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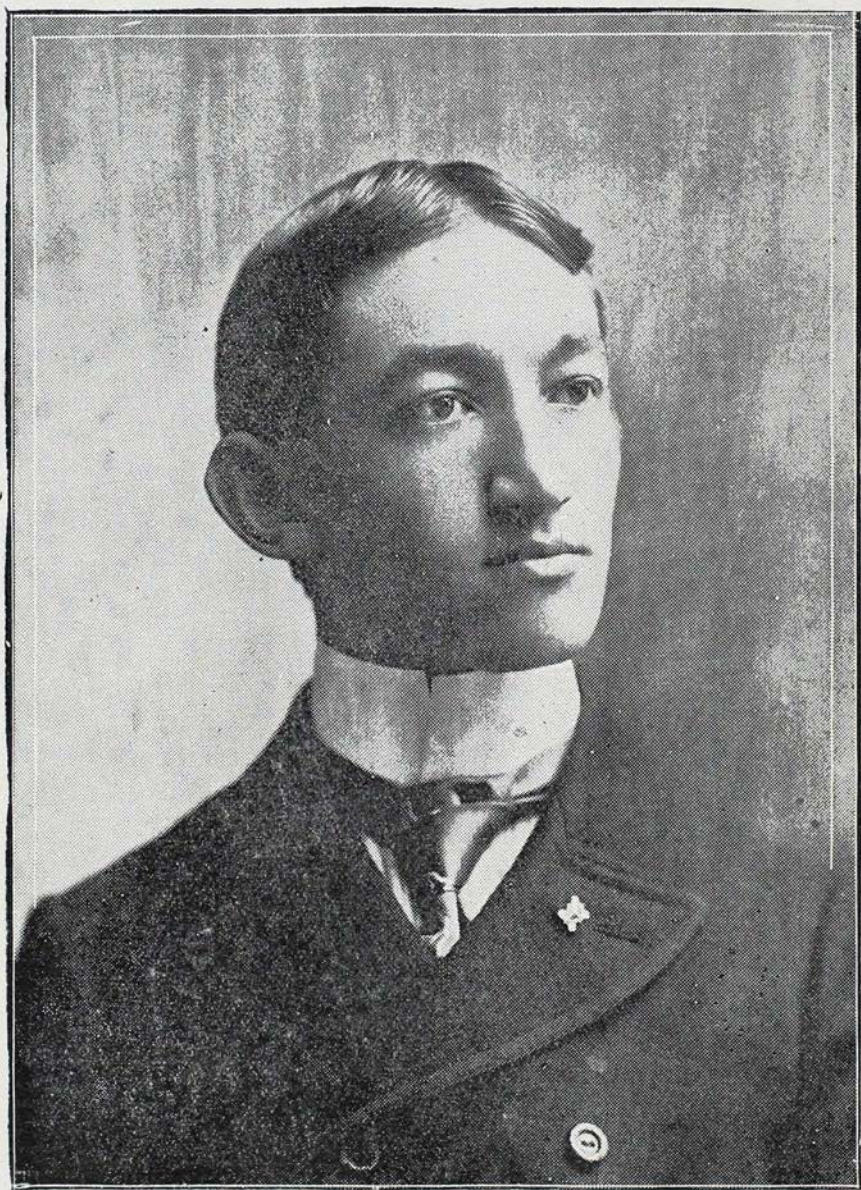
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DEPUTY TREASURER, II. K. A.

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THE CONVENTION et al., vs. INDIFFERENCE.

Since the Convention held at Spartanburg a little over a month ago, the writer has been much pleased at the prospect of II. K. A.'s future. To those who were unable to be present I would say we had a goodly number of enthusiastic II's in attendance. Everybody had II. K. A.'s interests at heart. I believe there was no one present who did not feel greatly strengthened in his love for our Fraternity. The best interests of the Fraternity were made the best interests of every delegate, and *vice versa*. The doings of every Chapter were discussed, before an attentive Convention. We learned a great deal about ourselves that we were delighted to learn and very little, if any, that we were sorry to learn.

In the first place, the representation was good. We have about decided to meet in the future before the close of the College year, because we had such a nice attendance this year. And every delegate took a part in the work. Some one or two Chapters were not represented, but that was their misfortune rather than their fault.

Several matters of importance were brought before the Convention, and it would have done your heart good, Brother, to have seen the interest taken in these matters by the delegates. Everybody was enthusiastic. At one time a matter of peculiar interest to Iota Chapter was presented, and it was at once the interest of the entire Convention. Almost every Brother present spoke with reference to it. At another time Alpha's interests, and so on down through our Chapter list to our new Chapter, Psi, which, though then recently chartered, was represented. Right here I will say that I admire Psi's enthusiasm. Those Georgia boys are doing their part nobly and have done so from the first. Throughout the entire Convention, I was impressed with the zeal manifested by all.

More than this, however, there seemed to be a determination on the part of everyone to advance II. K. A., by strengthening her internally and by extending her borders. No better illustration of the former could be mentioned than the action taken with reference to the matter so modestly brought before the Convention by Brother C. W. Radford of Chi Chapter, University of the South, Seawanee, Tenn. It filled my heart with greater love for II. K. A. to see the way this matter was taken up. Every member of the Supreme Council present spoke in favor of it; every delegate spoke in favor of it; none were against it. Chi Chapter showed confidence in her Fraternity and that she could trust in its brotherly love; while the Chapters, through their delegates, clearly said that Chi's welfare was their welfare. Such harmony, unity and brotherly love prevailed, as I have never seen before. The writer was impressed with the fact that through some such concentrated action, as that there commenced, the principles of our Fraternity can best be manifested. We need to come into closer touch with each other. Such united work and co-operation will bring us into contact with each other, and nearer to each other, better than such can be accomplished by the Chapter letters in the Magazine. The principles we love can bear fruit, in this way.

My firm conviction is that we should grasp this opportunity and take it up with some other Chapter next year. We need to help each other; for we thereby help ourselves, increase our love for each other and our Fraternity.

This matter will be eagerly undertaken, I have no doubt, and, though I am no prophet, I predict that it will more firmly establish II. K. A. in the South—place her there forever!

In every organization there are some who are indifferent. Listen, however, to this! If you, indifferent Brother, are not careful, you will wake up some day to find that II. K. A. has gone away ahead and left you behind. I do not believe there is a II. K. A. in existence who does not, in his heart, love his Fraternity—from the oldest and we have some that are pretty old—to the youngest. No one of them has lost his love, and he who is indifferent is himself a *rara avis*, as the recent Convention showed.

We are now determined to be wide awake and abreast of the times and before long we will be entering some more prominent Southern Universities. We have some men who have agreed to devote a large part of their time, during the coming year, to extension, with reference in particular, to two or three colleges. We can't die and we can't help but grow, with such enthusiastic men working for the Fraternity. We'll have the new Chapters, if we try.

Nu's men were so hospitable that our Convention could not well have been otherwise then successful.

Brothers, Zeta's men, especially Brother F. W. Jarnigan, have indulged very much recently in a slang yell to be vociferously thrust into the ears of every passer-by, viz: "What're doin'!" I want to borrow that yell question a minute and ask every Chapter, Zeta included, "What're doin'?" Let us *work*—long and hard—for II. K. A. The way to do a thing is to go at it, with a will that it shall be done!

J. PIKE POWERS, JR.,
Grand Secretary.

FROM OUR NEW COUNCILOR PRINCEPS.

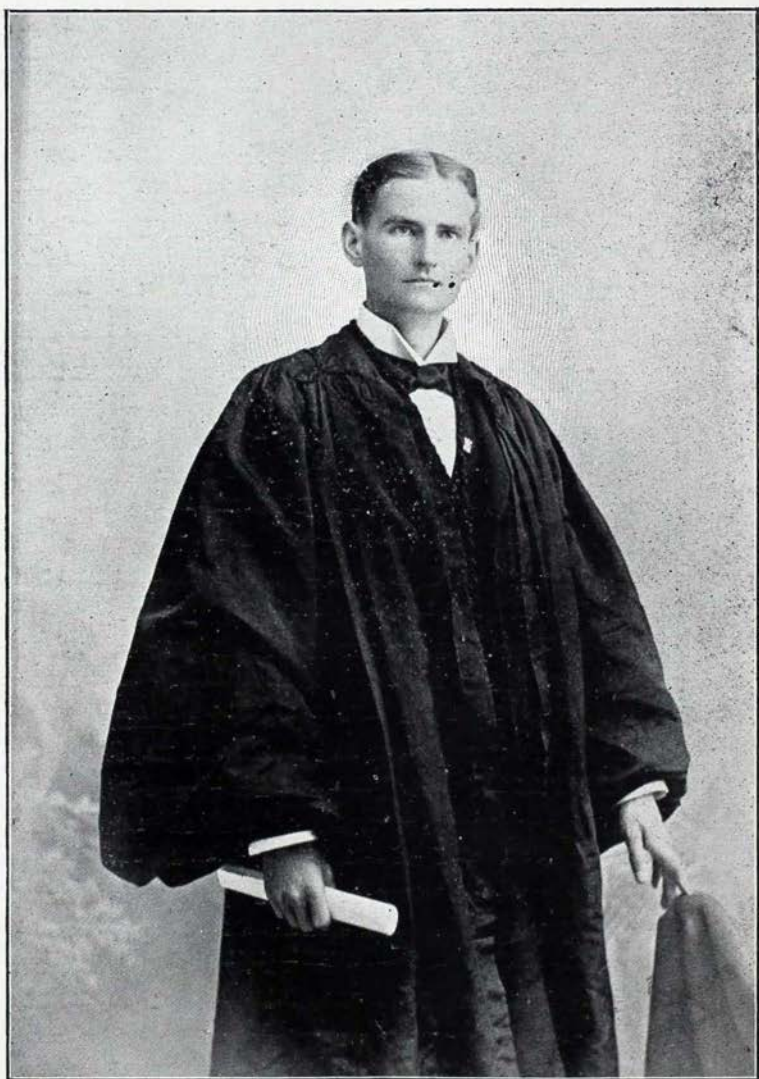
My Brothers of Pi Kappa Alpha.

It is coming back to pleasant duties to take up once more the office of Councilor Princeps, and endeavor in this capacity to serve my Fraternity. I only wish my dear Brothers, that I was more capable so that there might come to the Fraternity through my efforts, some valuable and lasting fruit of my service. The responsibility of the office is especially great just now. We have come to an Era in our history when no steps backward can be allowed. It is "forward," or we fail to grasp the great opportunity just placed before our Fraternity. The two years just passed have been years of great activity and development in our Southern Colleges. The colleges have been well attended, and it seems to me that college work has shown marked improvement. It is possible for me with limited knowledge of our colleges to name four colleges, at which I would vote to place a Chapter of Pi Kappa Alpha, that three years ago I could never have considered worthy of one of our Chapters. Are we keeping pace with the growth and prosperity of our colleges? No! Last year not a new Chapter. This year only one new Chapter. This will not do for 1900. When we have but one Chapter in Georgia, one in Alabama, none in Mississippi. We, of the Supreme Council, are determined to make this a year of growth and extension. Will not the Chapters co-operate with us? I think each Chapter should make it the aim of the coming session to found at least one new Chapter. Who will be first? We shall do special honors at the next Convention to the Chapter that prepares the way for the first new Chapter during the coming session. If any member of the Fraternity, active or alumni, sees the opportunity of opening up negotiations for a new Chapter at one of our Southern Colleges, will he not at once communicate with me? Joining with you in wishes for a prosperous year for Pi Kappa Alpha, with *progress all along the line*, I am

Most respectfully yours in the bonds,

H. B. ARBUCKLE,
Councilor Princeps.

Maxwelton, W. Va., June 1, 1900.



WILLIAM GORDON BELSER,
XI.

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The South Carolina College has triumphed in oratory over the other leading colleges and universities of the South. At the recent meeting of the Southern Inter-State Oratorical Association, held in Columbia, May 17th, in the contest in oratory the South Carolina College was awarded the palm over the other members of the Association. It is a matter of much gratification to all South Carolinians, and particularly to all connected with the South Carolina College, that she has won the long coveted victory and prize, and it should be a source of great pleasure to all Pi Kappa Alpha's to know that Carolina's representative was W. Gordon Belser, of *Xi*.

William Gordon Belser was born near Summerton, S. C., October 8, 1875. He received his preparatory training in the schools about his home and at the Summerton High School, and entered the Sophomore Class of the South Carolina College in September, 1892. Very soon after entering college he became a member of *Xi* Chapter of the Pi Kappa Alpha Fraternity. From the beginning Brother Belser proved a most excellent student, and led his class and gave promise of a bright future. At the commencement in June, 1893, he was chief marshal from the Euphradian Literary Society. In his Junior year he won the Carolina medal for the best essay published during the session in *The Carolinian*, the monthly magazine of the college. He was also Junior President of the Euphradian Society, the highest office the Society can confer on a rising Senior. During the session of 1894-95, Brother Belser's Senior year, he made a splendid record, being one of the two victorious debaters in the annual debate between the Euphradian and Clariosophic Societies, besides winning the Euphradian Debaters' Medal and being elected as Euphradian Valedictorian and one of the commencement speakers from the graduating class. He graduated with highest honors, having led his class throughout his course in college.

After leaving college, Brother Belser was Principal of the Winyah Graded Schools in Georgetown, S. C., for the session of 1895-96. In the fall of 1896 he entered Johns Hopkins University for graduate work in English, Philosophy, etc. However, he was called home after three months on account of the death of his father, and he had to take charge of business interests.

In January, 1899, Brother Belser again entered the South Carolina College for a course in the Law Department. He represented the Euphradian Society in the preliminary oratorical contest, and won the representation for the South Carolina College in the Southern Inter-State contest held at the University of Virginia last spring. In November last he won the Roddey Debaters' Medal over three able competitors. In the early part of May, Brother Belser was again chosen by the Euphradian Society to represent it in the oratorical contest with the Clariosophic Society. He won the medal offered, and also the representation of the College in the Southern Inter-State Oratorical Contest for the second time. In the Southern contest held in Columbia, S. C., May 17th, by the decision of a committee of able orators and prominent public men, Brother Belser was declared the winner over his eloquent opponents, and the South Carolina College was thus awarded the championship of the South in oratory. The subject of his oration was "The Trend of Politics," and his effort was an able and eloquent one.

Brother Belser graduates in law this month, and will settle in Columbia, S. C., for the practice of his profession. His accomplishments in college have been admirable, and it is hoped and believed that they portend greater ones in the future.

J. G. HUGHES.

A SKETCH OF GAMMA.

Now under the favorable, now under the unfavorable, mood of our universal guardian time, Gamma, somewhat after the manner of her nourishing mother, the royally endowed College of William and Mary, has twice, since

her first prominence as the victorious bearer of the laurel wreath among her sister Grecian brotherhood, been compelled to withdraw from the more pleasant realities of active life. Like a glorious and beautiful, though harmless volcano that suddenly springs forth from some verdant island, so has Gamma, through some of the most brilliant forces at work in our college, thrice burst forth with an effulgence so material as to raise such a memory-mound of unsullied reputation at each stage of her activity that, although for several years dormant, no one has ever feared that she was destined to become extinct.

As her representative letter in the alphabet indicates, Gamma ranks among the very first families of old Virginia's best Grecian aristocracy. It was only three years after the establishment of Alpha at the University of Virginia that Gamma Chapter of Pi Kappa Alpha, suddenly in the vigorous strength of exceptional manhood, on February 27, 1871, sprang forth from a select body of students at the College of Willam and Mary. The men through whose charter the high reputation and future honor of our grand Order were entrusted, were as follows: R. W. Goode, St. Louis, Mo.; Zacharias Hofheimer, Norfolk, Va.; R. M. Hughes, Norfolk, Va.; R. S. Jones, Warrenton, N. C., J. T. Wilkins, Northampton county, Va. These worthy and enthusiastic charter members lost no time, but immediately displayed their power of happy selection by initiating G. A. Hankins, Toano, Va.; J. B. Waller, Williamsburg, Va., R. P. Mercer, Williamsburg, Va.

We have not been able to get any record of Gamma after this, her first year. However, we know that the Chapter continued to flourish until 1878, when, on account of the gradual decline of the college itself, Gamma too, naturally, became dormant. Among those initiated between the years of Gamma's activity may well be mentioned Brothers Floyd Hughes, B. B. Munford and Brickenridge Wilmer.

Our college reopened again with full force and vigor in 1888, and now was Gamma destined in a few more years to revive her elevating influence, for on January 21, 1895, the

following initiates, by a charter bearing the date of December 20, 1894, entered our brotherhood: W. H. Arthur Bennett's Creek, Va.; J. G. Campbell, Enfield, Va.; J. A. Hardy, Kilmarnock, Va.; T. M. Robertson, Amherst Co., Va.; W. H. Robertson, Saltville, Va. Strange to say, and entirely unfortunate for Gamma, none of the above members ever returned to college, and, since they had made no initiations, of course our Chapter was again compelled to retire from the field of action.

However, this time, her worthy patrons did not allow Gamma to suffer long from utter misfortune, since, on October 6, 1897, the royal bumping "goat" of Pi Kappa Alpha now ushered six youths into the labyrinth of a Hades or within the boundaries of an Elysium—they knew not which, but when they came to themselves they finally understood that a charter bearing the date of October (?) 1897, had licensed the following persons to sweet communion in Pi Kappa Alpha: R. R. Claiborne, New Glasgow, Va.; Reynolds Hankins (deceased), Williamsburg, Va.; C. H. Lambert, McGaheysville, Va.; J. L. Newcomb, Sassafras, Va.; G. L. Stevens, Cappahosic, Va.; C. N. Williams, Norfolk, Va. The above mentioned men went immediately to work, but not in the high-ways and hedges, and thus soon E. B. Hutchison, Herndon, Va., and F. S. McCandlish, Saluda, Va., were not compelled, but they were prevailed upon to make their choice between the three soliciting fraternities here in our college so that they came in to partake of the mystic feast in the halls of Pi Kappa Alpha.

Last year Gamma again made the fortunate selection of two more men, and introduced to the Fraternity Benjamin Spruill, Columbia, N. C., and Arthur Warriner, Jetersville, Va.

As an earlier issue of the SHIELD AND DIAMOND has already recorded, this session, conservative Gamma has again thrown her magic spell about another "Big Four," who are now typical Pi's, for familiar to many are the worthy names of A. B. Marchant, Lot, Va.; C. V. Spratley,

Hampton, Va.; H. B. G. Galt, Norfolk, Va.; E. S. Cowles, Williamsburg, Va.

It would be rather tiresome to read simply a list of Gamma's illustrious sons of the past, and then again it would be impossible, were all its pages devoted to such an endless subject, for the SHIELD AND DIAMOND to contain the remarkable annals of our own great inspirers. Hence we deem it best now to close our sketch, begging humbly to state our determination of ever pressing onward and upward, yearly passing from glory to glory.

G. L. Stevens.

WM. L. CLARKE, SIGMA,
Deputy Treasurer, II. K. A.

Brother Clarke, who, at our last Convention, was elected Deputy Treasurer, was born May 28, 1879.

He is the son of Rev. J. G. Clarke, a very prominent minister of the Memphis Conference, now stationed at Fulton, Ky.

After a thorough training in the public schools, he entered the Webb School at Bell Buckle, Tenn., and graduated from this school in 1896 with highest honors.

In the Fall of '96 he entered Vanderbilt University, where he remained for two years. He was out of the University in '98 and '99, but in the Fall of '99 he returned, and is now one of the most prominent men of the class of 1901.

He has always made excellent grades, but at the same time has mixed with his fellow students a great deal.

He is a special favorite, not only of Sigma, but also of his class and the student body of Vanderbilt University.

He will take the B. A. degree in 1901, after which he expects to study law.

Sigma is very proud of her new officer.

Felix M. Massey.

THE FRATERNITY AS A MORAL AGENT.

I have often seen the Fraternity discussed as a social and political agent, but never do I remember to have seen it discussed from the point which I am about to take up.

There are two ways of discussing such a question, viz; real and ideal, but let us use both, and take both a retrospective and prospective view of this subject. The Fraternity as generally thought of by those not connected with it, is far from a moral organization, and indeed this is not altogether groundless. Many Chapters of all Fraternities have often furnished sufficient grounds for their own condemnation and that of almost the whole Fraternity tribe.

But let us not prove anything by exceptions, and although we do not think of the Fraternity as a place of worship, still on that account by no means is it useless as a moral agent.

Ties formed in Fraternities are often as binding and as true as family ties, and the influence of one brother over another is wonderful.

Realizing this fact, the Fraternity should awake to its responsibility, for the colleges of to-day are different from those of yesterday. Then every college man was a man of from twenty to thirty years of age, but now our Freshman and Sophomore and even Junior and Senior classes are filled with young boys from sixteen to twenty-one, who are just forming that part of their nature which we call character. Then when a Fraternity takes in one of these young fellows it is to a large degree responsible for what goes into his character from that time on, for true Fraternity spirit demands that what the Chapter is, the man must be, or what he will become before long. Then can a Fraternity, no matter how far removed from a religious organization, take the responsibility of young men in its hands without a thought of the consequences? Verily, I say it cannot.

Then what is it to do? Stop taking in young men, or turn itself into a Y. M. C. A.?

I say neither of these, for upon the young men with push

and pull in them the Fraternity must depend, and we have already a Christian organization in every college which furnishes spiritual food.

Again. The object for which the Fraternity was established would allow of neither of these constructions, for it was meant to develop the social side of man and furnish much needed recreation and relaxation from study at least once a week.

Then with these facts before us, I would say the Fraternity fills a place which nothing else can, and if it should go it would be missed; so let us work towards the ideal Fraternity which furnishes pure recreation and past-time for the college youth, and in all it does, point one warning hand at danger, and a guiding hand toward heaven.

H. H. WEIR,
Rho.

ADVICE FROM OUR SUPREME COUNCILOR.

TO THE FRATERNITY.

My re-election as Supreme Councilor of the Fraternity is a very great compliment to me, especially in view of my absence, and I sincerely thank the delegates for this renewed mark of their esteem. The prospects of the Fraternity were never so bright and encouraging. We have not only secured additional Chapters, but what is of equal importance, we have greatly strengthened some of the present ones. Harmony prevails everywhere, and every one seems proud of his membership, and incited thereby to loftier aims.

The next Convention will mark the close of the thirty-third year of the Fraternity's existence. It seems to me that we ought to make a special effort to celebrate this occasion, and plans are now on foot to do this. Until the Chapters organize again in the fall, these plans naturally will not assume any definite shape, but meanwhile I commend to the members of the Fraternity, both of the

active and alumni Chapters, to take this into serious consideration, and make any suggestions they see fit as to the best method of making our next Convention a success. We will wish to secure a large attendance, not only of delegates, but of alumni, and one of the most important things in order to do this is to find the present address of all the alumni from the very beginning.

I therefore specially urge and request all the members of the Fraternity who may see this communication to write to the Grand Secretary, giving the names and present addresses of any member of the Fraternity that he may know of, or as to which he may have some information. Thus our celebration will be greatly simplified and mediated, and a long step forward will be made in the way of making the Convention a success.

I again thank the Fraternity for the honor conferred upon me, and I bespeak the earnest efforts of all to strengthen and aid and extend its usefulness.

ROBT. M. HUGHES,
Supreme Councilor.

Chapter Letters.

ALPHA.

University of Virginia.

It is not with an excessive amount of regret that Alpha writes this, her last letter for this session. We are all weary, exceedingly weary, and long for the rest that will be ours when we go home.

I think that Brother Floyd is thinking of a dear girl in Lynchburg, and that makes him anxious to be gone. Perhaps some of the rest of us are becoming impatient for similar reasons, but whatever the cause, we are all glad to leave.

It was suggested that all honors taken be reported. Well, we have not taken any yet, believing that steady plodding is preferable to brilliancy. We are all steady (?) plodders. We think that we will make our examination all right, but only one of our number will graduate—Brother White, who will be an M. D. and scatter woe through the land. Brothers Lloyd and Terry request me to mention, especially for the benefit of the faculty of Roanoke College, that they have made all their tickets. We fervently hope that they are not mistaken.

The members of Alpha Chapter will be pretty well scattered this summer. Brother W. H. Robertson will summer at Plasterco, Va., and hopes that what he has been supposed to learn this session will settle. Brother W. H. L. White, M. D., (?) will do his killing in the vicinity of Norfolk. Brother Leary will, as usual, "do the calico" in Richmond, or at some summer resort. Brother Dabney will take summer law at the University. Brother J. W.

Chalkley has already left, and is practicing law at Big Stone Gap, Va. Brother J. J. Lloyd will continue to sleep at Lynchburg. Brother Terry has refused to state where he may be found, as he fears the bill collector. Brother Moore will be in Charlottesville, and will care for "Billy." The writer will stagnate in one of the suburbs of that hustling (?) town, Birmingham, Ala.

With best wishes for a pleasant vacation.

J. P. Montgomery.

BETA.

Davidson College.

We are just over with our examinations now, and we feel like birds just shedding their old feathers for their beautiful new ones.

The campus has just been mowed and a slight shower just after made it look like a girl, when you see her come out Easter Sunday with her new clothes on, so I will leave you to imagine how pretty it is. We boast of having the prettiest campus in the South and our calculations are based on good foundations.

With sorrow, we relate the base-ball team had bad luck on this trip and lost every game; but they came off with honors long to be remembered, "the hearts of the girls they did capture." The good time they had more than compensated them for their defeat and surely they feel fully repaid.

The *Annual* has just been received and it was greeted by every student with open hands. We acknowledge that it is the best and prettiest we have had in a long time and every one feels proud of it.

At the last meeting of the Chapter, the minutes of the last Convention were read and heartily approved by every member and we are glad to see our representative took such an active part.

We also at the last meeting brought forth "shaggy billy" and duly initiated Mr. Ralph C. Deal, of Greenville, S. C.,



J. W. MCKAY.
J. F. DUNN.

BETA CHAPTER.
R. H. LAFFERTY.
T. P. BAGLEY.

P. STOUGH.
H. C. DAVIS.

of the Class of 1901. We would like to introduce this loyal Pi to our Brother Fraternity men and know that you will find him a loyal Brother.

It may be of interest to relate to our Brothers the strength of our Chapter and the honors taken this year.

The Brothers, as they appear in the picture, the left hand corner top, Brother J. W. McKay, Mayesville, S. C., 1903, active; next, Brother R. H. Lafferty and Brother P. A. Stough, Fraters in urbe; Mr. J. F. Dunn, Ocala, Fla., 1901, active; Mr. T. P. Bagley, Wilmington, N. C., 1902, active; Mr. H. C. Davis, Fayetteville, N. C., active, 1901. Mr. R. C. Deal, Greenville, S. C., 1901, was initiated after this cut was made and I am sorry that his face does not appear in this group.

From the following sketch you can see that our Brothers take a very active part in college life both socially and mentally:

Brother J. F. Dunn, Sub. Editor of the *Annual*, and member of the Glee and Mandolin Club; Brother J. W. McKay, Marshal at Commencement, Class Historian, came second in getting the highest number of votes for being the greatest ladies' man; Brother H. C. Davis took off the same honors in the Medical Class, Brother H. C. Davis was also Sub. Business Manager of the *Annual*; Brother R. C. Deal President of the student body for the ensuing year, Treasurer Eumenean Society, Representative of three chosen from that Society to speak at Commencement, member of the Mandolin and Guitar Club and also of the Glee Club, and Historian of his class.

As this is the closing issue of the SHIELD AND DIAMOND for this session, I would like to wish all my Brothers a pleasant summer.

Thomas P. Bagley.

GAMMA.

William and Mary.

Final examinations are near at hand, and before this issue of the SHIELD AND DIAMOND shall have appeared, the

fate of many a student will have been decided. In this time of terrible trial and tribulation, which tests men's minds, we hope to see the men of Pi Kappa Alpha laboring in the van, and when examinations are over, we wish to see them prominent participants in the final gaities.

In reviewing her year's work, Gamma can make no complaint. During the year she has initiated five men, who, with members from previous years, bring her numbers to twelve. Owing to sickness, one of the most prominent II's at William and Mary, Brother H. B. G. Galt, has been absent from our midst during the greater part of the session. We are very glad to know, however, that Brother Galt will be with us next session.

Among the eleven men who composed the Chapter might be found students, athletes and *calicoists*; but for fear that someone might think that the latter were the dominating class, we will mention a few honors for which the Fraternity is striving. From the eleven men there are seven applications for degrees and four final men, not mentioning the honors which fell our way during the session. While we look with pride and delight upon the creditable work and rejoice to see our Chapter thus honored, we cannot suppress a sigh when we think what this means. It means that the parting time has come, and that in the future we will be without the wise counsel and able advice of our three charter members, Brothers Newcomb, Williams and Stevens. Never have men labored with less devotion to self and more zeal for their Fraternity than have these loyal Brothers, who through their untiring efforts, have raised on high the standard of our dear old Fraternity at William and Mary. Next session we will be without them; but let us try to catch the zeal with which they were inspired and endeavor to rise even higher and higher, keeping them as our models. Well may the Fraternity feel proud of these men who are launching their barks upon the ocean of life with such brilliant prospects for success.

Brother Williams, who has efficiently served in the capacity of instructor in Greek and Latin for the past two

sessions, after capturing his B. Lit., acting as final prophet for the senior club, and securing the orator's medal in the Philomathean Literary Society, will bid farewell to "Ye Ancient Capital" and its fair daughters.

Brother Stevens will serve the senior club as historian, and hopes to carry away his A. B. and B. Lit. We all know that *George* can't fail, so we congratulate him on getting his degree. During the present year he has ably filled the position of French and German instructor in the college. Next year he will prosecute his studies at Johns Hopkins University.

Brother Newcomb, though only eighteen years of age, carries away with him an A. B. degree, three scholarships and the love and admiration of his fellow students.

Not long since Brother Spruill was called home to the bedside of his dying father. We extend to our faithful and loyal Brother our heartfelt sympathies.

Our boys may be found at the following places during the summer: C. V. Spratley, Hampton, Va.; E. B. Hutchison, Herndon, Va.; J. L. Newcomb, Sassafras, Va.; R. B. Dade, Loudoun County, Va.; G. L. Stevens, Cappohosick, Gloucester County, Va.; A. B. Marchant, Lot, Middlesex County, Va.; H. B. G. Galt, Norfolk, Va.; B. Spruill, Columbia, N. C.; N. Cowles, Williamsburg, Va.; C. N. Williams, Norfolk, Va.; A. Warriner, Jetersville, Amelia County, Va.; F. S. McCandlish, Saluda, Middlesex County, Va.

The *Dagger and Key* brings us very encouraging news. We are glad to see the Fraternity in such nice shape financially.

F. S. McCandlish.

THETA.

Southwestern Presbyterian University.

Theta Chapter held her last meeting for the session a few days ago and it was not without feeling of deep sadness that we turned our backs upon the dear old hall which had been the scene of many pleasant gatherings. The thought too, that some of our Brothers, who had labored

so faithfully for several years with us and with whom we had spent so many college days, would not meet us again next fall, touches a cord of tender love in our hearts.

We have few in number this year and our struggles have been many and difficult, but it has, I trust, bound us together in ties all the stronger. We look forward with brighter hopes for the future.

It was a source of much regret that we were unable to be represented at the Convention, but we are so far removed from the place where it was held, and other difficulties which we could not overcome prevented our being present. However, we felt deeply interested in it and hope next year we can send more than our share of representatives.

The whole student-body has assumed an expression of intense seriousness—examinations began to-day. Upon every face there is an appearance of mingled fear and hope. On every hillside there can be seen groups of students intensely interested in some prosy text book, and the walls of the auditorium from morn till night resound with outbursts of eloquence from some aspiring orator; among them all can be found Theta's men equally as earnest and intent as any could possibly be.

As to honors, of course we cannot yet say how we shall come out because they have not been conferred, but we hope to get our share. Brother Fraser represents us in the Faculty Orator's contest, and has served on the *Journal* staff during the session; Brother McFadden was President of the Athletic Association, manager of base-ball team, played on foot-ball team and took several medals on Field Day. We are represented on the Inter-Society Orators contest by your humble servant. As to the other Brothers we hope to report favorably in our next letter.

During the summer our Brothers will be at their respective homes. Brother George W. Fraser, Crawley, La.; Brother W. V. Frierson, Tupelo, Miss.; Brother B. H. Mooney, Mississippi City, Miss.; Brother W. N. Sholl, Birmingham, Ala.; Brother F. L. McFadden, Oakland,

Tenn.; A. O. Price, Ellisville, Miss. Brother Fraser takes his M. A. degree this year and will not return, Brother McFadden gets his B. A. but will be with us again next year to finish Theology.

We had the pleasure of meeting Brother W. S. Claiborne, of Chi Chapter, who was here at the Diocesan Convention a few weeks ago. Brother Claiborne is a "big" Pi in every sense of the word.

We were also honored by a visit from our Grand Secretary, Brother Powers. He spent several days in our city, but his time was so much occupied in attending to some personal affairs(?) we did not get to see him as often as we would like to have. Hope you will pay us another visit soon, Brother.

It would be unkind to cease without a word about our Pi sisters. No more loyal, lovable set of young ladies can be found in the State of Tennessee. By their interest and sympathy for us and many little kindnesses shown us, they have made bright and happy many hours which otherwise would have been dark and lonely. As true sisters they have received us into their homes and made us feel as brothers—for all of which we feel that we cannot express sufficient gratitude, but wish to assure them we shall not soon forget them, nor cease to be thankful.

With best wishes for our sister Chapters that they may one and all spend a pleasant summer, Theta bids you farewell till next September.

A. O. Price.

MU.

Presbyterian College of South Carolina.

The closing of college this year finds our Chapter in a much better condition than last, for as the five men separated, they knew not where they would enter College, and as for the existence of "Mu," it did seem to a few of us who understood the circumstances quite fully, that it would certainly cease, and the thought of returning to the P. C.

of S. C., and having no Frat, meant something to a few of us, who would return, and so with a body of only three to begin with, we have completed our dozen, and have the brightest prospects for the coming year.

The names and summer addresses of the members of "Mu," are as follows: J. P. Marion, Richburg, S. C.; C. M. Fuller, Mountville, S. C.; J. B. Carpenter, Clinton, S. C.; T. E. Simpson, Clinton, S. C.; A. L. Johnson, Hartwell, Ga.; G. M. Wilcox, Elberton, Ga.; Charlie Simmons, Greenwood, S. C.; W. R. Wallace, Rossville, S. C.; Jas. H. Thornwell, Jr., Fort Mill, S. C.; L. B. Stephenson, Kershaw, S. C.; A. Manning Smith, Reidville, S. C.; L. Marion, Richburg, S. C.

Among the graduates for this Commencement is found the names of the II. boys: Brothers J. P. Marion, J. B. Carpenter and the writer who happens to be the least as well as last. Brother Marion will either "loaf" or go to the Theological Seminary at Columbia the following year, he has not fully decided, but we could heartily recommend him to enter either of the two. He is one of the men who have done much to enable our Chppter to pass through some trying experiences, and placed it where it stands at present. His departure will not only be felt, but his "beautiful countenance" also missed.

Brother Carpenter will very likely while away the part of next year in town. "Jimmy" is not inclined to tell us II boys much about his "donny" (as he calls her), but we manage to get on to a few things, accidentally.

The presence of our loyal II sister, Miss Effie McLucas, during Commencement, added much to the manifestations of Pi Kappa Alpha, and she is just as loyal now as when she attended college.

Brother (Rev.) Thornwell Jacobs, of Morganton, N. C., spent several days in our midst during Commencement, and we have almost persuaded him to give us another famous production of his poetic talent, that will compare with "The Pi City" that appeared in the SHIELD AND DIAMOND a few months ago. *

Wishing you all a pleasant summer and an earnest return to college in the interest of our dear Fraternity.

T. Ellison Simpson.

NU.

Wofford College.

Nothing of special interest has happened since the Convention, yet it is pleasant to say that our Chapter is moving on nicely, and is still holding her own among the other fraternities on the campus.

We cannot estimate how much the life of our Chapter has been quickened by the recent Convention, and how much brighter is our conception of what it means to be a good, loyal II.

Nu is jubilant over the fact that commencement is near, and a little beyond is vacation.

We can look forward to graduation day with pride, as our dear old Chapter will send upon the rostrum for diplomas four of the strongest men in college, men who have touched college life in many places.

Brother Lewis, being appointed census enumerator, left yesterday for his home in Marion county. We hated to bid him good-bye, as we had learned to love him—not simply because he was a II, but because of his moral worth.

Brother Claude Martin will leave to-morrow for Columbia, where he will remain till after the commencement exercises of Columbia Female College. The young ladies, seeing in him the undeveloped resources of a graceful young man, accorded him the honor of being one of their marshals. "Claude is a sport."

As soon as commencement is over, Brother Auld will leave for Asheville, where for a few days he will pursue the course in Bible study, preparatory for his work in college next year as teacher of a Bible class.

We close with best wishes to all of our II brothers and sisters, and to the SHIELD AND DIAMOND.

A. E. Driggers.

RHO.*Cumberland University.*

Rho was very sorry not to be able to attend the Convention, but matters were such that we were not represented. As we look out on the next few weeks of commencement, graduation, etc., we naturally take on a retrospective mood and look back over the last ten months and see what it has held for us, and for Rho it has been rich indeed. Starting in the fall, with a goodly number of old men returning, 'twas easy to pick and get the best of material, and our carefulness is shown by the spirit of perfect harmony which has characterized our meetings and daily intercourse.

For your humble scribe this year has been very enjoyable, because of being able to meet so many of the II's from other schools, and a joy it is, indeed. We have met men of Chi, Sigma, Zeta and Theta, and all have shown themselves to be II's of the deepest dye.

As to honors, Rho has had her share and over. From the first of school her men have been called to lead the various organizations of the school, and in every public speaking or contest her men have had first, and in several cases second honors also.

Brother Pryor, our "Mountain Orator," even went so far as to capture the "State Oratorical Medal," and on strength of this has been invited to represent the State in the Inter-State contest at Mount Eagle this summer. We could hardly ask more.

In athletics Rho's men have been well represented, and though no special mention can be made beyond the fact that they did their part, yet we are proud to be represented there and hope to do more next year.

In scholarships she stands well up on the ladder, and her men have been first in many instances, and never has her flag been lowered by not passing.

We were represented on the *Cumberland Weekly* by Brother Luther Wear, who was elected by the literary department to represent them on its staff, and, in fact, Rho's men have been prominent in everything for good that has

taken place during the whole year. We are proud, indeed, of her record.

And now as we approach the present for a leap into the future, we are saddened by the fact that some whom we have known and loved go out as seniors, never to return as students again.

Brother G. H. Lee, of the Literary, will receive his degree in June, but will probably remain in Lebanon for the summer, as also will Brothers Foster, Weir and Cox.

Brother W. F. Poe will probably travel in Northern Georgia.

Brother F. L. Wear will preach in Birmingham, Ala.

Brother W. L. Weir will probably be in Gallatin, Tenn., assisting his father at the phosphate mines.

Brother Luther Wear will be at West Point, Miss.

Brother W. D. Thompson, our senior theologian, will be for the summer at Cooper, Texas.

Brother Miller will spend the summer with his people, near Paris, Tenn.

Brother Charley McClellan will return to his Western home to run cows and shout the war whoop in Indian Territory, on the Cherokee strip.

Brother Pryor will preach at Sherman Heights, Tenn.

Brother Howe has not accepted work, but will probably spend part of his time at Erein, Tenn., looking after his extensive interests there. (An investment in calico and silks.)

Brother Hail will go to Marshall, Mo., on the same business, and Brother McWilliams has already gone to Birmingham to work.

Brother Reagor will preach near Bowling Green, Ky., and Brother Fitzhugh is in Texas, preaching.

Brother Alexander will receive his LL. B. and practice law at his home, Shelbyville, Tenn.

This completes our list, and a fine lot they are. If you meet any of them in your rounds, cultivate his acquaintance and you will be repaid.

With best of wishes,

H. H. Weir.

SIGMA.*Vanderbilt University.*

After nine long months, Vanderbilt students are at last preparing for final examinations, and even boys who were never known to study a lesson, are now occasionally seen with opened books. Three of Sigma's men, Brothers Pope, Clark and Hoggins, expect to become full-fledged lawyers in a week or two, and you may all expect to hear from them some day and feel proud that they are II's.

We who are to return next fall expect to be on hand at the very beginning and do some tall hustling for II. K. A., and none but the very best quality will ride our goat.

Vanderbilt will play the last base-ball game of the season next Friday with Sewanee at Tullahoma, and Vanderbilt will win. We have had four games with Sewanee, but somehow the mountaineers won two of them, and now we have to play off the tie. Brother Williams of Chi, who is on the Sewanee team, was with us last Saturday night. He is a loyal II. and we enjoyed his visit. The writer is afraid to commence talking about the Convention, for he could write a whole book about it. There is no doubt but that a II. K. A. Convention is the greatest thing in the world, and with such a loyal enthusiastic set of men as were assembled at Spartanburg as leaders, it will be impossible for II. K. A. to do otherwise than live forever.

We shall never forget Nu Chapter. It was indeed good to be with those boys, and I wish every man in the II. K. A. Fraternity could visit Spartanburg and meet the boys of Nu. They entertained us admirably, and all we can do is to thank them with grateful hearts for their brotherly hospitality.

The thing for each of us to do now is to get right behind old II. K. A. and push her forward. Let us not rest until the Old Gold and Garnet banner is waving at every good college in the South. Sigma will do her part. With kindest regards and best wishes to all II's for a pleasant vacation, Sigma says good-bye until next fall.

The summer addresses of the members are as follows:

C. S. Williamson, Culleoka, Tenn.; C. A. Stainback, Somerville, Tenn.; A. H. Pike, Springfield, Tenn.; I. L. Chadwell, Faro, Davidson Co., Tenn.; F. M. Massey, Mulberry, Tenn.; L. S. Pope, Pikeville, Tenn.; P. W. Hoggins, Craggie Hope, Tenn.; A. M. Clark, Lawson, Mo.; W. L. Clarke, Fulton, Ky.

Wm. L. Clarke.

TAU.

University of North Carolina.

It is with a rare pleasure that Tau accepts the privilege of again greeting her sister Chapters through the columns of this medium which has done so much towards the up-building of our beloved Fraternity.

The prompt edition of the "*Dagger and Key*," received lately, was enjoyed very much indeed by our boys, and made us wish all the more that we could all have attended the Convention. We are very sorry we could not send a larger delegation, but it was at a rather inconvenient time for us.

Brothers McFadyen, Paddison and Justice of the Medical school, having finished their examinations more than a week ago, have already gone home for the summer vacation, and we who are staying for commencement are training up now, for the dissipations of next week.

Brother Miller graduated with honors this spring, but will return next fall to take advanced work in chemistry.

McFadyen and Paddison finished the course in medicine and Rucker finished in law, so we will lose those three from our Chapter roll this year.

The resignation of our President, Dr. Alderman, is a matter of much regret to all the students of the University. It will be difficult to secure another to fill the position so well in every way.

The trustees of the University have lately adopted a new feature by offering during the summer months the regular course of studies leading to the degrees. By taking advantage of this cause, one may graduate in three years.

Most of Tau's men will spend the summer at their respective homes, which are as follows:

W. F. Rucker, Rutherfordton, N. C.; C. L. Miller, Shelby, N. C.; G. B. Justice, Marion, N. C.; P. R. McFadyen, Clarkton, N. C.; J. R. Paddison, Rock Mount, N. C.; H. A. Rhyne, Mt. Holly, N. C.

Wishing all II's a pleasant vacation, we close.

H A Rhyne.

UPSILON.

Alabama Polytechnic Institute.

Our Commencement has ended and the students are leaving "Sweet Auburn, loveliest village of the plain" truly deserted, and the Chapter Scribe is writing his letter from the mountains of North Carolina. As he sits and wonders what to say, his mind recurs to the friends who left about the same time that he did. He thinks of the ease and grace with which "Skinny" Younge carried off the Sophomore Speakers' medal, and how the same brother pushed the other fellows for first place in his class. Brother Harry Hall "made things hum" for honor graduate in the electrical course, and Brother J. T. Letcher, after being at home sick for several weeks, came back and made first honor in the Junior General course. Brother Letcher and your scribe were two of the Junior commencement speakers, and the latter won the Junior medal.

Brother Guy Forbes, who was among the leaders in his class, became so sick that he was not at all able to stand his final examinations and had to go home. But Guy is determined not to be downed, so he has obtained permission to stand his examinations in the next few days and get his "dip." His sickness, though, will probably keep him from graduating *with distinction*, which would have been the case had he staid well. Out of a possibility of twelve distinctions, nine (9) of our fellows have won and been awarded them. This year has been a most prosperous one for our Chapter, and we look forward to a still better time

next year. With best wishes for the success of all our
Brothers,

Arthur F. Jackson.

PHI.

Roanoke College.

The school year is now drawing to a close, and spring fever and final examinations are now holding sway over College.

There has been but little done by Fraternites here for the last two months, nevertheless we have been making some preparations for next year.

Every one is now looking forward for commencement when examinations will be over and it will be time to go home. The prospects at present are that commencement will be quite a jolly time this year, especially for Phi, as we expect to have the greater part of our last year's Brothers with us again at that time.

Last Saturday was set aside by the Faculty as Field Day, and as the track team was in very good condition, the standard events were very good, and the "scrub" events were as amusing as ever. Brother J. A. Bear held up the athletic record for Phi by winning the hundred yard dash in ten and one-fourth seconds. He also won the mile run. He was prevented from entering the vaulting and jumping contests, as he had the misfortune to have a weak ankle.

Brother Palmer won the banana and egg races. It seems that he has a "cinch" on those two races as he has won them every year since he has been at college.

As to the intellectual honors, we cannot as yet tell what we will do, but but we are sure that when the Faculty has averaged up the grades, etc., Phi will come in for her share.

Brothers James A. and Charles E. Bear will spend the summer at their home in Salem. Brother Amadeo will remain in Salem until about the middle of the summer, and then he intends going to New York for a month. Brother Palmer will spend his vacation at Trenville, Augusta, Co. Va. The Seibe will spend the summer at his home Variety Mills, Nelson County, Va.

We will close for this year, wishing the Fraternity much success and a pleasant vacation to a all II's.

John W. Cabell.

CHI.

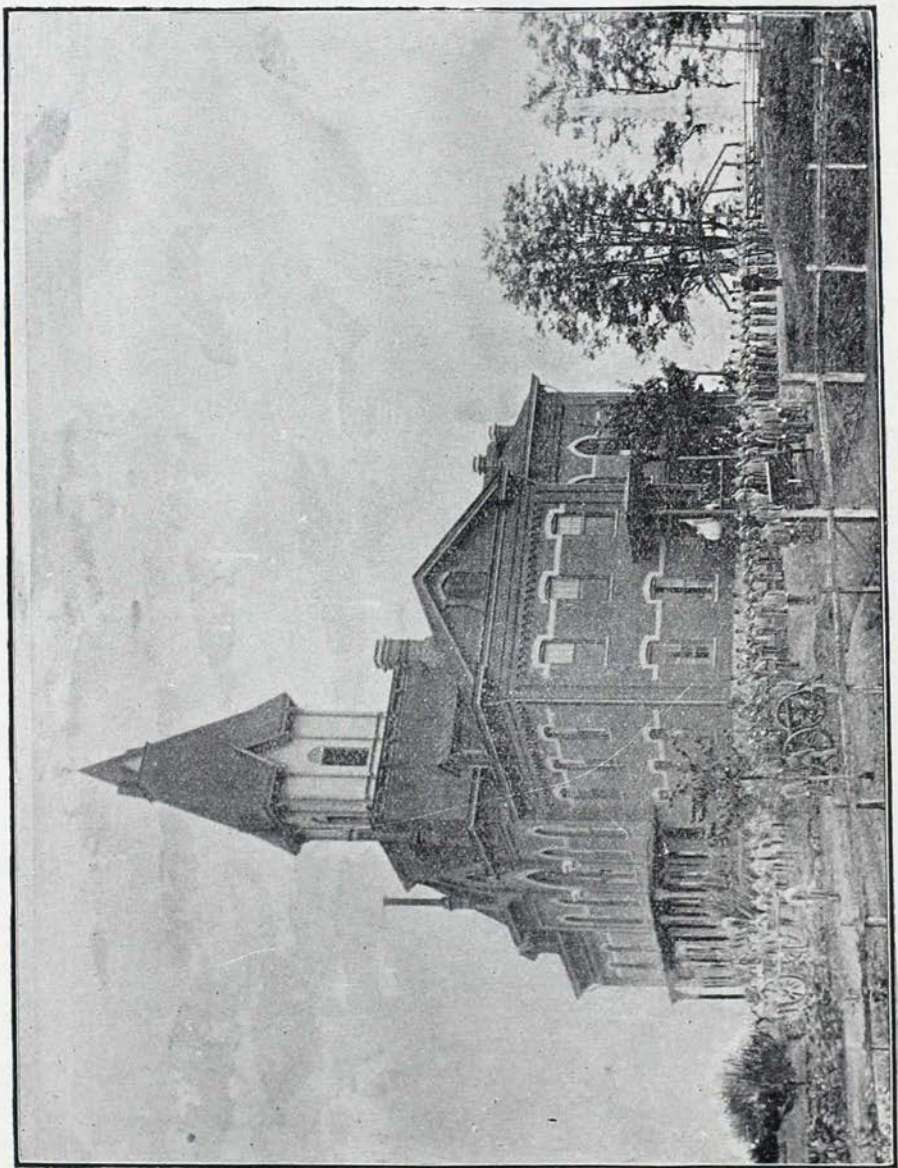
University of the South.

While the rest of the brethren will soon be taking their several ways homeward, the members of Chi are buckling down to hard work for the summer term. Our examinations for Lent term end about July 25th, and we will then have a two weeks vacation before entering upon the work for Trinity term, beginning August 12th, and we'll enjoy a continued session which lasts till December 20th. Then we will take our vacation.

In behalf of the members of Chi; I beg to extend to the brethren of the Fraternity our sincere and earnest thanks for their assistance in securing our Chapter House in Sewanee. The matter was urgent and demanded prompt action and until we get our new quarters we cannot hope to cope with our rival Fraternities. Needless to say, we have established ourselves pretty firmly in the estimation of the powers that be and everything is favorable for a rapid advance of II's interests in Sewanee. We have secured a very desirable site and our plans and specifications have been submitted for a commodious and handsome little home. At the earliest opportunity we will begin building and we hope to be ready for the "rush" in August.

It has been the writer's privilege to represent II. K. A. on the ball team and he has just returned from a trip to Vanderbilt, where Sewanee played two games in a series of four and each side has now won two games. The fifth will decide the series and will be played off shortly. While in Nashville I was taken in hand by the good Brothers of Sigma and they are all fine fellows. I attended their meeting and heard with gratification of the good record of II. K. A. during the past year. May she ever prosper.

The Phi's gave a dance to the ball team at which it was



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not my pleasure to be. Four hard games in one week proved too much for yours truly.

Brother Radford finally reached Sewanee on his return from the Convention and was very enthusiastic in his praise of the men of II. K. A. He recounted his experiences of the trip to the Brothers of Chi and I think that after such a Convention we should all feel drawn peculiarly closely together and all should put the best foot forward, with the shoulder to the wheel, and take a running start on the new year's work, and let every II work with all his might for the good and welfare of II. K. A.

Brothers, may you enjoy your vacation.

L. G. H. Williams.

PSI.

North Georgia Agricultural College.

It affords Psi great pleasure to send our first letter to the SHIELD AND DIAMOND, and still greater to know that it is the first ever sent from Georgia.

For a long time the students of this institution have felt the need of another fraternity, the Sigma Nu being the only frat. here before the coming of II. K. A.

At the beginning of the present term several of our men began to see what could be done towards supplying this deficiency. After carefully considering several fraternities we cast our preference in favor of II K A, and began to correspond with Brother J. W. Woodruff, of Upsilon. He furnished us all the information we desired, and as soon as all arrangements had been made, he, with Brothers Shuff and Forbes, came over to establish the Chapter.

The night after they reached here our band, eleven in number, as initiated into the mysterious realms of our beloved Fraternity. "His Excellency, the Hon. Billiam," from Upsilon, performed his part well, as can be attested by several of our members, and received the plaudit of "well done, good and faithful servant." After giving us all of the instruction necessary, Brothers Shuff, Forbes and

Woodruff left for home, much to our regret, for it was never our lot to meet three more genial companions. We wish to express, through the SHIELD AND DIAMOND, our thanks to Upsilon, and to Brothers Shuff, Forbes and Woodruff in particular, for the valuable service rendered us; and hope that we may repay them by furthering the interest of II. K. A.

Our charter members are as follows:

Marvin Hill Cox, 1902, Waynesboro, Ga.
Albert Pierce Bell, 1902, Waynesboro, Ga.
Reginald Mims Blount, 1900, Waynesboro, Ga.
Hugh Berrien McKeown, 1903, Thomasville, Ga.
Frank Carl Powell, 1901, Fair Bluff, N. C.
Paul Jones Horton, 1902, Winder, Ga.
Frank Allday Griffin, 1902, College Park, Ga.
James Alton Johnston, 1903, Augusta, Ga.
Madison Palmer Monroe, 1902, Felton, Ga.
Alton Sloan Ham, 1902, McDonough, Ga.
John Clements Barnes, 1903, Stinson, Ga.

We are well represented in both the literary societies. Brother Blount is President of the Phi Mu. Brother Johnston and your scribe had the pleasure of winning the recent open debate of the Phi Mu, while Brothers Powers, Cox and Bell will represent our Frat. at the public debate of the same society.

Our athletes rank among the best in the college. Brothers Monroe, Griffin and Johnston played splendid foot ball on their class teams during the past season, while Brothers Ham, Cox and Bell play on the college base ball team. And on field day our men carried off several prizes.

We rank equally as well in the military department, ten of our twelve men holding offices. Brother Bell also represents us as first sergeant of the college band.

Brother Blount gave a glowing account of the Convention at Spartanburg, and was loud in his praise of II. K. A. as a whole. He placed special stress on the condition of Chi and it did not take long to raise the required amount.

Our Chapter has begun to grow. We have initiated Dallas Chalmers Stow, 1901, Dahlonoga, Ga., into our Frat. He is our ladies' man, and never fails to have a fair maid on his wing. They range from the cradle to the grave.

J. C. Barnes.

The Pi's.

In order to make this department complete and more interesting, each member is earnestly requested to forward promptly to J. PIKE POWERS, Jr., 520 Gay street, Knoxville, Tenn., *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.

—We take the following from the "*Southwestern Progress*," Mountainview Okla. Brother Billups is an initiate of Rho '98-99.

"Richard A. Billups places his name before the people of the county as a candidate before the democratic county convention. He aspires to the position of probate judge, for which place he certainly has excellent qualifications. A graduate of Cumberland University of Lebanon, Tennessee, a successful practicing attorney, and a young man of excellent habits and ability, are some of the qualifications to be placed to his credit. Another thing can be said in his favor, and it is well worth considering in choosing candidates, he is a hustler and should the nomination be given him he would make a through and active fight."

—At the annual celebration of the Phi Beta Kappa Society, held in the chapel of William and Mary College, February 19th, our Supreme Councilor, Hon. Robert M. Hughes, presided over the meeting. The newspapers speak in highest terms of the graceful way in which Brother Hughes presided, and especially his appropriate words in introducing the various speakers.

—One of our most enthusiastic alumni is Joe S. Wray, *Tau*. This Brother is a prominent educator of Georgia, being the president of a large academy at Washington, in that State. He is certainly an enthusiastic *II*, and takes great interest in all of the work.

—The entire Fraternity will enjoy reading the following, taken from the "*Atlanta Constitution*" of March 18th, with

regard to our universally popular and beloved Brother, Theron H. Rice, Jr:

"During the past ten days Rev. Theron H. Rice, D. D., pastor of the Central Presbyterian church of this city, has been assisting Rev. J. W. Walden, D. D., pastor of the First Presbyterian church of Athens, Ga., in the series of revival services which Dr. Walden has been holding in the latter church. Much interest has been manifested in the meetings by the students of the State University as well as by the people of Athens at large and many conversions have been made. Dr. Rice was greeted with immense congregations whenever he preached and judging from reports which have come to hand no preacher in years has made so deep an impression upon the community as Dr. Rice has succeeded in making during his visit and what may yet result from it in addition to what has already been realized can only be surmised; but much is expected. Dr. Rice is confessedly one of the ablest divines in the Southern Presbyterian Church, being tireless in his zeal and enthusiasm in preaching the gospel of Christ as well as thorough in his Biblical studies and researches. Practical as well as eloquent and earnest, Dr. Rice is thoroughly progressive in his methods of work and under his ministration the Central Presbyterian church has enjoyed greater spiritual temporal prosperity than ever before. Dr. Rice will occupy his pulpit this morning at 11 o'clock and to-night at 7:30 o'clock."

—Those who think we are working pretty hard, can stop for a moment and breathe a sigh of relief that we are not tackling quite as much as our hard-working little Brother, J. G. Hughes, of *Xi*. In his college work this year, he is to take two degrees, both Master of Arts and Bachelor of Arts. Besides these he occupies a prominent place in the management of the athletic teams, edits the magazine and Annual, rushes the girls, takes a prominent part in all the literary societies, and is willing to spare a few moments for an article for the SHIELD AND DIAMOND, when called upon. He is certainly a wonder.

—The General Office has received a beautifully prepared invitation to the Tenth Annual Banquet of *Mu* Chapter, which was held Monday evening, June 4th. The invitation is very tastefully printed in script type and at the head, in a blaze of sun rays, embossed in old gold and gar-

net, are the mystic letters, "II. K. A." We are glad to see this activity in *Mu* and signs of internal strength, and heartily congratulate her.

—On December 28th, 1899, at Jackson, Ala., F. Lloyd Tate, *Upsilon*, was married to Miss Lucia Phillips.

—Among the names on our Fraternity roll, which stand out promptly in the minds of all II's, is that of "Caufield." We remember that in our great trouble a few years ago, a Brother by this name came forward and proposed the famous "Caufield plan," which for a couple of years gave us such financial help. It will be exceedingly gratifying to the Fraternity to learn that our popular Brother, T. A. Caufield, one of *Theta's* most honored alumni, in the recent democratic primary election, in the early part of May at Waco, Texas, was elected County Clerk by an overwhelming majority against two opponents. By several years of hard work in the County Clerk's office, as Chief Deputy and by applying himself to that line of work and attending strictly to business, he has succeeded in obtaining the head office, which pays a very handsome salary. Our Brother is exceedingly popular and is a very strong man, for his two opponents were very prominent themselves. Brother Caufield has always been a loyal II and wrote recently that he wanted to "come back into the fold" and help us carry on the work. The good wishes of all II's will go to Brother Caufield, that he may retain this office for life.

—The General Office is indebted to J. W. McKay, Jr., for an invitation to the Commencement exercises at Davidson College. Brother McKay is one of the Chief Marshals for these exercises. As already mentioned, he is the son of the prominent charter member of *Beta*, whose distinguished name he has the honor to bear.

—Our new Chapter, *Psi*, through its enthusiastic worker, R. M. Blount, has sent the General Office a copy of the beautifully gotten up invitation to the Champion Debate of the N. G. A. College, June 5th. On the Invitation Com-

mittee, we note the names of three II's and on the Reception Committee one, which is a good testimonial of the popularity of our boys.

—F. D. Harvey, *Upsilon*, is with the Kansas City, Topeka, and Santa Fe Railway as civil engineer. His headquarters at present are at Dodge City, Kansas.

—James G. Comfort, *Zeta*, of Knoxville, Tenn., has a very handsome watch, with II. K. A. on its face, so that every time he looks at the time, he thinks of II. K. A. His pin is, and has been down in a State further South for a year or two. He may bring it back next fall.

—*Theta* Chapter of II. K. A. gave quite recently, a reception in Clarksville, Tenn., at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Runyon, their loyal friends. In fact nearly everybody in Clarksville is a loyal friend of *Theta*. They have some very beautiful II. sisters there, also, as the Grand Secretary, who was down there not long ago, can testify. No doubt it was a delightful occasion to all.

—Robert A. Stewart, formerly of *Alpha*, taught at Wofford College, Spartanburg, S. C., during the session just closed.

—Clarence Allison Templeton, *Zeta*, and his wife, formerly Miss Reese Rogers, are the proud parents of a girl, born about the first of this month.

—The following is taken from "*The Journal and Tribune*" of Knoxville, Tenn., of Wednesday, June 6th, 1900, concerning the marriage of Brother Curtis J. Cullen, *Alpha*, which happened on that day:

"At the First Baptist church, at high noon to-day the Cullen-Eckel nuptials will be celebrated by Rev. J. Lynn Bachman, of Sweetwater.

The wedding of Mr. Curtis J. Cullen and Miss Nan Catherine Eckel will be one of the most brilliant events in the social history of June. Hundreds of invitations have been issued and the church will be thronged.

The bride is possessed of rare beauty, being a petit blonde of

that radiant type of loveliness always so fresh and fascinating. She will, no doubt, be lily-fair in her beautiful wedding gown."

Brother Cullen is one of Knoxville's most prominent II's.

The wedding was a beautiful one and the large auditorium of the church was crowded."

—Mr. James H. McCallum, of Knoxville, formerly of *Zeta*, has been ill for some time, but is now able to attend to his duties once more. Some of Jim's duties are very pleasant ones, too. He and a young lady friend of his were very much interested, recently, in attending and observing together, and carefully noting the nuptials of Brother Cullen and Miss Eckel.

—Mr. Robert A. Smyth, our worthy and esteemed Grand Treasurer, has just returned from a trip of about two weeks duration to Savannah, Ga., on his sloop yacht "The Flirt." He is very fond of yachting, and the cares of financeering the Fraternity render it necessary often, that he rest and have the cool sea breezes restore his equanimity. He is fully restored however, and always makes up for lost time, as those who are unfortunate enough to be delinquent will testify.

—Mr. J. Pike Powers, Jr., Grand Secretary, recently had a delightful trip to Chattanooga, Nashville and Clarksville, from his home in Knoxville, Tenn. His stay at Clarksville was particularly pleasant. While there he met *Theta's* men, and was greatly pleased to find such a loyal band of fine fellows. They stand well everywhere.

—Messrs. J. Joseph Price and Lyon C. McMullen, both of *Zeta*, recently attended the May Festival at Nashville, and were guests while there of Brother Cornelius Williams of that city.

ZETA.

University of Tennessee.

As the school year is drawing to a close, and the members of Zeta look back upon the past nine months, they can only hope that the other Chapters of II. K. A. can boast of having had as prosperous year as she has experienced. Zeta has two graduates this year: Brother Campbell, of Tullahoma, Tenn., receives his degree of "B. S." while Brother Cannon, of Philadelphia, Tenn., will get the degree of "B. L."

The members of Zeta will be scattered far and near during the coming vacation.

Brothers Mike and J. D. Campbell will return to their home in Tullahoma. Brothers Alexander and Bryson will also go to their homes in Gallatin, Tenn. Brother Sienknecht will return to Oliver Springs, where his family resides. Brother Jarnagin will join his mother and brother at Mossy Creek, Tenn. Brothers Hunter and Brown will likely remain in Knoxville during the summer.

Brother Cannon will probably divide his time between Knoxville and his home in Philadelphia, Tenn. The writer's intention at present is to venture abroad, but there is no telling what the future will bring forth.

In conclusion, Zeta sends best wishes to her sister Chapters, and hopes the school year, 1900-1901, will bring prosperity, both to them and to herself.

C. Raleigh Harrison.

[NOTE.—This letter was received too late to insert in its correct position, hence it is printed here.—ED.]

Editorial.

WE THINK THE last Convention has demonstrated thoroughly the fact that Pi Kappa Alpha is here to stay. Our secret messenger, the "*Dagger and Key*," has already brought you the full details of this "meeting together" of loyal II's. It has also presented to you the reports of the Supreme Officers and of the Chapter delegates. All these statements show the Fraternity to be in a thriving and prosperous condition.

Never before have these reports so universally shown growth and strength. The finances are in good condition; the Chapters have had a successful year, with the promise of the return of a large number of members, in each instance, next year. Thus the coming session will open with all our Chapters active and strong. The fact that this Convention was the largest ever held, in number of Chapters represented, shows the unanimity of desire and effort to push our work. It is indeed a time for rejoicing throughout the borders of the Fraternity, but the efforts should not be lessened one iota, nor the zeal allowed to lag. Now that the ball is in motion, *we must exert renewed strength* to keep it going, so that when we assemble together again, at our next Convention, we may have more to show for the year's work than good reports.

ONE OF THE most encouraging and auspicious actions taken by the Convention was with reference to Chi Chapter. When we begin to help *each other*, we show our internal strength and further foretell a brilliant future. It

was indeed pleasing to note the unanimous chorus of approval from all the Chapters in response to Chi's appeal.

This is indeed "*the opportunity*" of the Fraternity. That this is realized, is proven by the prompt manner in which it was taken hold of by all the Chapters. We do not believe that anything has been undertaken by the Fraternity, in the past ten years, which promises such far reaching and permanent results.

It was good to have been at this Convention. Good to see the earnestness of purpose upon the face of every delegate. Good to witness the brotherly feeling that existed; the close touch of the elbow and the perfect harmony with which everything was done. When it was deemed inadvisable to grant the request of one of the Chapters, this refusal was accepted by its delegates in perfect good grace and humor, showing their confidence in their brother delegates and that they realized the action was taken for the best interests of the Fraternity. We applaud Iota's delegates for their action.

The Fraternity can never forget the Convention of 1900. Not only will its memory long linger in the minds of those who attended, but its good work will go down through the years to come and the result of its action be stamped upon the Fraternity's life forever.

THE FRATERNITY HAS determined to extend itself during the coming year. A splendid Committee on Extension has been appointed and these Brothers will concentrate their attention on two or three desirable colleges and we fully anticipate their successful report in each instance, when the Convention next assembles.

Because you are not named on this committee, Brother Reader, is no reason why you are not to work along the same line. Upon every wearer of the Old Gold and Garnet rests as much responsibility for this work as upon the Committee. You should endeavor in every way possible to aid the Committee in its work. Advise with them as to

friends attending these colleges. Report to them promptly the names of any of your friends, through whom their objects can be accomplished. By a concentrated effort on the part of all of our members, our Fraternity roll could easily be doubled in a few years. Will you not give it a trial?

We hope all the II's, active and alumni, will keep in close touch with this committee or the General Office during the summer. Write them any suggestions or information which may come to your hand. By these means, the great work of extension will be accomplished during the coming year.

THE ELECTION OF a Deputy Treasurer promises much good for the Fraternity. The work of editing the Magazine and attending to the Finances requires the attention of two men. We think the Fraternity is to be congratulated on the happy selection made for the first Deputy Treasurer.

Brother Clarke needs no introduction to the Fraternity. He has ever been, since his initiation, a zealous and earnest member. As correspondent of his Chapter, his letters have always teemed with enthusiasm. At the Convention, he was a moving spirit and much of the credit of that meeting is due to him.

We trust that the Chapters will stand up to him shoulder to shoulder this coming year and aid him in his part of the general work of making our name a power in the land.

TO THOSE II's, who have been in close touch with the Fraternity since its re-organization ten years ago, the name of Howard B. Arbuckle awakens feelings of enthusiasm and confidence.

This Brother has always been a noble worker in our cause and the Fraternity hails with delight his again entering into harness as our active head. The good wishes of all II's greet him, and the Fraternity looks to him for brilliant work during the coming year.

WE KNOW WE VOICE the sentiments of the whole Fraternity, in expressing thanks to our Brother, Robert M. Hughes, for his able advice and assistance during the past year, and especially for his agreeing to serve the Fraternity for another year.

It is also pleasant to have the continued services of our able and enthusiastic Grand Secretary, J. Pike Powers, Jr. He is indeed a worker, and with these two active alumni aiding us in our work, the Fraternity must go forward.

THE SHIELD AND DIAMOND extends best wishes to all the II's for a pleasant summer. We trust that wherever they may be during these months of rest, they will always bear the Fraternity's interests on their minds; that they will be on the lookout for opportunities to serve her through the acquaintances they may make among the student bodies of the different colleges.

We have referred to this in the preceding pages, but mention it again to emphasize it, for it is of vast importance. If the Chapter men will take it up, it will be the means of our accomplishing a much desired end.

THE CHAPTER correspondents are requested to have their letters for the October issue mailed promptly on their return to college. It is especially desirable that a full list, with initials and home addresses of all members who have returned, as well as the initiates, be given in this letter. We beg that correspondents will bear this in mind and carry it out.

IN THE ADVERTISEMENT pages an opportunity is offered the members to earn summer money. We understand that the work is light and clean and we think it well worth the cost of a postal to ascertain exactly what it is.

Bear in mind that by *mentioning this Magazine*, you will receive special terms.

Official Communications.

HEADQUARTERS OF THE FRATERNITY,
OFFICE OF THE GRAND SECRETARY,
Knoxville, Tenn., June 20, 1900.

To the Members of the Fraternity.

It is hereby announced that the action with reference to PAUL BARRINGER MYERS, OF SHELBYVILLE, TENN., unanimously recommended at the last Convention, has been taken.

Notice of said action has been served upon the said party.

J. PIKE POWERS, JR.,
Grand Secretary.

HEADQUARTERS OF THE FRATERNITY,
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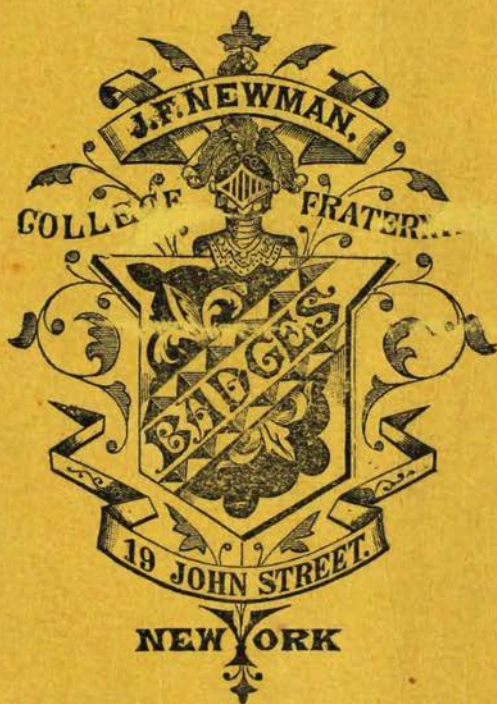
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