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THE CONVENTION OF 1903.

The Fraternity is ready, we trust, for the Convention. You find that it is called at Nashville, Tenn., April 7th to 9th, 1903.

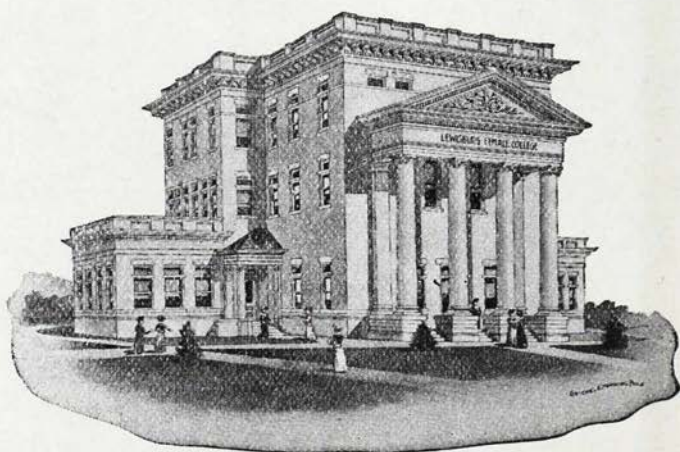
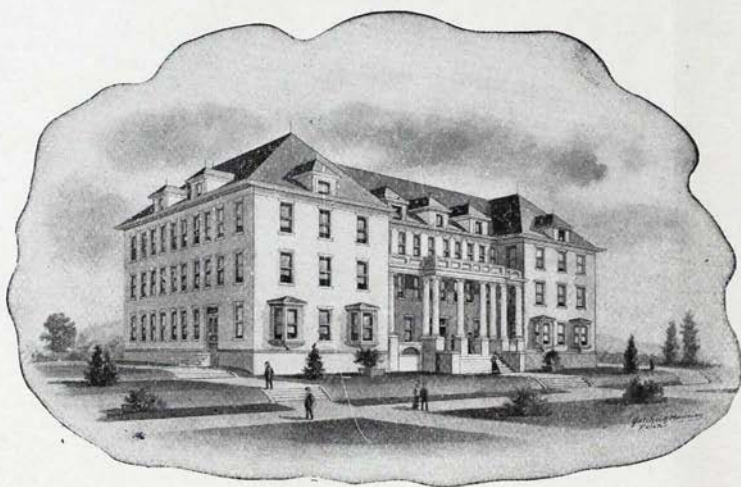
Allow me to say, my Brothers, that the Convention of our Fraternity should be always the great event of the year for our Chapters. Every Chapter should be working for this time, should send delegates that will bring back to their Chapters instructive reports of the proceedings, should be eager to take up the work that the Convention imposes with new enthusiasm and zeal.

This year we expect a grand rally at the Convention and a jolly good time.

We are meeting at a central point in our territory and shall have the largest attendance of delegates ever known in the history of Pi Kappa Alpha Conventions. We had seventeen Chapters represented last year at Norfolk. We will have twenty-two Chapters represented this year, wont we? We must be there in solid phalanx and ready for work. We must insist upon every Chapter being represented. This is one duty the Chapter owes to the general Fraternity from which the Chapter cannot be excused. The Chapter that neglects this is in a poor state of health.

It had better call in the family physician, for it is certainly afflicted with a deadly malady. I have attended many Conventions and have had occasion to note that the Chapters that were not represented were the very ones about which the General Officers had been most solicitous and the very ones that needed the influence, and instruction of a Convention to bring them back to usefulness. With few exceptions, the Chapters not represented at the Conventions are in bad shape, and they could not let their fellow Chapters know about it in a more positive way. If you value your standing in the Fraternity among your fellows, *you must not neglect your Convention*. You cannot afford to do it, active men. You need *the touch of elbows, the hearty good wishes, the encouraging words* of the men from the other Chapters. Why, you don't know what sort of a Fraternity you really have till you see it all represented at the Convention. What a fine opportunity for the delegates! I wonder the Chapters can keep down feelings of envy, when the delegates board the train for Convention. Every fellow should want to go. It is the experience of the College boy's life, which should be most sought after. I hear delegates often say, "I would not have missed it for the world." "It gives me new views of Fraternity life." Ask some of the boys that went to Norfolk last year what they thought of it. They will say you will never have such a time again, but I hear this every year. I am sure I often wonder how we can have a better time than last year, till it really happens.

It is such a pleasure for the younger men to meet the Alumni and hear the stories of the early days which always thrill us Pi's. It always delights me to see the Alumni, who come to the Conventions, entering into everything with such pleasure and interest. Some are astounded to see the great changes which have been wrought in the Fraternity since their day. They can hardly realize that the Fraternity has really grown in so short a time into a large Fraternity. What a contrast with the little Conventions of five and six delegates, which used to grapple with the big



LEWISBURG (W. VA.) FEMALE COLLEGE.

questions of finance and government! When I see this interest on the part of the Alumni who attend I feel sorry for those poor fellows who miss all these things.

I desire to make an especial appeal for the attendance of Alumni this year. You men of Tennessee, Alabama and Georgia especially. We ought to have fifty men present from Tennessee. I am sure there are many who would delight to come, if they but knew of it. We are going to depend upon every man in Tennessee, who sees this, to write to every man in the State he knows and urge him to come. We propose to make the second night of the Convention Alumni night and we will have a regular jollification. You can't afford to miss this if you are a Pi. You must be getting back into touch with the old Fraternity of the bygone days, the old love of the College days, the inspiration of so much that is good and noble in you.

Let's come together, my comrades, for another good old time for the sake of Auld Lang Syne.

Yours in the bonds,

H. B. Arbuckle,
Councilor Princeps.

March 20 1903.

OUR PPS AS EDUCATORS.

No. 2.

ROBERT LEE TELFORD.

Robert Lee Telford, of Sanford, Florida, upon graduation at the Union Theological Seminary, accepted a call to the Old Stone Church, Lewisburg, W. Va., in the spring of 1890.

After two short years of pastoral work he had so endeared himself to the people of his congregation that they severely rebelled at giving him up, even to so great a work as President of the Female Seminary at above place.

He entered upon his new work in the fall of '92 with the zeal and enthusiasm characteristic of the man. It was kind fortune that cast his lot—a man so well adapted in

disposition and feelings—as a mold of young women's character, so impressionable, so vivacious, yet when trained, as strong and lasting as the mighty river, the power of whose current no man can measure, the limit of whose influence none can predict. It has been well said, "Educate a man and you have educated a person; educate a woman and you have educated a generation." Who can estimate the influence of an educated Christian woman?

As an insight into the work he has already done, let me state in as few words as possible something of the growth of the school since he was elected president.

The old Academy, built in 1810, and an addition of eight bedrooms added later, constituted the buildings; five teachers composed the faculty and fourteen pupils the boarding department. He at once went to work to vivify the school, and the following summer built an addition of twenty-three bed rooms, dining room, library, etc.

Under his persistent enthusiasm and untiring efforts the school began to regain new life, and from the opening in the fall of '92 there has been a gradual increase till to-day the large dormitory building contains 93 boarders.

The buildings at present comprise two magnificent brick structures; a three-story dormitory building containing 73 bed rooms, large dining room, double parlors and library, a four-story college building, bearing the name of its principal donor; Carnegie Hall, containing music rooms, laboratories, gymnasium and large chapel, both buildings being heated throughout by steam and lighted by electricity.

His faculty now is composed of fifteen competent teachers. If you have followed me closely you have seen a wonderful growth in a school in the past eleven years that has been chartered almost a century.

Wherein's the difference? Where's the cause?

If to our Brother, what's in the man of whom our Fraternity should well be proud? What qualities have made him a success as an educator?

First, I would mention his personal magnetism. He came into our community an entire stranger, hailing from

a southern clime, nevertheless in a very short time he had fully accommodated himself to the habits and customs of the people with whom he had cast his lot, and every one felt him a friend; those in trouble came for sympathy; those in want came for help; those in disappointment came for encouragement, and those in business came for counsel.

This qualification eminently fits him for the work in which he is engaged. He has never lost a pupil on account of dissatisfaction.

Again, he is a man of modern ideas. The day is past when, for sentiment's sake, we model after our forefathers by freezing over little wood fires and ruining our eyes in studying by a tallow-dip or smoking kerosene lamp. If we wish our schools to draw patronage we must keep abreast of the times and not expect our young people to live in discomfort, when for the same money they can go elsewhere and enjoy all our modern improvements. Our Brother is so modern that many of the older citizens in this little country town think him over extravagant. He conceived and perfected a system of water works for the town simply to have all water conveniences for his school. The town was content with carrying water in tin pails and going to the old pump for a drink, but he thought, with a whole river of pure limpid water flowing almost in gunshot of the town, it not inconsistent with health and comfort to enjoy all its advantages. By his untiring efforts the whole town is now enjoying the blessings of a splendid system of water works.

This leads up to his next and well defined qualification, one which will make any man succeed in any calling of life if rightfully applied—"Determination." What gave to the South its grandest General but the dogged determination of Stonewall Jackson? Naught but right and principle could swerve him from his course. In this Robert Lee Telford has no superiors, and I think few equals. What more is necessary to discourage a man than to stand on the remains of a school whose completion he had striven

months to attain? The entire buildings and furniture were laid in ashes Dec. 16, 1901. Even amid this scene of loss and confusion, with every one crying "finis," his courage remains undaunted, his determination never wavers. He has so endeared himself to the people by his generosity, fortified his motives by his honesty, and proven his worth by his precepts and example, that business men rely implicitly upon his word. In a very short time he had money subscribed and conceived of buildings far superior to the ones just destroyed. Out of the barely cold ashes there has arisen sphinx-like buildings scarcely unsurpassed in the South, and the rays of the eastern sun, after first gilding the top of distant Alleghany, next kiss into effulgent brightness the magnificent buildings of the Lewisburg Female Seminary.

What better memorial of a man's determination? "Precious is the memorial of the just."

Our Brother's earnestness and sincerity wins the confidence of all. Can any succeed without people's confidence? "Society is built upon trust, and trust upon confidence of one another's integrity."

Sincere in his motives, earnest in his work, true to his principles and honest before God and man has given to our Brother his well earned success, and I feel sure each member of dear old II. K. A. Fraternity appreciates his worth, encourages his efforts and values him as a genuine whole-hearted II. He is one of loyal Iota's sons; may she still live to send some more like him out into the world to do all the good they can, in all the ways they can, and to all the people they can, is the wish of another of Iota's sons.

J. A. Arbuckle.

**THE FRATERNITY MAN AND THE OUTSIDE
WORLD AND THE FRATERNITY'S
HIGHEST GOOD.**

Among a great many men who join Fraternities their seems to be a serious misunderstanding as to their purpose. Just as a great many men fail to see the real significance of many other phases and opportunities of College life until after it is too late, so they fail to see what their Fraternity means to them and what their duty as a member of it is until it is irreparably too late, and a great many of them, I am sorry to say, never see it at all. Many College men, among whom have been Fraternity men themselves, have asked the question, "What real good does a Fraternity do a man?" And not a few of the answers have been doubtful. Some say, if a man gets into a popular crowd, it may do something to elevate his standing while he is in College. If this is the best, its work is superficial indeed. Some say that it makes a man more powerful in College by reason of having a strong crowd at its back to help him accomplish whatever he desires. This is good so far as it goes, but it is a good that vanishes at the end of every term. Some others say that it puts a man in a position to sport and have a good time. If this is the best, its good is a miserable failure. Still some others tell us that they know of a good that comes from Fraternities, more lasting than the College career. This is that we will meet with men after we get out of College almost everywhere we go, who belong to our own sacred Brotherhood, who will befriend and aid us and give us a good time and help us along in the world; and all this is true. But if even this were the highest good it would scarcely more than pay us for attending the meetings while in College. But then you may wish to ask me what I think is the good to be gained from Fraternities, and I shall tell you before I close this paper.

But before I tell you, I wish to call attention to a few things that I consider necessary for Fraternity men to no-

tice in their relations to the outside world. There are a great many men in all Colleges, who in some respects are good men and would be regarded by the world as "pretty good fellows," yet they would not make good Fraternity men. A man, in order to be a good Fraternity man, in my opinion, should be reserved yet affable and social, should be firm and in a certain sense dignified, yet not "goodie goodie," should laugh and joke but not be loud-mouthed.

Brothers our life and our fortune depends upon outside opinion of us. None of us should be satisfied with anything less than making our Fraternity the best one, and the one most respected in our College. In order to do this we have got to build public opinion in our favor. In fact this is about all there is to it. But we can do this very thing if we try sufficiently. There is no doubt in my mind, that any human being with normal powers, by sufficient watching of himself and sufficient drilling himself in the way he desires to go, can make of himself just what he wishes to be. We are able to make of ourselves the best there is in our College, and the best thought of, but we will only do it by close watching of ourselves, increasing drilling and entiring effort.

But what must we do? First let each of us do the best work possible in the class room. This is one thing but by no means the most important. Let each of us who can, take a prominent part in athletics. There is nothing, save one thing, that makes a man more popular in a College community, than taking a prominent and excellent part in athletics. Let every man of II. K. A. try to attain to something in athletics. Some of us may feel that we can do nothing, but we never know what we can do until we try. If each of us at our several Colleges were to attain even to a small degree of excellence in some line of athletics, it will be indeed a long stride in our popularity.

Another thing,—and this is one in which all of us, especially those of us who attend exclusively male Colleges, are no doubt more or less lacking—is association with

young women. It is the duty of every man in our Fraternity to go calling at least one night out of every week. We may say that we haven't time, but time would be far better spent in this way than it would in forever pouring over our books or in loafing or lounging about one of our neighbor's rooms. For of what use is a great collection of knowledge to us if we are manacled and handicapped by bashfulness and awkwardness. Many men go through the world who are worthy indeed, but very few there are who sell for their worth. There is nothing in the world that makes a man more popular in College, nor out of it, than the association with woman of a high order, and the ability to get along well with them and to use himself elegantly when in their company. But this only comes as a result of association with them. Let us by all means build up this side of our lives.

Then another point, and a very important one indeed, is the keeping of a certain reserve. Let us not be ready to laugh at every trifling thing that happens or to gab back an answer to every random remark that is made to us. Let us be kind and friendly to every one, but not too affectionate to any one. Let us not speak irate or insulting words to men for trifling offenses. One of the greatest secrets of popularity, without a doubt, is the ability not to notice some things. We should be careful about our speaking and try not to speak too often. If we are too free with our remarks they soon become cheap and lose their significance. When we do speak let us try to say something sensible and to the point.

If we do these things, I believe, in fact I know, there will be no question about our popularity in College. But while we are doing these things to gain popularity in College, another force is also at work. While we are training and drilling ourselves in all these lines and trying with the intense effort and the closest watchfulness to make our personality stronger for the time being, we are moulding the foundation of a character, and building a personality and a character that are permanent and that will go with us

through years to come. If we make an effort in College to be genteel and reserved, when we go out into the world it will become natural. After our three or four years of effort, to be courteous and cool-headed and sensible and social will be a part of us. In fact our fundamental nature has been changed in the effort. In trying to gain a temporary good we have gained a permanent good and made our Fraternity a stepping-stone to higher and better things. When a Fraternity has done this for a man, in my opinion, it has then accomplished its highest purpose. Let every man who wears the *shield and diamond* attempt to make his Fraternity mean this to him, and the questions of success and popularity will be settled, and the question as to the good of his Fraternity answered in his own personality.

E. W. Cranford—Alpha Alpha.

"OUR FRATERNAL DUTIES."

I find it has long been the custom or habit of looking at the subject of fraternal duties from a narrow and opinionated point of view. To be sure we are all cognizant of the vows which we took upon our initiation night. Long will they remain warm in our memory and our heart. Perhaps it is natural to apply them only to those immediate few by which they are surrounded at this time. At any rate that is about all we do. The poor "bard" treads the same paths—as before that night—his qualities and ideas are along the same line. And with what a different view does the newly initiated Greek look upon that class whose fortune it will probably never be to walk the walks of brotherly love and kind feeling.

What then are the brighter ideals of fraternity life? One may answer that it is to be true to your vows, faithful to trust of your little circle whom you meet in the fraternity hall—with those you walk across the campus, arm in arm, and no thought for the outsider, no consideration for his

feelings or even his existence, no belief in his right to attain to honors, no regard or affection for them.

To a thoughtful person the error of this view quickly portrays itself.

Fraternities dating back of our college organizations, went further—they tried to elevate and encourage the mind and heart, they strove to introduce culture and refinement, and thereby increase our kind feeling for all men. And why should our society retrograd instead of advance over the old standard? Why should we crawl into our shell and close it after us? Clearly such should not be. It leads to nervousness, narrowness, conceit—whatever you will. On the other hand, consider the advantages to be gained by free intercourse with other similar organizations, by the same intercourses with, and feeling, for the outsider; and remember that when we get out of our little narrow college world, we will not find a small circle ever ready to pamper and nurse us along, but must rise from our own efforts, and from the broad training that we should have obtained by our intercourses with *all* the classes while in school and college.

The college fraternity, then, should inspire us to work through and beyond our short four years course, and teach us to feel toward all, that kind feeling which we hold for those with whom we have been so closely associated.

In view of the above, the writer does not want to be misunderstood. He fully realizes the duty which each Brother owes to his individual organization, his Chapter and Fraternity. And it were a pity that there were not more and mighty workers within our beloved circle, to carry on the grand work and perhaps give relief to some of our over zealous officers.

The questions of finance and Chapter letters are always interesting ones. Another final duty which we have is to ever keep the Fraternity cradle full, and so prepare for future contingencies, as to our needs for good men.

Within the writer's memory, several of our boys at the U. of T. have taken to the straight and narrow path; and sev-

eral prospective little II.'s are beginning to look forward to the time when they will ride the much talked of "Goat." And elsewhere this proper spirit is being shown too.

Matrimony seems to be favored among us, and now, at last, even our "indefatigable" Brother Smyth has fallen into line. Let it be for an example to all the good "Brothers," and especially let the other *leaders* follow suit. We have here at Knoxville one of this sort in the presence of our Grand Secretary.

In conclusion, I can only say "look to the future and make ample preparations." Do not be selfish and think that, "because you have gotten all you can out of dear old II. K. A., there is no further use for affection and labor."

"Alumnus," of Zeta.

OUR COLLEGE.

The reason that I choose this theme for an article is because Alpha-Beta is an isolated chapter of our Fraternity, and little is known, to the Fraternity in general, of the institution in which she is located and of how this institution ranks among the colleges of the South. To "paint up" our college in a true light I will give a brief history, or, if it is a history, it should be termed a traditionary history, for I have my information from the sons whose fathers and grandfathers were students here "in the happy long ago."

When Louisiana College was founded in 1825 no one dreamed that she would ever be as she is to-day. Her buildings then were not very extensive, nor her students many in number. Our dormitory, known as the West Wing, answered the double purpose of college and dormitory.

Few changes of any importance were made until she was ceded by the State to the Methodist Conference in 1845. Then her name was changed to Centenary College. In the few years that followed many improvements were

made. The main building was erected and its right side flanked by a new dormitory, the East Wing. The college was then moved from the West Wing into the main building. Centenary then reached the zenith of her prosperous days ; her fame spread throughout the South, and students flocked from every direction.

It was at this point that the Civil War broke out. Centenary, like a loyal Southern mother, sent her sons to feed the lion of war, and gave her buildings for fortifications and hospitals. She threw her fortunes with the South, and with the South lost them. During the war Centenary fell into the hands of the enemy. From them she received bad treatment ; her halls were torn to pieces and her fine furnishings demolished.

After a hard fight, in which blood flowed freely from both sides, the stars and bars prevailed, and she was again in Southern hands. But she was not the same Centenary whose name before the war shone as if it were illuminated with a thousand lights ; she was in much the same condition as those who had fought so bravely to win her back—rugged and war worn. She had thrown her fortunes in with the South, and with the South lost them.

For two years after the war Centenary was unable to do any work. She remained in the same troubled state as the South. However in 1868 she again began to rise, but never has she risen to the level of those years before the war.

In the past few years many improvements have been made. Our campus, which contains nearly a square mile, has been placed in perfect condition ; our buildings are being repaired every year, and our curriculum has been raised until it equals that of any college in the South.

Centenary has many advantages that very few colleges have: It is situated in a country town where it has not the college boy's temptations of a city, while on the other hand Baton Rouge and New Orleans are near, and the advantages of a city are to be had at very little expense.

Centenary's buildings are some of the finest in the

South. The main building is supported on two sides by immense doric columns. Nearly all of the second and third stories are occupied by a very large auditorium finished off in old Grecian style. The rest of the building is composed of two literary society halls, two Fraternity halls and a number of recitation rooms.

In Centenary's long life many Fraternities have "bobbed up and down." She now supports two widely known Fraternities, Kappa Alpha and Kappa Sigma, besides our own Pi Kappa Alpha.

For some years we were not permitted to play inter-collegiate games, but last year the trustees decided to let us have three games of baseball. The team behaved themselves while away from home in such a gentlemanly manner that they gave us this year five games. We think that later on other inter-collegiate games may be introduced.

With all these new improvements may it be hoped that Centenary, hoary with age as she now is, will be as a rising star just peering above the horizon. And people shall look upon the glorious days before the war as a bright spot upon the still brighter star.

Stuart G. Noble, Alpha Beta.

WHAT IS A FRATERNITY?

How often, by people who are unacquainted with fraternities, is the question asked "What is your Fraternity, anyhow? What good is there in it?" In that instance we simply have to answer their questions as best we can, as they are perfectly natural questions to ask.

But, Brothers, let us not allow people to ask these questions who almost every day see something of our Fraternity. Let us be in such a relation toward each other that persons will say, "there is certainly something that bind those men together."

And we certainly *have* a great deal to bind us. What

could bind anyone together more closely than the sacred bond of our beloved Order? What could bring out the affection of a man, if being covered by that defensive shield and priceless diamond does not?

Therefore, is it not time for us to stop and ask *ourselves* the question, "What good is our Fraternity?" If people, unable to see, have to ask it. Yes indeed, in my humble opinion, when things begin to get in this state, they are beginning to get in a very serious state. Can the outside people not see the affection existing between "frat." men?

Some one has said, "When true affection is present it is not necessary that one be told of it, because its existence can be seen." If it cannot be seen now, let us resolve that it *shall be seen*. And let us at once, under the banner of old gold and garnet, become so closely united, that instead of asking this question people will say, "really and truly *there* is affection."

J. Caldwell Guilds, Nu.

WHAT A FRATERNITY MAN SHOULD BE.

It all depends upon the fraternity. The writer has seen various standards elevated by the different orders. In some cases it has seemed that the only qualification regarded was the consent of the man in question to join. The whole matter was simply a scramble for members, and practically anybody was eligible. There is usually, however, even in this case, the one requirement that the prospective frat. man shall wear "sporty" clothes.

Again, we find the standard raised a little higher. The frat. man must be a society man, a man of the world, an athlete. If he meets these requirements the hand of brotherhood is heartily held out to him.

But the question, what a II. should be, is a very different matter. Doubtless there are scarcely two of the Order who would answer the question in exactly the same way, but there are certain broad qualifications that probably all will agree upon.

In the first place, he must be distinctively *a man*; not a snob, nor a sneak, not a coward, but a brave, big hearted, manly man. There are a great many individuals in the world wearing masculine habiliments, who can lay small claim to genuine manhood. The common combination of faultless clothes, big cane and feminine face that serves only to cover a hollow head, may be a tailor's dummy, but never a man. From such turn away. He who stoops to little, mean things, who is too selfish to have any genuine friend except himself, and too polite to have any enemies, is not the sort of material from which Pi Brothers are made. Let the Pi be a man of convictions and of courage to declare them, a man of sympathies broad and warm, a man who you can trust implicitly.

Intellectuality is another invariable essential. No amount of good appearance, of social success, of popularity, is sufficient to offset the lack of strong intelligence. We owe this much to the high standard our Order has always set, and to her prosperity in days to come. The members of Pi Kappa Alpha ought to be men who will take high rank in school and who, as alumni, may be pointed to with pride.

The true Pi must be a man of high ideals. So many low standards and false ideals have been foisted upon the body socially that the greatest care should be taken that he who wears the *shield and diamond* should look far beyond the horizon of the common herd, and fix his purpose upon that which is really good and true. He should be a man whom the world will have reason to remember with gratitude, a man who seeks the good of his brother men rather than his own selfish ends, a man who looks to those things which are eternal, rather than to those of the fleeting present.

It is needless to say that the Pi should be a man of high moral character,—good morals are comprehended in true manhood. Pi Kappa Alpha needs no man whose deeds may not be laid open to the clear light of publicity; it wants men rather, who in public life and private will honor the badge they wear.

Theta, '99.

OUR BADGE.

At the last convention, which was held in Norfolk, I became much interested in the different badges shown. And thinking that it might interest others I will describe some of the differences.

The first badges made for the Fraternity were plain, flat gold badges with the diamond outlined and the letters marked in black enamel. They were nearly as wide as high, and remind one of a class pin. Brother Tazewell, I think, has one like this, and it is probably the only one now in existence, as I think Brother Wood, the other living one of the founders, has lost his.

Brother Knox, of Raleigh, one of Alpha's earliest initiates, has a pin which is probably of the second order. It has the diamond slightly raised and enameled in black. The shield is enameled in deep blue, and the letters on both the shield and diamond are in gold as at present. The pin is about two-thirds as wide as it is high, and Brother Knox thinks that it is prettier than the ones in use at present.

Brother Powers, our Grand Secretary, has a badge the same size and shape as that of Brother Knox, but the shield and diamond are both enameled in deep blue. Brother Powers had this made after the color of the badge had been changed to that in use at present. But I suppose that he had it copied from some of an earlier date.

There was no considerable variation in the size of the badge, nor do I know of any badges being jeweled until the present colors were adopted. There are now three sizes in use. The largest is about the size of the old ones, but seems too plain for the greatest beauty. The medium size we all know, and it is about three-fourths the size of the largest. This is a very neat pin and is the one most commonly worn. The smallest, or "dress suit" size, is very nice for an occasion when one wishes to appear to the best advantage without being too showy.

For some reason the alumni buttons do not seem to be popular. Brother Smyth wore the only one that was

shown at the convention. It is a pity that something can't be done to rectify this evil.

Out of respect for Brother Alexander and a regard for old traditions there has never been a radical change in the badge. But if there is ever another change it will probably be something like this: The three letters on the diamond will be made the same size and the dagger and key will be crossed above, and an eye or hand grasping the sacred dagger or several links of our chain will appear below.

We can get at these facts and the badges themselves now. But if some steps are not taken to preserve them the time will come when our future Pi's will not know of the early history of the badge we hold so dear. And I think that it would be a good idea for some one who is more of an adept with the pen to work up a chapter on this subject for Brother Jones' catalogue. Cuts of the different designs would be inexpensive, and would add much to the appearance and general interest of the catalogue.

I wish the Fraternity would take steps to secure and preserve a badge of each different kind. If nothing else is done, I hope that the owners of these rare badges will keep a tight hold on them and remember us in their wills.

C. E. D. Egerton, Alpha Alpha.

STRENGTH IN CONSTANCY.

While an apparently new Chapter generally feels a hesitancy in putting forth words of advice and encouragement for those older Chapters which have been working faithfully long before many of us e'er dreamed of the pleasures and honors that are to be derived from the associations of an assembly of students striving 'round the golden banner of II. K. A., as one of the older and better informed Brothers, relates the beautiful story of her early trials, strengthened by her never-dying patience and lasting faith.

Who has a better cause to be proud of any "order," than we of dear old II. K. A. when we consider all they did, at a time of great need, for the cause of II. K. A.

Should not such jealous efforts inspire the younger Chapters to try and show themselves worthy to be classed with, and called sisters by, those few Chapters that preserved the life of that "Order" now so dear to us.

From our Chapter letters it cannot be questioned that every Chapter is a strong one, but would not the name of our Chapter be dearer to us, if we could place a new Chapter in some distant or nearby College, thereby doing the College and student body a favor and honoring some worthy and distinguished students with the good-will, warm friendship and love of many worthy II. K. A's of the South—joining together more noble sons of the Southland with everlasting bonds of love?

Where stand we in the rising Colleges of the West? While other Fraternities are striving to gain a strong foothold in the Colleges of that land that is to become famous by the efforts of those minds that yearly go out from their walls, what will II. K. A. do? Will she not take her stand side by side with the others, and see that the "Garnet and Old Gold" does not fear to move swiftly and with ease where others dare tread?

No doubt, it is often the case that a new Chapter suggests things as easy, which older Chapters for many years have been trying to accomplish.

Such suggestions are sure to bring a "case of blues" or a 'spell' of sadness to the hearts of those old faithful workers, for they realize that their untiring efforts are not fully appreciated by their Brothers: Yet this sadness soon leaves them, for they are working for the interest of II. K. A. and they know that the younger members will soon learn that if glory crowns their efforts they must not be easily discouraged, but work faithfully to the end. When their efforts are crowned with victory, then their trials are appreciated and their works and faithfulness are praised again and again, by all true and loyal hearts. Is this not sufficient compensation for your labor.

When one does more than is required for the interest of II. K. A., his name is always remembered and is ever dear to all those worthy to wear and to enjoy the pleasures derived from wearing the *Shield and Diamond*.

L. E. Andrews—Omega.

Chapter Letters.

BETA.

Davidson College.

This letter leaves Beta with a slight attack of the "spring fever." The reaction from the excitement of Junior Speaking, together with a touch of real "spring" in the atmosphere, has been more than our mortal frames could stand, and we have succumbed to the sweet influence of the baseball rooter's gentle voice and now spend our time either on the diamond or looking on. Brother Wilcox will represent us at left-field and sub-pitcher on the team this year. The prospects for a winning team are very bright; the number of candidates for positions is far larger than it has been in several years, and some good material is being developed. Perhaps we shall not equal our last year's record—which was one hundred per cent. in games with Southern colleges—but we will doubtless put out a team that will make it interesting to any team they meet.

We spoke above of Junior Speaking; that certainly was a time long to be remembered by all. Of course it is to be understood that it is not the *speeches* that are to be remembered; the sooner they are forgotten, the better. But the ladies! and especially the "Pi Sisters!" Beta has some very devoted Sisters, and as beautiful as devoted, whom no words of ours could fitly describe, but no description is necessary, for we know that each Pi has some fair one in mind whom he thinks of as an ideal Pi Sister, but are they not all ideals?

We greatly enjoyed a visit from Brother Howerton of Charlotte a short time ago. At our Chapter meeting he gave us a very interesting account of the founding and early days of Theta Chapter. It was indeed a talk that

made us proud of being Pi's, proud, both because of the principles which the Fraternity represents, and because of the noble men that have worn the *shield and diamond*. And then when he followed these words by words of sound brotherly advice, we each one resolved in heart to live up to the standard of true Pi's.

We regret to hear that Brother Deal, who is at the Richmond, (Va.) Hospital, is still very sick. We hope to be able to report soon that he is on the road to recovery. Brother Bagley, '02, has charge of Brother Deal's school during his absence.

Just at this time we have no news of interest to report. Everything is going along smoothly in the same old ruts, and we are leading a very uneventful life at present. The spring elections will take place before our next letter, and then there will doubtless be "something doing" in the family.

The Convention soon to be held, should be the best in the history of the Fraternity. If each Chapter will send at least one delegate, and instruct him along the lines of some definite work, with assurance of hearty support in whatever the Convention decides upon, there is no reason why it should not be a success.

With best wishes for each of the Chapters, and especially for the Convention, we must close.

R. H. Adams.

GAMMA.

William and Mary College.

In consideration of the advice offered through THE SHIELD AND DIAMOND, in regard to a suitable place for the next Convention of the II. K. A. Fraternity, Gamma came to a unanimous vote upon Charlottesville, that being about as near central as we could get. Any time before the tenth of May would be very agreeable, but of course, as those two questions, time and place, are decided by a whole, we can make both suit, and send delegates regardless of either.

Much talk we have heard lately, "Shall we go West," a question of no little importance. At present, strictly Southern fraternities are few. While we realize that there is a wide field for us to work, in our sunny Southland, yet we believe by pushing our brotherhood into the western States, allowing more men to share the luxuries of our Fraternity, we would be doing a noble and unselfish work.

Brothers Shewmake and Smith have been sick for the past week, Brother Smith, we are glad to say, being out, and hope it will not be long before Brother Shewmake will be the same.

Base-ball is receiving quite a little attention at present, the men practicing every afternoon; we are showing up comparatively well. Gamma will be represented by possibly two men, one certainly.

As it is only a step now before the finals will be upon us again, our busy season will set in, and some "grinding" will be done. In closing we would add, let expansion be our watchword, and keep an eye on the Convention.

R. Beverley Dade.

ZETA.

University of Tennessee.

"In the Spring a young man's fancy lightly turns to thoughts of love," but before we can indulge these new and fascinating creations we must first remove a few obstacles that stare us in the face. Examinations are swooping down upon us with a terror that makes us shrink back and almost cry out "O, Lord! who will deliver us from these burdens?" The flood is at the highest, and the levee is threatening at many points to break over and devastate the garden we have built along its under side, the garden in which some of us have played too much, I fear, and in which there can be no summer houses for us if we "bust." But we are "damning" in many of the most threatening points and may yet hope to save the country.

Base-ball is also on us and we find that we may count on

two Pi's, Brothers Campbell and Edmonds, who will probably be first and second pitchers. Basket-ball found us pretty well represented through Brother McAllister, and the Track team will not be shirked by our boys. We try to keep up with the University and lend to its better life in many ways, and it is encouraging to know we do not always fail.

Since our last letter we have cornered another Pi "In whom we are well pleased," Brother Henry F. Parker, of Gibson, Tennessee, and it gives us great pleasure to introduce him to the Fraternity at large. He is a freshman, and has before him many pleasant duties that will benefit him, and, if well performed, add glory to our organization.

We note with great pleasure that the extension of the Fraternity into the West is anticipated by our progressive Brothers. We, for our part, long to see her swing out and cover this new territory that is so soon to represent the best portion of our Union. Surely no one will object to cautious expansion. Tennessee has sent many young men into the West and we feel that we should like to throw about them the sacred and sweet influences of Brotherly love and safety in the time of storm. We bid the promoters God speed and anxiously await the time when quantity, as well as quality, shall make up the reputation of our Fraternity.

With all these beautiful dreams yet fresh in our hearts, and hoping that every Pi, wherever he be, may always be handsome and happy, we are indeed yours.

O. P. Parker.

THETA.

Southwestern Presbyterian University.

This finds us right in the midst of exams. "All is quiet along the Potomac." Mirth and laughter have departed our walls. Brother Price seems borne down with the burden. However, there is another—she has just left for Chicago.

A few days ago we were startled by the appearance of the Senior Class in their caps and gowns, but just now we see not a vestige of either cap or gown. We have three men in the Senior Class each taking the Bachelor degree. Recently we had a great display of oratory on the part of this class, which now takes the place of these. Our boys acquitted themselves most nobly. It gave us pleasure to pat Brother Stephenson on the back the other night when he was elected President of the Stewart Literary Society.

We were glad to have Brother Dr. W. M. Anderson, of Nashville, with us, and to have him preach to us during the week of prayer of the Y. M. C. A. We had Brother Anderson up to one of our meetings, and the time was spent most enjoyably.

There has been nothing doing in Fraternity circles since Xmas except that the Kappa Alpha's have taken in one man. We think that we have not lost anything there. We have two or three men in view, but think it best to give them a little more time as yet to show what is in them.

The prospects for the baseball team this year are very bright. We will hardly have a representative. Still we are prepared to show our brothers a pleasant time.

We like the idea of having the convention at Chattanooga, and it would be most convenient for us to have it begin on the 8th of April.

We think the last issue of the SHIELD AND DIAMOND a most excellent one, and wishing success to our new Chapter we close with long live Pi Kappa Alpha.

R. E. Fulton.

IOTA.

Hampden-Sidney College.

We are sorry to have to report that since our last letter Brother James Graham, better known as "Kildee," has had to return to his home in Wythe county, Va., on account of sickness, and a letter from him a few days ago

states that he will not return this session. We miss Brother Graham a great deal, and hope he will soon be well again. He will be warmly welcomed back next session, for he has made warm friends of all Iota's men.

Brother "Bob" Graham has had a spell of sickness too, but he is now fast improving, and will, we hope, be ready to go to the convention in April.

It is a pretty certain fact that Brother Hunter Mann will not return next session. Brother Mann is going to be an electrical engineer, and will pursue his studies at V. P. I., and after finishing them will probably take two years at Cornell. In Brother Mann we lose a good member from the Chapter and one on whom we were depending for next year.

And now we have a secret to tell. Brother Herbert Anderson, the iron-hearted, has often boasted that he has never been in love; that he had never yet seen the girl who could make him as silly as lovers sometimes are; but Brother Anderson has "it" now. The sweet New Yorker has gone now, and a *shield and diamond* has gone with her; but Brother Anderson is here. She not only made him 'silly,' but from all appearances he is "clean crazy." She has surely "got him fooled," but argument of men nor angels could ever convince him of it. He has our sympathy, and we hope he will soon recover and be quite the same again.

We are looking forward with much interest to the coming convention, and trust it may be the strongest in the history of the Fraternity. We regret that we are able to send only one man.

Iota sends greeting and best wishes.

Frank H. Mann.

KAPPA.

Kentucky University.

The end of the second term is here and we are in the midst of examinations. We dislike to see examinations,

not so much because they are hard, but because it brings us closer to the end of our college year, and at that time we will loose several of our best II.'s, who graduate and go out into the world to fight the battle of life.

The question of vital importance before all the II. K. A. Chapters now is, of course, the Convention, which meets in Chattanooga in April. Kappa hopes to be represented by four or five of her good members at that time.

We are with Brother Smyth and others of our Fraternity, who are preaching the doctrine of "Expansion," and we are in favor of making II. K. A. a "National Fraternity" at our Convention next month. What do the II.'s think of it? Read our article in this number on the subject. Let us all strive to make this our very best Convention, so that when our delegates return they will be so full of enthusiasm that they will inspire every Chapter on to higher and nobler things for our beloved II. K. A.

Kappa now has plans on foot for building a handsome Chapter house on the university grounds. We will be better prepared to give details in our next letter.

We are expecting to take in one or two good men before June, but since our last report old "Billy" has been resting in his stall.

We are glad to have the pleasure of welcoming back into our ranks Brother Homer Carpenter, who has been out of college for about a year.

The K. U. base-ball team has already begun practice, and II. K. A. seems to have a "cinch" for two places and may be more. We also have one representative on the basket-ball team, which has won the championship of the State.

James R. Jolly.

MU.

Presbyterian College of South Carolina.

Since our last communication with the sister Chapters through THE SHIELD AND DIAMOND, the affairs of Mu have kept the "even tenor" of their way.

We were glad to have Brother T. Ellison Simpson, now

a student of Columbia Theological Seminary, with us about two weeks in February. Although he was here for a season of recuperation and rest, he busied himself with the affairs of the Chapter, and it was a pleasure to listen again to his counsel and advice.

In the recent session of the State Legislature, Mu Chapter had one man, Dr. E. C. Doyle, of Seneca, S. C. Judging from the flattering vote with which he was elected last summer, and his oratorical powers by the address he delivered here last Commencement, we predict for him a prominent place in politics.

Our men are always to be found at the front in all places of college work. Brothers Stephenson and Thornwell will represent the Eukosmian and Philomathean Societies, respectively in the June debate. Brother Thornwell is to be the speaker for the college at the State Oratorical Contest in Greenwood, April 25th. As "Jim" has made for himself somewhat of a "rep." on previous occasions as an orator, we are expecting great things of him in Greenwood.

Within the past month two loyal II. Sisters have visited in town. Miss Grace Martin, of Lewisburg, W. Va., visited her brother, Prof. A. V. Martin. We found her a most enthusiastic II., and much interested in the welfare of the fraternity at large. Miss Margaret Watt, of Honea Path, S. C., visited friends, and we had the pleasure of her charming company several times. One of our most dignified Seniors was tempted to cut a recitation or two while she was here, but as her stay was short we had to excuse him for the offense.

We are all glad that the time is drawing near when the Brothers of different Chapters will assemble together to swap ideas, and to lay plans for the future. We hope that much will be accomplished that will tend to the advancement of our beloved Fraternity, and to broaden its fields of influence. Circumstances prevented our having a delegate last year, but coming sooner this year, it is not likely that the same will happen this time.

Wishing all the Chapters continued success, we close this letter.

W. R. Wallace,

NU.

Wofford College.

Since our last letter to the SHIELD AND DIAMOND nothing of startling importance has transpired. But during this spell of unusual calmness Nu has gained a few victories. At a recent meeting of the Preston Society three chief honors were borne away by our Brothers—Brother Leitner being elected President; other of our Brothers receiving the offices of Critic and Treasurer. Also the position of Captain of foot-ball team was recently conferred upon your humble scribe; this position, with that of Assistant Manager, has remained in the hands of Nu's members for three years.

Every preparation possible is now being made, and no time is being lost, for practice has been going on for some time in order to guarantee to Wofford that she will be on hand at the finish of the scramble for the State championship in *base-ball*. Brother Isom, who established his "rep." last year, has a cinch on first base. Brother Boyd is our Assistant Manager, and will probably go on all the trips with the team.

We unfortunately and very unwillingly lose four men by graduation in June. This will be a hard lick for us; but by hard work next year we are going to try to fill up our broken ranks. In fact we have already pledged five men from the Fitting School for next year. They come to us with "pedigrees near to a yard long." This will give us a good start off next session, and with a few men from the future Fresh Class we shall have one of the largest Frats. on the Campus.

But ahead of all these good and inspiring things there looms up before us the much dreaded exams. It is with fear and trembling that we watch the Ides of March roll around. But each one of us hopes that every Brother will come out victorious.

With best wishes to every sister Chapter.

E. F. McWhirter.

OMICRON.*Richmond College.*

Omicron greets her sister Chapters this time with both good and bad news. None of us, however, have died or married, but one out of our happy and congenial circle has left us. Brother Lewis has been very unwell for a month or more, and though he fought against the necessity of leaving us at last had to yield and go home.

We hear from him regularly, and we are glad to say that he is improving, and we most sincerely hope he will soon be himself again. He will not return to Omicron Chapter. He will lead an active out-of-door life until next autumn and attend a school in the mountains of Virginia. His absence from us has cast a melancholy spell over the whole Chapter. His place can hardly be filled. His character is as lofty, pure and strong as his countenance is open, honest and bright, and he is the most ardent and enthusiastic II. that ever wore the "Garnet and Gold."

Having given the sad tidings, we will proceed with the bright, ever-striving to further the interests of our noble Fraternity, endeavoring always to take in none but the truest and best. Longing for sweet fellowship and congeniality Omicron has initiated two more men into "the new life." It gives your scribe the keenest delight to introduce to every Pi throughout the South the names of Messrs. Deane Hundley and Carter Edmonds Talman, the former of Dunnsville, Va., the latter of Richmond, Va. They are both good men; they had been tried and found to be true, and worthy to be old standard bearers.

The base-ball season is rapidly approaching, and we will place a good team on the diamond. We will be represented by at least one, and perhaps, two, men on the team.

We are now engaged in modeling and furnishing our new Frat. hall, and when it is completed will be the nicest in College. It will cost over one hundred dollars, and as there are only a few of us it will fall heavily upon us; but we want it, *and we will have it*; yet, if any of the old Chap-

ters feel disposed to lend us a helping hand we would be very grateful.

Owing to this heavy expense now upon us we may not have a delegate at the convention during Easter week, but if we can possibly arrange it one of us will be there. If we can send a man, any days of Easter week will suit us.

The SHIELD AND DIAMOND is getting more and more interesting each issue.

With best wishes for all II. K. A., with brotherly congratulations and salutations to every new Brother, and with love for all, we bid you adieu for the present.

W. G. Tyler.

PI.

Washington and Lee University.

Pi read the last SHIELD AND DIAMOND with much interest although we were much grieved to learn of the death of Brother Charles W. McClellan. We take this opportunity of extending our heartfelt sympathy to Rho and the whole Fraternity, at this great loss.

We have the pleasure of introducing to the Fraternity at large. Mr. James Caddell Morehead of Pulaski, Virginia. Brother Morehead was initiated shortly after the Christmas Holidays, is already and ardent Pi, and in every respect a worthy "goat." This makes our Chapter roll number six, which strange to say seems quite a crown for Pi. "Goat-ing" is practically over for this year, and there is little chance of an increase in our ranks before next year.

Much interest is being manifested here in the base-ball line. Our team is turning out much better than we expected and the men are hard at work. Brother Wysor is a candidate for right "garden," with good chances of success.

Exams will soon be upon us and every one is presumably hard at work preparing for those trying times. The close proximity of exams. is, in fact largely responsible for

the shortness of this letter. With best wishes for all our beloved Fraternity our letter for this issue closes.

W. G. Riddick.

RHO.

Cumberland University.

Rho greets again the Brothers in all the Chapters. Her members are enthusiastic for the extension of Pi Kappa Alpha. Our delegate to the Convention will vote for expansion.

Locally we think we are still "in the swim." The anti-frats" resolutely oppose the Greek idea here, and our men in particular. But we whistle on and all is well.

Our Brother, L. L. Totten, took the oratorical honors in his literary society again in the inter society contest, and will make a good run at Clarksville for the State medal in April.

Old Cumberland is having the most prosperous year of its history. Brother P. M. Simms, the University's new Registrar is contributing much to the University's expansion.

With best wishes for all Pi's,

A. M. Williams.

SIGMA.

Vanderbilt University.

As spring comes we find ourselves entirely ready for the change. The members of Sigma are probably in better spirits than we have been for some time at this season of the year, because you know it does one good to feel that he has won in the fight which has been forced upon him. This year Sigma went in to get the best men, and we have them.

At our last meeting we decided that it would be best to have the convention at Chattanooga and to have it about the second week in April.

The spirit between the different "Frats" and between the non-"Frats" is better at Vanderbilt than it has been for a long time. There is absolutely no hatred and ill-will between them.

All II.'s are very much pleased with the new dress the SHIELD AND DIAMOND has put on, and with the material inside this dress.

F. M. Massey.

TAU.

University of North Carolina.

Although we have no new heroes to introduce to the Fraternity, we are again glad to correspond with our sister Chapters through THE SHIELD AND DIAMOND. Our prospects for a winning base-ball team are very encouraging. We have five old men back, and some good material from which we can select our team.

We were indeed glad to have Brothers Webb, Langston, and Arthur from Alpha-Alpha with us on last Friday: We are glad to see Alpha-Alpha in such a flourishing condition.

Our track team, of which Brother J. P. Irwin is Captain, will compete with Virginia this year in Charlottesville, for the championship of the South in track athletics.

Our Physics Department was endowed by the last Legislature, and we will now have one of the most up-to-date laboratories in the South.

Hoping that the Convention, which meets next month, will be the best in the history of the Fraternity, and that each delegate will have a most enjoyable time, we close.

E. F. Bohannon.

UPSILON.

Alabama Polytechnic Institute.

Upsilon sends greetings and the best wishes of the season to her sister Chapters.

We have just finished the ordeal of Second Term Examinations, and as the majority of us have attempted to cover our multitude of sins by charitably giving to the Faculty all the knowledge which we had acquired during the second term, we emerge with clean consciences and empty heads, an indispensable condition for good third term work.

Unusual interest was taken here this year in the class foot-ball games, each class getting out a strong eleven. All three games were close and hard fought. The championship was won by the Juniors, whose work was fast and furious. If these class teams are any criterion of next year's Varsity, Auburn has nothing to fear.

Brother J. D. Walker, our crack left-fielder, again fills the position of Captain of the base-ball team. Our team will consist almost entirely of new men, but we feel confident that under the careful training of its coach and the able supervision of its experienced Captain, it will give a good account of itself.

In base ball, as in every walk of college life, H. K. A. stands well to the front. From present prospects, Brother Matson will play first, McEinry second, Hall or Scheussler short, and Adams catcher. All are working hard, and he who beats one out of his position will truly be an addition to the team.

It is a matter of much pride to every member of Upsilon that Brother T. J. Dowdell, has been chosen to represent Auburn in the Annual State Intercollegiate Oratorical Contest at the Chautauqua, held this year in Anniston. Brother Dowdell is every inch an orator, and will do honor to his Alma Mater.

Brother J. E. D. Yonge, who holds the important position of President of the State Oratorical Association, will preside over the first meeting, which will be held in Montgomery in May.

Oratory should and does hold a high place in almost every college. Certainly H.'s are well identified here with this important branch of college life.

Brother Denson was called home a few days ago on account of the illness of his sister. We have not yet heard from him, but hope that no news is good news.

Spring has arrived, and with it that dreamy, inert feeling of listlessness common to us all.

But let nothing hinder us. Let our watch-word be "Expansion." Let us carry the banner of our beloved Fraternity forward, ever forward, and make this year one to be remembered in our annals. Let each Chapter at the next Convention report some step for the general advancement and good of the Fraternity.

We are allotted at the present time the privilege of taking part in the great work. Let each and every one of us prove worthy of our beloved Order.

W. W. Davis.

PHI.

Roanoke College.

Since our last letter was published we have not added any new men to our Chapter, but there has sprung up in our midst a new Fraternity, the Sigma Phi Epsilon.

We are all talking about the coming Convention and hope to have a good representation present. Our first game in base-ball comes off on the 27th, of March. Brother Snyder is holding down the bag at second base, Brother Bowman is fast on first, and Brother C. B. Preston is long range thrower from right field. The boys go in to win for II. K. A. The new uniforms make the team "look up stout."

Brother J. S. Bear from Alpha made us a flying visit this week, and his usual merry laughter puts new life into the boys.

Hoping to see the SHIELD AND DIAMOND full of good news, I close.

D. Neal Pope.

CHI.

University of the South.

The University opened today after its regular winter season. Three months have rolled around since last we gather-

ed together, and now it is with great pleasure that the men are returning to their mountain home.

Upon this the first day it is hard to say just what the outcome of the year, or even the ensuing term will be. There are an unusual number of new men on hand, some of which appear to be good material.

Only the department men are eligible for Fraternities upon their first registration, all others having to wait three months, or until their second registration. We are after one of these new men and are busy with one undergradate who is now eligible, and hope in our next letter to do some introducing.

Of our old force we have five back, Brothers Cadman, Abeel, Linsay, Wood and myself. Brother Pugh is expected daily and Brother Elmore is coming in May. Brother Parsons has been desperately ill this winter and will not be able to resume study for a few months.

Those of us who are here will get right to work, or rather have done so already, and are hopeful of making this Chi's banner year. We will have as many as possible at the Convention, which we hope will serve as an invigorating power, rousing us all to renewed and intensified efforts in behalf of our beloved Fraternity.

Hoping that many of us may have the pleasure of a personal meeting and intercourse in the next few weeks, we are anxiously awaiting the time of the Convention.

E. Cecil Seaman.

PSI.

North Georgia Agricultural College.

Nothing of such vast importance has happened since our last article that would materially change the course of history.

Brother Lumpkin, a recent II., has deserted our ranks to prepare for an examination to enter West Point. Although our Brother does not have the best chance, as he is an alter-

nate, we feel confident of his success, since he has proven his ability as a student.

This will be our second man from Psi this year, and we feel confident that they will demonstrate their merits as II.'s.

We are sorry to have to lose Brother Brobston, who was recently called home on some business matter. His absence will be sorely felt in our ranks.

The Chapter has recently enjoyed a delightful reception given in honor of Miss Joe Myers, who has left our little town to return to her home in Ohio.

The College spirit of our school seems to be very high at the prospect of obtaining a gymnasium. In the selection of officers for the various classes and athletic committees our men have not been forgotten.

It is proposed now that we shall be given a building, and it shall be properly fitted by the students of the College with pool tables and other necessities for amusement.

We heartily endorse the time proposed for the Convention, as it will be a time when our College duties will not be so pressing.

Every sign points to our success in the coming contest for speaker's place for commencement. We have just secured the assistance of an excellent teacher of oratory, and hope with this assistance we can revive the age of oratory.

Psi closes with her best wishes to the Fraternity.

George Watts.

OMEGA.

Kentucky State College.

The general Fraternity is very unfortunate, in that our Chapter elected me to write these letters, for had a competent scribe had this duty he could incorporate some of the enthusiasm manifested by the boys at our last meeting when the subject of Expansion came up.

Every Brother in Omega Chapter agreed with all that had

been so well put in the last issue of THE SHIELD AND DIAMOND in regard to placing more good Chapters in good institutions. The old established institutions in the South are already well worked over, and it is with difficulty that a new Chapter can flourish where there exists many old established Chapters of other fraternities. Therefore, why not look to the West where we have some of the finest universities in the land; young, richly endowed and growing greater every year. These colleges and universities are not crowded with fraternities, and even were they, the West is growing and making room for more.

Establish a Chapter in a young college and let it grow up with the institution.

Omega Chapter is doing well; we have a fine lot of men at college, and the frats. here represented, are all in fine shape.

It is with pleasure that I introduce to all Pi's, Brother W. I. Goodwin, of Lexington, Ky., who furnished us with a good time the night he earned the "*shield and diamond.*"

Omega Chapter finds it agreeable to have the Convention about the first week in April, but will endeavor to have a delegate if it be a little later.

With regards to all our sister Chapters.

L. K. Frankel.

ALPHA-ALPHA.

Trinity College.

We were rather disappointed at not seeing anything in the last SHIELD AND DIAMOND about Alpha-Gamma, and are glad the April number will be out sooner than usual, that we may hear what our new Brothers are doing.

It is evident that the athletic spirit here is better than ever before, and the effect is to draw the student body together more than anything else could do. Trinity is going in for athletics this year to win. Coach Stocksdales is working our baseball team to the finest, and the result is we

have the best team Trinity has ever put out. This is saying a good deal, as she now stands for pure athletics, and every man on the team is a bona fide student. All of the men, with one exception, are "Frats." Brother Webb is the second pitcher, and will go on the South Carolina and Georgia trip.

The track team is hard at work getting ready for a meet with Wake Forest, and N. C. A. and M. College, to take place this spring. Trinity expects to stand by her old record and bring off her share of the honors.

We are all looking forward to the time when our delegate shall start for the convention. Brother Rowe will represent Alpha-Alpha this year, and we want him to remember everything that is said or done. He is about twenty years old, and some folks (feminine I'll admit) say he is good looking, but his eyes are far too old for him. We hope the Brothers will not mistake him for one of the founders of our Fraternity.

Brother Pugh is at Winston-Salem as delegate to the State Y. M. C. A. Convention. Our Chapter is proud of her men who take such a stand here as does Brother Pugh.

Our commencement takes place about the middle of June. We have an especially interesting program for this year, and with banquets and other social functions we are going to have a fine time. Brother Webb will be one of the Assistant Marshals, and happy will be the maiden who gets his regalia. He will think her the queen of all at the Pi Kappa Alpha banquet, which will come off later, but we want him to understand that there are others.

We will lose some of our strong men this year, but we have been working our "noodles" considerably lately, and Alpha-Alpha will not fare so badly next year. We have laid our plans for the campaign, and they are working so nicely that we have the other Fraternities guessing already, even about some men they ought to be sure of.

Our desire is not to get out of next year's Freshman Class men who are as good as those the other Fraternities

get, but we are going to have the best of all. Our Chapter is young, but we have made up our minds to make it stand above any organization here so that we will not have to "rush" new men, but can go to them and say "we like you, because you are men; will you come with us?" and he will come.

No Fraternities have Chapter houses here, nor is it likely that they will for four or five years, but at our next Chapter meeting we will lay the foundation stone which will give us a good start when we do need a house.

Pi Kappa Alpha is going to be the grandest of all College Fraternities, and Alpha-Alfa will always try to do her part.

Robert Taylor.

ALPHA-BETA.

Centenary College.

We were glad to see so many good reports from the other Chapters in the last SHIELD AND DIAMOND. We sincerely trust that the reports will continue to be so good.

Although we are few in numbers we think we have been doing a great deal this year in regard to expansion.

We have been working hard to get a Chapter in two of the leading Colleges in this section, and hope that our efforts will not be in vain. We think this is the most important matter to be looked into and hope our number of Chapters will be greatly increased in a short while.

Our prospects for a good ball team are fine. Alpha-Beta will be represented on the team by Brother Vaught and your humble scribe.

On the 1st and 2nd of April we play games with Chamberlain Hunt at Port Gibson, Miss.

We look forward with much pleasure to the trip, as one of our Pi's is manager of the team at that place.

We also play Jefferson Military College on the 3rd and 4th of April.

In regard to the Convention, some time in June would suit us best.

With best wishes to all our Sister Chapters.

We sign our name.

J. B. Reily, Jr.

Editorial.

THIS ISSUE BRINGS YOU THE official call for the Fourteenth Annual Convention of the Fraternity. It is useless to waste space in these columns to enforce the importance of this gathering. All of our men appreciate how vitally important these meetings are to the growth of the Fraternity, and especially so at this juncture of our life, when there are so many matters of importance to be discussed and to be decided upon.

We sincerely trust that the Chapters will send large representations to this Meeting. The place selected is a very convenient one for all, and is on the border of our western territory, into which we are so anxious to enter. A large representation at this Convention will give the Fraternity a tremendous spurt, which will enable them to do good work towards extension into the Western States.

THE CHAPTER OFFICERS SHOULD give close attention to the different requirements of the Constitution, regarding their duties towards the Convention. The proper reports should be carefully and thoroughly prepared, and no delegate should come to the Convention without his Chapter report fully written out and his record book and other matters in proper shape.

The last Convention at Norfolk proved that the most interesting and instructive feature of these meetings is the interchange of reports and ideas on the part of the Chapter correspondents. Each Chapter meets with some particular phase in its work which is useful for other Chapters to know about, so that they may be prepared for such emergencies

and understand the best method to be pursued. Then too, we learn to know the different trials and difficulties of the various Chapters and make us appreciate each other better.

In the interchange of ideas and suggestions, many valuable hints are obtained by the different Chapters, and many new ideas are brought out, which benefit the whole Fraternity. It is important therefore, as we have said, that great care be given by the Chapters in seeing that a proper report is prepared by their delegate. This report should be carefully written and read at a meeting of the Chapter before the delegates depart, so that the report may represent the entire Chapter. Suggestions should be made as to the changes deemed advisable, and if necessary, the report be rewritten. Too much care cannot be given to these reports. They are the life blood of the Fraternity, and show the throbbing of the heart and the inmost life of the Chapter.

Let the Chapters commence immediately the preparation of these reports, so that any happenings of importance in the Chapter may be duly chronicled. Be sure that a *careful list of the initiates*, with full names and addresses, be given, as well as the names of old members and the strength of the Chapter. Likewise, it is important to give a roll of those who are expected to return next year and to what points the graduates will probably go.

WE CERTAINLY TRUST THAT the Chapters will send large delegations to the coming Convention. We think that the financial conditions of Chapters warrant them now in sending at least two delegates, and we do not think that any Chapter ought to be satisfied with less than two.

We want this Convention to be a large one, and we want as many Pi's as possible to have the privilege of enjoying the benefits of these meetings.

Let an organized effort be made, therefore, to appropri-

ate a sufficient fund to admit of at least two delegates being present from all Chapters. Our Tennessee and Kentucky Chapters should attend in a body, and some of our Virginia Chapters can also send many delegates.

Let this Fourteenth Annual Convention be a record breaker as to size, and we know it will then be one in which the greatest work ever accomplished at any meeting for the Fraternity will be done.

CHAPTER CORRESPONDENTS will please bear in mind the June issue of the Magazine, and let us have their Chapter letters, carefully written, by the 25th of May. In these Chapter letters the summer addresses of all of the men should be given, so that our members may know where to find each other, and by this means many pleasant little meetings can be arranged.

Please also mention the list of graduates and the list of those who will return. We hope the Chapter correspondents will give these requests careful attention.

Official Communications.

ANNOUNCEMENT No. 1.

To the Members of Pi Kappa Alpha Fraternity—GREETING.

1. Article 5, Chapter 2, of the Constitution, having been fully carried out, I hereby summon the members of the Fraternity to assemble together at Nashville, Tenn., Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday, April 7th, 8th and 9th, for the Annual Convention.

2. The headquarters of the Convention will be at "The Maxwell House," where the delegates will be accommodated at the special rate of \$1.25 per day, European plan. The business sessions of the Convention will be held in the hotel building.

3. The first business session will convene Tuesday morning, at ten o'clock, and as many sessions will be held each day as possible. Every effort will be made to transact the work as quickly as possible, that delegates may not be kept any longer than absolutely necessary. *Delegates should arrive in time for the first session.*

March 25th, 1903.

FLYOD HUGHES,
Supreme Councilor.

OFFICIAL ORDER No. 1.

To the Several Chapters of II. K. A.—GREETING.

1. Chapters will immediately elect delegates for the Convention at Nashville, Tenn., and are requested to send their names at once to my Office, so that a roll may be made up and duties assigned.

Alternates should also be elected and their names reported at the same time. Each Chapter should endeavor to send as many delegates as possible—at least two.

Read carefully Chapter II, Article 5 to 8, of the printed Constitution.

2. Attention of each Chapter is called to Section 17 of Article V, Secret Constitution, requiring minute books to be submitted in good form to the Convention for examination. Each Chapter should see that its delegates take charge of the "minute book," and bring it to the meeting.

3. It is earnestly hoped that the Chapters will give careful attention to all these matters, so that when this Convention assembles everything will be in due form, and its business can be carried on without interruption or the omission of any duty on the part of the Chapters:

Let as many come from each Chapter as possible.

H. B. ARBUCKLE,

March 25th, 1903.

Councilor Princeps.

OFFICIAL ORDER No. 2.

To the Several Chapter Correspondents—GREETING.

I wish to urge upon you the importance of having a full report, covering the past year of your Chapter, since the last Convention, carefully written out and brought to the Convention by your delegate. These reports should be made very full. They should contain the full names and addresses of all initiates and members since the last Convention, an account of all the honors taken during the time, especially a list of those who will graduate this year, and those who will return next year. You are referred to the last "DAGGER AND KEY," page 27, which will give you a good form to follow. This is of the utmost importance, and correspondents are urged to give close attention.

H. B. ARBUCKLE,

March 25th 1903.

Councilor Princeps.

OFFICIAL ORDER No. 3.

REGARDING RAILROAD RATES.

Arrangements have been made with the Southern Passenger Association that if 50 delegates attend the approaching Convention, we can obtain a rate of one and one-third fare for the round trip. Delegates will have to purchase straight tickets from their homes to Nashville and obtain from the R. R. Agents from whom they purchase tickets, a certificate which, when countersigned by the Secretary at the Convention, will entitle them to purchase a return ticket in Nashville at one-third of the regular fare.

Be sure and get the certificate from the R. R. Agent at your starting point.

H. B. ARBUCKLE, C. P.

FINANCIAL MATTERS.

Chapters are requested to read carefully Sections 12, 18, 19, and especially 29, of Article V, Secret Constitution, and give heed to the same.

We want all Chapters entitled to representation at our Grand Chapter Meeting.

Please therefore carefully observe this word from the Grand Secretary.

March 25th, 1903.

ROBERT A. SMYTH,
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