

The following is taken from our College daily: "Wednesday afternoon, February 23, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Frank J. Laird, 218 Kirk Avenue, occurred the marriage of Miss Achsah Hawver, '11, and Frank F. Schauer. The Rev. Richard Schmidt, pastor of St. Peter's Evangelical Lutheran church, performed the ceremony. The bride was registered in the piano course in the College of Fine Arts. Mr. Schauer has accepted a position as assistant engineer of the Kansas City Gas Company, for which place he and his bride left immediately after the wedding."

Miss Bertha Conde, National Secretary for the Y. W. C. A., and Miss Mary Corbett, Michigan Alpha, Territorial Secretary for Y. W. C. A., were here from February 7 to February 11 in the interests of our local Y. W. C. A. Miss Corbett was entertained at our chapter house.

Have you had your fraternity examination? Well, then you know how we spent at least one day, since last we heard from you.

A new cabinet for the Y. W. C. A. has been installed, and Pi Phi is represented on several committees.

The oratorical contest for sophomore women was held on the evening of February 28. Olive Kirby represented Pi Phi in an acceptable manner. She read "Man in The Shadow."

Katherine Baxter, '12, has been elected president of the Debate Club for Sophomore Women, while Faye Furbay and Jean Muir are strong in the basketball squad for freshmen.

The senior class of Syracuse University has decided not to graduate without a word from New York Alpha,—Pearl Gorham has been elected "Ivy Orator."

Our chapter had entire charge of the Sunday devotional meetings at "The Old Ladies Home" on February 20. They will have charge again on March 6.

We are more than proud to announce, that we have the honor of claiming Mrs. Edgar A. Emens, wife of Professor Emens, head of the Greek Department, for a patroness.

There has been a meeting of Pan-Hellenic, at which we discussed the Report of the Eighth Pan-Hellenic Conference. A committee, made up of Kappa Alpha Theta, Pi Beta Phi, and Kappa Kappa Gamma, was called upon to consider the question of proper chaperons for chapter houses. Sophomore pledging was discussed, but no decision was deemed necessary at this particular time, since a committee of Syracuse Alumni from the trustees of the University have been authorized by the Chancellor to look into fraternity conditions, and recommend ways and means for improvement. This committee is at work. Each chapter has received a letter from them asking their reasons for and against Sophomore Pledging; also asking for the per cent. of members who within the last ten years have graduated with a degree. The matter is at present being discussed in *The Daily Orange*—the discussion having been incited by a Syracuse alumna who wrote in favor of Sophomore pledging. The general opinion, however, seems to be against any such scheme—and many excellent reasons have been given by the opposition.

New York Alpha wishes to announce the pledging of Pansy V. Brown, '10, Syracuse, N. Y.

Eva Burlingham, '12, has been elected delegate, and Edith Haith alternate, to the Swarthmore Convention. Margaret Glanding, '11, Louise Cerow, '11, and Gertrude Skerritt, '13, also expect to attend.

ROSE HUMANN-ROGERS.

#### NEW YORK BETA—BARNARD COLLEGE

(Chartered 1904)

Again we gather up the threads of New York Beta's history; this time with joy quite unabashed—what source? why that's no mystery. We sing, we dance, we shout with glee and worst of all we're proud because we modest  $\Pi \Phi$ 's got the best "sophs" in the crowd. Tot is winning, quite alluring; Virginia's just our style; Lucy keeps us all a-roaring, she has a jovial smile; in Edith is our fervent hope of future fame and glory; of Margaret's charms, the half to tell would take up all our story. Now do you wonder that we're gay and haven't a single fear of what we'll do in that freshman class when pledge day comes next year.

We got our "sophs" at Christmas time. Oh! that night of initiation! to think of twelve in four small beds needs some imagination. "Glad" sent her family out to board then offered us her home. Five dear old "grads" turned up that night, 'twas sweet of them to come. We told the "kids" the same old tale, with pride we filled each head. We sang them songs and gave them "eats" and sent them off to bed.

'Twas long ago; since then have passed some sad, some happy times. Why some of us have almost turned to horrid greasy "grinds." Two "Profs" with mirth and glee, each gives his dread "exams," and sums and dates and interest rates into our heads we cram.

They're o'er and so we turn once more to thoughts of happier things, to balls and teas and, if you please, to some engagement rings. The Alumnae Club of N. Y. C. invited us to dine. We had an awfully jolly time at their wondrous cooky shine. Friend Shakespeare still upon the boards as College Show is played. In basket-ball the laurel wreath before our feet is laid. Our college life goes on the same, a play, a tea some work some fun, then lessons done, we wander slowly hame.

We've sung our song, the play is done, so let the curtain fall. We make our bow, say farewell now.

Good wishes to you all.

JUANITA BROWN.

PENNSYLVANIA ALPHA—SWARTHMORE COLLEGE

(Chartered 1892)

Since the last issue of the ARROW Pennsylvania Alpha has added another girl to her chapter. Edith Freeman Tracy, '12, was initiated on March 2, at the home of Mary Ramsey, '12, in Swarthmore. A number of the alumnae attended the initiation. Pennsylvania Alpha feels that she is to be congratulated upon the winning of such a strong girl.

We held our annual dance February 4, at the Woman's Club, Swarthmore. We all had a very delightful time and were sorry that more alumnae were not present to enjoy it with us.

The last meeting of the Philadelphia alumnae club was held at the home of Beatrice Victory, '07, in Philadelphia. She entertained us very pleasantly by a Valentine party. Hearts were the chief entertainment after which we had very delicious refreshments.

All Swarthmoreans are very much interested now in the erection of the new Sproul Observatory. The present site of the President's house has been chosen for the observatory. The house will have many alterations and a circular building, forty-five feet in diameter is now being added. The first floor of this new section will contain a room for storing and measuring photographs and a store room. The second floor, surmounted by a copper dome, will contain the new twenty-four inch refracting telescope.

ANNABELLE BOYLE.

PENNSYLVANIA BETA—BUCKNELL COLLEGE

(Chartered 1895)

We are very proud of our two new patronesses, Mrs. Hare and Mrs. Dreisbach. Mrs. Hare, whose daughter Helen is one of our seniors, is the wife of Professor Calvin Hare, professor of Christian evidences and logic.

On March 5, Mrs. Leiser, a patroness, entertained the patronesses, alumnae and active chapter, at a very prettily arranged afternoon function. In the evening of the same day, we were entertained at cards by one of the men's fraternities, Delta Theta Upsilon at their chapter house. Very pretty prizes were awarded.

Delta Delta Delta will be at home to Pi Beta Phi on Monday afternoon, March 7, to meet Miss Latta, Grand Vice-President of Delta Delta Delta for Epsilon Province and their inspection officer.

Our alumnae club has been holding a regular and a social meeting each term, but on account of the many receptions this term, they have dispensed with the social meeting.

Miss Maude Soper of Woman's College of Baltimore and a missionary to Japan, spent a few days at Bucknell last month. Miss Soper's influence was remarkable and her visit here was most helpful. We had an informal suite party for her, so that she could meet all the girls on the level that was so dear to her. We were indeed happy to claim her as a sister Pi Phi.

Examinations will soon be upon us, and then for a happy spring vacation!

Gretchen A Radack, '11, has been elected delegate to the Swarthmore convention.  
GRETCHEN A. RADACK.

## PENNSYLVANIA GAMMA—DICKINSON COLLEGE

(Chartered 1903)

During February the chapter gave a series of informal teas. The first and second Wednesdays faculty ladies and town friends were invited and college girls the third and fourth.

Our new patroness, Mrs. Craver entertained for us in January. Helen Kisner, '08, gave a tea for the members of the fraternity and Jeannette Stevens, '10, entertained one afternoon. Mrs. Biddle, another patroness gave us a beautiful brass vase for the room. Gifts of money have been received from Mary Leamy, '09, and Rebekah Harris-Coder, ex-'10.

Grace Filler, '10, gave a Valentine party to all the girls of the senior class at her home in Boiling Springs.

The Washington Birthday college banquet was very much enjoyed by all. President Reed was toastmaster and toasts were responded to by the faculty, alumni and students.

All the girls have been very much interested in an entertainment the Y. W. C. A. gave on March 8 to raise money for the summer conference fund.

M. Eleta Witmer has been elected delegate to the Swarthmore convention.

M. ELETA WITMER.

## MARYLAND ALPHA—GOUCHER COLLEGE

(Chartered 1897)

Since the last ARROW letter we have pledged and initiated another freshman, Esther Hubbard of Williamsport, Pa.

Within the last few weeks the name of the college has been changed from The Woman's College of Baltimore to Goucher College, in honor of Dr. John Franklin Goucher, President Emeritus, and his wife Mary Cecelia Goucher. For the twenty years following the establishment of the college in 1888 Dr. Goucher served as president, giving his services without compensation.

The Alpha Phi National Convention is to be held here March 7-11, and

on the Eighth there is to be a Pan-Hellenic Dance, given by the members of the other fraternities here. On the tenth, there is to be a reading of "What Every Woman Knows" by an Alpha Phi and a reception following, to which all the fraternity girls are invited.

Our Glee and Mandolin Club concert was held Friday night, March 4; five of our girls are in the Glee Club and one in the Mandolin Club.

Our spring vacation is March 18-30 and we are all eagerly looking forward to it.

We send best wishes to all Pi Phis everywhere for the happiest of Easter seasons.

HARRIET L. RICE.

COLUMBIA ALPHA—GEORGE WASHINGTON UNIVERSITY

(Chartered 1889)

Since the last letter to the ARROW, Columbia Alpha has initiated a fine girl, Lela Howard, '13, who entered college in February. Miss Keller came over to conduct the initiation, which was more impressive than ever. In spite of a driving snow-storm our alumnae came out strong in numbers, and we all had a most enjoyable evening, hearing about the installation of the Arkansas chapter, and the enthusiastic girls there.

We have enjoyed having Mary Wilson, '11, of New York Beta, and Mary Gillespie, '11, of Texas Alpha with us this year, yet we were sorry these chapters could not have had them too.

The Students' Ball given for the benefit of George Washington University Hospital was this year as big a success as usual, and a large number of Pi Phis were present to enjoy the dancing.

Mid-winter convocation held February 22 was the occasion of an interesting address by Attorney-General Wickersham.

January 15, the Alpha Eta chapter of Kappa Sigma gave a delightful informal dance to Pi Beta Phi, that we might assist them in entertaining their visiting delegates at the conclave dance given February 21. Both events were a big success.

Sigma Kappa entertained us at a dainty luncheon in their fraternity room. These little affairs are a great help in promoting friendships among the girls of the different fraternities.

The patronesses of our chapter were entertained at luncheon March 12, and the girls enjoyed the opportunity of seeing them all in the fraternity room.

A benefit luncheon under the direction of Marguerite Weller, a member of Columbia Alpha, was given by the college girls belonging to the Y. W. C. A. The proceeds were turned over to the Associated Charities in this city.

ELEANOR GANNETT.

BETA PROVINCE

OHIO ALPHA—OHIO UNIVERSITY

No letter received.

## OHIO BETA—OHIO STATE UNIVERSITY

(Chartered 1894)

Ohio Beta has a new freshman to introduce to Pi Phi, Florence Smith, initiated January 22. And how proud we are, for she is like all the newest babies, we simply do not see how we ever got along without her.

As scholarship always comes first I must tell you about an article that appeared in our college paper. The faculty have decided that social affairs are decidedly too numerous in college circles and so are going to try to restrict them. Of course an examination of the records of the university students was immediately made and it was found that only eight out of the seventy-two fraternity girls in college were delinquent in their studies. Of the four sororities Pi Phi was the only one that did not have a member among this eight.

The "Junior Prom" took place in the Armory on February 18, and nearly the whole chapter was present. It is really our largest college dance and everything possible is done to make it a success. But the dance that is really the greatest fun is the "Co-Ed Prom." It was held in the Armory also, on February 11. Only girls attend these parties and so half of the girls dress as boys and act as escorts for their ladies. They are fancy dress parties—and such costumes! The Yama-Yama girls were there, the black-faced comedians, Little Red Riding Hood, Sunny Jim, gypsies, Spanish ladies, court ladies and gentlemen, college boys, football heroes, Buster Browns and in fact every one you can imagine from Peary who had reached the Pole to the Sultan of Turkey. Mr. Westerman, the cartoonist on the largest city paper, was the only man present, so he sat in the balcony extremely busy all evening and the next Sunday the public was presented with a page of cartoons from the "Co-Ed Prom" where we saw ourselves as others saw us.

Our last chapter letter was written just before the presentation of "Habdilou," the comic opera by Helen Bertram Smith, '09. It certainly was a great success and we are extremely proud of our Pi Phi author. Now the Men's Pan-Hellenic Association, with her permission and help, are preparing a burlesque on "Habdilou" to be presented in the chapel on the evening of March 18.

The Men's Glee Club, February 25, presented a very clever musical skit, "A Quiet Evening," written by three Ohio State students. It was fine but of course we thought the girls' operetta better.

On February 28, and again on March 28, the Cincinnati Symphony Orchestra, under the direction of Leopold Stokovski, gave very delightful concerts in Memorial Hall for the benefit of the "Ohio Union" the new student building of Ohio State. This is something new for State for though Columbus as a city has always been very much interested in the college still State always took the initiative. But this time the city arranged the concerts and asked only for State's cooperation. At the concerts the boxes were draped in the college colors, scarlet and gray, and the programmes were gray with scarlet bands across one corner, and it was all truly an Ohio State University concert.

MADGE L. SOMERVILLE.

## INDIANA ALPHA—FRANKLIN COLLEGE

(Chartered 1888)

With the New Year came, not only a desire to make a more earnest effort to attain the ideals of Pi Phi but also a wish that the chapter room might be more worthy of our chapter. For the realization of this last ideal small wine and blue bags with a verse requesting that the bags be returned with a quarter inside were sent to each alumna. To this appeal our alumnae have readily responded. With the bags came many letters which have been an inspiration to the active girls. As yet we have not decided what we shall purchase with the money but we feel sure that we shall soon have a room of which we may be proud. Pillows and a picture have been added to the room by some of the active girls.

We are very proud of our new freshman, Leah Jackson of Versailles, Ind., who was initiated February 1.

As a chapter we have done nothing socially although a few of the girls gave a little informal party one evening. It is the quiet before the storm for we are planning to give our most formal affair of the year next term.

In February three of our girls, Mary Murphy, Lucy Guthrie, and Katherine Kenny were the guests of Indiana Beta at a house party.

At a reception given on February 4 by Alpha Gamma Alpha, a woman's local fraternity, the chapter was very pleasantly entertained.

March 4 in the college gymnasium the juniors gave a clever little play entitled "The College Freshman." The Pi Phis were well represented in the cast of characters. The leading lady was a Pi Phi. Also several of the other parts were taken by our girls.

Professor G. W. Adams of Newark, Ohio, recently began his work here as professor of biology.

The spring term Hazel Dupree and Marie Wilson expect to enter Indiana University. We shall regret to see them leave for we need greatly all our strong capable girls.

RUTH MCCOLLOUGH.

## INDIANA BETA—INDIANA UNIVERSITY

(Chartered 1893)

Indiana Beta has had a busy and exciting winter term and with it all we have had the misfortune to have scarlet fever in our chapter. Just now two of our girls, Josephine Boyd and Dorothy Williams, are at the hospital. But we are not alone in our misfortune as there has been a good deal of scarlet fever among the students.

To add to the excitement Phi Gamma Delta's fraternity house burned a few weeks ago on the worst night of the year and the men lost everything.

We wish to introduce to the Pi Phi world, Bernice Smith of Rochester.

Pi Phi has given three formal dances this term to which an equal number of fraternities were invited. At these functions we entertained a number of out-of-town girls. At our February dance we had Mary Murphy, Lucy Guthrie and Katherine Kenny of Indiana Alpha with us. One of our alumnae gave a reception in their honor.

The annual Woman's League dance was a great success this year and the costumes were more than ordinarily original.

We are now rehearsing for the musical opera, "Robin Hood," in which a number of our girls are going to take part.

At present we are getting ready for the County Fair to be given under the auspices of the Y. W.

Y. W. cabinet has adopted the plan of letting each sorority and organization have charge of a meeting. Pi Phi had as her subject, "College Women in Foreign Lands."

Miss Wheeler, president of the Y. W., conducts a Wednesday night Bible study class at the chapter house. This term we are studying the life of St. Paul.

Indiana University authorities are contemplating abolishing spring vacation and next year the ruling will probably go into effect. So once again we are looking forward to a pleasant spring vacation and hope all our sisters have the same.

MIGNON M. WHITE.

#### INDIANA GAMMA—BUTLER COLLEGE

(Chartered 1897)

This is the first opportunity Indiana Gamma has had to introduce to the fraternity at large, our four freshmen. On January 24 we initiated Hildred Hughes, '13, of Indianapolis, Edith Rhodes, '13, of Indianapolis, Maude Richey, '13, of Thorntown, and Mattie Empson, '12 of Brownstown, at the home of Mary Davis, a loyal Irvington alumna. We also have two charming new patronesses, Mrs. Chauncey Butler, wife of the Secretary of Butler College, and Mrs. Demarcus C. Brown, whose husband is State Librarian, and who herself was one of our charter members.

The Butler College Founders' Day luncheon February 7, at which one of our patronesses, Mrs. Grace Julian Clark, president of the state federation of woman's clubs, was toastmistress, was a very enjoyable reunion and brought many of our alumnae back to their Alma Mater.

The "Junior Prom." February 21 which proved a great success will probably become an annual affair.

March 2 the active chapter gave an informal dance at the home of Professor and Mrs. D. C. Brown and the first Tuesday of the month Mrs. C. Butler entertained Indiana Gamma chapter.

We are looking forward to our annual Founders' Day banquet April 28 which we should like to make a State Reunion.

MILDRED MOORHEAD.

#### ILLINOIS BETA—LOMBARD COLLEGE

(Chartered 1872)

Examinations are over, the winter term is finished and all the girls are ready for the best spring term they ever had. Our lodge is progressing; it is actually down on paper and the pledges are all out among our enthusiastic and loyal alumnae members. They have made our little home possible and we cannot thank them enough.

We have initiated Ruth Chamberlain of Galesburg and Elinor Gilmer of Quincy, Ill. since our last letter to the *ARROW*. After the service we had a delicious cooky shine at Fern Tounsend's home. On Valentine's day the girls who live in the hall gave a cooky shine for the town girls. Hearts were every where, large hearts and small hearts, and Pi Phi carnations. Then a week later Ruth Chamberlain entertained us with another cooky shine which was Oh, so good!

We hope to have our province president, Mrs. Johnson with us on our Founders' Day. We have always observed the day with Illinois Delta and the Galesburg association of alumnae. This year we have invited Elda Smith and the Burlington alumnae club to celebrate with us.

Just now we are planning for our annual party on April 1 and for a Pi Phi play which we intend to give during Commencement Week.

LUCILE CRAVENS.

#### ILLINOIS DELTA—KNOX COLLEGE

(Chartered 1884)

Our college library has been entirely re-catalogued and arranged so that we now have easier access to the books and interesting papers.

The one event of the college year that every one looks forward to is the anniversary of the founding of the college. Each year something different is planned. This year after a banquet, at which the students were seated by classes, toasts were given by representatives from the undergraduate classes and a few of the alumni. The sophomore class was represented by Martha Latimer. Last fall it was decided that each class should write a college song to be sung at the banquet and the best one should become a college song. The seniors were the successful contestants and the song is one with good swing and spirit.

In former years we have had extensive decorations for our formal party but this year we were able to obtain the Elks' Hall with its pleasant parlors and dancing room. Our programmes were made of imported paper with tiny pictures of the active chapter on the last leaf. Quite a large number of our alumnae were present. This added much to the pleasure of the evening.

Our delegate to convention is to be Dema Harshbarger. Florence Hill is alternate.

LOIS POTTER.

#### ILLINOIS EPSILON—NORTHWESTERN UNIVERSITY

(Chartered 1894)

Illinois Epsilon is well started upon her second semester's work. Every one was delighted when the examinations were over, especially the pledges, as, according to the faculty ruling, they could not be initiated until they had completed twelve hours' work. So on Thursday, February 24, we initiated eight of our pledges at the Woman's Club Rooms of the Evanston Y. M. C. A. A banquet followed the initiation, at which a number of our alumnae and other Pi Phis living in the city were present.

As it is always customary for the pledges to entertain the active chapter,

our freshmen gave an informal dance for us on February 18 at Kenilworth. In January, Sybil Horning entertained for Miss King, of Iowa Gamma who was visiting in the city.

On February 28, a committee appointed by the Alumnae Pan-Hellenic Association called a meeting of all the Northwestern fraternity women, submitting to them a list of suggestions for next year's rushing. The committee seemed greatly in favor of a sophomore pledge day system, thereby doing away with what is known as "rushing." The majority of girls appear somewhat reluctant to have so late a pledge day, yet we all realize that the present condition of rushing could be greatly improved and are eagerly trying to solve the question of bettering it.

The faculty have taken up the matter of the social life at Northwestern, and are discussing it quite extensively. Each fraternity heretofore has given an informal and a formal dance every year. This has necessarily barred all non-fraternity people from these dances; hence the faculty have been trying to abolish these fraternity dances and substitute in their place, semi-annual assemblies and class dances. However, no definite action has been taken, and we are still in suspense as to just what measures will be the outcome.

At present, every girl is busy preparing for our fraternity examination, which will take place next week.

Gertrude Foster is our delegate to convention.

Trusting that all the Pi Phi chapters are having as successful a year as Illinois Epsilon,

I am Fraternally Yours,

EDNA BASSLER.

#### ILLINOIS ZETA—UNIVERSITY OF ILLINOIS

(Chartered 1895)

We have fixed the dates for our annual dance and house party from April 28 to May 1, in order to have it as near Founders' Day banquet as possible; hoping that the events will bring together a number of our alumnae.

At an informal dance given February 11 we announced our two new pledges, Imogene and Marguerite Riner of Hinsdale, Ill. Our active chapter now has 21 members, 17 of the girls living in the house.

In our Agricultural College a Hall of Fame has been established, in which oil paintings of the most prominent men, who have benefited Illinois in an agricultural way, are being placed. The picture of Cyrus McCormick was the first to be unveiled in January.

The Woman's League of the university, an organization to which each woman's fraternity sends one representative, is taking the initiative in bringing the question of girls' dormitories before the college authorities. Illinois has no dormitories and we feel that they will be a big step in making the life of the non-fraternity girl more comfortable.

HAZEL LOUISE OVITZ.

#### MICHIGAN ALPHA—HILLSDALE COLLEGE

(Chartered 1887)

Two events of especial interest for the college in general have taken place recently which have tended to stimulate our interest in the progress of Hills-

dale. The first annual college banquet was held on February 22 and never was such enthusiasm and loyalty for Hillsdale displayed. This enthusiastic spirit kindled at the banquet in support of our orators made possible the large number of students who attended the Michigan Intercollegiate Oratorical contest at Lansing, Mich., on March 4. Nine colleges were represented. Imagine our joy when the decision of the judges gave first place to our lady contestant and second place to our orator in the men's contest!

But you ask, what are Hillsdale Pi Phis doing? Leah Stock received second place in the girls' local oratorical contest this year. She won first place in the Germanae contest, Mella Van Meter receiving second. Alice Clarke is president of Germanae literary society and Leithel Patton is president of the junior class.

Our initiation on February 12 of the six pledges introduced to you in the last ARROW swells our number to fifteen. One of the new girls, Mabel Hill of Vandergrift, Pa., left college a few weeks ago in view of a trip abroad this summer. It was hard to let her go but we hope to have her with us again in the fall.

We have given several informal parties—one on January 15 in our rooms for some of the non-fraternity girls; January 21 a birthday cooky shine in honor of Marian Cook; and on January 29 we had our business meeting at the home of Leah Stock after which we had a good old time together.

On February 25 one of the best equipped buildings on the campus was nearly destroyed by fire which seems a pretty hard blow just before reunion time when we are anxious to look our best. But the alumni have already shown their interest and generosity by giving pledges, so we hope to have things in shape again by summer. As this is the last issue of the ARROW before reunion week of Hillsdale College which commences June 13, let us remind you that we want  $\Pi B \Phi$  well represented among the alumnae who will be here at that time and we are looking forward to a happy visit with you.

BESS LUCILE KEMPF.

#### MICHIGAN BETA—UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN

(Chartered 1888)

College interests at Ann Arbor begin to wane, and books are wearisome, for the trees are budding, and the boulevards are offering lovely walks. This is the time when Michigan usually sits back, and takes a rest, for the strenuous season of "mid-semesters" and the still more strenuous festivities of the "J-Hop" are just over, and the new term has been successfully begun. The past semester has been an unusually fortunate and happy one for us, for we have been well represented in all college functions and are happy to find that a high grade of scholarship has been maintained by our chapter. Two of our girls held creditable parts in the U. of M's Comedy Club performance "The Inspector," and a still greater honor has been accorded to two of our freshmen,—Irene McFadden and Norma de Guise, who have been assigned the leading rôles in the French dramatic performance of "Le Malade Imaginaire," to be given in April. This is an unusual privilege, as freshmen are not ordinarily permitted to participate in college activities.

We have just had an unusually pleasant rushing party. We entertained eight girls from Detroit, with an impromptu vaudeville performance, and an informal dinner and sleigh-ride party. We all had a thoroughly good time. Our province president, Mrs. Johnson made us a short but very pleasant visit. We entertained the university faculty and sorority girls at a reception in her honor at that time. During the spring months, we intend to hold an informal "At Home" once a week. This is an excellent way for the university girls to meet each other, and we find them most pleasant little affairs.

The annual Junior Play, in honor of the senior class, is to be presented next month. This is written and performed by the junior girls,—one of our number is to take part. We have a new pledge,—Sarah Waite, whom we expect to initiate the eleventh of this month.

Our delegate to convention is Marguerite Estelle Reed of Moline Ill.

ELLEN MCHENRY.

#### WISCONSIN ALPHA—UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN

(Chartered 1894)

We of Wisconsin Alpha have started a new semester and have before us the promise of another five months of pleasure and work.

Having lost our regular chaperon, Mrs. Bashford, who is traveling in the West, we have had Miss Iva Welsh, '96, with us in the official capacity of chaperon *pro tem.*, and Miss Welsh has won with us a universal popularity and we shall be sorry indeed to lose her.

We have taken a new member, Helen Otis, a graduate student, pledged to us a week ago and we are all very happy over the event. She attended Vassar College for four years and is now attending Wisconsin University to take agricultural work.

Our pleasure in winning Helen Otis has been tempered by our dejection over the departure of Mahala Holm, '12, who is returning home to remain with her parents. She is the only member we have lost this year and we shall miss her very much from our number.

Wisconsin's social life reaches its height in the "Junior Prom," which occurred the week-end after examinations were over and was a brilliant affair. Pi Phi was proud to have one of their number lead "Prom" and also to have another in the cast of the junior class play.

Pan-Hellenic decided at their last meeting that rushing was not to commence in the fall season until the Monday after matriculation and that no girl can be bid until after she has matriculated.

Lathrop Hall, a building for women of the university, which also includes the gymnasium and department of domestic science has just been completed. The building itself is beautiful and is a great addition to our campus.

Mrs. Margaret Hutton Abels who attended Wisconsin University in 1896 has returned to take her degree, and we are very glad to have her with us and to try our best to prove to her that Wisconsin is as pleasurable as it used to be. We have also had with us for some time past Frances Hall, who was transferred to us year before last from Illinois Epsilon. She is a resident of Milwaukee and at present is leaving us for her home, and we shall miss her.

Wisconsin Alpha wishes every sister chapter a bright Easter-tide and she wishes too to extend to Arkansas Alpha a hearty welcome.

MARION H. HOLMES.

### GAMMA PROVINCE

IOWA ALPHA—IOWA WESLEYAN UNIVERSITY

(Chartered 1868)

Iowa Alpha has two new pledges, Grace and Pearl McKee of Aledo, Ill.

Mary Colt, '11, left at the end of the semester for her home in Ottumwa. She will rest there several weeks and then will enter Chicago University, from which she will be graduated next year.

Gertrude Redd, '12, left college at Christmas time. She is studying music at her home in Denver.

May Pierce, '09, is planning to visit us soon.

Nona Spahr celebrated her birthday Feb. 11 by giving a party for the chapter girls and pledges.

Suzanne Gardner has been elected delegate to the national convention at Swarthmore.

Iowa Alpha Chapter had a splendid initiation Saturday, March fifth. The Burlington Alumnae Association invited us to be their guests at that time, so our initiation was held at the beautiful home of Ethel Cowan-Weibley, '02, on North Hill, in Burlington. The ceremony never was more impressive, or more faultlessly conducted. The four girls initiated were Grace and Pearl McKee of Aledo, Ill., Vera Hassenpflug of Bloomfield, Iowa, and Henrietta Davis of 2602 West 24th Ave., Denver, Colo. After the ceremony the hostesses served a three course luncheon. These women are charming and Iowa Alpha certainly is fortunate in having a strong alumnae association in Mt. Pleasant and these other dear sisters so close.

SUZANNE GARDNER.

IOWA BETA—SIMPSON COLLEGE

(Chartered 1874)

The second semester at Iowa Beta is well under way and we have been busy with rushing, although it has not been as strenuous as it was last fall. Our active girls number eighteen and together with some of the alumnae girls we have merry times. On February 5 we all went to the basket-ball game with some rushees. Then we took them to some of the girls' rooms and had a jolly time. On February 18 our house party began at the home of one of our active girls, Hazel Perley, '13. To this house party were asked Vera Peasley and Ada Proudfoot (of our girls who are not in school) and five other girls, the first evening was very informal; the main thing the next day was to have a good time, and every one helped in getting the house decorated with flags and bunting for the party at night, to which the men were invited. Everything during the evening was suggestive of the anniversary of Washington's birth.

We still hold to the custom of having a social meeting every two weeks and

we have been delightfully entertained at these times by Ruth Baker and Vera Peasley in turn. We girls enjoy having these alumnae with us.

Pledge day for this semester will be March 9; we hope then to introduce some new girls to you all.

Simpson is right in line for improvements. She received \$20,000 new endowment this winter which is to be added to \$80,000, and a new gymnasium is to be the result. Next will come the new auditorium.

Our girls are proud to say that social affairs have not interfered with their school work. We claim the honor scholarship of all fraternities in Simpson, having no failures.

Iowa Beta sends Easter greetings to all Pi Phis.

EDITH LISLE.

IOWA GAMMA—IOWA STATE COLLEGE

(Chartered 1877)

Several of the girls are busy working on the completion of the '11 *Bomb*, and one of our junior girls has a leading part in the Junior Class Play, which is to be given at commencement time. Others are practicing with the Girls' Glee Club, which is to give a concert, March 26, Vincent's Operetta, "The Japanese Girl."

The time from January to April is really the most uneventful in the whole year, nevertheless we have been having some really good times. On February 25 a very pretty little card party was given at the chapter house. Our chief social event of this semester will be our celebration of Founders' Day in the form of a large dancing party to be given April 30. All of the resident alumnae are invited to be present.

Recently, the college people were much surprised to learn of the resignation of President A. B. Storms, which has just been accepted by the new board of trustees. There is a great deal of discussion and interest as to his successor.

Our delegate to convention is Josephine Hungerford.

M. REGINA BRENNAN.

IOWA ZETA—IOWA STATE UNIVERSITY

(Chartered 1882)

Since our last letter we have pledged and initiated two girls, Mabel Nicol of Mason City and Isabel Cramer of Le Mars. We are very proud to introduce them to all of you as they are surely two splendid Pi Phis.

We enjoyed very much a recent visit from Miss Ella Ham, one of the founders of our chapter. Mrs. Raymond entertained all of the active girls, together with the town alumnae, at a dinner at her home in honor of Miss Ham. We had a most delightful time as we always do when accepting Mrs. Raymond's hospitality.

Last Monday night the active girls entertained at a miscellaneous shower and dinner for Edna Boerner who is to be married next week. The gifts were

hidden in an immense white bell with long bows of wine and blue, which were pulled by the guest of honor, and the shower ensued.

We have been breathing easier this past week owing to the fact that our fraternity examination is now a thing of the past. For the past month we have been holding innumerable quizzes, but we brought them to a close on last Saturday.

Nothing of great importance has been done in Pan-Hellenic as yet. No permanent plans have been made as to rushing. On the afternoon of April 23 we are to have another girls' Pan-Hellenic party and we are trying to make it even more successful than our last one.

The new College of Law building was formally dedicated on February 22 with festivities lasting through the entire day. It is now in use and is a wonderful addition to our university.

LILLIAN NOTH.

#### MINNESOTA ALPHA—UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA

No letter received.

#### MISSOURI ALPHA—UNIVERSITY OF MISSOURI

(Chartered 1899)

Since the opening of the second semester, we have been very busy rushing. We have already pledged three girls: Velma Johnson, Lena Johnson and Jean Massey.

Several of our girls belong to the university dramatic club. Fay Jarman, one of our active members, took the leading part in "The Man on the Box," which was given late in February.

One great question is still uppermost in all of our minds. The question of a chapter house, all our own. It is quite an undertaking for us girls, but with the cooperation of our town alumnae, who have formed an association for the purpose of forwarding this movement, we hope to be able to accomplish this task.

We are planning to give two teas real soon, one for our patronesses, and one for the town people. We have given two very informal teas since the first of the year, and they were quite successful.

Margaret B. Ross has been elected as delegate to the national convention.

IRENE SHAFER.

#### MISSOURI BETA—WASHINGTON UNIVERSITY

(Chartered 1907)

On March 5 Missouri Beta proudly initiated her seventh freshman, Gertrude Cole. We held the initiation in our rooms, and had a glorious spread afterwards. We are preparing for our large annual reception which will take place March 19, and we are also beginning rehearsals for a play which the chapter will present in the spring.

The college dramatic club gives its annual play the end of March. Helen Gorse, '10, has one of the leading parts.

Johnnie Matthews, '12, was sent as a delegate to the Student Volunteer

Movement Convention, held during the Christmas holidays at Rochester, N. Y.  
Helen P. Shultz is our delegate to convention. HELEN P. SHULTZ.

## KANSAS ALPHA—KANSAS UNIVERSITY

(Chartered 1873)

Kansas Alpha has three charming new pledges to introduce to Pi Beta Phi. They are: Maude Zoellner of Tonganoxi, Kan.; Mary Hutchinson of Joplin, Mo., and Hazel Chase of Topeka, Kan. Initiation is to be held for them March 7.

On Saturday, February 26, our freshmen presented a most creditable vaudeville performance, including some clever songs and take-offs. On Saturday March 5, we gave an entertainment at the chapter house for the benefit of the Y. W. C. A. A short vaudeville was given and refreshments were served. An admission fee of ten cents was charged. A matinee dance was given at the house on Washington's Birthday. The girls dressed in colonial costumes.

Kansas Alpha must now prepare for the fraternity examination which is set for March 12.

We extend good wishes to all Pi Phis.

LUCIE MARCH.

## NEBRASKA BETA—UNIVERSITY OF NEBRASKA

(Chartered 1895)

Since the ARROW last appeared we have pledged Narda Scott of Omaha, Nebr. We have also initiated our nine freshmen. Initiation took place the afternoon of March 12 at the home of Anne and Melinda Stuart. Some of the out-of-town alumnae were with us and we all enjoyed the cooky shine and social good time afterward. We had a little surprise afterward for the new initiates—a party at Grace Shallenberger's.

Our formal party will be April 30 at the Lincoln Hotel. It will have to be much more simple than in former years because Pan-Hellenic Council has ruled against favors, decorations and lunch, in an effort to simplify the parties. Our banquet will be May 7. Thus we hope that more of the out-of-town alumnae can be present at both.

One of our freshman, Lucile Bell is centre on the freshmen basketball team. She is also vice-president of the freshman class.

Our delegate to the national convention will be Grace Shallenberger.

GERTRUDE LYFORD.

## LOUISIANA ALPHA—H. SOPHIE NEWCOMB COLLEGE

(Chartered 1891)

The examinations are well over and we are now started on that hardest and longest of all times, the spring term. But "every cloud has a silver lining" and the lining to our spring term is basket-ball. There are Pi Beta Phis on every team in college and so, as a chapter, we are taking much interest in the match games which are being played every Saturday. It looks now as though the

juniors were going to get the cup for the year and as there are three Pi Beta Phis on that particular team we are feeling rather proud.

Our chief interest of course right now is the convention. A great many of us are planning to go up to it all together as this convention is of very great interest to every member of Louisiana Alpha. Those of us who were not Pi Beta Phis when the convention was held at New Orleans are interested to see what the convention really is like, and the rest of us, to see how another convention can compare with our own. So be prepared to see Louisiana Alpha come marching in full force, for we will be there unless Halley's comet really does make the world come to an end.

Hoping to see every Pi Beta Phi at the convention.

CARMELITE JANVIER.

#### ARKANSAS ALPHA—UNIVERSITY OF ARKANSAS

(Chartered 1909)

On February 9, our pledge day, we pinned our colors on Jennie Morton, '12, of Fort Smith, Ark., and the following Saturday Lucy Butler, '13, of this city was pledged.

Saturday evening we had a chafing-dish party for the pledges.

Two weeks later we initiated seven girls. Besides the two new pledges we had five girls who were unable to attend the installation. These were: Stella Hight McNair, '06, of this city, Bess Carnall, '10, of Fort Smith, Ruby Cotham, '11, of Monticello, May Pitman, '12, of Greenwood, and Aurelle Burnside, '11, of El Dorado, Ark.

The afternoon of February 4 the chapter gave our two brides, Madge Campbell and Josephine Dubs, who were married in February, a linen shower in the fraternity rooms. The next Saturday evening Mrs. Gladson, Iowa Gamma, entertained at her home in their honor with a cooky shine.

Lillian Wallace was sent from our chapter to inspect the local Phi Delta Gamma girls at Norman, Okla., and reported favorably.

Aurelle Burnside is the only fraternity woman on the Y. W. C. A. staff.

Preparations are being made for a County Fair to be given for the benefit of the athletic association in which each fraternity is to take part. The Pi Phis are planning to give a minstrel.

MILDRED GREGG.

#### TEXAS ALPHA—UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS

(Chartered 1902)

Texas Alpha's reunion has been, for two weeks, now, a thing of the past; and even yet we cannot talk about anything else. It included the alumnae of our own chapter, and the members of other chapters who were in the state. Of course, there were many who could not come, but still we had a goodly number of representatives. We knew, too, that the ones who were not with us were wishing us well; and we believe that they were brought close to the active chapter by the cordial letters which they received and wrote, and by the very "feeling in the air" that it was a time for general revival of old chapter affections.

Beginning Thursday, February 17, the reunion lasted through the following Saturday night. Thursday at noon everybody met at the chapter house, where, after various enthusiastic greetings, a buffet luncheon was served. We had planned an automobile ride for that afternoon, but, as one of our worst Texas blizzards was "on," we had to give it up. The next thing in order was the initiation, at 6 P. M., of Annie Garrison, Kathleen Gould, and Mary Peacock, who have been pledged to us for some time. After initiation came the Freshman Reception, which was especially interesting to us because one of our freshmen led it. On Friday afternoon came the tea in honor of our guests and our chaperon, invitations to which included our patronesses and the University Ladies' Club. The receiving line was of imposing length, and the house was very prettily decorated. That night we continued the reception, this time to town and university men. On Saturday, the last day, we had a business meeting and a banquet. At the business meeting we were chiefly concerned with ways and means of keeping up a vital relation between the alumnae and the active chapter; and everybody entered into our plans most enthusiastically. The banquet was a birthday affair, as exactly eight years before Texas Alpha had her beginning. After a number of hilarious toasts, the birthday cake was cut, and the second reunion of Texas Alpha chapter of Pi Beta Phi ended with "Ring, Ching, Ching!"

Naturally, in comparison with our reunion, nothing else this term seems to be of very great importance. Our affairs, both scholastic and social, have been going on just as usual, and we are at present waking up to the fact that examinations are at hand.

Texas Alpha wishes all prosperity and good fortune to Arkansas Alpha, and welcomes her most cordially into the fraternity.

FRANCES WALKER.

## DELTA PROVINCE

COLORADO ALPHA—UNIVERSITY OF COLORADO

(Chartered 1884)

The first month after the holidays we devoted ourselves pretty closely to our books because we were all preparing for final week. But as soon as examinations were a thing of the past then there was time for other matters. The first week in February was Junior Week; Thursday of this week "The Times" by Pinero was given by the university dramatic club. Jeannette Owen, one of our freshmen girls, played the part of Countess of Rysston and her interpretation was splendid. Friday night was the "Junior Prom." This is the one really formal function given by the school during the year and this year it was especially fine. The committee in charge spent a great deal of time on the dance and spared no expense to make it the best Prom ever given. On February 25 the Sophomore German was given.

But nice as all these other things were the month of February held for Pi Phi something a great deal nicer. We had waited a long semester to initiate the girls pledged in September and now the time had come when we could make them Pi Phis. We decided to make this initiation the best in our his-

tory. Our alumnae were also enthusiastic and offered to take full charge of the banquet. Saturday evening at about five-thirty on February 19 the initiation was held at the house. After the initiation the banquet was given at the best hotel in town. There were sixty-five present at the banquet and it certainly was good to have so many of the alumnae back. The roll was called of the years since the founding of our chapter in 1884 and almost every class had some representative to answer for it. The next afternoon a tea and musical was given at the house for the chapter and alumnae. At this tea the house was talked over and the alumnae association told us that they were working to raise three thousand dollars toward paying off the indebtedness on the house. It would be hard to say what this means to the active girls but it does show how much the welfare of the chapter depends on its alumnae association. On the twenty-first we gave our formal dance. To this we asked some members from each of the other fraternities and friends both in and out-of-town. The hall was beautifully decorated, perhaps the prettiest feature being a beautifully lighted arrow at one end of it. The programmes were tiny wine-red booklets with a gold arrow embossed on them and tied with blue cord. After the dance a supper was served. We spent much time and thought on this dance but we have been amply repaid for it was a success in every way and we have been told that it was the nicest party of its kind given for years at the university.

Edna Pierce, '12, is our delegate to convention, and Carol Dier, '11, is alternate.  
ELOIE C. DYER.

#### COLORADO BETA—UNIVERSITY OF DENVER

(Chartered 1885)

Since Christmas Colorado Beta has done very little entertaining but we have had several good times just among ourselves. On our chapter birthday we had a most enjoyable cooky shine at the home of one of our freshmen. Then we had one of our famous "All Night" parties and Oh! what a good time we had!

Colorado Beta is also very fortunate in having five splendid pledges: Florence Biggs, Hilda Beggs, Besse Helwig, Leila Mercer, and Lura Mercer.

Shortly after Christmas we had a Christmas party for our Bungalow and then we received many things which are both useful and ornamental.

JESSIE E. MILLS.

#### CALIFORNIA ALPHA—STANFORD UNIVERSITY

(Chartered 1893)

After a happy Christmas vacation our spring semester opened January 11 and found us all back ready to begin the New Year. Soon afterwards we were happy in pledging a Christmas freshman, Daisy Spencer, of Palo Alto, so we have a new sister to introduce to Pi Beta Phi.

During the Christmas holidays Victoria A. Stafford, '10, announced her engagement to Mr. Robert K. Eilenberger, and as soon as the girls returned

to college, she left for Chicago where she was married February 23. Her home is to be in Kansas City, Mo.

Early in February our chapter gave its one formal dance of the year. The decorations were smilax, pink hearts and cut flowers. We were fortunate at this time in having several alumnae with us: Elamae Lambert, '07, Ruberta Roberts, '09, and Inez Jewett, ex-'11.

Dramatics have been uppermost in college activities so far this semester. Beginning with the Minstrel Show, we soon after had "The Man from Home," presented by Sword and Sandals; the Sophomore Play, "Secret Service" and at present work on the Junior Opera, which is to be given March 17, is progressing rapidly. Two of our freshmen, Frances Loftus and Frances Hall are in the chorus of the opera.

At present much enthusiasm is being aroused among the members of the student body over our annual baseball and track contests with the University of California, which come during the month of April. These are our biggest and most important meets and great interest is always taken in them.

ADELE C. HUNTSBERGER.

CALIFORNIA BETA—UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA

No letter received.

WASHINGTON ALPHA—UNIVERSITY OF WASHINGTON

(Chartered 1907)

As a result of our second semester rushing for this school year, Washington Alpha is proud to present to Pi Phi our two new pledges: Vera Bonsall of Spokane, Wash., and Gertrude Landsburg, of Seattle.

We are preparing for the initiation of our last semester pledges who now have received the required twelve credits in the university. We wish that this letter did not need to be sent before initiation so that we might tell you something about it. However, we plan to have our alumnae with us for the ceremony after which we will have our cooky shine together. We wish to have our new pledges with us for their first cooky shine and have their pledging ceremony the same evening.

Six Pi Phis are now practicing in the University Chorus which expects to give "The Mikado" in April. Hattie Roys was one of the leading characters in the play recently given by the French Club.

The excitement now in college is the raising of a fund to send the Washington crew to race with Wisconsin. The students voted to raise the necessary money themselves. The project looks good and we almost know now that Washington will win.

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 Sixth St., Springfield, Ill.; and Mrs. Lewis E. Theiss, 230 West 111th St., New York City.

The editor of the *Lyre* commends the plan adopted by the Beta (Albion) alumnae committee, which offers a prize for the best production in the *Lyre* from any member of that chapter.

The fraternity Bible classes have been reorganized this year. Instead of having a class in each house, all have been thrown together and the meetings are held with each fraternity in turn. Dr. Baker of the Trinity Methodist church is conducting a series of lectures.—*Illinois chapter letter in the Lyre of Alpha Chi Omega.*

Our freshmen girls are now required to choose an advisor from either the junior or senior girls, said advisor to be ready and willing to direct and help her protégée when need arises.—*Nebraska chapter letter in the Lyre.*

At the first meeting of the Syracuse alumnae association of Delta Gamma it was decided that a silver loving cup should be presented to the active chapter. During the summer months this cup was procured and suitably engraved. Each year it is to be inscribed with the name of the freshman girl who has the highest scholarship.—*Syracuse alumnae correspondence in the Anchora of Delta Gamma.*

The Akron, Ohio alumnae association of Delta Gamma has an alumnae fraternity register in the Akron Y. W. C. A. building.

We spent a Saturday afternoon in December dressing dolls for the Christmas of the children at Cherry, Ill.—*Knox chapter letter in the Trident of Delta Delta Delta.*

On the birthday of Robert E. Lee, who was a patron of the fraternity, as is the custom of the Raleigh alumni chapter local Kappa Alphas assembled for their annual repast.—*Raleigh alumni correspondence in Kappa Alpha Journal.*

In October a giant carnival was given for the benefit of the Men's Union. The armory was the scene of general pandemonium and merry making. On the second night the various societies went in masked groups. One of the carnival events was a relay race. Each of the different teams wore the colors

of some sorority, and a silver cup was presented to the sorority whose team won. This is a custom which will be continued each year. Delta Gamma holds the cup at present.—*Minnesota chapter correspondence in Alpha Phi Quarterly.*

The Lexington alumnae of Chi Omega are interested in a settlement school in the West End of Lexington, popularly known as Irishtown. Two hundred interesting story books for children have been contributed; neat sectional book cases have been bought; and portfolios containing copies of good pictures have been donated.

The chapter keeps a schedule, with two girls on duty at the schoolhouse every Friday morning, to give out the books; to conduct a story hour; and to teach a few simple kindergarten games. Later on we plan to organize classes of mothers in sewing and other domestic work, and naturally we are going to help the women's clubs in their plan to build a \$30,000 model public school in this dreadful district.—*Lexington alumnae correspondence in Eleusis of Chi Omega.*

Until this year it has been our custom to have a Christmas tree at the chapter house and present each other with little gifts. This year, instead, we are going to have a tree at the Orphans' Home, and so double our Christmas happiness.—*Nebraska chapter letter in Eleusis of Chi Omega.*

Women's fraternities at the University of Kansas, by agreement, limited their rushing expenses to \$50 each.—*Eleusis of Chi Omega.*

The Illinois Alpha Chi Omega alumnae association is endeavoring to secure personal letters from each member of the chapter at least once a year. These letters, sent to the secretary, are to be printed in pamphlet form and distributed among the alumnae. The funds remaining are to be expended for a silver loving cup. At the annual senior banquet this cup is to be presented to that Iota freshman standing highest in her college work. She is to keep the cup one year, have her name engraved on it, and the following year surrender it to that year's freshman holding the highest credit.—*Lyre of Alpha Chi Omega.*

The Pan-Hellenic Association at Spokane has taken as a definite work this year the furnishing of a library at the Children's Home. Miss Stansbury our city librarian and an enthusiastic member of the Pan-Hellenic will have charge of it. December 29 we had our annual Pan-Hellenic luncheon about 30 being present. It was a progressive affair—first those longest out of college moved, then those initiated longest, next those from the largest colleges, and last those from the most western schools.—*Trident of Delta Delta Delta.*

Miss Stansbury is a member of Illinois Zeta.

The first Los Angeles Pan-Hellenic banquet was held November 6. The banquet was held at the Hotel Hayward. There were 75 Greeks present, Tri-Delta having the largest representation by one.—*Trident of Delta Delta Delta.*

Frater George C. Morgan an alumnus of the Georgetown chapter, tells an unusual story of his experiences while a student at St. Lawrence University, N. Y. A member of Kappa Sigma before his entrance at St. Lawrence and consequently ineligible for consideration as a fellow Greek at that institution where chapters of Alpha Tau Omega, Beta Theta Pi, and Phi Sigma Kappa prevail, he was subject to many courtesies from the local chapter of Alpha Tau Omega. "The Alpha Tau Omegas," he says, "did not have room for me the first year, as their quarters were limited, but the next year when they entered a more commodious chapter house, I was given a room, took my meals in the house, and attended their smokers, house parties and general affairs—everything in fact except chapter meetings and banquets." He states that he concluded his experience there by getting a good position through an Alpha Tau alumnus.—*Kappa Alpha Journal*.

The California alumnae brought up some Pan-Hellenic questions which the Berkeley chapter was required to answer and embody in a report to the national Pan-Hellenic association. The unanimous opinion of the alumnae present was that the Pan-Hellenic conditions at both Stanford and Berkeley were very unsatisfactory, that the Pan-Hellenic organization had not lessened but accentuated the evils of rushing, and that chapters ought not to be bound to connect themselves with the local Pan-Hellenic when such an organization proved hurtful to them.—*San Francisco alumnae correspondence in Alpha Phi Quarterly*.

And this in the land of the Alpha Phi founder of the national Pan-Hellenic!

Our Pan-Hellenic is planning a play to be given in a short time. It will be Ford's "Best Laid Plans," and the cast will be drawn from Pi Beta Phi, Sigma Kappa, and Chi Omega.—*George Washington chapter letter in Eleusis of Chi Omega*.

October 22 Pi Beta Phi entertained the Woman's Pan-Hellenic Association of Denver at a reception in Mrs. George Stidger's home. To a most delightful social was added the charm of both vocal and instrumental music; while a cozy corner by an open fire, and a sweet cider punch reminded us that Hal-lowe'en was approaching.—*Denver alumnae correspondence in Anchora of Delta Gamma*.

Kappa Alpha with 48 active chapters has 69 alumni chapters "the bulk of whom are effective."—*Kappa Alpha Journal*.

December 10 Chi Omega established her fifteenth alumnae chapter in Des Moines, Ia.

Of Sigma Nu's 63 living active chapters at present, 35 were established since 1894, and 6 old ones revived during that time.—*Delta*.

The Alpha (Colby) chapter of Sigma Kappa on December 8, 1909, celebrated the 35th anniversary of the fraternity's founding. Of the five founders four are living. The January issue of the *Triangle* contains a photograph of the founders in 1874.

Kappa Kappa Gamma installed her thirty-fifth chapter February 10 at the University of Kentucky, Lexington. Alpha Xi Delta and Alpha Gamma Delta entered Kentucky in 1908.

The following novel notice card, headed "A Phi Psi Touch" was sent out by the secretary of the Indianapolis Phi Psi alumni association, announcing the Thanksgiving evening banquet:

"An how is yer son Mike gittin on, Oi dunno?" asked Mr. Hennessy.

"Who, Mike? Oh, so so," said Mr. Dooley, lighting his pipe. "Earnin' tin a week an' spendin' only twice that. He's a great b'y, thot same Mike. Oi thot whin he got out av college he'd sittle down and learn som since. But no. 'Yer no longer a rah-rah b'y now,' sez Oi. 'Take off thim pippermint sox an' thot awnin' yez have on fer a shoirt,' sez Oi, 'an' get ter wurrk.'

"I'm an alumnus," sez he. "I'm a coolege gradooate, an' Oi have ter travil wid de push," sez he.

"Aha," sez Oi, "An where are ye travelin' at this hour o' the week?"

"Dad," he sez, "Lind me two?"

"H'm," sez Oi, "Oi thot so. And phwat is ut now?" Oi sez.

"Banquit," sez he. The grrreat anoal banquit av the Phoi Psois," he sez.

"Whin," sez Oi, "and where?"

"Thanksgivin' Eve," sez he, "at 7:00 o'clock in the Claypool Hootel at Indianapolis."

"Sez Oo to meself, sez Oi, Oi'll dream about it."

"Nix," sez he. "Oi must buy me ticket now."

"An' why?" sez Oi.

"'Cause it's a beefsteak dinner," sez he, "an the hootel man told the Secretary he'd only cool steaks fer thim thot's paid in advance."

"Wait a bit," sez Oi, "an maybe you'll find the money."

"Wait nothin'," sez he. "The whole banquit will be on the bum if the Secretary don't know how many steaks to order."

"Oh," sez Oi, "an thim what don't order don't eat?"

"Sure," sez he.

"We're goin to eat in a pallas," sez he. Thin he tells me all about the grrrand Claypool Hootel. I gathered that the walls was av white marble set with goold and precious jools. Huge pillars av marble support the massive gilded ceilin' and prevint it from fallin' down and mussin' the tessalated flure an mashin' the inmates. The band plays 'Old Phoi Psoi' and other fav'rite airs in a silver balloon in wan corner. The waiters are dressed in crepe de scheen cut on the bias with Spanish flounces of goold lace, or wurrd to that effect. The feed is the foinest ever. Johun D. couldn't eat better if he had a real stomach. An' thim as can't eat can smoke, an' versy visa, as Hogen

sez. All the illoquince an wit an wisdom uv the land will be assimbled that noight ter turn the foinest of hot air at me son Mike. Oh, ut's grreat, Hin-nissy, to be a fraternity man."

"Did yez give him the two?" asked Hennessy.

"Oi did," said Dooley.—*The Shield of Phi Kappa Psi.*

Unless a steady alumni interest is maintained, a college Greek-letter society is in no sense a fraternity. It is merely a boys' club. Yet, loyalty of alumni, which requires constant artificial stimulation, hardly furnishes the foundation for a fraternal spirit. There must be a spontaneous desire arising within each man to know and hear about the fraternity, to see familiar faces, to sing the old songs again. This does not require by any means that we all love one another with an affection that outwears time; this does not require that we tell our family troubles and confide our business secrets; this does not require even that we delight to go to a ball game or theatre or social function with each and every brother. Habits of action and thought vary enormously, and we may acknowledge that a man is a splendid fellow and yet not yearn for his constant companionship.

But fraternity should mean that we recognize a certain fundamental decency in each brother, a certain sense of honor, a certain willingness to accept and fulfill obligations. As members of Phi Gamma Delta we have accepted and stand ready to fulfill cheerfully, not only the gentleman's obligations of courtesy, but the fraternal obligation of aid and cheer. Being self-respecting, we will not call for aid except where either the smallness of the favor or the greatness of the necessity will make a brother glad to lend his hand. This spirit, born in a protective community, and therefore permitted to grow to a lusty maturity, seems worth while preserving for the common good in an individualistic state of society. We find enough interests in common so that the preservation of this brotherhood should be a pleasure and not a task.—*The Phi Gamma Delta.*

Adaptability to the society of one's fellows is indispensable in the fraternity man. It is to be noted, however, that the fraternity relation itself brings out the social qualities—the friendliness—of many a youngster whose external bearing, from shyness or other natural defect, does not suggest his real quality to the casual observer; a fact that is brought home almost every year to almost every chapter, both by its hits and its misses. But even oftener than a chapter goes wrong in not taking the right fellow, because of the failure to see the fraternity man in him behind some thin mask or disguise, it goes wrong—and farther wrong at that—in taking the wrong fellow, solely because of some accidental or unessential gift or acquirement that makes for easy popularity, but has nothing to do with the real man or his fraternal quality. It may be prowess or promise in athletics, or a singing voice, or a gift for storytelling. All of these things attract, and all of them are ornaments,—but they are not substance. Now, we do in fact, whether we know it or not, choose our chapter-mates in no small proportion of cases, not merely for intimate associates through two or three or four years of college residence, but for life-

long acquaintances, possibly lifelong friends. And it is the real man and his capacity for friendship that finally count, for whatever term the engagement is entered into.—*Beta Theta Pi.*

About eight years ago Phi Kappa Psi established a scholarship in honor of their founders. At the expiration of the scholarship the sum of \$1,000 was raised by subscription and used in the erection of a granite drinking fountain in memory of the founders. This fountain was lately erected on the campus of Washington and Jefferson College and marked with an appropriate bronze tablet.

The initiation into Indiana Alpha on November 20 of Merle Royse Walker made the third generation in one family in a single chapter of our fraternity. The initiation was the more remarkable because both his grandfather, of the class of '65, and his father, of the class of '87, were present at the initiation.—*Shield of Phi Kappa Psi.*

Recently the discovery has been made that there are five sisters in each of two Tri-Delta chapters. The Johnson sisters at Wisconsin, the first, of whom was graduated in 1905, and the Bonnell sisters of Nebraska the first of whom was graduated in 1895.

The editor of the *Trident* queries: "Has any other fraternity more than five sisters of one chapter?" Pi Beta Phi has three groups of five sisters each. The Wiswell sisters were initiated into Illinois Beta. The first initiation that of Rose Wiswell (Mrs. Lescher) was in 1873—and she still subscribes to the *ARROW*. And the latest initiation was that of Ada Wiswell in 1891. At Minnesota the five Robbins sisters were initiated, the first in 1891 and the youngest is today a member of the active chapter. Kansas Alpha and Illinois Beta jointly furnish a third group, the five Richardson sisters, initiated in 1872 and 1873. Two of these sisters were charter members of the Kansas chapter. There are 25 groups of four sisters each. Newcomb and Franklin each furnish three of the groups, Kansas, Indiana, and Iowa State College each two groups. The remaining groups came from the chapters at Colorado, Lombard, Knox, Northwestern, Illinois, Iowa Wesleyan, Simpson, Iowa State University, Michigan, and Ohio.

As a supplement to the November issue, the *Alpha Phi Quarterly* issued a catalogue of the membership of the fraternity. The fraternity, founded at Syracuse in 1872, has established 14 chapters, all living to-day. Of the 2,072 members initiated into Alpha Phi,

80 have died, and of the living members the addresses of only 7 are unknown.

It must be borne in mind that the fraternities to-day are not merely agencies for the erection of unofficial dormitories. Their principal aim and purpose is not home-seeking or home-building, but the development of a spirit of brotherhood, and the occupancy and erection of homes is an incident to this stage of their existence. We know very well that if the alumni of the different chapters who are pouring out money for the erection of chapter houses were to believe that the development of the true fraternity spirit had ceased, their contributions would dwindle rapidly and soon cease. In other words, the chapters of to-day not only have material ends, but spiritual aims, and we ought not to lose sight of the latter in our sense of admiration for the former.—*Beta Theta Pi.*

Miss Juliet Stuart Points of New York has received the English scholarship of the General Federation of Women's Clubs. This is the first scholarship ever granted to an American woman under the exact forms of competition by which Rhodes scholars are chosen. While officers of the Rhodes trust were generous enough to examine candidates for the Federation scholarship, they have no responsibility for the scrutiny of the final credentials.

Eight candidates entered for the competition, and six took the full examinations—one from each of the States of Alabama, California, Iowa, Minnesota, New York, and Ohio. Miss Points receives an award of \$1,500 for a year's study in England. Second in standing is Miss Mary Treudley of Athens, a graduate of Ohio University in the class of 1906 and at present a graduate student in the University of Chicago. The third in standing is Miss Lillian Matherson Lotspeich of the University of Alabama.

Miss Points was born in Nebraska in 1886, fitted for college in the public schools of Jersey City, was graduated from Barnard College in 1907, worked for two years under the United States Commission of Immigration, and is now teaching in the department of history at Barnard, and completing her work for the doctorate of philosophy. Her research in England will deal with the industrial revolution of the last century, and its bearing upon the labor of women.—*New York Evening Post.*

Miss Points, to whom the fellowship was awarded is a member of Kappa Kappa Gamma. Miss Treudley, who stood second, is a member of Pi Beta Phi. The *Alpha Phi Quarterly* states that the Minnesota competitor was a member of Alpha Phi. In view of the many attacks on the scholarship of fraternity members, it would be interesting to know whether the other contestants also were fraternity women. At least 50 per cent. were fraternity members, and they included the contestants who ranked first and second.

At its last session a bill was passed by the state legislature of Wisconsin providing for an investigation of fraternities at the University of Wisconsin

and a report to the legislature two years hence. The bill was introduced by Assemblyman Culbertson, *Wisconsin*, '92, a member of Phi Delta Theta, and of the legal fraternity of Phi Delta Phi. The text of the resolution offered is as follows:

"Whereas, certain students of the University of Wisconsin have banded themselves into fraternal organizations known as Greek-letter fraternities and Greek-letter sororities;

"Whereas, such organizations have had a tendency wherever they have existed in this country to form cliques and social classes anti-democratic in tendency;

"Whereas, while we recognize that the university is as democratic as any university in the country, yet, evidence is not wanting of a tendency toward class distinction growing out of the conditions surrounding fraternity life;

"Therefore, be it resolved by the assembly, the senate concurring, that the Board of Regents of the university be requested to investigate the situation in the fraternities and sororities with reference to remedying the above tendency, and also with reference to the substitution therefor of some better system of student organization, and to report the result of such investigations with recommendations to the legislature at their next regular session."

Chapters of Sigma Alpha Epsilon which fail to send a chapter letter to the *Record* are subject to a fine of \$5 before the members are entitled to receive the *Record*.

Kappa Sigma's house at Missouri burned January 5. It was a leased structure.—*Kappa Alpha Journal*.

An Alpha Chi Omega alumna offers the following excellent ideas as to chapter letters:

I don't think the letter should have anything to fill in with, any padding so to speak, but it should be full of facts about girls in the chapter, and what they are doing, about their fraternity meetings; and about the college in general. There are always two classes of readers to take into consideration,—the other chapters and the alumnae. The other chapters, if wide-awake, are watching out to see what others are doing in fraternity meetings, house management, little plans for local extension, broader acquaintance, and more permanent aims. In the University of Kansas at present the girls are striving to formulate a plan to give girl students who would otherwise get nothing out of their college course except the daily grind, some social life. They are trying hard to solve the problem of social snobbishness and clannishness. I have often thought our letter department would be so interesting as a Round Table, where we could ask questions and tell our little plans, not only for our chapter but for all the college girls about us. The associate editor should be wide-awake to all college interests in the state, especially among girls, and the material for her letter should not only be the facts of her own fraternity but also a little editorial from her college or state in the interest of the culture and

advancement of girls everywhere. It should show what the fraternity girls, as an organized body, can do to help. Fraternities are not going to last if we live just within our own selfish pleasures,—and of course our letters are always expressive of ourselves.

Then the alumnae want to know so many things. Many times a girl's name is given as a new pledge, without any information as to her or whence she came. The associate editor should play she is the real city editor, or the like, and tell us all the details, which are so interesting. Many of the alumnae grow careless about subscribing for a college paper, and our magazine should in large measure be sufficient. Owing to the many demands upon the alumna's time, the chapter letter should be full of college news, changes in departments, college discipline, and the many things you would have to tell if you met one interested in the college. I suspect you think I am asking for "yellow journalism." I am not, but I do think something along that line, keeping to the truth, would be interesting and give life to the letters. It would interest the alumnae. For the other chapters, the idea of a Round Table is prominent in my mind.—*Lyre of Alpha Chi Omega.*

In recent years the greater part of the criticisms of fraternities has been directed against the low standing in scholarship of their members as compared with non-fraternity men. We believe that a great deal of this criticism is undeserved and based on false premises. We have not felt that high scholastic standing is always the surest criterion of the real benefit a man is securing from his college course, nor an absolute guarantee of his future success or value as a citizen. In fact, as our average college curriculum is to-day arranged, some of the most important elements in character-building and the broadening of the student's mental horizon are entirely neglected by the college faculty. The student receives some of the most valuable of his college training from his participation in athletic, literary, musical and other college activities which are outside the college curriculum. Naturally, the time devoted to these interests must be taken to a certain extent from the regular college work. Though the college authorities allow no credit for such really valuable training, and excellence along these lines makes no showing in a man's marking, still all our colleges are perfectly willing to avail themselves of the advertising they receive from a good football team, the glee club, and the college papers. It seems hardly fair that our colleges should accept these benefits and yet practically penalize the men who sacrifice their hours of recreation to these enterprises, as well as the time they must necessarily take from their studies. The fraternity chapter offers perhaps more valuable training for after life than any other feature of college activity or any scholastic course, and we doubt if in the long run its demands on its members' time seriously interferes with their attention to their studies.

Several things should be taken into consideration when we compare by arbitrary and inaccurate college markings the class room attainments of fraternity men with those of non-fraternity men. In the first place, a fraternity man is seldom selected with a view solely to any one ability, whether it is athletic, musical, social, or scholastic. The aim is to secure the all-round, normally efficient man, and we do not think that any member of a college

faculty would question that the men so qualified are the very backbone of the student body and the best raw material for the college's production of the best citizens. The primary reason for a man's attending college is the acquisition of knowledge and culture and a development of those powers which will fit him the best to take his proper place in life and discharge his duties as a citizen.

We have already expressed our belief that in producing the last result the college fraternities and those activities outside the provisions of the college curriculum are the most important factors; and if we take into account the type of student who either has not learned how to study or who is too indolent, but who is kept to his college work by the older members of his chapter, we can give the fraternity considerable credit as an agency in maintaining a fair rank of scholarship. Still, we would not at all belittle the responsibility of every fraternity man, both for the reputation of his fraternity and for his own best interests, to apply himself to his regular college work with sufficient closeness to maintain at least a satisfactory standing in scholarship.

In recent years most fraternities have been devoting their attention to this particular point; and by its action at the recent Karnea Delta Tau Delta has taken a decided step in this direction in its scheme of chapter visitation and supervision of the scholarship of its members. In the final working out of our plan there are many details yet to be settled. If we were a smaller fraternity with less than twenty chapters it would be possible to have one officer devote his entire time to this phase of our work, but with the 53 chapters on our roll and their wide geographical distribution this plan is impractical. The supervision of scholarship has been placed under the direct charge of our Ritualist and we may find the visitation of our chapters can be best divided among the officers of the Arch Chapter, allotting to each man a certain section which he can comfortably cover. Time and experience will perfect the details of the work. The important thing is that the start has been made and funds have been appropriated for this purpose.—*Rainbow of Delta Tau Delta.*

College deterioration is a frequent refrain in the present day criticisms of our colleges. We would in no way belittle true scholarship; yet is it quite sane to compare the average scholarship of to-day with that of fifty years ago, when to-day college is a matter of course for every boy, and most girls, who can afford it, while then it was only the so-thought particularly gifted who entered college halls? Can any one be found to maintain that the grade records of an institution are any true criterion of the scholarship of its students? Yet many of these criticisms are based entirely upon such records although any one at all familiar with college life knows that high grades are often the result of "midnight crams," while a student, deeply interested in a subject, reading widely along lines opened up by the particular course, and carrying into after life a continued love and interest in that subject, may have only average or perhaps even mediocre grades. Which stands for scholarship, the cram and high grade or the average grade and a continued interest in the subject? Grades do not necessarily mean even excellence in study, which is also a thing quite apart from real scholarship.

Our colleges may in their inception have been primarily for the training

of intellectual leaders for the encouragement of thinkers and experimenters, who, in advance of the thought of the age, raised the nation's ideals. To-day the unanimous ideal—if we can trust the words of our educators—is that a college shall train for effective citizenship. Is there any community where the venerated scholar, the recluse student, is listed among the most efficient citizens? College life at its best is a little apart and four of the most impressionable years of life spent in this apart college community make necessary some effort for adjustment to one's place afterward as a part of the everyday life of the real world. Will the student who at college does nothing but study be the most skillful or the most quick to become an effective unit of real life? Yet, if taxed with his non-participation in college activities, he will generally confess it is a choice between a fine record as a scholar or a reputation for usefulness in college life. Can a university that boasts of training citizens reconcile its ideal with scholarship attained at such cost? To-day not one's own success but one's service is the measure of a successful life. Is it possible for the average person—and in the present college constituency we deal with average people—to excell in any one line except at the expense of other phases of life? College is primarily a place to learn but not all learning is found in books and class rooms, and no system of measurement will really measure learning, to say nothing of scholarship. The many demands of the complex life of to-day are hard to meet adequately; just as soon as the pursuit of knowledge forces one to relinquish other phases of life it is time (unless you be one of the rare geniuses destined to lead the life apart for the good of future mankind.) to call a halt though it be to destroy one's chances for scholarship honors. Scholarship like anything else can be acquired at too great a cost. We have but to compare the undergraduate scholarship records of alumni of whom any college is proud, with the citizenship records of alumni who were prize undergraduate scholars, to demonstrate beyond cavil that undergraduate scholarship records are no criterion of a university's successful work for its ideal of effective citizenship.

We urge upon our college members serious study, earnest, hard work, which means, sane scholarship, not high grades. So often the girl whose scholarship is the boast of the chapter obviously lacks those things which the world deems rightly as essential results of a college education that claims to make effective members of society. Appeals for higher scholarship usually reach the very students who need other things, while passing over the heads of the more careless students whose scholarship might be improved without serious loss to their development along other lines. But after all, most of the world is already too serious and it is only after years out of college that the true significance of college days can be justly gauged—and scholarship grades will play a small part in that estimate.—*Kappa Alpha Theta*.

The Kappa Alpha Theta reports that during the academic year active and alumnae members of the fraternity received 9 fellowships, 17 elections to Phi Beta Kappa, and 4 scholarships.

In a table showing the relative scholarship of the four fraternities at the University of Missouri for the second semester of last year, Delta Gamma is in the lead by a wide margin.—*Chapter correspondence in Anchora of Delta Gamma*.

The Barnard chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution has been formed, and will soon receive its charter.

Alpha Phi will hold her twenty-first national convention March 8-11 with the Goucher and Southern alumnae chapters. Wednesday evening there will be an oyster supper. Thursday evening there will be a dramatic reading by a Michigan Alpha Phi.

In choosing your delegate, select a girl whose judgment you can rely upon, one who is thoroughly conversant with all that pertains to her chapter, but whose vision is not narrowed to her chapter alone; and above all send her unhampered by restrictions that may impede important decisions. In other words, instruct but do not bind her.—*Alpha Phi Quarterly*.

Chi Omega will hold her sixth biennial convention June 25-July 1 at Lexington, Ky., with the Transylvania chapter—the college of Jefferson Davis, and James Lane Allen. The hostess chapter was the first chapter established by the original organization.

Delta Delta Delta will hold her ninth national convention June 20-25 at Evanston, Ill. with the Northwestern chapter. The plans include an alliance initiation, a "stunt" night, a sight seeing trolley ride in Chicago, and a beach breakfast.

We want the best possible officers at the head of fraternity work. A study of conditions in any large American city will convince that the best politician does not make the best officer. As the fraternity grows there will always be aspirants for office. As a general thing their efficiency in office is in inverse ratio to their zeal in getting there. The delegate must distrust advances, whether made by the man himself or by his friends. The best officers do not always have the most enthusiastic followers—at least, before election. The delegate must be guided by principles, not personalities.

One of these principles is that some member of the national council should be changed each year. The men who have been through the experience of managing the fraternity form a strong reserve against emergency. The intimate knowledge of the fraternity's policy and affairs can be gained in no other way. We need a large group of such men—not a few—as the best insurance against shipwreck, the best safeguard of conservatism the very best antidote to pernicious politics in the future. Given a Council in which every man is perfectly efficient, at least one of these paragons should be changed each year, that there may be no stagnation; that another man may be put in training and add the gift of his personality to the ability of the rest; that the Council may not lose touch with the younger members of the order; that the fraternity may continue to demand unpaid the best efforts of its best men without

their enthusiasm being dulled or discouraged by the prospects of interminable effort; that another trained brother may be set free for work at large in the brotherhood, which sheer lack of time would prevent his adding to his Council duties; that the convention may feel responsible for and in vital relations with the Council. It is always so easy to let well enough alone, especially when a Councillor wants to stay on. "Don't hurt his feelings." But the welfare of the fraternity the whole group of brothers, is a paramount, and if there has been and is the tradition that at least one Councillor should go out each year, his feelings will not be hurt.

The national Secretary should never be changed, so long as he can and will do his work. This is not theorizing; every grand or subordinate lodge of Masons, Odd Fellows, Knights of Pythias, or what not, will give the same counsel. The experience of all these bodies is worth something, and they keep their secretaries for term after term. No new man can gain acquaintance with voluminous records, archives and multiple threads of correspondence without months of preliminary or handicapped work. The national Secretary should be the only salaried official in the fraternity, his salary should be increased as we can afford it, and the fraternity, should like others, ultimately secure his whole time. The second principle is that not more than two members of the Council should be changed any year, unless the fraternity is in danger from the inefficiency of the whole Council. It is hard for the average undergraduate to realize that the national Council, as such, has an individual and definite policy. If it has not, it should have. Matters of extension; questions as to interfraternity relation; movements to strengthen weak chapters—these and many similar matters run over from year to year—they are movements, not motions—and they require for well carrying out a homogenous body familiar with the history and facts in the case, familiar with just the results desired, and just the means in hand to achieve it. While three or four newly elected Councillors, full of preconceived theories and a somewhat pardonable sense of importance, may not be expected to defer to the judgment of the one or two old Councillors, nor to accept without trial the experience of others, a newly elected minority must—perforce defer in all important matters; the policy remains the same; and it is only after the newcomers are thoroughly familiar with the situation that they can make converts to their views, and then not by force of vote but by merit of good argument.

It is a poor theory that has no elasticity. There may be difference of opinion as to how frequently one change should be made on the Council at the yearly election, and how often too. It is obvious that the President and Vice-President should not be asked to serve too many years. If the work is properly done it is a burden; if it is not a burden, it is not thoroughly done, and we cannot lay on brothers for too many years an unsalaried burden which may interfere with their breadwinning or their health. Since on the basis of what has been said both these officers may not be changed the same year, it would seem to the writer that they might be changed alternately, holding over both whenever some uncompleted work or other reason rendered advisable postponing the retirement of the senior. However, perhaps general rules cannot be formulated on this matter.

To conclude with principle 3. At the last convention a delegate asked the writer how he was to vote, as he was personally acquainted with none of the candidates suggested to him. In such an emergency pay no attention to what any one says of the personal attractions of the candidate, but vote in favor of a man on his past fraternity record only.—*Garnet and White of Alpha Chi Rho.*

The last generation has seen grow up in every college community a great body of student activities, interesting and beneficial in themselves, springing from the social instincts and ambitions of the students. They carry on daily, weekly, and monthly publications of merit; they conduct successfully and with skill the business administration of various student enterprises; they maintain through co-operation, useful clubs and societies of their own. Those students who are most active in initiating and carrying on these undertakings receive marked benefit from them; they gain a certain amount of human experience which is not to be lightly valued; they get some training in business methods and in business responsibility; they learn some of the secrets of control and direction; and those who participate in the work of editing and publishing frequently do journalistic work of distinct merit. All this has grown up outside of the formal program of studies, and yet it represents an educational influence which is very genuine. The fact that these undertakings and organizations exist wherever students are brought together in a community of their own seems to prove that they are the natural forms for the expression of undergraduate interest and activity. The time has come when the college faculty should take note of the existence of these educational forces at their very door and should attach proper weight and importance to them. They cannot be subjected to faculty control, for that would be to deprive them of their spontaneity and naturalness and so of more than half their value. They should, however, be taken cognizance of, and the man who augments his work in the class room and laboratory by valuable human or business training, through participation in recognized student activities, should find that fact entered to his recredit upon the college record. It has been found possible and helpful to allow students participating in certain beneficial outdoor sports and games to make good in that way the requirement of formal work in the gymnasium. Why cannot the same principle be applied to the successful experience which a student may have in the organization and conduct of one of the students' own undertakings?

It is not enough to reply that these undertakings lie outside the formal program of studies. That is only to say that the formal program of studies is itself too narrow and does not touch all sides of the student's life and spur on all of his ambitions. Perhaps if the colleges were to take more interest in what the student likes to do out of class and would show some appreciation of his success in that field, he in turn would reciprocate by following his teachers and guides more eagerly into the intellectual paths of enjoyment and training whither they would lead him. There is certainly a suggestion here which may some day bear fruit in a fuller recognition of the educational value to the student of the life that he lives while he is a college undergraduate.—*Report of President Butler of Columbia.*

What shall be one's attitude toward fraternities in general? Shall we accept them as a constituent part of college life, or are we to question their very existence and because their presence involves certain dangers, either ignore them or attempt to abolish them? To my mind the attempts at elimination have not been sufficiently successful to encourage that course.

A fraternity is a good or bad influence, depending on the type of students who represent its leadership. And an organization within an organization will do good or harm in proportion to its efforts to advance or defeat the principles for which the mother organization stands. Many instances of the harmful influence of fraternities might be traced to the fact that in some way the individual chapter has lost sight of the purposes of the institution of which it is a part. It is out of line; out of sympathetic touch with the aims and ambitions of the greater fraternity—the college or university itself. This doubleness of purpose will be found to represent the discord and disorder in all organization life, whether it be church, the state, or the institution of learning.

The evil tendencies found in fraternities are those of young men in and out of college. These evils are idleness, over-devotion to amusements such as athletics, social functions, musical organizations, and temptations to conviviality and sometimes dissipation. While the very close friendships of members of the fraternities have often accentuated these evils, when they are once recognized, these very friendships may be used by older people to eradicate them.

The young men and the young women of our colleges as a body have good intentions and want to do the right thing if they know what it is. They need wise guidance and the proper influences placed about them. It is perfectly natural that students even in our small colleges shall form their close friendships in small groups. Some may do this in one way, and others in another. The demand for the close association of members of a fraternity and other organizations comes from the natural social instinct of young people, and if properly guided may be a source of good in the college. The colleges which do not have fraternities have some social organization in the form of clubs or other societies. Perhaps all the dangers and advantages of the fraternities may be found to exist in other organizations, but fraternities are here and are very important, in the eyes of their friends, at least. I believe they have done good and are capable of much more good in the future. I am of the opinion that the wise policy for the college to pursue is to ask the co-operation of the fraternities in everything that pertains to their welfare and that of the college, and to place the question of the presence of all organizations in the college, including fraternities, on the same plan. Namely, let them develop in freedom, insisting in a broad way that their interests must not only be subordinate to the college interests, but that they must contribute to the same ends and be loyal to the same ideals—*President Swain of Swarthmore in an address before the Association of Colleges and Preparatory Schools of the Middle States and Maryland, quoted in the Shield of Phi Kappa Psi.*

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