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## Contributions.

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### HON. BEVERLEY B. MUNFORD.

The following is taken from the Richmond (Va.) *Times*, September 19th, and will be read with great interest by all members of the Fraternity. Brother Munford is an initiate of *Alpha* Chapter and an active member of *Alumnus Alpha*. The article from which this account is taken is entitled, "Virginia's New Law-Makers":

#### HON. BEVERLEY B. MUNFORD.

When the Legislature meets early in December several familiar faces and voices will be missed in the Senate. Their places will be supplied by prominent and able men, whose influence and strength will make itself felt in the legislative halls.

In Hon. Beverley B. Munford Richmond secures a representative who will honor her. He is an able man, and his abilities well fit him for the responsible duties which he will assume.

Hon. Beverley Bland Munford, who will represent Richmond city in the Senate, succeeding the late William Lov-



enstein, was born in the city of Richmond in 1857. He is a son of Colonel John D. Munford, and grandson of William Munford, Esq., of Richmond, author of *Munford's Reports*, and a cultivated scholar, whose translation of Homer's *Iliad* is noted for its accuracy and purity of taste. He is connected on the paternal side with the Beverleys and Blands, for which well-known families he is named.

Mr. Munford's childhood was spent on a farm near Williamsburg, Va., and he was educated at William and Mary College. At the age of nineteen, his father having died, he accepted a clerkship in the office of Judge J. D. Coles, of Pittsylvania county, where he studied law, and after a short term at the University of Virginia, he was admitted to the bar. He located at Pittsylvania Courthouse, and from the first took a high stand in his profession. In the fall of 1881, though only twenty-four years of age, he was elected to the Legislature from Pittsylvania county, and was re-elected in 1883 and 1885, leading the ticket in each instance. In the memorable contest between Hon. John S. Barbour and Maj. John W. Daniel for the United States Senate, Mr. Munford was one of Major Daniel's leaders, and after the endorsement of the caucus had been secured, was selected to place Major Daniel in nomination before the Legislature, which he did in a speech which was widely commended for its good taste and eloquence. In 1884 Mr. Munford was a Presidential Elector on the Cleveland and Hendricks ticket. In the Legislature of 1885 he was chairman of the Judiciary Committee of the House. In the gubernatorial contest between McKinney and Mahone in 1889, Mr. Munford, at the request of the Democratic leaders, wrote a review of the legislation and attempted legislation of 1881-'82, which was printed and widely distributed under the heading, "Mahoneism Unveiled," and was the most valuable campaign document in that canvass.

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This association resulted in a warm friendship and a determination on the part of both to remove to Richmond and establish a co-partnership for the practice of law. As a result of this determination the firm of Staples & Munford was established in Richmond in 1888 and has since enjoyed a large and constantly increasing practice, ranking as one of the ablest and most distinguished law firms in the city or State. This partnership was terminated by the death of Judge Staples only a few weeks since.

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integrity of the Democratic organization was a matter of paramount importance, he accepted the decision of the convention of his party and voted for Mr. Bryan for President.

Mr. Munford is a careful student of all public questions. In public as well as private life, he is noted for the completeness with which he masters every detail of a subject which he is called upon to consider and the ability with which he applied this information to the accomplishment of practical results. He is especially interested in labor problems. He is a believer in organized labor and looks forward confidently to the time when under proper laws the condition of labor will be more and more improved.

Mr. Munford is prominently identified with the business interests of Richmond. He is a director in several banking and other business enterprises, and president of the City Bar Association. He is also a member of the Board of Visitors of William and Mary College, a member of the directory of the Virginia Historical Society, the Confederate Museum, the University College of Medicine, and other like institutions. He is a vestryman of St. Paul's church, and deeply interested in all church work.

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#### OUR TEXAS ALUMNUS CHAPTER.

On October 29th twelve alumni of the Fraternity assembled in Dallas, Texas, and organized our first Chapter in the great State of Texas. The following account of the meeting is taken from one of the Dallas daily papers: "A jollier company never assembled at the great Texas State Fair and Dallas Exposition than that which sat in a mystic circle last Friday evening in the parlors of the Daughters of the American Revolution. It was a company of Greeks—not Greeks who fought, bled and died for the liberties of the home of the philosophers, but Greeks who were inducted into the Eleusinian mysteries, improved and perpetuated by the *Pi Kappa Alpha* Fraternity of the noblest



colleges and universities of the Southland. They came together at the call of the Grand Secretary of the Order at large, Rev. Robert Hill, and delightful were the greetings and sweet the memories revived by the meeting of college friends of "auld lang syne." After it was ascertained that no barbarian had dared to thrust himself in where only angels trod, on motion the Grand Secretary was asked to call the Greeks to order. He did so gracefully, and appointed your humble servant S. C. On motion of the Rev. W. M. Anderson, it having been previously agreed by all that an alumnus association was the thing wanted to further the interests of the Fraternity in the State, and to keep alive old friendships and sacred memories.

"Robert Hill, of Dallas, was elected S. M. C.; Professor T. A. Steele, Dallas, I. M. C.; J. Frank Smith, of Dallas, S. C.; W. M. Anderson, of Dallas, Th. C., and O. M. Fitzhugh, of Oakcliff, M. C.

"After the election of officers, on motion of V. S. Wardlaw, of Fort Worth, Dallas was chosen as the next place of meeting, and the occasion of the State Fair agreed on as the most appropriate time. A committee consisting of J. Frank Smith, Professor T. A. Steele and Rev. Robert Hill, of Dallas, with the Rev. W. B. Fitzhugh and Mr. V. S. Wardlaw, of Fort Worth, were appointed, on motion, to set a date and arrange a programme for the next meeting of the alumnus Chapter of *Pi Kappa Alpha* Fraternity in Texas. By motion the session adjourned, and with myriads of good wishes and the hidden touch of the hand that differentiates the loyal Greek from the barbarian, they separated till the autumn of 1898 rolls round with its glorious fair and more glorious reunion of the sons of *Pi Kappa Alpha*.

In addition to those already named among the many noble who on Friday afternoon met in the historic temple of the D. A. R. may be named *cum laudi* Rev. E. H. Siles, of Denison, Rev. R. E. Chandler, of Greenville, Rev. W. B. Miller, of Forney, Mr. T. M. Sleeper, of Waxahachie,

and Hon. W. F. Keith, of Beaumont. These represented a number of colleges and universities, and are yet loyal lovers of *the shield and diamond*.

The Fraternity at large should certainly be pleased at this news, for it means great things for the advancement of the Order. Through this Alumnus Chapter we hope to gain entrance into Texas colleges, and before many years we believe that we will have strong chapters in its institutions. The indefatigable worker, Robert Hill, deserves the credit for the organization of this Chapter, and the brothers did the right thing in electing him its head officer.

*The Editor.*

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### THE PRINCETON PIS.

Some days ago I received a letter from the Grand Treasurer, asking that I write him a little sketch of the *Pi's* in Princeton Seminary, (N. J.)

It is always interesting for me to meet with and hear of a *Pi Kappa Alpha*. When I landed in Princeton the first thing I did after getting myself arranged was to recognize some good old *Pi*. I was almost sure there must be some of them here, as quite a number of the Southern States are represented. It was not long before three of us were found who could safely exchange the grip.

Princeton Seminary has the high honor of having the following *Pi's* from the Carolinas:

Brother Thornwell Jacobs, whose home is in the beautiful little village of Clinton, S. C., is a member of the middle class in the Seminary. He is an alumnus of the Presbyterian College of South Carolina. So he hails from *Mu* Chapter, and is a Fraternity man in the true sense of the word, with that high and noble idea of truth and virtue. He has the true grit of a student, as is shown by the standing he has taken in his college course. Now, since entering the Seminary he has won a reputation of being the most studious fellow in his class. The result of which, he is at the head of his class. He is working for the Hebrew



prize, which is very valuable. Win your goal if possible, brother. It will be a lasting name for you. He contemplates doing Post-Graduate work, then sailing for the old country, where he will enter some noted University. Success to him in all he may undertake.

Brother Charles H. Little is another noble *Pi*, who comes to us from the old North State. His home is in that nice scope of country lying north of Charlotte. He comes from the old plantation home, where he has been accustomed to all the luxuries of country life, and surrounded with pleasant faces. He is noted for his horseback riding qualities. That is where he is most happy. He is always happy, and has that "go-lucky" spirit which causes him to meet his "ups and downs" with a pleasant smile. His greatest failing is that he will sport too many girls at one time. He is now by my side writing an epistle to the "Gal-a-tians." None the less he, too, is filled with true Southern grit, and holds high the banner which bears our noble colors, *Old Gold and Garnet*. He hails from *Beta* Chapter of Davidson College, N. C. He was one of the noble five who undertook to revive *Beta*, and which was a success in its truest meaning. This noble occasion will be truly remembered by our Grand Treasurer as having taken place in open daylight, in the Masonic Hall of Davidson, the date being November 24, 1894. Then it was that so many wire-workings were put into action that the outside world might not know what was imbedded in the bosoms of the *few* who were then entering into a new and mysterious life—becoming acquainted with *Pi Kappa Alpha* principles.

Now for the last, but by no means the least, of the Princeton *Pi*'s, who call themselves "Seminoles." He is your humble scribe, who is now seated by the midnight lamp penning these few lines for publication in the November number of *THE SHIELD AND DIAMOND*. He is from the Old North State. He, too, is from that garden spot of Mecklenburg county, lying north of Charlotte, the county seat, it being one of the most beautiful cities in the State. He

has always been accustomed to country life, mingling with all the cultivators of the soil. So he has enjoyed living with those who breath pure atmosphere. He is an alumnus of Davidson College, and a member of *Beta* Chapter, being a charter member, and took the vows at the same time with Brother Little. As to his *Pi*-ism, I have not much to say, except that the happiest days of his college life were those spent after being connected with this noble Order. Still, he has enjoyed it more since leaving college, because of having met with so many *Pi*'s from other Chapters, which is always a very pleasant thing in one's life. Brethren, Fraternity life is grand. Let every *Pi* have that nobility of character and lasting principle of truth and honesty that will characterize him in the pages of history as one worthy to be a leader and an example to be imitated by one and all.

These are not all the *Pi*'s who are now living in the bounds of Jersey soil and breathing her pure atmosphere. Just ten miles south of us, in the city of Trenton, N. J., dwells another blooded *Pi*, Rev. Jennings, who was connected with *Mu* Chapter, with Brother Jacobs. He is a brother to our Brother Jennings, now an active member of *Beta* Chapter at Davidson College. Rev. Brother Jennings has the honor of filling the pulpit of the First Presbyterian Church of Trenton. He is a noble man, and has that high ideal which a true follower of the Master should have, in order to make his, the highest call of man, an unlimited success. May he live long and be useful in his day and generation.

Princeton Seminary is a wonderful place. It is an ideal section of country in which the little town is situated. It is considered the best in the United States, and has the largest number of students. The Faculty constitute the best men, and most learned, the country can afford. My advice to a young man studying for the ministry is to spend one year here, if possible. The course is broad and thorough. The inducements are superior to any other of the whole country, to say nothing of the advantages in



other respects. We *Pi's* who are here think it very nice, although we are a long ways from our Southern friends.

I close this with the most sincere greetings to all *Pi's*, and may those of you who may have a desire to study theology spend one year in this Seminary.

Yours in the bonds,

*D. F. Hunter.*

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### *THE FRATERNITY AS A FACTOR IN COLLEGE LIFE.*

"It is not my purpose to give a vindication of the Greek-letter society, but to present certain phases of the general subject which may be considered with some profit at this time. The necessity for a vindication does not now exist, as formerly, when the Fraternity was denounced as an immoral institution and an unmitigated evil. Such chastisement, however, even though unmerited, was not without good results. It doubtless served as a safe-guard against, if not a correction of, the evils which the Fraternity was accredited. I am not so Fraternity-bound as to ascribe all the blame of the old-time conflict to unjust suspicion and distrust on the part of the opposition. It was highly probable that, in some measure, the Fraternity itself was at fault. Now, fortunately, a better spirit has come to prevail in the Fraternity, in the college government, and in the non-Fraternity student body, so that the feeling of distrust, if not of antagonism, has given way to relations of mutual respect and confidence.

"The college authorities, while they do not officially recognize the Fraternity as a college institution, do, at least, tacitly give it kindly recognition, which is, perhaps, the best solution of the Fraternity problem. History has proven the injustice of the many hard things which were formerly said against the Fraternity, and has furnished ample evidence that the Fraternity is in no respect inimical to any department or interest of college life. On the

contrary, to put it positively, the Fraternity, if true to itself, is always the college's faithful friend and zealous supporter.

"The best commendation of the Fraternity is to be found in the character and life of its many graduate members, no less than in the character and general deportment of the active membership. I must confess that I never could understand the distrust and opposition which the Fraternity formerly had to encounter. The pledge-principle could not be a just cause of opposition, for the reason that it is involved in college matriculation, and, to a greater or less degree, in all college associations.

"The principle of secrecy probably has been its chief ground of opposition, for the reason, doubtless, that its importance has been greatly exaggerated by the uninitiated.

"While secrecy does invest the Fraternity with a veil of mystery which gives to it more or less of interest, especially to the novice, to my mind this practically is one of the least important factors. Only the least important things may not be divulged, while the matters of greater importance may be publicly proclaimed.

"It may be that the distrust with which the Fraternity has been regarded was a just penalty for concealing too long from college authorities, and the public generally, the real nature and mission of the Fraternity. Had it been better known, it would have been less opposed.

"The main principle of the Fraternity is *fraternity*. The validity and worthiness of this principle no one may question. Without it there can be no complete education, no complete character. Social companionship and good fellowship are as air and sunshine to the proper development of student life and character. Their exclusion inevitably results in stunted, if not blighted growth.

"I do not mean to argue that the social culture of the student is bound up, of necessity, with the Fraternity Chapter. There may be as good Fraternity men outside the formal compact as within it. We all admit to have met and mingled with such congenial fraternal spirits. But



this confession does not weaken the force of the Fraternity argument.

"There are admirably developed physical specimens and noble athletes outside of the gymnasium as well as within. They are exceptional men, who appreciate the care, and delight in the development of the body, without the necessity of submitting to the formal rules of physical discipline. But the rule is that in the earlier stages of education, physical, intellectual, moral, and social, artificial helps are of advantage, and in many instances a necessity. Now, the Fraternity, in some measure, meets the wants in the social life of the collegian, and, if properly guarded, contributes largely to his social development.

"Too often the student, under pressure of the curriculum, and with a zealous desire to meet faithfully all the intellectual requirements of the course, thoughtlessly and unconsciously disregards the social side of his nature, and thereby, in a manner, develops the student at the expense of the man. He becomes a 'good student,' but not a good fellow. Too late he realizes that he would have been a better student had he been a better fellow.

"Without enlarging, I would simply make the point that there can be no complete, well-rounded culture without due regard for the social man. The student who would go out of college to lead a successful life, whatever may be the sphere of his choice, must see to it that his social, no less than his intellectual and moral nature, receives the training which is essential to the thoroughly educated man. The Fraternity contributes to this end. That, primarily, it may be said, is its purpose.

"The principle of selection, or the law of social affinity, as a matter of course, enters into the account. This, however, argues no more against Fraternity than against social affiliation in general. The law against affinity, the choice of companions, will regulate the social relations of the student, whether he wear the badge or not.

"Students in their Fraternity home, at their stated meetings, and in their daily commingling, have special regard

for such obligations and amenities. The cultivation of good fellowship and good cheer aids in driving dull care away, and contributes largely to the joy of student life, without in any degree impairing intellectual and moral standards.

"My own experience in relation to Fraternity life, I trust, is the rule common to all college Fraternities. In college, as out of it, I associated with gentlemen. They bore the same stamp as the men in whose presence I now stand—men whom I honor for their moral, intellectual, and social character and attainments. No member could be loyal to the Fraternity who was not loyal to the college and his literary society. To advance every interest of the college was the ambition of every faithful member.

"To aid and encourage one another in all college work and college sport, to jealously guard the honor of every member, and of the Chapter as a whole, was a secret that could be read in the daily life of the Fraternity brethren.

"Not to resent the imputation that immoral character, ungentlemanly behavior and indifference to college obligations could result from principles cherished by the Fraternity, and that such offenses could pass unrebuked by the boys who wore the badge, would be an insult to your moral manhood as well as a glaring injustice to the Fraternity itself.

"Nor can I believe that my own Fraternity is an exception to the rule. Rather would I say that Fraternity men, whatever may be the colors that they wear, in so far as they disregard the general duties of the college course, violate their Fraternity obligations and stand dishonored in the eyes of their brethren.

"That there are Fraternity men whose character and conduct merit censure and reproach is a fact that no one would conceal, a fact most deprecated by the Fraternity itself. But let not the charity be here denied which is so graciously applied to all other spheres in the use of the maxim: 'Exceptions prove the rule.' Nor is it strange that within the sphere of Fraternity life, as elsewhere, evil ten-



dencies should appear from time to time. But such tendencies are the result of principles taught by the Fraternity, or, in any sense, encouraged by it, is an inference as illogical as it is unjust.

"It is the part of fraternal manliness to acknowledge the perils to which the Fraternity may be exposed and to resist the same with wise precaution and continuous effort. Should the Fraternity in any manner be allowed to interfere with the fulfillment of the general requirements of the college curriculum, or with the faithful discharge of the duties of the literary society, or should it be used to advance the interests of members on the basis simply of Fraternity relations through concerted action, or by combination with other Fraternities, these are evils which the Fraternity itself should be the first to arrest and correct. If at any former time the Fraternity has given occasion for the feeling of distrust and antagonism on the part of the non-Fraternity men, the best safeguard against its recurrence is the maintenance of such relations of good will, kindness, and courtesy toward the entire student body as to merit their confidence and respect.

"The spirit of clan is a peril to which the Fraternity is peculiarly exposed.

"To restrict the social spirit and social relations to the narrow sphere bounded by Fraternity lines defeats the main purpose of the Greek-letter society. Its mission is to enlarge, not to contract the social man. The benefits of Fraternity discipline should, therefore, be seen in the more general association of fellow students. It is in relation to the larger social sphere that the Fraternity man appears to the best advantage.

"That Fraternity approaches nearest to the ideal which best fulfills the obligation of brotherhood towards its own membership, towards kindred Fraternities, and towards all of the non-Fraternity student body.

"The Fraternity best fulfills its mission which best serves the college, which aims constantly to contribute to the intellectual, moral and social development of its members,

which maintains relations of good-will and amity toward other Fraternities, and which, at all times, respects the manhood, rights and privileges of non-Fraternity students.

"Noble character, gentlemanly deportment, high scholarship, good fellowship, are worthy aims to which our Fraternity constantly invites us. To-night I am here to encourage you in your efforts towards the realization of your own students and men, may be your best commendation as representatives of Phi Kappa Psi.—*Address of J. C. Bowman, D. D., in Phi Kappa Psi Shield.*



## Chapter Letters.

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### ALPHA.

Had an alumnus, who was passing through Charlottesville, gone up to the University at the first of this session to call on some of his *II K A* brethren, he would have pitied the Chapter which, three years ago, proudly and truly called itself and was considered by other Fraternity men as the best in the "Varsity." He would have shed tears of deep sorrow when he saw that the banner Chapter was waning away. But does she wane? No, not for a minute. What do they do, those heroes in *II K A* with hearts of gold? This is what they do:

They call a meeting. Those who were there are Brothers W. H. Landon White, H. B. Lee, Jr., and Frank D. Moore, of *Alpha*, and Brother Paul B. Myers, of *Zeta*. They decide to search for *II K A* material, which is always hard to find.

All worked hard for two weeks; this is what they accomplished: Brothers Norman H. McDonald, of Mississippi, and Archibald D. Dabney, of the University of Virginia, were "goated" into the mysterious and zealous circle which surrounds us. They are both typical *IPs*. Our next letter will, in all probability, give very graphic accounts of another "goating."

The members regret very much the loss of Brother L. L. Brown, Jr., who is at Columbian University, of Washington, Brother Booth, who is in business in Petersburg, Va., Brother J. Pike Powers, Jr., now practicing law in Knoxville, and Brother J. Lawrence Smith, who is living near the University.

We have about the best Chapter-hall imaginable. It is in the new postoffice building, and there are three large rooms at our disposal, which are fairly well furnished.

The foot-ball team is rather "good" this year. They have only been scored on once, and that by Pennsylvania. No one expects such to happen again, not even by Georgia and North Carolina.

With good luck and best wishes to all *II's*, especially *Zeta*.  
Paul B. Myers.

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### BETA.

"We are Seven." Though small in numbers, *Beta* hopes and believes that she has those qualities which go to make up true *II's*.

*Beta* still mourns the loss of Brother R. S. Eskridge, but is comforted by the thought that while he is not working for *Beta* he is working for *II K A*.

Dr. Vinson is missed by all the boys, for he was every one's friend. Every time I enter the Math. room I seem to hear "Old Vinse" say: "He! he!! That's so, isn't it Mr. Houston?"

Professor Douglas, who succeeded Dr. Vinson, is liked by all those who take mathematics, and by most of those who don't.

Brother Clark was elected Vice-President of the Eumernean Society. Brother McKinnon is left tackle on the senior foot-ball team. Brother Jennings is holding down—he weighs only 125 pounds—the right end of the soph. team. The classes are working hard to capture the alumnus cup. "Of course" 1900 will capture it, though each class expects to own it.

The rest of our boys are working away at their studies and dreading the Xmas examinations.

Best wishes to all the Chapters of *II K A*.

W. S. Houston.



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**GAMMA.**

October the seventh, the day that caused so many of us to enjoy the realization of being back once again on the sacred grounds of our "*Alma Mater*," was a time of great interest and activity.

Old students were taking delight in meeting their companions, the faculty were taking courage at seeing so many students, our treasurer was taking matriculation fees, and a good many freshmen were taking that dreadful disease known as homesickness; but some of our "old veterans" were taking the lead in the "calico rank."

On Saturday night it was the privilege of all that had arrived to attend our Young Men's Christian Association Reception, concerning which it is needless to say anything more than that it was a grand success.

However, this delightful season had closed only to be followed by another of a somewhat more feminine nature, for on the next Tuesday evening were present at a second reception about fifty of the most amiable ladies of "Ye Ancient Capital." Chocolate and cake were of little consequence now, and before we knew it, 11 o'clock had summoned us to leave.

All the different classes have been for several days in regular order, but nevertheless it is still the failing of a few to be proficient in only one class, the diploma which is neither of sheepskin nor of paper, but of "calico," on which is the following motto: "My only books are woman's looks."

But we, who are all of us surely very fond of *Pi*'s, do not have so much taste for such things as we have mentioned above. So to begin: On Wednesday night, October 6, 1897, at 8 o'clock, six well padded boys were received at the home of Brother C. W. Coleman. This brother, who is our distinguished librarian and poet, and Brothers R. M. Hughes and Floyd Hughes, two of the foremost lawyers of our State, and our successful college physician, Dr. Hankins, were the "Lord Keepers of the Great

Goat'' on this memorable occasion. All our brothers know how hard it was to ride that "goat" and how tired he must have been when he left the parting lock of his hair on the trousers' leg of the sixth boy, for you have all had your finger in that "Pi."

So *Gamma*, under the control of the "big six"—an approach to that Grecian number—is again the beloved Chapter in whose name Brothers R. R. Claiborne, C. H. Lambert, C. N. Williams, R. Hankins, J. L. Newcomb, and G. L. Stevens are rejoiced in sending greetings to all her sister fraternities.

*G. L. Stevens.*

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### ZETA.

We are sorry that the University opened too late for our Chapter to have its letter in the last issue of THE SHIELD AND DIAMOND.

We were glad to greet so many of our old members at the opening of school. The following old members are back in school this year: M. R. Campbell, R. H. Alexander, George Brown, J. H. McCallum, C. B. Rogan, J. H. Hudson, W. K. Hunter and E. Clyde Sherwood.

We have not taken in as many new men as usual, but we congratulate ourselves on getting two such worthy men as George Templeton and Cornelius Williams, both of Knoxville, seem to be. We have gone in for quality rather than quantity, and we believe we have gotten our share of the quality. Several of the other fraternities here seem to have sought numbers instead of being conservative, but we believe this to be a mistake.

*Zeta* has received a large share of the military offices this year. She is especially proud of this from the fact that most of these men were promoted over men who ranked them last year. Brother Rogan was appointed Adjutant with the rank of First Lieutenant. Brother Hudson is First Lieutenant of Company B, while Brother Alexander has charge of the signal corps, with the rank of First



Lieutenant. Brother Sherwood is Second Lieutenant of Company A, and Brother Campbell is Sergeant-Major of the battalion.

At the last meeting of the University German Club Brother Rogan was elected President by acclamation. We consider this a high honor to our Chapter, as this club is one of the swellest dancing clubs in the South.

In this, our first Chapter letter this year, we send our hearty good wishes to the other Chapters. and hope that their prospects are as bright as those of *Zeta*.

*E. Clyde Sherwood.*

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### THETA.

*Theta* sends her greetings to all her sister Chapters. Since our last letter we have initiated into the mysteries of *II K A* Bro. John Marcus Keolle, of New Orleans, La., whom we now introduce to the Fraternity at large. We hope that he will prove a loyal *III* and a benefit to the fraternity. He is already proving himself to be a great man among the ladies.

We are trying our best to keep *Theta's* record up to what it has been in the past. We might have gotten more men if we had proceeded less cautiously, but we preferred few men and those up to the standard that this Chapter has always adhered to, than a good many inferior ones. We hope to take in some more, however, before the year is out.

We were very glad indeed to see the picture of our Chancellor, Dr. George Summey, in the last issue of *THE SHIELD AND DIAMOND*. Bro. Calvin Smith, an alumnus of *Theta*, has been in town for the last few days. Bro. Crawford, of *Rho* Chapter, is holding a meeting in the Cumberland Presbyterian Church.

Contrary to expectations, Bro. R. E. Blackburn, of Lynnville, Tenn., came back and resumed his work in the University. Of course, we were all very glad to see him return, for we missed his familiar face very much.

The attendance at the University is small this year, owing to the yellow fever and other causes. We hope that more men will come in after Christmas.

Bro. Eleazer's gyrations among the ladies are fearful to behold—the more so as he is Editor-in-Chief of the College Journal and has a heavy course on foot. Bro. Mooney does likewise. Bro. Gladney is enthusiastic on the subject of "The Lady." Bro. Ivy is in a transport of rage because I did not refer to him as the brightest man in school, he having gotten a high mark in Chemistry last month—an unprecedented occurrence in his history. The rest of us are fighting it out on the same old line.

Some of the boys were in Nashville last Thursday, and report a good time.

I close with good wishes to the other Chapters.

George W. Fraser.

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### IOTA.

*Iota* was not represented in the September issue of THE SHIELD AND DIAMOND owing to the fact that our college did not open until that issue had gone to press. So we feel that we are making our *debut* for the session to our sister Chapters in this issue. We are glad to be able to say that, though we have not been heard from, we are still in existence and what is much more to the point, in good healthy condition, with thirteen as fine fellows (we think) as there are in any of our Southern colleges. Old Hampden-Sidney opened with one hundred and thirty students, and with every prospect for an interesting and prosperous session. We found on the "round up" that we had seven of last year's men and then the Seminary across the way was in full blast and we found there two of our alumni, J. E. Ballou and W. S. Wilson, and Brother Watson from *Alpha* and Brother Eskridge from *Beta*. Our goat was straightway released from captivity and Mr. T. W. Hooper, Jr., of Christiansburg, and Mr. Franklin Davis, of Roanoke, Va.,



were duly initiated. The rushing season at Hampden-Sidney is always "warm," inasmuch as there are seven fraternities, but we feel in introducing these new brothers to the Fraternity at large that we have done a good thing for *Pi Kappa Alpha* and incidentally prevented several other frats from doing a good thing for themselves.

We feel that our Chapter is large enough, but we have our eyes on one or two others who we think might be *Pi* timber, but will wait for them to develop.

It has been said that transfers are sometimes the death of a Chapter. Not so, however, in our case. We feel that we know our brothers in *Alpha* and *Beta* better for having Watson and Eskridge with us, and they add very materially to our strength. So if there are any more with a theological bent send them along.

We suppose that in a paper of this kind it is not remiss to mention, *with becoming modesty*, some of our individualities. Our shining light at present is Mr. W. B. Stevens *alias* "Judge," who is Business Manager of the *Hampden-Sidney Magazine* and also of the foot-ball team—as busy a man as ever you saw. Studies hard, has a voluminous correspondence, takes an active interest in the Y. M. C. A. and Literary Society and still has time to "calico."

Next to this luminary is Howerton, our own Harry, who represents us on the *Annual* staff and will probably have charge of the Art Department, who spends much time in lamenting that he has only taken three gold medals in two years and writes sentimental poetry to his "lost one," and, who with D. G. Wilson as a side-partner, makes our Saturday night meetings jolly and our sides ache with laughter. Then there is Gaines, the quiet genius, who is Review Editor of the magazine and Assistant Librarian; Eskridge, the "centre rush," renowned for equalling the "Judge" in staying qualities at eats; Ballou, the lover; Jones, the handsome, and Lorraine, the pensive.

We had a pleasant visit at the beginning of the session from A. D. Watkins, who is now principal of the graded

school at South Boston, Va., and a flying visit some weeks later from J. G. McAlister, of Richmond, Va.

Brother Bird, of the class of '97, is studying analytical chemistry at Johns-Hopkins, and Brother Kee, who was at the Seminary last year, is preaching in Texas.

With best wishes for all the *Pi*'s we will look forward to the next issue of THE SHIELD AND DIAMOND with great pleasure.

W. S. Wilson.

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MU.

After a pleasant vacation many of the old students have returned to again take up the daily routine of college life, and new students have entered upon the troubles of a freshman's life. The college is fortunate this year in having a body of earnest, studious young men. Professor S. T. Martin, the new professor of Latin, has made a good impression upon the student body. Everything bids fair for a year of successful work.

We opened the term with four men—Brothers Griffin, Simpson, Carpenter and Marion. In the Literary Society Brother Griffin holds the gavel, and Brother Marion fills the chair of critic.

Brother Russell spent several weeks with us before taking charge of his school at Mountville, S. C.

Brother F. C. Ferguson, while on his way to Baltimore to study medicine, stopped over a few days to see *Mu*'s men—and a *Pi* sister.

On the 22nd of October, during the stilly hours of the night, when fantastic shadows come and go, we added two worthy men to our number. Brothers G. W. Wilkins and J. T. McLucus rode the aged "billy" very gracefully. *II K A* has added two warm and loyal supporters to the Garnet and Old Gold. From the outlook at the present, our number will remain six.

*Mu* sends greetings to all the Chapters and wishes them much success for the coming year.

J. P. Marion, Jr.



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NU.

Since the last issue of THE SHIELD AND DIAMOND college life has begun anew at Wofford. She opened with over 150, and the prospects for one of her most prosperous years are bright.

Eight of *Nu's* old men returned, and since then two have been added to the number. They are Brother R. E. Mathias and Brother H. M. Brown. They are two of the best men in the Freshman class. Brother Mathias is a brother of Brother L. W. Mathias, who is at his home in Lexington, his health not permitting him to return to college. Brother Brown is Jim Brown's brother, and it may well be said that he is a chip off the old block. We are proud to have both of them among our members, for they are both worthy young men and will take a good stand in college.

We are sorry to say that Brother J. Hoyt Stuckey could not return. We miss him on the campus and in the Chapter-room. There never was a more loyal "*II*" than he.

We have three men in the Senior Class. They are Brothers Allen, Blackwood and Hannon, all of whom stand high in their class, demanding the respect of both faculty and students, and taking a conspicuous stand as to college honors. Brother Allen is President of the Gymnasium Association, and was recently elected on the editorial staff of the Wofford College Annual, while in the recent election of the Senior class Brother Blackwood was elected as Class Prophet, to deliver the valedictory address at next commencement.

In the Junior Class are Brothers Brown, Jennings, Stuckey and Stribling, and they always carry off their share of honors. Two of them, Jennings and Stuckey, are on the Marshall staff. They all stand among the first of the class in every respect.

Brother L. E. Fike, the "Lone Star" in the Sophomore Class, is taking his stand where we should wish a "*Piker*" to stand—among the worthies.

Our aggregation, as will be seen from the above, is ten—ten loyal members of old *II K A*. We have no foot-

ball to break the monotony of prosaic college life, and this almost breaks John Allen's and Jack Jennings' hearts.

All of the Fraternities have rented Chapter houses on the compus, except the *II K A* and *Chi Phi*, who still cling to their old *sub rosa* quarters in the city.

At the beginning of the session a reception was extended to all the new men in the college chapel, and among the speeches of the evening those of Brothers Jennings and Allen were especially attractive.

A gymnasium exhibition has been arranged to take place the first Friday night in December.

The era of co-education has dawned beautifully upon Wofford, with the appearance of three fair young maidens, who are now taking their place among the rank and file of the Freshman class.

The question has been raised whether or not we can get a side-saddle to fit the *II K A* goat.

With best wishes for all *II K A's*,

I. C. Blackwood.

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### PI.

The session of '97-'98 is the beginning of a new *regime* in the history of Washington and Lee University, and though the prospects at present are not of the brightest for this collegiate year, it is generally thought that better things are in store for us in the near future. The preparatory department, which was done away with this fall, and the institution of entrance examinations for the academic, has turned a number of men from its doors, and at the same time been the cause of material loss to *II K A*. A tumble from one hundred and seventy-five men last year to one hundred and thirty this, has made men eligible to *II K A* very scarce.

*Pi* lost four men last June. Brother La Far, with his B. L., and the best wishes of the entire college, wended his way to Knoxville, where he will be found practicing law under the firm name of Carlock & La Far. His office boy's name is Gen. R. E.



Brother Harris W. Garrow, Jr., of Houston, Texas, has finished his college career. He left the halls of Washington and Lee with his C. E. and a gold medal, known as the Robinson Medal for Mathematics and Science. This medal, on account of the high standard required to take it, has not been given for several years. Great financial success is predicted for Brother Garrow; judging from present appearances he will be supporting *two* before long.

Brother Samuel Manuel Davis (Sandy) Harrison departed for his home, Boyce, Va., but such energy as possessed by him could not long remain inactive, and now he is in Philadelphia preparing for a position in Southern Railway offices in Washington, D. C., where he will locate in November.

Brother W. Loring Lee, otherwise known as "The Type of the Southern Gentleman," is leading the life of a sportsman in South Carolina. He has left but little game in his native State and intends clearing up Florida next. His favorite sport is duck hunting in a small boat and with a large, heavily-loaded gun.

There are but two active *Pi's*—Brothers J. W. Garrow and G. Lomax Thornton. It is hoped that we will get some worthy goat before long.

We are not alone in our afflictions for *Phi Delta Theta* has but one active member, *Kappa Sigma* has two, and *Phi Kappa Sigma* has no active member. Thirteen active Chapters and, as before stated, only one hundred and thirty men to supply them has made goats very scarce.

Brother J. Wanroy Garrow, better known as "Johnnie," is anticipating a visit to Washington, where he will break the hearts of some of the many young ladies whose hearts he fractured while at Capon this summer. It will be seen from this that Johnnie is as great a favorite with the ladies as he was with the students who voted him the most popular man in college last year.

Brother G. Lomax Thornton is a candidate for his B. L. this year, we note that he has learned pleading very well, for his favorite amusements are writing twenty page "briefs"

and singing "Sweet Evelena." For some unknown reason he has been very anxious to take a trip with the foot-ball team and spend the allowed time in Lexington, Ky.

We are very much pleased with the Convention Reports and regret that we were unable to send a delegate.

H. L. W.

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### RHO.

The opening days of school in Lebanon, the City of Cedars, and the cooler days of October, which always bring to so many a joyous realization of all that is good or beautiful, have dawned upon the old members of Rho Chapter as serenely as of yore, and are fraught with the same happy observations as always characterize their celebration.

THE SHIELD AND DIAMOND made us happy and inspired us to do greater things to hold up the colors of the Old Gold and Garnet. We gathered inspiration from its pages and wish it a prosperous year.

The opening of the year the prospects were not so flattering for a full Chapter, but one by one the brothers have gathered here and now we number *eighteen*.

From each of the three departments of the University there has come a representative "with a heart for any fate," and in their behalf we think we can say that we think them worthy of the brotherhood. The initiates in their order were as follows: J. M. McWilliams, Fayetteville, Tenn., of the Literary Department; Noah C. Hawkins, Hickman, Ky., of the Law Department; J. W. Lee, of Corsicana, Texas, of the Theological Department.

We miss the light hair of W. B. Miller, the oratorical impulses of W. B. Fitzhugh, the hearty laughs of ("little") O. M. Fitzhugh, the appetite of H. A. Mann, the sleek looks of U. C. Salmon, the "Royal Goat-butter," C. L. Dickey, the profound U. H. Dickey, the "Longfellow" A. W. Henderson, Doctor A. F. Hudson, and the time-honored Chapter correspondent, J. H. Patton. By inserting this we



only wish to show you what our power might have been had we been so lucky as to receive our old members. They have gone to different parts of the United States, and let the brothers join us in wishing them success.

The Theological Department of Cumberland is open this year, with the largest attendance ever known. From this department we have received some of our best material. We note with interest that there are some good men being enrolled as Juniors.

The *Kappa Sigma* Fraternity of Lebanon gave their Sixth Annual Hallowe'en Banquet, and by invitation five of our men were present. This shows how we stand in social circles.

Some of our boys went to Vanderbilt to assist *Sigma* Chapter in the initiation of some members last week.

The elections in the Moot-Court and Philomathean Society are drawing close to hand, and the "lawyers" are in some suspense.

*E. B. Landis.*

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### SIGMA.

It gives me pleasure to announce to our brother Chapters that *Sigma* has indeed flattering prospects this year for making herself seen, heard and counted for something among the other fraternities at Vanderbilt. As has been stated through THE SHIELD AND DIAMOND, we reorganized only last May, and with the month and a half of this session we may be counted only three months old. All the old men are back with the exception of Brother Peebles, who is now in charge of a flourishing school in Southern Texas.

Our Chapter now has six active members, who are in school, and three not in school, who regularly meet with us. Last Friday night week we initiated Brother B. F. Steed, who at a critical moment became doubtful as to whether part of the ceremony was "red tape" or not, but was finally persuaded to decide in the negative. He is taking Junior Law, and will probably return next year.

Although *Sigma* has put the *II K A* badge on only one man so far this year, there are several under consideration in the different departments of the University, and in the near future we hope to increase our roll-call to ten or twelve. Three of our number who are in the law department will get through this year, and it behooves us to take in as many *good* men this year as we see opportunities, especially those among the lower classes, for it is by this latter policy that any fraternity is able to hold its own.

Vanderbilt is the foremost Southern institution, and as our Fraternity is distinctly Southern, I see no reason why we should not get a firm and lasting foothold here. As I heard one brother remark, Vanderbilt ought to have the best Chapter of all the *II K A*'s. While his enthusiasm and loyalty to *Sigma* are to be commended, we shall strive to keep back all partisan pride, and feel that we are one in the race for the goal of perfection.

One of the main barriers to a new Chapter of a Fraternity, or the reorganization of a comparatively new one, is the cold shoulder and aloofness which the older Fraternities manifest toward it. Allow me to state that all this has been rubbed away in our case, and that we have felt the warm side of their nature turned to us as a brother Fraternity in the Hellenic world. As to our standing, it may be instanced that Brother Leftwich has recently been elected Chairman of the Board of *Comet* Editors for this year. This is the name of our Annual published by the Fraternities here.

In my next letter I hope to be able to give the above good intentions as facts, which will go to show more than volumes written, that *Sigma* is aroused for the extension, uplifting and honor of old *II K A*. J. H. Brown.

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#### UPSILON.

In spite of yellow fever scares the A. P. I. counts 312 on her roll; good, steady work is being done in all the de-



partments, and a studious atmosphere pervades the whole.

The sad death of Von Gammon, which occurred in Atlanta recently, being caused by an accident received in a match game of foot-ball between the University of Virginia and the University of Georgia, has cast a pall over the whole athletic field of the South. The foot-ball team of the University of Georgia immediately disbanded, and the city of Atlanta passed an ordinance prohibiting foot-ball games within her limits.

These events have resulted in the disbanding of our team, as the game exciting the most interest with us, and from which we expected the most financially, was the game to be played on Thanksgiving Day in the city of Atlanta against the University of Georgia. This, if not officially, still, in a general way, gives us the championship of the South.

We had played three games only up to the time of disbanding, one against Mercer University, Macon, Ga., in which the score stood 26 to 0 in our favor; the second against the University of Nashville, Nashville, Tenn., in which the score stood 14 to 4 in our favor, while on the next day our team, wearied and worn as it was, played the University of the South, Sewanee, Tenn., with a score of 0 to 0. This was practically a victory for us, as Sewanee had been defeated by the University of Nashville by a score of 6 to 5.

The disbanding of our team previous to playing the Thanksgiving game against the University of Georgia, from which we expected heavy gate receipts, has left a debt of near \$600 upon the shoulders of the Athletic Advisory Board. However, when the student body were told of this, and were asked to help make up the deficit, they responded liberally, and within an hour's time nearly \$500 of the amount had been subscribed. In addition to this amount a dramatic performance, conducted by Mr. Heisman (our coach), who is an actor by profession, netted over \$80; so we hope within a short time to have cancelled every debt against us.

If Auburn must lose her foot-ball team, she does not intend that any one shall suffer thereby, and every debt against her will be paid in full, and we shall know that athletics died in the height of her glory and was not permitted to flicker and die from mere exhaustion.

The Chapter has heard from one of our vagrant members, none other than Brother Pollard, '97, who informs us that he is now principal of a flourishing school at Coattopa, Ala.

Now for our new members, of whom we have initiated the following:

C. L. Edwards, '98.....Opelika, Ala.

H. S. Houghton, '98... ..Birmingham, Ala.

B. C. Hatcher, 1900.....Columbus, Ga.

J. L. Deaton, 1901.....Columbus, Ga.

All the Fraternities here have initiated a goodly number of men, all of whom seem to have the true Fraternity spirit, and 1897-'98 promises to prove an eventful year for all. The examination held for the purpose of selecting Corporals has just passed, and every Sophomore who made an effort is wearing an expectant and anxious look.

Our college paper, "*The Orange and Blue*," has again sprung into existence, under more favorable auspices than ever before, as it has as its Editor-in-Chief no less a worthy than our love-sick but genial (however contradictory this may seem) Brother Fleming.

The Board of Editors for the "*Glomerata*," our Annual for '98, whereon we are represented by Brother McIntyre, is now busy inspecting manuscripts and drawings. Perhaps, now that foot-ball is dead, the surplus energy of the student body will take a literary turn, and therefore we may expect something more than the ordinary from the '98 "*Glomerata*."

F. Loyd Tate.



*PHI.*

At the beginning of the present term *Phi* found herself even much more of a "baby" than she was last year.

When we said "farewell" last June we all fully expected to be back at the beginning of this term, but such has not been the good fortune of ours.

Bro. Robertson is now filling a position at his home in Saltville, Va. Bro. Terry is teaching at Academy, W. Va., and Bro. Cravell is at his home (Monroe, N. C.) enjoying life by means of such sport as hunting quail, hare and duck, fighting game cocks, and training his bull terriers to more scientifically use the "spike collar"—a weapon of his own device—which he has recommended for the use of the members of our foot-ball team, since they were so late in appearing on the field.

We (Lloyd and the Rhyne Brothers), the three youngest of last years *Phi* Chapter, who returned to uphold the reputation of "Baby Phi," observing our weakness, were rather discouraged at first, but have set to work and have already been successful in securing two new men—Claude H. Wilson, of Bridgewater, Va., and Marvin K. Kelly, of Tazewell, Va.—who are very promising members. Both of them were spiked by another fraternity at this place.

Roanoke is not overstocked with the best of Fraternity material, but we now feel confident that we can easily hold our own with the other Fraternities here, and that we will have our share of the "goats" this term.

Bro. Wilson is our only applicant for the foot-ball team this year, but we have no doubt of his making it. Our team was real late in securing a trainer, so will not be so good as we might wish, but will, no doubt, do good work for the amount of training it has had.

*Phi* closes with best wishes to her sister Chapters.

H. A. Rhyne.

## The Pi's

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In order to make this department complete and more interesting, each member is earnestly requested to forward promptly to REV. ROBERT HILL, 136 State street, Dallas, Texas, *any item of news concerning a brother member, which may come under his notice.* If the item appears in a newspaper, clip it out, paste it on a postal and forward as above, giving date and name of paper.

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—Brother Walter M. Smith, *Lambda*, who, since his graduation at the Citadel, has been in the United States Engineer Department, stationed at Charleston, S. C., has been sent to duty at Portland, Me. The following very complimentary notice to Brother Smith appeared in one of the Charleston, S. C., papers: "It is a fact not generally known, and now published for the first time, that Mr. Walter M. Smith, who held the position of draughtsman at Capt. Abbot's office for several years, has been appointed a Second Lieutenant in the United States Army, and assigned to duty at Portland, Me. Lieut. Smith reported for duty about two weeks ago. He is now happily situated at the engineer's department at Portland, and it is understood that at an early date he will be promoted. Lieut. Smith's good fortune is but the recognition of his able and efficient services of several years in Capt. Abbot's office. He did the greater portion of the drawing of the office, and with his case merit alone won him the place he has gotten in the army." The good wishes of all *Pi's* will follow Brother Smith in his new home.

—Brother Hinton Rolston, *Iota*, of Chrisman, Va., is the smiling father of twin boys. "Misfortunes never come singly." Hearty congratulations are in order, and we extend them to our brother.

—Miss Mattie Martin, one of our loyal *Pi* sisters, is



teaching in the Peabody Normal Institute at Nashville, Tenn.

—The following account of the marriage of our Brother Edward Dillon, Jr., of *Pi*, will be read with great interest by the *Pi*'s:

"IRON GATE, VA., October 7—(Special.)—Yesterday evening, at the residence of Dr. Edmund S. Pendleton, the bride's father, Mr. Edward Dillon, Jr., *Pi*, led to the altar Miss Susie Strachan Pendleton. Rev. H. C. Garrison, of Richmond, officiated. The parlors were tastefully decorated with autumn leaves, and the altar was formed of smilax, interspersed with white flowers. Owing to the recent death of Mr. Dillon's father, only a few near friends and relatives of the contracting parties were present. The best man was the groom's brother. Mr. and Mrs. Dillon, after receiving the congratulations of their friends, left for an extended Northern tour. On their return they will stop at Lexington, Va., for a visit to the groom's mother, and then return to make their home here, where Mr. Dillon is engaged in business with the Alleghany Iron Company. Miss Susie Strachan Pendleton, is the youngest daughter of Dr. E. A. Pendleton, of Iron Gate, Va. The groom is the son of the late Colonel Edward Dillon, of Lexington, Va. The popularity of the parties was amply attested by the large and handsome bridal presents." On behalf of the Fraternity, THE SHIELD AND DIAMOND extends heartiest congratulations.

—The General Office has received a copy of "*Orange and Blue*," which is published the 1st and 3rd Wednesdays of each month by the students of the Alabama Polytechnic Institute. Brother W. L. Fleming, of *Upsilon*, is Editor-in-Chief, and Brother F. L. Tate is one of the associate editors. The paper is full of interest, and is well edited. It certainly reflects great credit on the young men, and unquestionably will be of benefit to the college. This issue contains an interesting account of the foot-ball game between Auburn and Mercer, when the score was 26 to 0 in favor of the former.

—It would seem that there has been quite an epidemic of marriages among our good brothers since the publication of the last magazine. The following is an interesting account of the marriage of our Brother L. D. Teackle Quinby, of *Alpha*. "A society event of interest throughout Virginia was the wedding of Miss Lulu Belle Hemphill, daughter of Colonel and Mrs. W. A. Hemphill, of Atlanta, to Mr. L. D. Teackle Quinby, *Alpha*, originally of Virginia, but now of Atlanta, which occurred in that city last Wednesday night, October 27th, at eight o'clock. Several hundred guests were assembled to witness the ceremony, performed by Rev. Clement A. Evans." The *Atlanta Constitution* says of the couple: "The bride, as Miss Lulu Belle Hemphill, has been widely popular since her *debut*, and is a young woman of beauty and many estimable womanly qualities. She is highly educated and accomplished, and possessed of unusual histrionic talent. She received the medal for elocution and the first honor in the Lucy Cobb Institute the year she graduated, and was pronounced one of the brightest students ever graduating from that institution. Mr. Quinby is at present one of Atlanta's most prominent young lawyers, and although he has made his residence here but a short time, has made a number of warm friends. He belongs to an old and aristocratic Virginia family, and numbers among his connections those bearing the well known names of Littleton, Dennis and Teackle."

—"PAYNE—BLED SOE.—This morning at 6:45 o'clock, at the home of the bride's father, Miss Mary Susan Bledsoe was united in marriage to Prof. Leonidas Warren Payne, *Upsilon*, Evergreen, Ala. The wedding ceremony was both beautiful and impressive, being performed by the bride's father, the Rev. Dr. Bledsoe. Prof. and Mrs. Payne go from here to spend a few days in Dawson, Ga., then returning they will spend a few days in La Fayette, from whence they will go to their home in Evergreen. The sincere good wishes of a large circle of friends go with and will follow them."—*La Fayette Sun*, October 29th. THE



SHIELD AND DIAMOND extends heartiest good wishes to both Mr. Payne and his bride, and wish for them a long life of happiness.

—Rev. S. C. Byrd, *Xi*, of La Fayette church, New Orleans, has returned from his vacation. Brother Byrd has recently declined the call of the pastorate of the church at Toccoa, Ga.

—Rev. Brother John C. Barr, *Theta*, has been extended an invitation by the Prytania Street Church, New Orleans, to continue his service there as stated supply. Brother Barr has been serving this church as supply for some time and has given great satisfaction.

—The following is taken from the *New York Times* of September 13: "The fund for the projected new building of the Church of the Strangers was enriched last week by the gift from a stranger of a house and about twenty acres of land valued at several thousand dollars. The donor, a woman, made the gift absolutely, with the single condition that her name should not be made public. She told the Rev. D. Asa Blackburn, the pastor of the church, when she handed him the deeds of the property, that some unseen agency had impelled her to make the gift, and that it represented her savings for twelve years. On Sunday morning, September 5, Mr. Blackburn took as the text for his sermon the twelfth verse of the one hundred and sixteenth Psalm: 'What shall I render unto the Lord for all His benefits towards me?' The next morning he found in his mail a letter inviting him to call Tuesday at an address given. He went at the time appointed, and recognized a woman who had attended the Sunday services, and who had shaken hands with him as he left the church. She said: 'I think I have something to say you will like to hear. I was so impressed with your sermon Sunday that I could not get the text out of my head. It kept repeating itself in my mind all day and the night that followed. I resolved then to give to the Lord the property I had just bought with my savings of the last twelve years. I had

intended it as a home for my old age, but I am impelled to 'render it unto the Lord for all His benefits towards me.'" Mr. Blackburn suggested that she think the matter over for a few weeks and let him hear from her again, but she insisted that her mind was fully made up, and he accepted, in the name of the church, the deeds to the property she presented to him. She said she was in business, and her business was prospering beyond her expectations. All she asked in return for the gift was that her name be not made public. She told him she happened into the church Sunday without design. She was passing, and went in. It was her first visit there, as she was a member of another church of a different denomination. The land on which the Church of the Strangers stands is controlled by the trustees of the Sailors' Snug Harbor. The church was built in 1834 by the Mercer Street Presbyterian congregation. The first meeting of the Young Men's Christian Association in America was held there. In 1870 Commodore Vanderbilt bought it for \$50,000 and made a gift of it to the Rev. Charles F. Deems, who organized the Church of the Strangers and was its pastor until two years ago, when Mr. Blackburn succeeded him. On May 1 the lease will expire and the Snug Harbor trustees have declined to renew it. A new church will be built as near the location of the present church—Mercer street and Waverley Place as a site can be secured. About \$100,000 is needed before work can be begun. Of that amount nearly \$38,000 has already been subscribed, and the stranger's gift will bring the total very near to \$50,000. The new church will be called the "Deems Memorial Church of the Strangers."

—Rev. W. S. Jacobs, Ph. D., *Mu*, is meeting with great success in the work of the Palmer Orphanage, Columbus, Miss., of which he is President. Brother Jacobs edits a little paper entitled the "*Charity Ledger*," in the interest of his Orphanage, and it reflects great credit upon his ability.

—The former Chapter correspondent of *Rho*, J. H. Patton, is quarantined in a little town in Mississippi and will



not return to *Rho* this year. We hope that the yellow fever will not get him.

—Rev. J. W. McDonald, *Rho*, has accepted a call from the C. P. Church at Logansport, Ind., and is rapidly winning his way into the hearts of the people of the city.

—The Theological Department of Cumberland University has a larger attendance this year than ever before in the history of the institution.

—At a recent meeting of Elk Presbytery of C. P. Church there met five *II K A* men who had not seen each other in some time. It was a happy reunion to them all. It might be suggested that the *shield and diamond* was worn by some of the fairer sex. Let the good work prosper.

—Brother S. H. Landrum, formerly of *Rho*, is now attending medical school at University of Nashville, and from competent judges is reported as *leader* of his class.

—Four of the pulpits in Dallas, Texas, are said to be filled with *II K A* men. Brother J. F. Smith (*Rho*) is pastor of First, Brother O. M. Fitzhugh of the Second C. P. and C. O. churches. Brother Hill and Brother W. M. Anderson are the others.

—Brothers G. H. Hogan, H. W. Henderson, and Chas. L. Dickey, all of *Rho*, are spending the winter in New York city pursuing their studies in Union Theological Seminary. They report as having plenty of work to do and plenty of things to see.

—The Theological Seminary at Cumberland University has reopened and a number of familiar *II* faces can be seen on the streets of Lebanon. Bro. J. K. Howard, *Rho*, spent his vacation in Gallatin, Tenn., preaching.

## Editorial.

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IT WILL BE very gratifying to the Fraternity to note the unusually strong condition of the Chapters, as reported by them in the letters published in this issue. At this, the beginning of the new session, there is always some anxiety felt as to the condition of each of the Chapters. When the Chapter members separate for the summer, it is with the full expectation that all of them will return next year. Many things, however, then unexpected, can happen to prevent the reunion, and thus it is, that often at the opening of the college, the Chapters find that many of their members will not be with them this session.

While we regret that Pi Chapter is not in as flourishing a condition as last year, still there is some consolation in the fact that it is due to the unusually small attendance of students. Those members who have returned, however, are full of zeal and are determined to make a success of of their Chapter this year if possible. They certainly will keep Pi alive, so that next year the expected increase in the number of students will give all the Fraternities a chance to replenish their ranks.

It is very pleasant to introduce to the Fraternity at large the revived Chapter, Gamma, which is certainly a healthy and lusty infant, as will be seen from the letter published in this issue. This Chapter has given us, in its old days, some of our most prominent, loyal and active alumni, and the record made by it then will, we feel sure, be equalled by the new Chapter.

The credit of this revival is due to the indefatigable work of our worthy and honored Supreme Councilor, Floyd



Hughes, assisted by his brother and the resident alumni in the college town. The tone of Gamma's letter shows the earnest purpose of her members to make it a success this year, and we are proud to present them to the other Chapters. Our infant of last year, Phi, is now very strong. Its members have already secured some good initiates, and thus the Chapter is firmly on its feet.

It is most encouraging to see Sigma so active again, and with such men as she now has in her fold, her permanent success is assured. Of the other Chapters, we can but say, that a reading of their letters will show how full of life they are.

We are proud of our active Chapters. Proud of the men who compose them. Proud of the work that they have done in the past, and the cordial and hearty support which is now being given the Supreme Officers will do much to make the year's work successful. Surely our Fraternity has never been in a better condition than it is now, and with the present bright prospects it behooves each active member to exert his utmost to make this year our record-breaking year. We extend cordial greetings to the Chapters now assembled for the session's work, and wish for each and every one success in their college work, and that pleasure and reward which arises from duty well done.

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WE BRING good news to the Fraternity this issue in the announcement of the formation of the Alumnus Chapter, at Dallas, Texas. This great State is full of good colleges, and it has long been the desire of our Fraternity to gain a foot-hold in it. We have a large alumni membership throughout the State, but it was reserved for our energetic faithful-working, enthusiastic brother, Robert Hill, a new comer in the State, to get them together and successfully form this Chapter.

The birth of this Chapter is fraught with big results for our Fraternity. All of its members are keenly alive to

the importance of the Fraternity gaining entrance into the colleges of the State. Plans are now on foot and are being actively pushed for the immediate formation of Chapters in two of its very prominent colleges, and we hope in the January issue to publish the account of the successful establishment of these and other Texas Chapters.

We hail then with joy the formation of this alumnus Chapter, and we extend the right hand of good fellowship to each of its members, who, while they have passed from out of the Chapter hall and away from the Fraternity life, still have within them that true love for their Fraternity, which can never die, and which binds together so closely those who wear that mystic little emblem, *the shield and diamond*. We are glad to receive them back again into active touch with the Fraternity. We need the help of each of our alumni to make the work successful and we hope that they, one and all, will always take an interest in their Fraternity and strive to do what they can to continue its work, that others may receive the blessings which it brings, and which it has been their good fortune to enjoy.

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WE REGRET that it has become necessary for our brother R. R. Jones, to resign his position as Councilor Principes. The duties in his new field of work have necessitated it, and realizing that he could not give that attention to the duties of the office, which it demanded, and rather than see the Fraternity suffer for want of an active leader, he has asked that another brother be called to the helm.

While his duties permitted it, Bro. Jones gave all of his energy to the work of the Fraternity. To him we owe the formation of Phi Chapter and it was through his influence and work that several other Chapters were also organized. He started the movement for the revival of Gamma, the success of which we have already noted. We regret therefore to part with this brother officially, but we cannot but



commend the wisdom of his step in resigning an office which he saw his duties would not permit him to fill.

According to the Constitution, it will be the duty of the Supreme Council to fill this vacancy by the election of another brother, to hold office until the next Convention. At this juncture, the Fraternity needs at *its* head an active, energetic officer, who will take hold of the many plans now being discussed, and will by able advice and hearty co-operation guide them to success. The Fraternity is on the eve of a healthy growth, and we re-echo Bro. Jones' wish that "a suitable successor shall be called to the office and that the affairs of the Order may be administered wisely and well."

The good wishes of all Pi's will follow Bro. Jones in his life work, and we wish him all success.

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WE DESIRE to call attention to the article which we publish in this issue, copied from the "*Pi Kappa Psi Shield*" "entitled The Fraternity as a Factor in College Life." It is a calm, dignified espousal of the Fraternity system, and all active members of the Fraternity will be benefited by a careful perusal of it. We know that the thoughts expressed in it will find an echo in the hearts of the many alumni and active members, for they know the value of the Fraternity and such a pleasing defense of it will surely receive general and hearty commendation.

**RESIGNATION OF THE COUNCILOR PRINCEPS.**  
  

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DANVILLE, VA., Nov. 17th, 1897.

*To the Grand Treasurer II. K. A. Fraternitg,  
Charleston, S. C.*

MY DEAR BROTHER:

I herewith tender to the Fraternity, through you, my formal resignation as Councilor Princeps. My duties are such that I deem it best to resign. I trust that a suitable successor shall be called to the office, and that the affairs of the Order may be administered wisely and well.

Faithfully yours in the bonds,

R. RANDOLPH JONES.



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