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HEADQUARTERS OF THE FRATERNITY,
December 20, 1904.

I. It is with regret that the Supreme Council announces the resignation of Hugh M. McAllister as Deputy Grand Treasurer. This step is made necessary owing to the business arrangements of Brother McAllister. He has served the Fraternity well and zealously and fully sustained the record of his two brothers, both of whom, as Grand Secretary, rendered such valuable work for the Fraternity.

II. In accordance with the Constitution, the Supreme Council has elected James R. Williamson, Culleoka, Tenn., as Deputy Grand Treasurer for the unexpired term, until the next Convention.

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A HEALTH.

As the conflict for fame and for fortune
Seems greater to grow with each day,
And the ideals of truth and of honor
And beauty seem passing away;
How the few who join not in the struggle,
Whose ideas seem foolish and old,
Must fear for the race as they watch it
Exchanging its life-blood for gold.

Have the noble ideals once so cherished,
Forever been lost to the world?
Has the spirit of chivalry perished,
And the last knightly banner been furled?
Not so! For to-day there are living
Knights with hearts true as any of old,
And their badge is a "Shield" and a "Diamond;"
Their colors are "Garnet and Gold."

And as in the days that have vanished,
When each knight would willingly dare
To sacrifice all in defending
The name of his lady love fair:
So these knights of to-day in the Southland,
Revere in their hearts, we are told,
The girls of the "*Shield*" and the "*Diamond*;"
The girls of the "*Garnet and Gold*."

Manhood dies for its reverence for women:
Is a truth that we learned long ago;
Or when women no longer deserve it,
The pages of history show.
But our manhood is resting in safety;
For none are more worthy, I hold,
Of the reverence we willingly offer
Than the girls of the "*Garnet and Gold*."

This toast I propose then, my brethren,
Let every knight fill up his glass
And join in a health to the ladies,
Each warm-hearted, true, Southern lass;
As constant and pure as our "*Diamond*,"
May their praises ne'er cease to be told:
Our sisters in Pi Kappa Alpha,
The girls of the "*Garnet and Gold*!"

O. L. S.—Gamma.

*PI KAPPA ALPHA, AN INSTITUTION OF
THE SOUTH.*

When in 1861 the guns of Sumter proclaimed to the world that the Southern States of America had struck their first blow for freedom of thought, and the right to rule themselves as they thought best; when it was heralded across the seas, that one of the greatest civil strifes of modern times, accompanied with all of its horrors of bloodshed and death, had begun; and when in 1865, Lee lowered the stars and bars at Appomattox, amid the tears of his torn and tattered soldiery; then and then only did the world realize that in the short space of four years there had been born, had lived, and had died, a country composed of the greatest statesmen, the staunchest heroes, and the bravest soldiers, that God in His infinite goodness had ever caused to exist. These men, after the inevitable happened, defeated in body but not in mind, still held dear the principles over which for four long years they had grappled for supremacy, and went back to their homes with the determination at least to live true to the ideas which they had so earnestly espoused.

Such was the condition of affairs when in 1868, five of the heroes of this great struggle assembled at the University of Virginia, decided to perpetuate to their descendants the love for these principles for which they themselves had fought and bled. Thus from the ashes of the Old South, and arising with the New came into being our noble Order of Brotherhood, Pi Kappa Alpha. Oh! Brothers what a noble heritage is ours. We who are bound together by the ties of brotherhood and love have, to look back upon as our fraternal creators, men who served their country in time of want and when no longer needed went back to their homes to build up again the civilization which had been so ruthlessly destroyed by the hand of the invader. Indeed should we be proud of our Brothers who in this time of turmoil and strife banded themselves together for

a common purpose, and have left to us this great Southern Fraternity. Thus indeed is Pi Kappa Alpha a Southern institution, founded by Southern men on Southern soil, and God willing may it ever remain so.

Nor do I say this in a spirit of sectionalism or bitterness. The blot left by the war has slowly, but effectively been erased, and we are now a united whole, but in honor to the founders of our first Chapter, who are one by one joining the departed heroes on the other shore, I believe we should always adhere to their idea of making Pi Kappa Alpha a purely Southern Fraternity. Nor is this used as an argument against expansion. My Chapter, as well as myself, shall always exert our every effort to plant "*The Old Gold and Garnet*" in every desirable college in our Southland. There are plenty of just such institutions in which a Chapter of Pi Kappa Alpha has not been installed, and in this field alone should every loyal Pi so direct his efforts as to consummate this true and noble end.

We were, we are, and let us ever be a fraternity with the South, of the South, and for the South, rising with her step by step, until at last we shall attain that pinnacle of success which she herself is bound to reach. Let every man who has the interest of his fraternity at heart, go to work in this field, and build up to themselves and their posterity an institution to which they may point with just pride as being the aims of their ambitions and the realization of time-honored principles.

L. R. Byrne,—Alpha-Zeta.

HISTORY OF ALPHA-ZETA.

It was with a sense of great pleasure that we took the afternoon train November 19th, 1904, from Tahlequah for Fayetteville, having in view the consummation of our hopes and plans for the installing of a Chapter at the State University. For several months we had been in-

vestigating the conditions at the University, and having decided that it would be an advantageous place for location, we so recommended to our Grand Council, and we were directed to ascertain thoroughly the fitness of the members of a local which had petitioned us for a charter. After close and careful inquiry, we became satisfied that the local, known as Alpha Phi, answered our requirements, and that it would do credit to our Fraternity. Accordingly, we made report to our Grand Council with the recommendation that a charter be issued, and within a short while a charter for Alpha-Zeta was received, with instructions as to installing the Chapter.

Arrangements having been made for the initiation on Saturday evening, November 19th, at 10 o'clock we proceeded to the Chapter hall, located, as are the halls of the other fraternities represented at the University, on the Public Square of the town. This we found to be well adapted for the ceremony, being on the second floor of a large building in which there were no other occupants, and we were not in fear of interruption.

After initiating five of the applicants, in order to partake of a banquet which had been prepared in honor of the occasion, we repaired to a nearby dining-room, where for about an hour we had a most enjoyable repast, and then returned to the hall for the initiation of the remaining five candidates. Owing to the number of initiates, we were unable to linger long over the board, and consequently our toasts were few, but before going back to our work Brother Wagner suggested a toast to "Alpha Phi," to which there was a hearty response. We completed the initiation, and for a short while thereafter were occupied in going over points in the Constitutions and Ritual, which we felt should be impressed upon the new members. At the conclusion of our meeting we were surprised to find that the hands of our watches pointed to within a few minutes of four o'clock. During the initiatory ceremonies, from without was heard a most hearty "yell" from one of the other fraternities for the new Chapter.

In the University of Arkansas are represented five national fraternities, Sigma Alpha Epsilon, Kappa Alpha, Kappa Sigma, Chi Omega, Zeta Tau Alpha, and three locals. It is the home of Alpha Chapter of Chi Omega. With such good company we feel confident that our new Chapter will prosper and do credit to Pi Kappa Alpha.

*Giles Albert Penick, } of Beta.
Natt Taylor Wagner, }*

Tahlequah, Indian Territory, Dec. 2nd, 1904.

EXPANSION.

Much has been said of late upon this old but ever new subject, much more remains to be said. It is one of the great questions before all loyal Pi's. It is a question upon which every one should speak a word. To the few whom father time has spared, who have watched the growth of our Fraternity from its earliest foundation back in the sixties, it must be an ever increasing delight to see new Chapters being organized, new men gathered into the ranks of the "Garnet and Old Gold."

When this Fraternity was founded, a seed was planted that was destined to blossom into a tree of matchless beauty; a tree which was to spread over the fairest portion of a glorious land. And the tree has spread, but her growth is not yet finished. There are many places where protecting arms do not reach. We of the present day have a duty to perform, a duty due to our grey haired founders who still are with us, and to those who have passed away, a duty due to the loved ones who gave their time and effort to guide the steps of our Fraternisyy in its early days; yea, a duty due to ourselves; we must spread the noble truths for which our Order stands; we must stretch forth our arms until we include every college of recognized standing in this Southland of ours. There are

many men in our Southern institutions worthy to become wearers of the "*Shield and Diamond*." College attendance is steadily increasing, and young men of true worth and sterling qualities, who have hitherto been kept out of college by the grim hand of necessity, have now become eligible. Many a 'diamond in the rough' is to be found among just such men.

We have Chapters in almost every Southern State; there is no reason why we should not have a Chapter in *every* Southern State. Men are constantly changing from one college to another, and what a pleasure it is to find a Chapter of Pi's at a college to which one is going! With the basis we have, we should find no difficulty in expanding. The more Chapters we organize, the more solid will we become; the more intercourse will we have with each other; and the truer ideal of fraternity will we reach. We should keep in touch with each other, and especially with the Chief of our Division. In this way we can better know what is going on. Then, too, there will be more organized effort to institute new Chapters. It is organization which counts in the end; one man can do little by himself. We must all pull together—each effort, however little, counts—and then indeed will the result be most satisfactory.

There is much talk of Northwestern and Northern expansion, but it is our opinion that we should wait a while before undertaking extension in those directions. Let us first dot the South and Southwest—from coast to coast—with Chapters. Surely it is a great and fair field, and there is much to be done in it yet. Let us concentrate our efforts on the work before us. Let us give both time and energy to the extension of our noble Order. Its success every true Pi has ever before him. That there is no lack of Pi spirit, let us evidence the last convention. Every one there was deeply interested in extension. Each one remembers the accredited colleges added to the list. Let each one try to think of some one he knows at the colleges thus added, perhaps there may be a Pi among the num-

ber, and *work* will get a Chapter started. But it demands unity of effort.

We are glad to hear of the new Chapters recently instituted, and it gives us the greatest pleasure to join with the rest of our Brothers in extending to those faithful ones who were instrumental in the organization of the Chapters, the thanks of the whole fraternity. It is an evidence of an increasing fraternity spirit; an evidence of what Pi Kappa Alpha men can do. Let the good work go on; the field is large and many workers are needed. The results do more than compensate for the time spent. We have a long winter before us, and in it much can be done. Now is the time to work. Do not wait for some one else to start a movement to organize new Chapters, start it yourself. Do not put off until to-morrow what can be done to-day. Pi Kappa Alpha has a great future before her. Men of Pi Kappa Alpha, this future lies in your hands.

Charles W. Underwood—Chi.

THE GENIUS OF '76, PATRICK HENRY.

North America 1765. At these words the play-house of time becomes darkened, the scenes are shifted, and when the lights are turned on we have passed backward from a staple and harmonious government, ruled by an independent people, to a colonial possession, domineered by foreign tyranny.

In the year 1620 the Mayflower laden with the seed of a new civilization, landed upon the bleak New England coast. From this seed, sown in the primeval forest, sprung a race of hardy pioneers who drove back the beast of the wilderness, conquered the savages, built homes and created a new civilization. This country, abounding in undeveloped resources, became the El. Dorado of the West. Farther and farther England's king reached for the Colonial revenue, larger and larger grew the greed, until the

flame of Anglo-Saxon liberty burst forth, ignited by the torch of apprehension, the stamp act.

Slowly, but with a terrible certainty, the octopus of British tyranny was drawing within its fatal grasp the life and liberty of the Colonies. The dictatorship of the mother country seemed impervious to attack. Royalists, dedicating their genius to the perpetuation of the accursed usurpation, blended it with ingenious arguments and fascinating eloquence. Even the pulpit orator profaned God's holy alter with the impassioned declaration that there might be a compromise between British officialism and the rights of the American people. Said the timid and conservative, "We have no navy, are without credit and our struggle would be doubtful with the greatest power on earth."

Upon the stage now steps a man whom these unspeakable wrongs had nerved with a determination to denounce and destroy. A railroad switch is an insignificant thing in itself, yet it can direct the mad plunge of the powerful locomotive. So can a man with a clear brain and a conscience at the strategic point of a world's progress turn its course from a lower to a higher plane. Such a man was Patrick Henry. He came not a learned scholar from the University, but from beneath the clear sky where the cool wind fanned his cheek and his nostrils breathed the pure untainted air. His teachers were the vast expanse of the sky, the weird symphony of the wind, the song of the bird, the ripple of the brook or the smile of the tiniest flower peeping from beneath a fallen tree or nestled in a bed of moss. Such teachers offset all sophisticated apologies for slavery that have ever fallen from the most learned pens of cringing retainers of despotic kings.

Henry was wise, not as men ordinarily regard wisdom; strong, not as men usually regard strength, but he was free from the love of popularity, personal aggrandizement and vanity. He was conscience personified, possessing in a high degree the qualities of unselfishness and bravery, an unlimited amount of energy and perseverance, a determi-

nation to succeed which could not be shaken, and had the power to send his message to the most remote section of the continent. "He was a man of deed, an originator of policies, an organizer of designs and a leader in action." He had the might of a Hamilton with the logic of a Webster; Jeffersonian love of liberty, with the perseverance of a Washington. The moral convictions of a Sumner, with the denunciatory fury of a Savonarola.

The colonies had to be aroused, and in the achievement of this end Mr. Henry was fearless of all consequences. The trespasser he never shielded,—the truth he never hushed. He was the voice of one crying in the wilderness. He was the bellman that disturbed the quiet of those who slept. Was Henry's language severe? Admit it. Whence came a true reformer whose language was not severe? From the pulpit came the terrible denunciation of Savonarola. Luther did not pick his words to please the ear. Henry was in earnest and the times demanded not an opiate, but a prober. Quick and inspiring in manner, he was one of the greatest orators America has produced. With a tongue of silver he put aside sophistry and disclosed the hideous features of the opposition.

The press was in its infancy and the spoken word was the only means of educating the masses. The Revolutionary movement demanded a man capable of taking full advantage of this natural ability. One intellectually, politically and morally prepared to convert this instrument into artillery of attack. Henry was the man. Without influential friends, without money, with nothing but his indomitable will and the unconquerable courage of his convictions, he became in Virginia the prominent apostle of liberty. From across the waters went up a cry of mingled rage and pain, which was echoed from the Royalists in the colonies denouncing Henry's principles as the emanations of fanaticism. England offered to repenting rebels a pardon, but none to the shabby burgess from Louisa county. From the pulpit were extended hands in pious protest. Statesmen held up between Henry's denunciation

and the honor due the mother country, the constitutional shield, but not any nor all of these could prevail against the Demosthenes who, having sounded the keynote of inherited rights, had started a movement which, like the small stone rolled from the mountain top, it gathered the force at every inch of progress, the force that was finally to sweep foreign tyranny from American soil. He seemed to have acquired the words, as well as the spirit, of the apostle Paul, in declaring his undying loyalty to his Lord.

"Who shall separate us from this holy cause of liberty?"

"Shall tribulation or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or peril, or sword? As it is written, for thy sake we are killed all day long, we are accounted as the sheep for the slaughter.

"But in all these things are we more than conquerors, for I am persuaded that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor principalities, nor powers, nor things to come, nor height, nor depth, nor any other creature shall be able to separate me" from this God-given task of striking the shackles from the American colonist.

Henry had mastered the secret of systematic opposition. He saw he must oppose organized wrong with organized right. He saw that a preliminary battle should first be fought to force the revolutionary question into the field of controversy and to arouse the moral conscience of the colonies. With a characteristic keenness of perception he inaugurated his bold crusade among the Virginian people. Reasoning from a close observation, he was forced to the conclusion that oppression could never be obliterated by gradation—that compromise would rivet rather than break asunder the chains. The opposition, through its implied concession that the postponement of the controversy would ultimately right a wrong, through its fawning fear and cringing cowardice, was poisoning the public mind and making impossible the Revolution. Equal to the occasion this valiant champion saw through it all. He saw that the country should be put in a state of defence, and that an army should be disciplined for immediate use. He saw

that it was useless for the colonies to petition and remonstrate, that the tyrannical hands of ministers and Parliament might be withheld.

Henry has been called a man of meager information and slender intellectual resource, with nothing to offset these deficiencies but an overpowering eloquence, but recorded upon the legislative journal of Virginia is his twenty-three days debate with such men as Randolph, showing Henry's profundity by the principles of political science, and are an inexhaustable source of information.

With a six week's preparation of law Henry visited Mr. John Randolph, who said, "You defend your opinions well, sir; behold the force of natural reason; these books nor this principle of law have you ever seen, yet you are right and I am wrong. Mr. Henry, if your industry be half equal to your genius, you will become an ornament to your profession."

Henry was not a barrister; spending his time in his father's tavern during his first three years as a lawyer. His fee books vindicate him. Compared to Jefferson's initiation period, covering the same space of time, Henry had 1,118 cases in the courts; Jefferson 504, and yet the rustling leaves of the forest could never entice Jefferson from his dusty tomes.

He could stand alone; to him praise and blame were alike. He forgot himself entirely in his own great purpose and never for a moment did he become discouraged. His certainty that right would finally prevail enabled him to persist, and he was persistancy personified. At the opening of his conquest he saw his friends, royalists, drop from him one by one as the leaves desert the tree in autumn; saw such men as Richard Bland and Colonel Harris oppose him because they believed his plans immature; felt upon his head the denunciations of his enemies and later heard himself called dictator, yet he wavered not, undaunted, undismayed and never cast down, he kept his hand to the plow and followed his furrow to the end. He was a Gibraltar against which the winds and waves

beat without avail. His earnestness banished all denial, his conviction of right consumed all opposition.

He was not illiterate. He may have indulged in the colloquialism of his own community. And why not? It is often the tribute which genius pays to the place of its maturity. Did not Edmund Pendleton say "scarly" for scarcely? Did not John Taylor of South Carolina say "bare" for bar, and did not Thomas Chalmers retain his brogue of Fifehire?

Henry believed in God. In that speech which tradition treasures he said: "We shall not fight our battles alone. There is a just God who presides over the destinies of nations and will raise up friends to fight our battles for us."

Henry did not fight for honor but these are his. He was born in Virginia but he became the son of the United States. Virginia made him her Chief Executive. Washington tendered him the office of Secretary of the State and Chief Justice John Marshal, long after Henry's death, honored him with these words: "an orator he was, that and much more, a learned lawyer, a most accurate thinker and a profound reasoner." Said that cool and able man, George Mason, in 1774. "He is in my opinion, the first man upon this continent, as well in ability as in public manners." With all this, partisan ill-will dared to call Henry, a client-shunning man who betook himself to the woods to waste away his time.

Almost, if not all reformers are hated, ridiculed and persecuted; only a few live to see their objects attained and still fewer to receive their laurels on a living brow. Henry enjoyed the unique distinction of beholding the realization of his dream and greeting the music of applause elicited by successful and humane achievement amidst the gloom of an intestine struggle. England relinquished her power and we became a nation, the great orator, reformer and statesman laid aside his implement of contest and turned with joy to the pursuit of peace. His work was done.

Henry was a genius and his strength lay in his firm, clear conviction that right would finally triumph. Men of his time regarded him a lunatic, the leader of a useless crusade, but now we see he was the cool, calculating marksman. He had a message to deliver. In the Arctic waters icebergs are seen plowing forward against a fierce gale and a strong tide, as if they possessed the power of self-direction. The secret of this marvelous phenomenon lies in the fact that their huge and ponderous masses, reaching far down in the sea, are propelled by an undercurrent mightier than wind or tide. Thus Henry pressed resistlessly onward to his goal against the gale of foreign fury and the tide of tory sentiment, because he was moved by the deep undercurrent of justice.

The formation of the Union is not the glory of Henry. His was the tearing down, the destroying of a foundation upon which the free spirit of the Anglo-Saxon liberty could never have rested. It was he who made possible the fame of Washington and the constitutional fathers. He was born the leader of the Revolution as truly was Washington to lead the American forces to victory. He was great because he arose above the petty prejudice of his age and championed the cause of American freedom. Hooted and ridiculed, he persevered until the clouds broke and the light of truth revealed the grandeur of his self-sacrificing life. Hooted and ridiculed though he was, a Nation stood beside him in the hour of death and a grateful posterity heaps its benedictions upon his grave.

As the names of those who classed him as a fanatic recede with the departing years, the name of Patrick Henry will increase in splendor until it meets the millennial dawn, and his heroic services to the cause of freedom becomes one of the most inspiring memories of mankind. A painter's masterpiece may fade, marble may crumble, Nations and Empires may fall, but the name of Patrick Henry will live so long as liberty survives and the memory of man lingers with loving reverence upon the story of Independence. Henry, by his invincible courage and heroic will, his

intense longing for justice, his love for liberty and trust in God became instrumental in throwing off the British yoke and enriching the future of humanity.

Why have I presented the life of Patrick Henry? Because his spirit still patrols the American Continent; the principles upon which he staked his life he buried deep in the heart of every God-fearing and liberty-loving man, because the halo which rests above Henry's head spreads its radiance over this broad continent and the world is better that Henry lived.

Break down the barriers of prejudice, efface from your memory the cloud of obscurity, and high on the scroll of fame write these words: "A commemoration to him whose life was a personification of Liberty and Justice, Patrick Henry, a Virginian, a son of the United States, the Demosthenes of the South, the genius of '76."

George M. D. Posey,—Kappa.

AN ACCOUNT OF ALPHA-ETA.

On Saturday, November 19th, Brother W. T. Elmore and I, acting under instructions from Brother Smythe, went to Lake City, Fla., to install the Alpha-Eta Chapter at University of Florida. Brother Smythe had kindly sent me Ritual, Constitution and regalia necessary to the establishment of a new Chapter, also the Charter. We started with the installation about 8 o'clock, but on account of the number to be installed we did not finish until midnight. Immediately after the initiation of the charter members, the Chapter organized and voted upon T. J. Townsend, Lake Butler, Florida. This young man was among the original applicants for a Charter, but owing to unavoidable circumstances he was unable to sign the application. His initiation followed.

After this last initiation was completed a most delicious

repast was served. Brother Bridges acted as toast-master, and no one could have done the honor with more credit than he. Brothers Bassett and Peters responded to toasts to the future prosperity of the Alpha-Eta Chapter and the Pi Kappa Alpha Fraternity.

To Brother M. O. Bridges, of Rho, who was Coach at the University of Florida, is due the honor of Alpha-Eta Chapter, for it was through his most earnest efforts that it became possible to establish a Chapter at the University of Florida, and especially to obtain such excellent young men as charter members. While we congratulate both he and his brother (also of Rho,) upon his brother's approaching marriage, we can but deplore the fact that he was unable to be present at the installation of Alpha-Eta Chapter. It has been the dream of all Florida Pi's to have a Chapter in the State and to Brother Bridges as Coach at the University came the opportunity so long desired, that of close association with the men themselves. The result of this association is shown in the strong Alpha-Eta Chapter.

Brothers Bassett and B. H. Bridges are Seniors and are therefore retired from military office, they having held the rank of Second and Third Lieutenant respectively. Brother Bassett has an appointment to West Point, where he will go immediately after his graduation. Brothers B. T. Bridges, Rowlett, Green and Henry are the Juniors. Brother B. T. Bridges is a First Lieutenant and Brothers Henry and Rowlett are Second Lieutenants, Brother Henry being the ranking Second Lieutenant of the Battalion. Brothers Buck, Peters and Brown are Sophomores. Brothers Buck and Brown being First Sergeant and Second Sergeant respectively. Brothers Hackney, Teague, Hall and Townsend are the Freshmen. Brothers Bassett and Peters are the Debaters for the "Captolians" and are pitted against two A. T. O.'s in the public debate.

While the University of Florida did not make any phenomenal record at foot-ball the past season, it must be remembered that it is practically a young university. Pi

Kappa Alpha had her share of her Varsity team down in sunny Florida as her Brothers further north had on theirs. Brother Basset was full-back, H. Bridges right end, Buck left half, B. T. Bridges Capt. and right half. Brother Buck is also Captain of the Junior Class Team. Brothers B. T. Bridges Henry, Green and Rowlett are respectively President, Vice-President, Secretary and Treasurer of the Junior Class. Brother Brown is Vice-President of the Soph. Class.

The University of Florida is bound to grow. Its natural resources, its endowment, and the number of young men in the State who will in the future attend the University, instead of going to other States for their college education, will undoubtedly, in the next few years place it among the leading universities of the South. And when it does the Alpha-Eta Chapter of the Pi Kappa Alpha Fraternity will then, as now, be among the leaders in all that pertains to the honorable and manly side of college life.

The Pi Kappa Alpha Fraternity has cause to feel proud of this her new Chapter, or as our Brother from Alpha-Delta has so charmingly put it, "our baby sister." The Alpha-Eta Chapter has just arrived, but she has come to stay, not simply as she came into the Fraternity, but every day growing broader, working harder, and fighting more earnestly to add honor and fame to the Fraternity in general. Watch out, ye staid old Chapters, that this our baby Chapter does not out do you in zealously and love for our grand old union, the Pi Kappa Alpha Fraternity.

Ed. L. Carroll,—Upsilon.

HER DAY DREAMS.

Soft the shadows sleep within her eyes,
As on quiet moors the darkness lies,
Shadows full of mystery.

Deep, unfathomed deep her eyes, and still,
As in shelter of a beetling hill
Depthless waters tranquil lie.

Now an opal change of shade and light,
Pulsing light and shades, as when the night
Falls beneath the morning star—

Dreams of life that flit before her eyes,
Day-dreams of a life 'neath sunny skies
And of love that's seen afar.

—From Davidson College Magazine.

R. H. Adams,—Beta.

THE DUTY OF AN ALUMNUS.

Where much has appeared in the SHIELD AND DIAMOND about the duties of an active member to his fraternity, very little has recently been written concerning the duties of that large portion of our *H. K. A.* who have been relieved of the responsibilities of carrying on the work, and spreading the principles which our ritual teaches us. I allude, of course, to our Alumni.

It can no longer be denied that the university and the fraternal organization are most intimately connected with each other. It is *hard* to imagine a university without a fraternal society of some kind embodied in its life. It is *impossible* to conceive of a fraternity, of the class such as ours is, to exist without having a university for its home. Some one has said that the strength of a great university lies in its Alumni; it is now generally conceded, and is self evident to the casual observer, that fraternity men make the best college alumni, and as such it seems but natural,

and it is but right and just that the active members of our Order should receive and expect the physical and moral support our own alumni.

The wearers of the "*Shield and Diamond*" should realize, and thankfully realize at that, that when they have graduated from their university, they have not severed their connection with our *H. K. A.* *They are Pi Kaps for good*; for fraternity life has past the stage of being exploited as a theory, and our Order has stood successfully the two tests that every theory must stand—the test of reason and the test of experiment, and has now reached the dignity of a truth, a power and a law.

For who can ever forget the good that comes to him every time he participates in our beautiful and impressive ritualistic ceremonies? Does he not leave his Chapter hall feeling better, and more worthy of his God his neighbor, and himself, than when he entered it but several hours before?

As such is the case, why will not our Brothers who have left their college, still continue to attend, whenever they are able, the meetings of their fraternity Chapter? Whenever we have an alumnus present to give us advice and guidance, the active members put it down as a sort of red letter day in their Chapter records. And again, we all love to hear our Brothers, who were Pi Kaps long before we enjoyed that privilege, tell us all about the fraternity in "the good old days." So let our alumni get together, wherever we have a Chapter, and like Brother Baldwin in his pretty little poem, which appeared in the last April issue of the *SHIELD AND DIAMOND*.

"Of all these old things I delight to tell,
But nothing is ever so pleasant to remember,
As that dear Chapter hall that I loved so well."

If we do not happen to have such a Chapter in a university community for our alumni to attend, why there is a chance, which any Pi Kap should hail with delight. Let him *immediately* get into communication with our Supreme

Officers, and do what will so materially' strengthen *Π. Κ. Α.*'s sphere of influence—*Establish a New Chapter.*

Thus we have outlined two duties for our alumni, namely, encouragement to their younger Brothers, the active members of the Fraternity, and the extension of our power and our glory.

There is one other *duty*, which should *never* be shirked by any true member of our *Π. Κ. Α.* He should always continue to read our SHIELD AND DIAMOND. By doing so he accomplishes two things: First, and what is and should be of preeminent importance, he helps the Fraternity; second, he derives great personal pleasure, for he will never pick up one of our journals but that he will see the splendid progress that his Order—the only Order of the kind that can claim him as all her own—is making. For our Magazine is the only means by which we may know what our Fraternity is doing outside of our own Chapter door, and it should be the *duty* and the *pleasure* of every Pi Kap to read it thoroughly and faithfully.

If we carefully analyze the three most important duties of an alumnus, as set forth above, we see that they all really spell *co-operation*. Too much stress cannot be laid upon this most essential principle of co-operation in fraternal life, indeed the very existence of the Order depends upon it, for without co-operation there can be no system, and without system, there can be no organization.

So I end with one last appeal to older Brothers. Do not desert your old Chapter hall, but give us the pleasure and the honor of your presence, set up *Π. Α. Κ.*'s banner in every good college that you can, and never shirk your one inexcusable duty and obligation—subscribe to our common mouth-piece the SHIELD AND DIAMOND.

Orloff Lake,—Eta.

IMITATION.

Circumstances are the moulded channels in which flow the alternating and eventful currents of life. Influences are the implacable checks or benign stimulants which restrain or goad visionary hopes and which make or destroy perfect conceptions of ceaseless happiness.

They are varied, even as our careers are diverse and sinuate, for peace and contentment are regularly proportionate to their amenity or asperity. Their manifestations are countless in multitude, incalculable in magnitude.

Discerning their numerous potencies, let us the more specifically select and discuss one particular aspect of the subject. Naturally, in our search, we revert to that praise which we deem most necessary and, generally, most effective.

Scanning but briefly, we conscientiously arrive at the subject of our quest. We believe Imitation is, at once, the most substantial and most reasonable force in influencing actions and in changing mode of life.

It is the motive power, determining phenomena, fixing custom and even altering principle. It is what we really are, for it creates emulation, the very outward expression of life. Imitation has enthroned custom and apotheosized public sentiment. It has vouchsafed to precedent a firm hold upon present legislation, making the dead past the determinant factor of the present. It has enabled former transactions and previous enactments to prejudice succeeding centuries and to fix the trend of unseen generations. It has influenced national law and permanent individual penchant. It has moulded political principles and evolved social usages. It has affected endeavor of whatever kind and invaded every sphere of living.

The ancients, who have bequeathed to us a wonderfully replete thesaurus of analogies and similes, tell a beautiful story, illustrative of our meaning. They relate the entrancing legend of a fair maiden, persistently following, with

amorous intents, the burning chariot of the celestial sun god. Its constantly changing circuit displayed her momentary attitudes. Finally, as tradition is, custom was permanence and habit was life.

The intended deduction is apparent. If we love menial companions and seek inferior models we shall inevitably degenerate in thought and deed. We shall retrograde in aspiration and sink in intention.

It requires absolutely nothing of strife and exertion to fashion ourselves after types lower than we, socially, mentally, morally. Indeed we inherently tread the path of least resistance, as unstable water seeks its level.

But to aspire to loftier planes of living and to desire improved conditions, demand strenuous effort. To copy, to live the best and noblest in manner and intention, means arduous toil, but sure advancement.

Are the interests and principles of our beloved Pi Kappa Alpha to retrograde through our languid lethargy? Or shall they surmount triumphantly the acme of possibility? Shall her ideals be inferior to her accomplishments, or shall they be as a guiding star of perfect brilliancy? Shall they, shall we, be unworthy copyists of law models? The rather may her ideals ever be the purest, the manliest, the divinest in thought and life.

George W. Currie,—Theta.

A WORD ABOUT FOOT-BALL.

These comments are intended as an impartial view of football as played in our Southern schools and colleges.

First of all, does it develop manliness?

Possibly three-fourths of all college men would shout from the house-tops that it does. Then there would be some few not yet out of school who would have the "gall"

to deny this. The great outside class would have nothing but evil to say. So it goes, clear on down to the old farmer who sees his first game and wonders "how much that durn thing's worth the fellers are fightin' over so."

Granting that virtues and vices can be developed or retarded, it is nothing but fair to say that foot-ball does to a more or less degree develop the quality of manliness.

But this statement must be modified by applying the test; does it cost more than it comes to?

In the second place, does foot-ball develop moral courage, sobriety, college patriotism, or any quality esteemed by all right-minded people as a positive good and advantage? This question, like the first, is answered with emphasis both ways: the enthusiasts say "of course it does;" the enemies of the sport add a negative to this, and some stand on middle ground.

Now, there is just this about it,—boys and young men in school will and must have some game to play, and foot-ball is here to stay until some other game of like prowess and excitement takes its place.

That old pagan knew what he was talking about when he said "people have to be fed and amused." It is easy to understand what he meant by having to be fed, but "amused" in this sense is often misleading. As used here it means pretty nearly the same as employment or work, though in a relative sense. For instance, digging is amusement for the miner, sowing and reaping for the farmer, getting ten per cent. for the banker, and playing foot-ball sixty days in the year is amusement for the college man.

The whole problem is to get up a substitute for foot-ball—one that has all its good points and very few or none of its bad ones, but from a review of the so-called modifications of this game, it is almost certain that such a substitute must be "specially created" and not come about through evolution from the parent-game.

Long ago, however, men fought with the terrible cestus and now they use soft gloves; long ago the gladiator in the

arena had to kill his helpless adversary if the spectators demanded it, now they are satisfied if the weaker pugilist is prostrate for a few seconds; and it may be that foot-ball will eventually become a game in which the bravest will be the gentlest.

Tom Morrow—Sigma.

OUR LEGACY.

The Pi Kappa Alpha Fraternity was founded almost two score of years ago by a small band of true and life-long friends. Since those days of '68 there has arisen for our beloved Fraternity all over the "Sunny South" an enviable reputation. Why, Brothers, do you not realize that Pi Kappa Alpha is in the forefront of the aristocracy of Southern College life? Have not our various Chapters enrolled the names of the foremost scholars, the best athletes, the most popular men socially? Thus are the Pi's known all through the Southland.

Now, who has established such a name for us everywhere within our boundaries? Not we of the present active membership, I assure you, but those who have gone before us. Indeed, we have been greatly blessed by being born, as it were, into a great family of Brothers that stands high in the minds of men.

This then is our priceless legacy, and what could be prized more highly, for are we not told that "A good name is rather to be desired than great riches?" Therefore we should not in the least fall short of the high ideals that are set before us. Let us strive to maintain the name which Pi Kappa Alpha now holds as comprising the quality, if not the quantity of our Southern Colleges. Let us look long at any man before we consider him worthy of wearing *The Shield and Diamond*; weigh carefully his character, his congeniality, his ability as a gentleman, as a scholar, and as an athlete.

Of course it is far easier to maintain a good name than to establish one. So is our task easier than that of those who have preceded us. Therefore should we accomplish it as worthily as did they, and may the time be near when we shall be the leading National College Fraternity.

R. A. A.—Omega.

THE ALUMNI—WHY THEY SHOULD SUBSCRIBE TO THE MAGAZINE.

The remark is often heard, that fraternal ties are severed when college days terminate, and one step across the imaginary line to enter the arena of real life, thus marking the initial point of a new era in life's complex drama. Its truth, in a sense well nigh universal in its application, must be conceded. Exceptional cases are immeasurably small by comparison.

This statement is subject, however, to modifications which considerably narrow its meaning as first viewed and soften a condition which otherwise appears harsh and rude. An absolute unqualified severing of ties, that meant so much throughout a period that is hallowed and kept green in memory, cannot be intended. The charge of turning one's back upon an Order that administered to one's pleasure and profit at a time when the privilege of its membership was a material factor in college life, the nature of which permitted no substitute, is to accuse one of base infidelity and ingratitude. No, such is not the true interpretation. The proposition has reference to ties that bind us to an active participation and responsibility relative to Chapter duties and work of the Fraternity generally. True fraternal spirit and devotion to the cause lives on, when truly and deeply implanted, though for a season deprived of familiar associations calculated to increase and quicken them. The responsibilities that increase as the days grow in number tend more and more to

monopolize the energies of the mental fabric, leaving but little time to indulge in retrospection, that would recall to memory thoughts of college life,—faces, friends and scenes of happy, careless days. And chief among these scenes upon which fond memory would linger longest are those related to or growing out of the Chapter. In the Chapter meeting we again see the old friends collected; worries and anxieties, joys, ambitions, hopes and all else that entered into life at that period centered there, and are once more rehearsed before the same eager, sympathetic group! 'Tis a fragrant retrospection, indeed, to dwell upon the happy hours of other days. But when time is given for the fancy thus to ramble, the opportunity is rarely availed of, for the reason that we seldom have any suggestion to direct our thoughts in this channel. The fire of devotion is still within our bosom, but it smoulders. We have long been removed from the breezes, so to speak, which would enkindle and renew the flame.

In mingling with those who now have the honor of being styled "alumni," and discussing topics relating to the Fraternity, the lack of familiarity with current matter is evident. Past events they know, and enjoy recounting, but the chapter of knowledge so often closes with their college days. This they are conscious of, and the desire to be again placed in communion is noted, although it is realized that the result would inevitably be to view the activities of the Fraternity as a mere sympathetic on-looker, rather than to engage as a participant. How to be placed in touch with the Fraternity, and keep abreast with its progress in advancing and maintaining cherished principles, is a problem that so often goes unanswered, because of its very nature and the absence of any extrinsic cause to influence the matter. Therefore the problem is shelved, forgotten and rarely reverted to with a favorable result. The problem is, however, capable of a very ready solution. The simplest method of solving it is by subscribing to the organ of the Fraternity,—THE SHIELD AND DIAMOND. This magazine has faithfully made its appearance at regular intervals during many years.

The events in the Fraternity's life composing its history, are inscribed within its pages as they transpire. Communications from the several Chapters, containing glimpses of the inner life of the Chapter, and giving a resume of results, appear periodically. Its pages are devoted to articles on various subjects relating to and foreign to the Fraternity. Discussions of live questions, vital to the Fraternity, and interesting to any one concerned in the welfare of Pi Kappa Alpha, are there found. So, also, plans for general action are formulated and there presented.

Another feature, which is apt to prove of especial interest to an alumnus, is the department devoted to information concerning Pis. Items of interest relating to the Brothers are there collected, showing that Pi Kappa Alpha watches tenderly and anxiously the careers of her sons, notes with pride their promotion, is ready to congratulate when fortune smiles, and to sympathize when the gloom of affliction hangs heaviest.

Other important features could be detailed, but enough are mentioned to show that the SHIELD AND DIAMOND is a bureau of information concerning the Fraternity,—a medium by which Pi Kappa Alpha may communicate with her sons, and by which they, at all times, may be informed concerning the Fraternity in its every phase.

But aside from the immediate pleasures of following up old comrades, and of keeping abreast with Pi Kappa Alpha's progress, there is another side which deserves consideration. Pi Kappa Alpha has served to inculcate ideals into the minds and hearts of more than one generation, and bids fair to go on indefinitely with her grand work. In a general way this mission is calculated to appeal strongly to all that is noble within us,—but it becomes a deeper and more self-centered concern when we reflect that the mission may extend to a particular generation in which we have more than a normal interest. We may be desirous that the same high ideals imparted to us, and the code of ethics from which we had to draw, be preserved and perpetuated; so that those whose careers we are in-

interested in shaping may profit by them as we ourselves have done.

In subscribing to the organ of the Fraternity, not only is the immediate purpose accomplished of gratifying the very proper desire to keep in touch with the work, but coterminously a benefit is conferred upon the Fraternity, by a contribution to the 'working fund',—one source of its supply being money realized from the SHIELD AND DIAMOND.

The integrity of the 'working fund' means life and advancement to Pi Kappa Alpha. The Fraternity is rapidly developing into a large organization. Extension is the watchword. The number of Chapters is increasing year by year, and these are scattered over a large area; the general work has assumed large proportions, and expenses are necessarily on the increase. The latter must be met to prevent embarrassment. The present available sources of revenue are inadequate to liquidate the increased expenditure consequent upon development. Additional funds are needed, and this need is becoming a condition more serious in its nature every month. The question arises, "How can an income adequate to defray current expenses be secured?" The answer suggested lies in the support of the alumni to the magazine,—the organ of the Fraternity. The subscription price is normal, from the individual's standpoint, but the aggregate, if a loyal support is given, would mean a sure way out of the difficulties confronting Pi Kappa Alpha.

The knowledge of the situation, with the method of relieving it, if presented to the alumni, would doubtless interest and appeal to them, enlisting a ready, hearty and loyal support, of a character sufficiently substantial to insure freedom from embarrassment. To this end let the active members bestir themselves, and communicate with the alumni, urgently soliciting their subscriptions for The SHIELD AND DIAMOND.

Arthur C. Jones,
Grand Historiographer.

A FEW WORDS ON EXTENSION.

The new Chapters we have installed within the last few years have wonderfully aided in the work. With their assistance and the united effort of our entire roll of Chapters, we could now enter every worthy college in our Southland.

The only reason that we have not already done so is that many of those Brothers who are located near the colleges accredited by the Convention, are quietly ignoring their Fraternity's advancement.

We do not desire just any crowd in just any school; the school must be accredited and the men select. But there are colleges accredited and men select, nearby; and it rests now with the members whether or not we shall enter them before the next Convention.

Pi Kappa Alpha is growing every year. Every year makes us stronger. In this thirty-seventh year of our history we are, or should, be justly proud of our name. With twenty-eight active Chapters and eleven alumni Chapters, we are actively at work in Pi Kappa Alpha.

What will you do, dear Chapter? What will you do, dear Brother, whether active or alumnus? Will you help in the honored task of making Pi Kappa Alpha the strongest fraternity in the South? Will you help to make this the banner year of our history?

Some of our principal State Universities have no Chapter of Pi Kappa Alpha. There are only a few of such, but we must be in them. Do you live near such a University? Do you know a Pi who does? Can you get the officers in touch with those select, choice men, who would be glad to be among us?

Let us urge your attention to this subject Brothers. Can you not have a Chapter meeting for its consideration? Brother alumnus, your heart still burns with fraternity love; prove it to us by your works, and let us act, and that quickly.

And when we assemble in Convention we'll have another love feast.

*J. Pike Powers, Jr.,
Grand Secretary.*

*A WORD OF WELCOME AND COUNSEL FOR
OUR NEW CHAPTERS.*

This issue will bring glad news into the homes of the Pi's all over the Southland. It will come with Christmas greeting, and merry will be the boys that gather about the firesides in many happy homes in Dixie this Christmas, when they read the good tidings about dear old Pi Kappa Alpha. Within this month four Chapters have been added to our roll. They stand, so to speak, at the four corners of our territory: Alpha-Epsilon holds the fort on the West in the University of Arkansas; Alpha-Zeta holds the fort in the extreme East at the A. and M. College of North Carolina; Alpha-Eta holds the fort in the far Sunny South in the University of Florida; Alpha-Theta holds the fort to the North at the University of West Virginia. Truly these shall be our outposts. They shall stand on the frontier to carry forward the work of Pi Kappa Alpha. We are glad that these Chapters have started with such courageous and persevering charter members. Already they seem to be filled with the spirit of the noble Order we so much love, and they have taken up the work with an enthusiasm which is sure to bring success.

What a move forward for Pi Kappa Alpha! The Officers of the Fraternity have been preaching the gospel of extension and progress for years, and oftentimes the active members of the Fraternity have been critical when they have heard of petitions turned down and have seen so little increase of our chapter roll. We do want more chapters, and we wish to spread the blessings of our Fraternity all over our Southland, but the active members should know that our methods for the installation of our new chapters do not permit of carelessness and requires the testing of every man who applies for admission.

Manifestly we must be just as careful about selecting men to found a chapter as you are about choosing men for your chapter. Unless the foundation of a chapter is laid with the soundest and safest material, the superstruc-

ture cannot be expected to stand. We feel that we have been exceedingly fortunate in the formation of the four new chapters that greet you through this issue, and we confidently look for their steady growth in influence and power.

Allow me to extend, through these columns to all chapters, the glad hand of fellowship. In doing so I welcome every fellow that has taken up the banner of Pi Kappa Alpha in these chapters into the bonds of our Fraternity and remind him that he has enlisted in a work that has become very precious to many of us who have labored longest for Pi Kappa Alpha. The principles of this Fraternity may well be the guiding stars of College days, whose radiant lustre will cheer the heart and make bright the pathway of life. You, my dear Brothers, have come into a faithful Brotherhood and the friends you have gained will be always valued as the best of life's treasureurs.

Permit me to counsel you to keep the high ideals of the Fraternity before you always, forgetting not for one moment that the honor and reputation of your Fraternity is committed to your keeping and it becomes your solemn duty to strive with all your heart and soul to further its interests and seek its welfare. You cannot be too careful about inviting young men to wear the fair emblem of our Order. Make one mistake in selecting men for your chapter and you have broken the charmed circle of friendship and brotherly love which makes your fraternity life at college dear to you. Each one of you is set as a watchman at the portals of your chapter and you must challenge any one that would pass that sacred door. Only thus can your chapter be saved from that sad fate which befalls so many chapters, in which discord, jealousy, bitterness of heart and disloyalty have broken every fond tie and have transformed the chapter into a fountain of bitterness and evil. Boys, your Fraternity means too much to you for you to permit it to be corrupted through your carelessness and unfaithfulness. A fraternity is nothing unless it be kept pure.

You are placed in positions of great responsibility and the first service you owe to the Fraternity is the setting up of our standard in some other college near you. The more we grow the stronger we grow. When we have reached thirty chapters on our roll we will in a sense be independent. We only want two more chapters to bring us to the thirty mark. It will always be the clear duty of every chapter to study the conditions at the colleges near it, so as to be able to aid in the selection of the men that will want charters. Nearly all of our chapters have been established through the personal efforts of our members.

We have been compelled to turn down nearly every petition that has come for a charter from bands of students who have sought charters from us. Manifestly then the establishment of chapters in the future will demand your discriminating efforts and encouragement.

We are pushing out toward the great South-West. There are strong colleges there. Pi Kappa Alpha should have a place in them. Who is to push the work in Missouri and Texas if not the chapters on the frontier and the alumni scattered through those States?

At the beginning of the New Year I desire to know that every chapter of Pi Kappa Alpha is enjoying the blessings it deserves, and I am sure that the road to these blessings is directed towards united work for the General Fraternity. May the richest joys the New Year holds be yours and may the splendid work of Pi Kappa Alpha flourish in every chapter.

H. B. Arbuckle,
Councilor Princeps.

Dec. 20, 1904.

In Memoriam.

At a meeting of Mu Chapter, Pi Kappa Alpha Fraternity, the following preamble and resolutions, prepared by a committee previously appointed, were adopted and ordered to be spread upon the minutes:

WHEREAS, God, in his providence, has seen fit to call to his eternal home our Brother, J. MACK. JENNINGS, M. D., and

WHEREAS, Brother Jennings was, during his college life, an honored member of Mu Chapter, Pi Kappa Alpha Fraternity, therefore be it

Resolved, That in the death of Brother Jennings our Chapter has lost an honored and beloved alumnus, and the Fraternity at large a worthy exponent of the principles for which we stand; and

Resolved, That while bowing to the manifest will of God, we deeply deplore and sorrowfully mourn this great loss.

Resolved, That we extend our deepest sympathy to the bereaved family, and pray for them the comfort of Heaven.

Resolved, That these resolutions be spread upon our minutes and published in the SHIELD AND DIAMOND and in the *Clinton Chronicle*, and that a copy be sent to the family of our deceased Brother.

J. H. SMITH, *Chairman Committee.*

Chapter Letters.

ALPHA.

University of Virginia.

The last three months have passed so rapidly that we can scarcely realize that the Christmas holidays are upon us. But that season which from our earliest childhood we have learned to look forward to with pleasure, and which means scarcely less to the college student than it does to the child of seven, will soon be a thing of memory.

The pleasures of anticipation are slightly marred, however, by reason of the fact that we are now in the midst of the first term examinations. Amid the halls and corridors of "Virginia" the sound of "midnight revelers" is no longer heard, but instead the hurried footsteps of the busy and anxious student resound. Along the lawns and ranges the "inaudible sound of grinding" is heard, and from the home of Pi Kappa Alpha as well the whirl of this mental machinery proceeds at all hours of the night. For her members, while by no means "grinds" in the technical sense of that word, are none the less prominent in their stand in class than in other phases of college life. Indeed not a few of them are applicants for degrees this year, and it matters not how much we may deplore the fact, and seek to lay to it the charge of "artificial incentive," there is nothing like the view, often dim and hazy though it may be, of a "sheep-skin" awaiting at the end of the tedious and toilsome road to knowledge to cause him to bend every effort to reach the desired goal. And it must be remembered that degrees are not bestowed here at the close of a prescribed number of years as souvenirs to remind one of the halcyon days of college life.

Several of our men hope to have the title of M. D. added to those that they already possess at the close of the present session. Brothers Conrad, W. A. Strother and W. S. Ferguson, all of Virginia, are among this number. We take great pleasure in recommending this trio to any Brother who may need their professional services. But in case they themselves should stand in need of a helping hand to shield them from the "sword of injustice," Alpha is provided with a number of competent attorneys who will soon be let loose upon the world to shield and protect the innocent and the oppressed. Alpha expects to see four B. L.'s bestowed upon her sons this year. Brothers Brown, Downing, Fulton and South will no doubt win this distinction.

It would be useless to attempt any account of the happenings in college or in our Chapter since our last letter. We are glad to report, however, that more interest is being shown in the regular meeting this year than usual.

Brother B. H. Brown, of South Carolina, has been elected to represent us on the staff of the '*Corks and Curls*' for the present session. After the regular routine of business had been disposed of, we have on several occasions partaken of bountiful repasts supplied by Brother Wade Meadows, of North Carolina, and by his brother, who is attending one of the preparatory schools in the city of Charlottesville. The thanks of the Chapter are extended.

Foot-ball, however, has claimed the attention of most of us for the past few months, and we have watched with interest the record of Virginia's team. In consideration of the problems with which the management has had to deal, this has been a very successful season. Not a few of our best men were put out of the game the first of the season, and we have had the misfortune to lose several since that time. While the University team is the recognized superior of any team in the State, yet we are hampered by the regulations of the State League, of which we are members, and which strictly enforces the "four-year rule." As a result we are compelled to keep two teams in training during

the season, one with which to play the State games and the other to be used against our adversaries from other States. Consequently, neither team received the training that it would otherwise get, and in this manner we may well account for the fact that some of our scores have not been as we would have liked to have seen them, notably those against the Indians and the Navy, both of which, however, came near being victories for Virginia. The culminating game of the season was played in Richmond on Thanksgiving Day. Those who witnessed that contest for supremacy in the South saw one of the hardest fought games ever played in Virginia. The teams were evenly matched. Virginia's two touchdowns were made by a series of plays which literally took the Carolina men off their feet. The second was made in the last five minutes of the game by eleven plays which were rolled off in just two and a half minutes. We kicked both goals, while they failed on one, thus making the final score 12 to 11 in our favor. The rivalry existing between these two universities is of the healthiest variety, and we hope to see them continue to meet each year in this, the greatest of college games.

Alpha wishes her sister Chapters a merry Christmas.

J. Gordon Bohannon.

BETA.

Davidson College.

To the new Chapters whose advent into Pi-dom is announced in this issue, Beta Chapter extends heartiest welcome. Our wish for them is that they may have a full measure of success and happiness. Alpha-Epsilon and Alpha-Zeta were both installed through the instrumentality of Beta's men, and we feel a peculiar interest in these two "babies."

The October issue came to us in a new dress, and a pretty one it was. All of the members of the Chapter were loud in their praise of the improved appearance of our Maga-

zine. The present cover is decidedly the most tasteful that Brother Smythe has ever given us.

There has been "nothing doing" in the goating line since our last letter, and there is little likelihood of anything more. Our Chapter, comprised of sixteen, is now at a good size, and we do not feel the need of any more.

We have recently had an electric light system installed into our Chapter hall, and it is much improved. We now have, in the opinion of many, the prettiest hall in college.

Foot-ball has been here, as elsewhere, the all-absorbing topic. Davidson's team this year was a good one, and with a better schedule would have stood higher in the foot-ball world.

Only twice did any of our opponents score, and one of these lonely touchdowns was made by the fact that the ball went into a tree at the edge of the field. Our game with the U. N. C. was the game that brought joy to the heart of every Davidson rooter. For years it has been a habit of Chapel Hill to defeat us by a slight margin, but this year we held them 0 to 0 with everything in their favor. This is no small thing when it is remembered that Virginia defeated them by but one point.

Our four graduates of 1904 are quite widely scattered. Brother R. H. Adams is teaching at the Boy's Industrial School at Rome, Ga. Brother Gillespie is financial agent for the college, with headquarters at Davidson. Brother Natt Wagner has a government position at Tahlequah, Indian Territory, and Brother George M. Wilcox is teaching at Locust Dale Military Academy in Virginia.

Brother Parks M. Lafferty was a welcome visitor on Thanksgiving.

Examinations are looming up before us now, but they will be over by the time this appears in print and all will be enjoying Christmas.

With best wishes to all *W's*, wherever they may be for a merry Christmas and a prosperous New Year, I close.

J. Leon Moore, Jr.

GAMMA.

William and Mary College

Once more Gamma's scribe takes up his pen to tell of the life of his Chapter with genuine pleasure; pleasure occasioned not only by the honor of being allowed to write these letters, but also by the knowledge that such a number of other goodly letters are being written which, in a short time, shall tell us of the work of our Brothers everywhere and the progress being made by our dear old Fraternity at large.

Since last we wrote, Gamma has pursued the even tenor of her way, very little of note having taken place. No new names have been added to our roll, but we are still of the opinion that the grain has not yet been all garnered and that something still remains to the careful gleaners. Gamma still adheres to her old policy to "go slow and be sure," as one mistake is worse than many losses. Our four "goats" have all become well accustomed to the order of things and are entering upon the work for *H. K. A.* with that zeal which is born only of the right spirit.

The past season in foot-ball has been the most successful that old William and Mary has had for many sessions. Under the management of Brother J. A. Carson, the team came within an ace of winning the championship of the eastern division of the Va. I. A. A., the decision hanging on a mere technicality which was decided against us on the field, and later, before the State Executive Committee. The Referee admitted his mistake, but it was then too late to change it, so the cup went to Randolph-Macon, who defeated us 6 to 0. However, we had the pleasure of defeating our old rival, Richmond College, by the score of 15 to 6, only a fumble saving them from a "shut-out."

Three of Gamma's sons tried for the team, three played in every game of the season and three were awarded monograms. They were S. C. Blackiston and G. G. Hankins, who played star games at half-back and right tackle, respec-

tively, and your humble scribe, who held the position of quarter-back.

Our Coach was Mr. J. Merrill Blanchard, of Boudoin College, and too much cannot be said in praise of his ability and character. We are glad to know that he has agreed to return in March and take charge of our base-ball team.

In the recent elections which have been held for the different offices in the various departments, we have been very fortunate in securing two places on the "Annual" staff and the presidency of the Senior Class. We were much gratified to notice the absence of the "petty demagogues" and the consequent spirit of harmony which marked practically all of these elections.

But we fear that we are taking up too much space, so wishing to all Pi's individually, and to the Fraternity as a whole, a very "merry Christmas and a happy New Year," we close.

J. Hubard Lloyd.

ZETA.

University of Tennessee.

The foot-ball season has just closed with Tennessee making a good showing, holding "The Heisman Techs" practically to a tie score of 2 to 0, Tennessee also made a better showing against Vanderbilt than any team that played her, Sewanee not excepted. We had a splendid defensive team but were rather weak on the offensive. However we had a successful season, defeating Alabama 5 to 0 in the Thanksgiving game; Brother McAllister winning for Tennessee by his hurdling, which was the feature of the game.

Billy has been called on again since our last letter and we take great pleasure in introducing to the Fraternity Brother Paul J. Callan of Knoxville, Tenn. Brother Callan is a member of the Freshman Engineering Class and we expect great things of him.

Although we have no Chapter house we have a very nice meeting place, which is in one of the buildings on

the campus. It consists of two rooms on the third floor; one rather large and the other small. Here we spend many of our spare moments and as we have plenty of room nothing hinders us from having a good time.

As examinations are staring us in the face we have already begun to prepare for them and I think each // is "cramming" as he never crammed before; they begin on the 12th and close on the 23rd. We get until the 8th of January for Christmas holidays.

Hoping that all //s will have a merry Christmas and happy New Year, Zeta again says farewell.

Ridgley D. Park.

ETA.

Tulane University.

Eta again desires to greet her sister Chapters with a deep feeling of love, and to wish for them the same happiness and prosperity which she herself is enjoying. Each and every man, who has returned to our Chapter, seems to have a burning desire to make this year's record a brilliant success. Since the October issue, we have succeeded in bringing two more safely through the mysterious order into the fold of Pi Kappa Alpha. I take great pleasure in introducing to the Fraternity at large, Brother Donald Sinclair, of Canada, and Allen Thurman Garland, of Opelousas, La. I feel confident that these men will strive to do all they can to uphold the good name of Pi Kappa Alpha, and to make it one of the shining lights of fraternal life. Brother Donald Sinclair is a sophomore and is taking a Civil Engineering course. Brother Thurman Garland is a Freshman and he is the only Literary man we have. Two of our Brothren, Moore Garland and Joseph Ward, are aspiring to the Presidency of the Senior Law Class. May Brotherly love prevail, even in their fiercest contests.

We had the good fortune to become acquainted with Brother H. B. Arbuckle when he came to New Orleans,

in order to attend the Southern Educational Convention. We only regret that we were not able to see and do more for him, but his limited time was filled in.

Our foot-ball season will come to a close on December the third, at which time I am sure we will make our final victory over the University of Alabama. Tulane has good reason to claim honor in the foot-ball line this year; for as yet she has only lost one game, which was with Sewanee, 18 to 0. To celebrate her triumphs there will be huge bon fires kindled on the campus and many speeches, aflame with youthful enthusiasm, will be heard.

Dr. Craighead, our new President, arrived November the second and was at once received into our friendship. We trust that he may be with us through many years to come.

Our boys have not as yet gotten those long, lifeless faces, which we generally see on them before examination. The reason for this is that we do not have any Exams. before the Christmas holidays, but have them in February. As this will be the last chance for Eta to speak to the other Chapters, through the medium of the SHIELD AND DIAMOND, before Christmas, I will take the opportunity to wish you all a merry Christmas and a Happy New year.

John Davidson, Jr.

THETA.

Southwestern Presbyterian University.

We were very much pleased with the October number. The cover is especially attractive. We think it a decided improvement on what we have had heretofore.

Since our last letter our ranks have been strengthened by the acquisition of a new member, W. H. Armistead, of Madison, Tenn. His appearance on the campus instigated a vigorous rush among the fraternities, but his good judgment and evident Pi qualities dictated his choice. After his heroic ride through the dark valley that separates be-

tween Barbarian and the Elysian Fields, he was badged a knight of the first order. His sterling traits of character presage his worth, both to our Chapter and to the Fraternity at large.

The foot-ball season ended auspiciously for us. A good majority of the games were won by our team. One of the best players, as well as manager of the team, ably represented us. We are proud of our record on the gridiron, as well as in other departments of university life.

Owing to the unsettled condition of the University for the last two years, our Chapter has not been as prosperous as is desirable. But now that it seems to be near settlement, we hope that the Chapter may take on new life, and add to its numbers as the student-body increases.

The interest of our meetings is enlivened by the frequent visitations of some of our local alumni. Their presence and words of wisdom tend to stimulate our zeal in accomplishing greater undertakings, and to create a desire for upholding the Chapter's past record.

With best wishes for the success of every Chapter, we close.

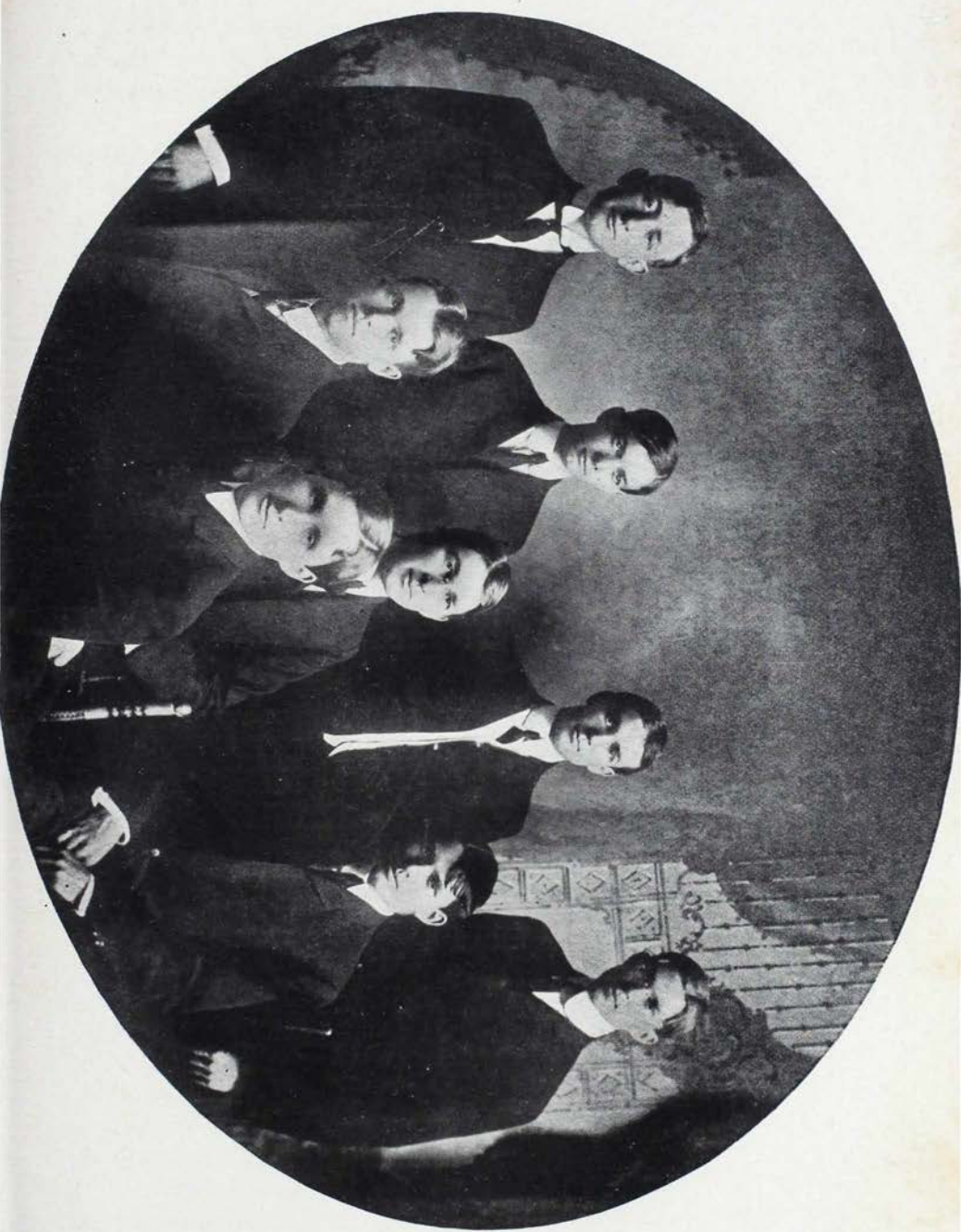
Wm. H. Hill.

IOTA.

Hampden-Sidney.

The examinations for the fall term are scarcely two weeks ahead of us now, and their effect upon the students can already be seen. There is no loafing, no gaming, no thoughts of "calico" and dancing at Hampden-Sidney now. We have feasted upon the fat of College life until all we have left is *bone, bone, bone!*

The Fraternities have not been idle during the past three months. Kappa Sigma has initiated five men, Kappa Alpha four, and Chi Phi two. The Pi's have been very conservative, but have gotten three new men who are away above the average. Brother Atkinson I mentioned in the last letter. I now take pleasure in introducing to the Fraternity at large Brothers John Garland Jefferson,



Jr., of Amelia Court House, Va., and James Armstrong, of Salem, Va. Brother Jefferson is a Senior of high standing. Brother Armstrong is a Freshman and was rushed hard by nearly every Frat. in College.

The numerical standing of the Fraternities here is as follows: *H. K. A.* 8, *B. Θ. H.* 7, *K. A.* 7, *K. Σ.* 6, *X. Φ.* 5, *Φ. Γ. Δ.* 1, *E. Α Σ.* 1, *Φ. Γ. Δ.* and *Σ. Α. Ε.* have given up their charters.

Iota is still represented on the Dramatic and Glee Clubs. She has the manager of the foot-ball team. She has two men on the Magazine staff and three on the Annual staff. She has the Vice-President of the Senior Class and Manager of the Senior Class Foot-ball team. She has the Secretary and Treasurer and Historian of the Junior Class, and Secretary and Treasurer of the Freshman Class.

We were very much pleased with the last issue. Its new cover is very attractive and the reading matter unusually interesting.

The news, of the founding of new Chapters was received at Hampden-Sidney with delight. We heartily welcome the members of these Chapters into the Brotherhood, and congratulate them upon the wisdom of the step they have taken. Pi Kappa Alpha is growing stronger every day and its members are being given more cause to be proud to wear the *Shield and Diamond*.

With best wishes to all our sister Chapters, we close until after the holidays.

G. A. Wilson, Jr.

KAPPA.

Kentucky University.

The first issue of this volume was a source of exceeding pleasure to the members of Kappa. And more than glad to learn that the Chapters of Pi Kappa Alpha all hail the new year with flattering prospects and renewed zeal and energy. Kappa takes great pride in announcing to the

members of *H. K. A.*, Brothers George Dunlap, Pisgah, Ky.; Albert Bryan, Lexington, Ky.; John Fields, Versailles, Ky., and Prof. Porter.

We count ourselves most fortunate in getting these men. 'Tis said we appreciate getting those things won through efforts. Just such is this pleasure, for these men were "rushed" hard by the other frats. Kappa has many bright prospects for the year, being not only strong in number, but believing that we have many representative college men. Kappa's men are to be found in every phase of university life. So far this year has been one of great pleasure and profit, and at the next issue we hope to be able to announce to you two or three additional wearers of the *Shield and Diamond*. Our Chapter has been well united this year and each man has seemed to place Kappa's interests first, to which source we attribute our success. Mr. Homer W. Carpenter represents Kappa in the Inter-society Debate to be held in Morrison Chapel December 16th. Best wishes to the sister Chapters for the year 1905.

Orris O. White.

MU.

Presbyterian College of South Carolina.

At our last writing we promised to introduce at least one new Pi in this letter, and we are able to keep our word by announcing that on the night of October 14th Mr. George Cosby McDonald, of Sumter, Ga., was conducted across the fiery sands that lie between the outside world and the secret realm of *II's*. Brother McDonald did himself credit on that occasion. By this acquisition we have materially strengthened our ranks and entrusted to another faithful steward the honor and good name of our beloved Order. We have good reason to doubt that Billy's work is over. We may need him again very shortly.

On the night before Thansgiving, we again celebrated that occasion—with a degree of success exceeding that at-

tained last year—if such were possible. The hall was appropriately decorated and arranged for the occasion. Refreshments in the shape of a flowing bowl of fruit punch, nuts, raisins, etc., were provided in abundance; then sixteen of the noblest and most beautiful girls in town (and most of them we number among our sisters), were invited to join with us in the festivities. Besides the members of the Chapter, we had with us Brother T. E. Simpson, of Columbia, and Brother Wm. Boyd of Nu ('03). With their assistance we entertained our fair guests until the midnight hour, when we adjourned after a few impromptu toasts. Brother Simpson's toast to the Sisters, was in his usual happy vein.

Brother Fewell spent Thanksgiving with his parents in Rock Hill.

The acceptance by Dr. Neville, of Yorkville, of the office of President of our college, marks the opening of a new era in our history. The Doctor stands in the very front rank of our denomination and will bring to the college a host of friends. We expect to see the number doubled next year. The new President will enter upon his work about January 1st.

All of our members will spend the holidays at home, except the writer, who expects to hold things down in Clinton.

Wishing every Brother a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year, we close.

J. Hoge Smith.

NU.

Wofford College.

The attractive new cover of the October issue delighted the eyes, and the reports from sister Chapters gladdened the hearts of the *W's* of Nu. The cover has a peculiarly striking effect and bears testimony to a high standard of work. Not only are we made glad by encouraging reports from all quarters, but we are inspired by opinions and ideas expressed in contributions and editorials. We hoped to

see a completion of the list of Chapter pictures which was begun last June, but found only two. We shall look for the remaining ones even in the December number, for we regard this as a very interesting and important matter and want to see it carried out completely.

We were favored a few days since with a visit by Brother A. E. Driggers, who graduated here in 1902. He is now a member of the South Carolina Conference and is stationed at Greer's, where he has met with decided success and won an enviable reputation. We always rejoice to have *ll's* with us.

The two men whom Nu sent out into the world last June are now both banking. Brother Fair is cashier of a new bank in his home town, Elloree, S. C., and Brother McWhirter is assistant cashier in a bank in his home town, Jonesville, S. C. Both these men are very young for such positions, but they have the *ll. K. A.* stamp upon them and are bound for success.

We are glad to note that Professor C. S. Williamson, Jr., is enlarging his profession as an educator. He is meeting with the success which is characteristic of the man. By Wofford, he is regarded as a rising educator, and is remembered as one thorough and sincere in his work. The Chapter misses his visits and his ever readiness in encouraging and helping.

Since our last letter Nu's members have been receiving the usual honors. Brother Boyd has been elected Editor-in-Chief of the '*Aurora*,' Wofford's Annual. He has a very strong body of assistants, for the most part Frat. men, although the *non-frat.* element more than doubles the Frat. element in the college. The '*Aurora*' of '05 bids fair to be a splendid issue. Brother Boyd has also been elected first critic in Preston Society.

Brother Guilds is serving as manager of his class football team. Brother Guilds is just on the eve of delivering his masterpiece in oratory, being, although yet a Junior, first speaker in the College Oratorical Contest soon to be held.

With best wishes and hearty greetings to each Chapter, and especially new ones,

J. W. Boyd.

OMICRON.*Richmond College.*

The night is far spent—it is the small hour of night, and the candle is dimly burying; but even at the last hour the humble scribe of Omicron will pen a short message to her sister Chapters, of Garnet and Old Gold. The *Π's* are drawn up in battle array eleven strong, and each one ready and willing to do his share. Four new recruits have strengthened the ranks of Omicron since we wrote our last letter, and we congratulate ourselves that we have such men as that to join our Brotherhood. May they glean a sweet joy and benefit during their College days from these fraternal relations, but may they also stand firm and resolute for the cause of *Π. K. A.* and “breast the wave without a sigh.”

Our this year's initates are:

- C. Hawthorne Elsom, Danville, Va.
- B. Sidner Saunders, Suffolk, Va.
- R. Spencer Ellis, Lloyds, Va.
- George Burdette Wright, Evergreen, La

The *Πi's* expect to show themselves great in base-ball next spring, but we will speak of this in our next letter. We are glad to report that Brother Harwood, who has been treated for appendicitis at St. Luke's Hospital, is much better and we hope to have him with us again very soon.

The boys are all looking forward to happy days during the Xmas holidays, and we wish you a happy time as you sit around the festive board with friends and loved ones.

The initiates of the other Frats. this year is as follows:

K. A. 3; *Σ. Φ. Σ.* 3; *Φ. Γ. Δ.* 4; *K. Σ.* 5; *Ψ. K. Σ.* 5.

Our present roll is:

- C. E. Talman, Richmond, Va.
- John Harwood, Richmond Va.
- A. W. Robertson, Salem, Va.
- Cosby M. Robertson, Crozet, Va.
- Marion G. Willis, Fredericksburg, Va.
- P. M. Gresham, Lancaster, Va.

John S. Wright, Evergreen, La.
George Burdette Wright, Evergreen, La.
C. Hawthorne Elsom, Danville, Va.
B. Sidner Saunders, Suffolk, Va.
R. Spencer Ellis, Lloyds, Va.

Best wishes to all our sister Chapters for a pleasant Christmas and a happy New Year.

Cosby M. Robertson.

PI.

Washington and Lee University.

The weeks of the first term wear so smoothly that Pi would hardly be conscious of their passing, but for the fact that we mark the end of each by a jolly gathering. Can any but the initiated conjure up a more alluring picture—an occasion so suited to a flow of soul—than a Pi Kappa Alpha Frat. meeting?

We are glad to report a healthy and happy state of affairs in our Chapter. It is not probable that we shall increase our number (eight) during the present year unless some new material presents itself. All the samples now in the University have been carefully examined and passed on, and we do not believe that further available additions would materially strengthen us. To build up a Chapter here on conservative lines requires time, and this fact is appreciated when you consider that the one hundred Frat. men at Washington and Lee are divided among eleven Fraternities.

Numerically several other fraternities rank us, but when in secret and serious contemplation Pi takes an inventory of her stock, she is much pleased with herself and a satisfied smile beams from the face of every member. We know too that the student-body and Lexington ladies throw bouquets at us, for it is the especial delight of one of our loyal brothers to collect the same, and distribute them judiciously to the members at appropriate times. Let us hope none of the flowers are imitations.

It gives us great pleasure to announce that our foot-ball season is over. Far be it from us to make unkind remarks about a team on which our Moomaw played at full-back, with Brother Eggert as sub-quarter; but we must admit the truth and confess that Washington and Lee has taken this year no blue ribbons in foot-ball contests. She is capable of better things however, so we hope this honest confession, which is good for the soul, may not be bad for our reputation. We have penned these reluctant words merely because silence on this conventional topic might be more eloquent of failure than speech.

A reception given to the students by the Professors' wives, the Thanksgiving Debate, and the Thanksgiving dances have been the only events to vary our routine. We are now on the verge of examinations and they promise nervous thrills for some of us. Yet we are hopeful. Very certain it is that we Pi's are philosophical enough to enjoy the Christmas holidays with sweethearts and friends, whatever may be the outcome of examinations.

It is with delight that we hear of new Chapters, and we have a keen desire for the next copy of the SHIELD AND DIAMOND on this account. With the exception of the military schools, which exclude fraternities, Virginia Colleges have Chapters of *H. K. A.* So our field for extension vanishes.

We wish for each and every Brother all the Christmas joys that they are so worthy of.

W. Elliott Jones.

SIGMA.

Vanderbilt University.

Since our last letter we have had the good fortune to increase our number by the addition of three good men. They are Morris Adams, Earl Wilkerson and W. A. Craddock. Brothers Adams and Wilkerson have just recently been revealed the mysteries of our Order, but Brother Craddock is an old man, and was transferred from Zeta.

He has proved to be a valuable addition on account of his zeal and enthusiasm.

Formerly, it was possible for frats. to spike a man as soon as he matriculated here, but on account of the demoralizing effects of this rule on the students, the Chancellor requested representatives of the frats. to meet in order to remedy this evil. Having met together, they agreed that some change must be made, and now they are investigating the regulations of other colleges on this subject. In this way they hope to devise the best plan possible.

Vanderbilt has had this year one of the best foot-ball teams in her history, winning victory after victory with ease and by overwhelming scores, she suffered no defeats. Under the training of Dan McGugin, the old Michigan guard, the team was invincible and downed her gritty rivals from Sewanee on Thanksgiving day by a score of 26 to 0. This victory made Vanderbilt the undisputed champion of the South. Brother J. H. Brown made a fitting close to his long and honorable career as a foot-ball player on this day. His brilliant playing aided considerable in making the victory so decisive.

Brothers John Brown, of Columbia, Tenn., and James R. Williamson, visited us recently.

With best wishes to our sister Chapters, we close.

Geo. H. Brown.

TAU.

University of North Carolina.

How are you, Brothers! Again it is our privilege to send in our few words to fill a space in the Magazine we love. Brothers of Virginia, never fancy that our pen is heavy because of the defeat on Thanksgiving, for on the other hand it is very light because we turn our eyes from the game that chance alone took from us, to the game next Thanksgiving when our Captain Carpenter shall place, once more, the laurel of victory upon the brow of Carolina!

That this is a letter not to the Pi's of Virginia and North Carolina alone, I should remember.

Would you not, our Georgia, Tennessee, Louisiana Brothers, like to hear just how old U. N. C. came out at football this year? Well, she was beaten twice; first by Georgetown University, 16 to 0, then by her sister, University of Virginia, 12 to 11. But in every game our team did splendid playing and we are not ashamed of our two defeats. Much credit is due Brother Bear, our quarter-back. All in all we claim a team second to none south of the "Mason and Dixon Line."

We were pleased to make the acquaintance of Brothers Wilson and Palmer of Roanoke College, also Brothers Lacy and Robinson of Richmond College, while in Richmond Thanksgiving. We are always glad to meet you, wearers of the *Old Gold and Garnet*.

Before we go away for the holidays we shall see our magnificent gymnasium completed. The beautiful Y. M. C. A. building is also nearing completion.

By the way, we were about to forget to mention our baby Chapter—so near us too. A. and M. of North Carolina, we extend you a hearty welcome to the rights and privileges of Pi Kappa Alpha!

A merry Christmas to every Pi!

Stuart G. Noble.

UPSILON.

Alabama Polytechnic Institute.

For the last time before the Christmas holidays we greet our sister Chapters and hope that they may all have a pleasant and happy time during the holidays, and return ready to start the new year with renewed energies for *H. K. A.*

We take pleasure in introducing to the Fraternity at large Brother Ward A. Young, of Selma., Ala., who is a brother of our worthy Brother, O. E. Young.

A short time ago we were surprised with a visit from Brother J. E. D. Yonge, of Pensacola, Fla., who is study-

ing law at the University of Georgia. We all try to believe that he came to see us, but are afraid that an assertion to this effect would meet with objection from at least one person in Auburn. But we are always glad to see Brother Yonge, no matter what brings him. He has, by the way, just come off victor in an oratorical contest and we extend to him our congratulations.

Auburn has just completed her most successful foot-ball season in years, and is now turning her thoughts to next session's team and schedule. As nine old players are expected to return, Auburn should again have a championship team.

Brother J. V. Denson, assistant foot-ball manager the past season, will no doubt manage the team next year, and we feel that he will achieve great success along this line.

Prospects for a winning base-ball team next season are very bright, and Auburn hopes to put a team on the diamond that can cope with the best of them.

Brother Lurton will no doubt occupy his old position behind the bat, and Brother L. P. Hall is Captain of the team.

Before the close of the present session Upsilon hopes to have a newly furnished hall. At present, we have three rooms, which, after our intended repairs, will make very cosy quarters.

In the recent promotions in the Military Department, Upsilon, as usual, came in for her share of the honors. Brothers Lurton, Hardie, Constantine and Robertson were made Corporals and the former two will be Captains in their Senior year.

We learn with much satisfaction of the establishment of three new Chapters and hope the good work will continue.

With best wishes for a merry Xmas and a happy New Year for all *H. K. A's*,
L. P. Hall.

*PHI.**Roanoke College.*

The quarterly examinations having just ended and the routine of daily duties having been resumed, we are enabled to devote a greater amount of time to the affairs of our Order.

It is truly a pleasure, one which only those within the bonds can enjoy, to meet after a week of "cramming" and let the heart and mind run in lighter veins, when the trials and disappointments of college life overwhelm us, or even if the fruits of our labor be joy to the heart, it is to the sacred confines of our Chapter hall that we find ourselves unconsciously led, and there to receive new courage and determination, or on the other hand, we find ourselves the recipients of words of praise from the very souls of those to whom we are bound by the ties of friendship and love. Who then can wonder at our affection and pride for our Brotherhood?

Since the last issue, life about college has been remarkably quiet, that is, with the exception of several foot-ball games, the last of which was played Wednesday, November thirtieth.

However, Phi can boast of more activity than that. In all college elections up to date, the members of Phi have received their share of honors.

In the election of members to the Annual "*Roetgen Rays*" staff, Brothers R. M. Strother was elected to represent the Sophomore class and Brother A. M. Bowman the Seniors.

Among the men appointed from the Demosthenean Literary Society to take part in the Senior celebration, are Brother G. H. Reese as Debater, and Brother A. M. Bowman as First Orator; Brother Bowman was also elected Captain of the foot-ball team for next year.

Our roll has undergone some changes also; we number nine now instead of six.

"Billy" has been called out for action twice within the last six weeks, and though the victims might have seemed

"burly" and wise, they were more than glad that it was only an "eat-out" that awaited them after the initiation and nothing more, and it now becomes my pleasure to introduce to the Fraternity Brothers, R. C. Bowman, of Salem, and J. H. Gibboney, of Wythville, Va. Both "Goats" are members of the Sophomore Class.

It was also with a great deal of pleasure that we welcomed into our midst Brother R. M. Strother of Alpha, a transfer.

After our meetings Brother Strother's "after-pieces" are quite original and amusing.

With best wishes and congratulations to our three new Chapters, I will close.

A. M. Bowman, Jr.

CHI.

University of the South.

At the time of writing Sewanee men are thinking of a good old three month's vacation that begins on the 19th of this month, and some of them, perhaps, of the Exams. that will soon be at hand.

Sewanee, as the University is familiarly known in the South, has just closed a fairly successful foot-ball season. She lost only one game and that was to her rival, Vanderbilt. However, as we were beaten fairly, we have nothing but praise for "Old Vandy." The game played on Thanksgiving Day was probably the greatest ever played in the South. Neither team had been beaten, Vanderbilt's goal line alone remaining uncrossed. Both the teams were in the pink of condition and when the struggle was over, every one said that it was a plucky game, for we were outweighed seventeen pounds to the man. Chi did not have a representative on the team, although your humble scribe was "Captain of the Scrubs."

Chi has had a very successful year, having initiated five men into the mysteries of Pi Kappa Alpha. Four of these

new Brothers were introduced in the October issue, and the fifth and latest Brother is

Mr. E. W. Loomis, of Dallas, Texas.

Chi takes great pleasure in presenting Brother Loomis to the members of the Fraternity. Brother Loomis was taken in just as the October number came out, and his name was handed in too late for that issue. Since then Brother Loomis has entered the Academic Department of the University of Texas, at Austin.

Since our last letter Chi has lost two of her number, Brothers Chaudron and Allen. Brother Chaudron is attending Auburn and Brother Allen has returned to Memphis on account of his health.

Brother A. C. Pfaffle has become too busy to take an active part in the Chapter's work, but nevertheless we enjoy his company once in a while.

The University closes on the 19th and the following will be the winter addresses of its members :

J. B. Abeel, Highland Park, Chattanooga, Tenn.

F. J. H. Coffin, Highland Park, Chicago, Illinois.

Lindley Herrington, 19 Gibbs Building, Houston, Texas.

Frank Pfaffle, Sewanee, Tenn.

P. A. Pugh,*Clarksville, Tenn.

E. C. Seaman, 1220 Travis Street, Houston, Texas.

E. A. Wood, 168 Maple Ave., Dallas, Texas.

C. W. Underwood, 177 Ivy Street, Atlanta, Ga.

We enjoyed a visit from Brother Cadman, who is leaving Tennessee for Austin, Texas, where he expects to continue his ministerial work.

Chi closes with best wishes.

Edward A. Wood.

PSI.

North Georgia Agricultural College.

Since the last issue we have been very busy looking out for new members, and also improving our hall.

I wish to introduce to the Fraternity at large Mr. L. R.

Castleberry, of Dahlonega, Ga., and Mr. F. S. Harris, of Dawson, Ga. Both of these young men are worthy of wearing the Old Garnet and Gold.

We have given our hall a general overhauling, and now have a much more desirable meeting place than heretofore. Our new pool table adds much to the social features of our meetings.

We are no longer bothered by the "Royal Nons," who for several years have given us some trouble. Last year they had more members than either of the fraternities, but now they are no more.

It has been rumored that the *Σ. A. E.*'s would install a Chapter here soon, but they haven't done so yet. They have some men here working in the interest of this Fraternity.

N. G. A. College has at last entered intercollegiate athletics. We played the University School of Stone Mountain, Ga., at Gainesville on Thanksgiving, and game was tied. We hope to be near the front in athletics next year. Brother Brown plays right end on the first team, and Brother Watt plays quarter on the second.

We are very glad to hear that three new Chapters have been installed, and wish to extend to each of them a hearty welcome into our Frat. and assure them of our earnest support.

Wishing for every Pi a glorious time during the holidays, Psi bids her sister Chapters adieu.

Charles M. Harris.

OMEGA.

State College of Kentucky.

Our bright prospects in our last issue were not overdrawn; we have only to wish that the remainder of the year will be prosperous. The foot-ball season for us was a most successful one, our team scoring 248 against 15. We were so fortunate as to defeat Kentucky University Thanksgiving 21 to 4.

Pi's were not absent from this team. Captain and full-back Gwyn, Montgomery, end, and Goodwin, tackle, made themselves felt and each played a star game throughout the season.

We were very glad indeed to have with us on Thanksgiving, two of our charter members, Brother Frankel of Chicago and Brother Carpenter of San Francisco, Cal.

We are sorry to state that some "anti-frat" spirit is being nurtured among the student-body at present. This feeling had its origin in the establishment of a college newspaper on which the reportorial staff happened to be mostly fraternity men. This anti-fraternity feeling is directly due however to a former student, who selected this as a means as forwarding the interests of a so-called college paper, established by him as a financial enterprise, We sincerely trust that this feeling will soon die out.

"In rebus militaribus," Brother Smith has been promoted to First Lieutenant instead of Second, as stated in the last issue, Brother Letton is Captain, Brother Arnspiger Sergeant and Brothers Goodwin and Sims Corporals.

Brother Amoss is first Associate Editor on the College paper and has been elected Editor-in-Chief of the Annual.

Brother Montgomery is Captain of 1905 base-ball team; we may possibly have another Brother on the nine.

A small dark cloud, phophetic of the mighty priodical typhoon-examinations—has already been discerned in the horizon; however we hope to weather the gale, fitting ourselves for the more tempestuous seas on which we are about to sail.

We wish every Pi a merry Xmas and a happy New Year.

H. L. Amoss.

ALPHA-ALPHA.

Trinity College.

We are again honored with the pleasure of greeting our sister Chapters through the Magazine, and especially are we glad to greet the "baby" Chapter, Alpha-Epsilon, who

will make her first appearance in this issue, and any other "babies" that have been born since the October issue. Expansion is uppermost in our thoughts and it was with great pleasure and delight that Brothers Pugh, Wells and your humble scribe, assisted Brother Clark, of Beta, on the night of November 4th, in putting in Alpha-Epsilon Chapter. We are indeed highly pleased with our new Brothers and we predict a bright future for them. Much credit is due Brothers Clark and King, of Beta, for their earnest and noble work in establishing this new Chapter and we trust none of us, (ourselves included,) will feel our conscience is clear until we shall have "followed suit."

All of us are now looking forward toward Christmas with fond anticipations and shall gladly welcome the time when we shall be at "Home, Sweet Home," gathered around the table with those we love dearest on earth.

We have not been able to get Thanksgiving entirely "out of our bones" and feel as if our school work is doomed until after Christmas has come and gone. Most of us enjoyed the holiday immensely except your scribe, who was confined to his room with a severe attack of tooth-ache, and scarcely realized it was a holiday at all.

Brother Whitley, accompanied by his "best" girl, spent the holiday in Richmond, witnessing the great Carolina-Virginia game, and says he had a "peach of a time" and is highly pleased with the Capital City; persistently sings, "Carry Me back to Old Virginia."

Brothers Webb and Wells spent their holiday at "Home, Sweet Home," and had a fine time, "*cela va sans dire*."

As to Brother Arthur, O well, he thought going home or leaving the city such a "minor" affair, he seemed contented to spend his vacation promenading the campus with a fair "co-ed."

Brother Daniel may well be classed with Brother Arthur and we may also call his another "minor" affair. "Times" says he had a "keen time" and we will not doubt his veracity.

But O my! didn't Brothers Pugh and Baddie "cut a shine"

driving "two in hand." They were "sporting 'em some" and there was "music in the air" galore.

Brother Wallace, I leave him to answer for himself. "Victor's programme for the day was so long I scarcely feel capable of enumerating it. Yet, I venture to say, he enjoyed himself, as usual.

At a meeting of the Athletic Association in October, Brother Arthur was elected First Assistant Manager of the base-ball team. We feel Brother "C. B." is worthy indeed of the honor bestowed upon him and will make a fine manager.

Brother Pugh and your humble scribe were fortunate enough to make the Glee Club and we took our first trip November 28th, and we will take another trip just before Christmas.

Brothers Pugh, Webb and Arthur attended the Carolina A. and M. game in Chapel Hill on November 16th and were glad indeed to see our Brothers of Tau.

With best wishes for "baby" Alpha-Epsilon and all the older sisters, we bid you one and all a fond adieu for this year and trust next year may usher in several new Chapters to add to our noble band.

A. B. Stainback.

ALPHA-GAMMA.

Louisiana State University.

At this season of the year it is of course expected that all Chapters should be making rapid progress along fraternity lines, and Alpha-Gamma is doing all she can to increase her strength and more firmly establish herself at the La. State University. We are determined to make a success of our Chapter and we believe that we will, for there is no fraternity in this college which lives a more harmonious life within itself or gets along more pleasantly with the other fraternity organizations. This shows a unity of purpose and of good fellowship and loyalty to the Fraternity.

Our foot-ball team is a very excellent one this year—we think better than any other, and Louisiana, Mississippi or Alabama, notwithstanding the fact that it was beaten by Tulane, which we think, however, was due more to a simple mistake of ours, than to the superiority of their team. The loss of this game proved a terrible blow to us. Nevertheless, we shall undoubtedly regain our feet and allay our pains when the Alabama-Louisiana game takes place.

The boys here became very poetical just before the Tulane game, composing parodies to some of the most popular airs. Prizes were given for the best, but as we have no poets among our number, Alpha-Gamma did not enter this contest.

We hope very soon to be able to report the initiation of some good men. We are careful, however, not to desire only to increase our numbers, but are giving due regard to conservatism and thus will build up our chapter only with the best material. Hoping to have more information to give you in our next letter,

Robt. G. Tillery.

ALPHA-DELTA.

Georgia School of Technology.

Alpha-Delta greets her sister Chapters, and most cordially welcomes the several new sisters into the circle of our happy sisterhood. May they do more for the upbuilding of *H. K. A.* than some of the older ones have done.

Our Editors are due much credit for the efforts they have made in securing such an excellent cover for the Magazine. Brothers, if more of us were as persevering and industrious as the Editors, we would find *H. K. A.* going to the top at a much more rapid pace.

We are very sorry to state that the number on our roll is the same as when we last wrote. For very good reasons Brother Lamar saw fit to discontinue his course at Tech., so we had to give him up about November 10th. Brother Lamar is now connected with the dyeing department of a

cotton mill at Jackson, Ga. We were very sorry indeed, to have to give him up. He was one of our surest strongholds, and in losing him Alpha-Delta feels that she has lost her right arm. But before we mourn his loss further, Brothers, let me tell you about the new "goat," Brother Jefferson D. Singer, '09, of Lumpkin, Ga., whom you will all join me in welcoming into the bonds. In winning Brother Singer we secured a worker who was much sought after by others. We are expecting great things of him, and we have no fear of disappointment.

Our roll now stands as follows:

OLD MEN.

P. H. Connally, Dallas, Ga.
J. Z. Collier, 76 Dixie Avenue, City.
G. A. Edwards, Crawfordville, Ga.
C. M. McCord, 226 Lee Street, City.

INITIATES.

P. L. Barrett, Harlem, Ga.
H. C. Lamar, Americus, Ga.
J. D. Singer, Lumpkin, Ga.

As the present material has been very well picked here, it is not likely that we will have any other new members until after the holidays. We might state that the present enrollment here reaches about 450, about one-third of which are fraternity men. There are about twelve fraternities represented here—so it may easily be seen that no fraternity is likely to have *scores* of men.

Among the honors taken since we last wrote, we might state that Brother Connally was for the second time elected Manager of the foot-ball team; also at a recent meeting of the same class (middle), the writer, Brother Edwards, was unanimously elected Vice-President. Brother Edwards, also played on the Class Frat. ball team for a while.

We are fortunate in having several of the alumni of other Chapters in this city, and they often come up to our meetings—though not so often as we would like.

We hope that all the Chapters have been doing their utmost toward expansion. Don't you think it would be very

gratifying to go up to the next Convention with about ten new Chapters on our list? Of course it would! So each one try to do all in his power, and the result will be obvious.

The foot-ball season closed with many laurels for Tech. The work of our fine coach, Heisman, was apparent in every game played. Just in one season he brought Tech. from the very bottom of the foot-ball ladder to the rounds nearest the top, and with another season of him Tech. hopes to get on top and crow. In the whole season we lost one game, this with Auburn, and in this game our team was at big disadvantages.

We have again seen fit to change our quarters, so we may now be found at Room No. 10, Todd Building, just opposite Grand Opera House. We are much better pleased with our new quarters for several reasons.

With best wishes for all the members of the Fraternity, and for the Fraternity as a whole, we anxiously await the present issue.

Sisters, may Santa Claus give to you all bountifully.

Geo. A. Edwards.

ALPHA-ZETA.

University of Arkansas.

To every true and loyal Pi, Alpha-Zeta sends greetings with the sincerest pleasure, at being able to claim membership in this noble Order of our Sunny Southland.

On last Saturday night, November 19, 1904, Brothers G. A. Penick and N. W. Wagner of Beta Chapter, who are now at Tahlequah, I. T., came down and introduced us to the goat of *H. K. A.*, thus crowning with success our efforts for the past few months to secure a charter from this organization. It is unnecessary here to enter into a discussion of the many ups and downs which this Chapter underwent before at last success was ours. Nor is it necessary to enter into particulars concerning the establishment of the Chapter, as an account of that appears on another page of the present issue. We shall therefore proceed



to introduce ourselves to the Brotherhood. We started the Chapter with eight active members and two, who are at present not students in the University. They are:

Maurice Lee Remberger, Pine Bluff, Ark., B. A. '07.
Samuel Green Davies, Fayetteville, Ark., C. E. '07.
Ashleigh Pael Boles, Fayetteville, Ark., B. A. '07.
Arthur Clarence Parker, Paris, Ark., B. S. '07.
Howell Rush Smith, Malvern, Ark., B. A. '08.
James Quincy Blackwood, Newport, Ark., B. S. '08.
William Elmo Thompson, Warren, Ark., C. E. '08.
William Samuel Fuhrman, Fort Smith, Ark., E. E. '08.

These men, together with Lloyd Randolph Byrns, Gains Landing, Arkansas, and John Walker Trigg, Texarkana, Arkansas, composed the charter members of Alpha-Zeta.

Being situated at such a distance from any other active Chapter, we will give a short sketch of the University in which *II. K. A.* has found a home.

The University of Arkansas was established at Fayetteville, Arkansas, in 1871. Since that time it has steadily grown until now it ranks with the other Universities of the South. It is a co-educational, non-sectarian institution and seeks to cultivate alike the youths of Arkansas. All departments are located at Fayetteville, except Law, Medicine and the Normal, which are located at Little Rock and Pine Bluff, respectfully. At Fayetteville last year were enrolled 818 students, being an increase of 33, per cent over its enrollment of the previous year. Thus it is that Arkansas has come steadily to the front and now asserts itself as being able to contend with any institution of higher education in the country.

There are at the University four fraternities with the following enrollment at present :

K. E., 23.
Σ. A. E., 22.
K. A., 14.
II. K. A., 10.

Besides these there are the two Sororities :

X. Ω ., 15.
Z. T. A., 14.

There are also

The Indian Club petitioning	- - -	Σ . X.
The Owl “ “	- - -	Σ . N.
The Triangle “ “	- - -	Φ . Δ . θ .
The Elephant, No petition.		

Thus the social life in the school is greatly developed, and of course we have opposition among the student-body, and it is said a fight will be made against Frts. in the next legislature, but we feel sure, from all indications, that as usual, these will come to naught. Beside our charter members we have four pledges which we can get next session when they will be freshies.

Before closing, we wish to extend our heartiest thanks to Brothers Penick and Wagner, whose untiring zeal has accomplished so much for us. To know them is to love them, and we heartily congratulate Beta Chapter and H. K. A. in having as their sons two men whose every action stamps them as gentlemen of true blood and whose influence leads others onward and upward to the plane on which they themselves are throned.

It is with great regrets that we are unable to talk longer with you, as we would never tire of the conversation, but space forbids, so we will close this, the first letter from the infant Chapter, Alpha-Theta. W. S. Fuhrman.

ALPHA-ETA.

University of Florida.

It is with great pleasure that Alpha-Eta sends her first communication to the Magazine. Mr. W. O. Bridges, of Louisburg, Tenn., is the gentleman to whom we are indebted for organizing the Chapter in this institution. For this beneficent deed we feel under many and lasting obligations to Brother Bridges.

Brothers Carroll, City Drainage Engineer, Jacksonville, Fla., and Dr. Elmore, Chief Surgeon of City Hospital, Jacksonville, did us the kind favor of installing our Chapter, in which capacity they showed themselves very efficient. If all men in the *H. K. A.* Fraternity come up to the standard of the gentlemen above referred to, it is indeed an honor to be one of its body.

The following are the men, with the courses they are pursuing, who entered as charter members:

S. W. Teague, A. B., Ocala, Fla.
B. K. Buck, A. B., Geesville, S. C.
B. T. Bridges, B. S., Rose Hill, Ala.
B. H. Bridges, B. S., Rose Hill, Ala.
G. W. Bassett, A. B., Palatka, Fla.
W. A. Brown, M. E. Key West, Fla.
H. M. Henry, B. S., Lake City, Fla.
W. M. Hackney, A. B., Melborne, Fla.
P. Greene, B. S., Arcadia, Fla.
W. T. Hall, A. B., Ocala, Fla.
W. M. Rowlett, Jr., B. S., Palmetto, Fla.
J. S. Peters, A. B., Plant City, Fla.

We also added to our number the same evening, Mr. T. J. Townsend, B. S., Gainsville, Fla.

His goatship, though spry and buoyant at first, became weary and worn—his head—before the long evening had passed, and received the benediction with much relief.

After the installation was over we retired to the dining hall of the Blanch Hotel, where a much needed "spread" was awaiting us. After an hour devoted to feasting, chatting and toasting, we adjourned for the evening.

As there is no fraternity building in connection with the University, we have secured a suite of rooms for our purposes on the second floor of the Citizen's Bank Building, and which we shall endeavor to equip in the best possible manner.

With this we extend best wishes to all sister Chapters.

J. S. Peters.

ALPHA-EPSILON.

North Carolina A. and M. College.

Alpha-Epsilon extends a glad hand to her sister Chapters, and is particularly indebted to Beta and Alpha-Alpha for their many kindnesses and favors shown her since her organization. Our Chapter was organized on Friday night, November 11th, by Brother J. B. Clark of Beta, and three Brothers from Alpha-Alpha, and we have been working hard to get ourselves well organized and in proper shape since then.

It is needless to say that every member enjoyed to its fullest extent the short visit of our organizers. We have been very busy since our initiation and our work has been far from fruitless: Two men have been pledged, and we also have our eyes on other good material. By May we expect to have a large and strong Chapter. Our Chapter roll at present is as follows:

J. A. Park, Raleigh, N. C.
R. B. Wilson, Greensboro, N. C.
J. G. Hardison, Newbern, N. C.
W. A. Buys, Newbern, N. C.
J. G. Morrison, Mariposa, N. C.
D. W. Robertson, Washington, D. C.

There are three other fraternities in college, $\Sigma. N.$, $K. \Sigma.$ and $K. A. \Sigma. N.$ is the largest, having about 22 members, the other two having about 15 each. There are about 450 students in college. We have military discipline and a battalion of six companies.

Alpha-Epsilon has a cosy Chapter room, nicely furnished, but in the near future we hope to rent a small dwelling and use it as a Chapter house. A longer letter and more details is promised for the next issue, and something concerning our members individually will then be given.

With best wishes for the great success and prosperity of the other Chapters,

D. W. Robertson.

ALPHA-THETA.*West Virginia University.*

In accordance with instructions from the Supreme Council, I reached Morgantown, W. Va., on the morning of Friday, the 16th, as the duly instructed delegate, to install the new Chapter. At 10:30 P. M. December 16th, 1904, at the *H. K. A.* house, 618 Spruce street, Morgantown, West Virginia, the installation of Alpha-Theta Chapter took place.

The initiatory ceremony was very impressive, and as one by one the "goats" were enlightened concerning the mysteries of our Order, they seemed to have been seized by a spirit of enthusiasm, and were ever ready to assist in all that was to be done.

It was a night long to be remembered by the charter members of Alpha-Theta, and *H. K. A.* may well feel proud of our "baby" Chapter.

Brothers W. L. Fleming, Upsilon, and C. M. Hanna, Iota, the former a professor and the latter a student, are to be congratulated upon their admirable selections, because every man whom I had the pleasure of addressing as Brother is in every sense of the word worthy of the "Garnet and Old Gold," and have shown that they know what a fraternity stands for.

Having met a number of men of other frats. who were very kind to me while I was in Morgantown, I am in a position to judge of the relative strength of the different Chapters, and I am proud of the fact that *H. K. A.* enters not unwelcomed in the University.

Their home, house of twelve rooms and well furnished, is located at 618 Spruce street, and it give me great pleasure to introduce to the Fraternity, Brothers—

R. McV. Drane, Piedmont, W. Va.

C. M. Hanna, Charleston, W. Va.

A. B. Arnold, Piedmont, W. Va.

A. L. Lohm, Grafton, W. Va.

R. F. Stanbly, Martinsburg, W. Va.

C. M. Seibert, Martinsburg, W. Va.

A. H. Foreman, Morgantown, W. Va.

W. T. Owens, Clarksburg, W. Va.

F. A. Parsons, Piedmont, W. Va.

Having opened up this new field under such favorable circumstances, I am sure Alpha-Theta will have a career none the less successful. The men have four or five "pledges," who will be taken in after the holidays.

At the University of West Virginia, there are ten fraternities: $\Phi. K. \Psi.$, $\Phi. K. \Sigma.$, $\Phi. \Sigma. K.$, $\Sigma. N.$, $\Sigma. \Phi. E.$, $B. \Theta. \Pi.$, $\Delta. T. \Delta.$, $K. A.$, $\Sigma. X.$ and $\Pi. K. A.$, with about seven hundred and fifty students.

After a most delightful banquet, which was arranged for at one of the restaurants, and after having spent the entire night in our work, Alpha-Theta's first meeting was at an end.

A. M. Bowman, Phi.

December 18th, 1904.

The Pi's.

In order to make this department complete and more interesting, each member is earnestly requested to forward promptly to J. R. WILLIAMSON, Culleopa, 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.

—It will be pleasant to all Pi's to learn that our G. S., J. Pike Powers, Jr., has just won on Saturday the 19th, a case which has excited a great deal of interest beyond even the borders of his State, and involving a very large amount of money. This case has been fought through three courts. Brother Powers was successful in the first, lost in the second, but finally won in the highest Court. Hearty congratulations are extended, and we know that the wish will go forth that he may be as successful with his suits in all other courts.

—The West Publishing Company has just published a work on "Federal Jurisdiction and Procedure," written by our beloved Brother, Robert M. Hughes, at their request. This is his second Law Book, the first being a Treatise on Admiralty, which was written in 1901. This information will certainly interest the Fraternity at large. In renewing his subscription, Brother Hughes writes: "I am glad to know that we are expanding. We evidently believe in expansion, if we do not in imperialism."

—Rev. Wm. M. Anderson, D. D., the Ex-C. P., writes that his work is very encouraging. He is now located in Nashville, Tenn., and his congregation has found it necessary to provide him with an Assistant Pastor and to increase the membership of the official board of his church, in order to meet the demand of his work. The

winter work is progressing in all the departments of the church's activities. The church issues a four page pamphlet, giving the services and announcements for each Sunday, and which is very interesting. Brother Anderson, in his letter, sends best wishes for all the Pi's, which we know will be heartily reciprocated.

—Brother Asa D Watkins, of Cass, W. Va., has been extended a unanimous call to the Hoge Memorial Church of Richmond.

—Brother T. P. Forbes, Gamma, in renewing his subscription to the Magazine writes: "Nothing would give me more pleasure than to help dear old Pi Kappa Alpha, and I am doing all I can to help Gamma about a Chapter house, for, although I love every Pi, I cannot help having just a little more love for my old mother Chapter." Brother Forbes has been with the Quinn-Marshall Co., Wholesale Dry Goods and Notions Company, for two years, and although, he commenced working with them without any experience, he has succeeded even beyond his hopes. He has recently declined an offer of an even better position, but feels that there is more future in the company he is with at present. Brother Forbes has the good wishes of the entire Fraternity.

—No more loyal Pi lives than Dr. Henry Dixon Bruns, of New Orleans. For 21 years this talented Brother has been practicing his profession in his office and hospital, his attention being limited to the eye. He has a very large and lucrative practice, but each year he spends two months in his country home, 28 miles from the University of Virginia. Brother Bruns writes us that his hobby is the breeding of beagles and hunting his pack "From which I extract endless joy." He is also interested in books, but of course his practice leaves little time when in New Orleans, for anything else. Brother Bruns has two sons whom we hope to greet as Pi's through Eta Chapter.

—The Fraternity will be glad to hear the good news about Brother Rev. J. P. Marion. He has been called to

Martinsville, Va., to take charge of the Anderson Memorial Church. He writes that he is located in a beautiful manse with all modern improvements, and that his people have given him a warm welcome. We wish for him the greatest success in his new field.

—Brother M. B. Porch is now Assistant Chemist in division of Pharmacology in the Hygienic Laboratory and is located at 25th and E. streets, N. W., Washington, D. C., where he will be pleased to see any and all Pi's that come to this city.

—We know that it will be of interest to the Fraternity to learn that Brother Theron H. Rice, so well known by all Pi's, has had quite an extensive trip this summer, having spent two months of well earned vacation in Europe.

—Brother M. H. Cox, always a loyal member of *H. K. A.*, in renewing his subscription, writes: "I am certainly glad to hear that *H. K. A.* is extending her interest, and you can always rely on me to help forward her cause." Brother Cox is located at Waynesboro, Ga., with the cotton firm of R. C. Neely Co. Any Pi who may chance that way will be welcome.

—Brother W. H. Sienknecht, Zeta, has charge of the works of the Piedmont Coal Mining Company, at Iola, Tenn. In a letter to the General Office, he says: "Come by and see me—I might be able to show you some things of interest."

—Brother P. H. Griffith, Alpha-Gamma, is teaching school at Tubal, Ark. Brother Griffith hopes to return to college to study medicine. We sincerely trust he will soon be able to do this.

—The "*Southern Presbyterian*" of December 1st, in reporting a series of protracted services, says that Brother S. C. Byrd, of Winnesboro, preached most acceptably twice a day until the meeting closed.

—Our Ex-Grand Chaplain, Rev. E. M. Craig, is still continuing his useful work as Secretary to Evangelist of

North Alabama Presbytery. Brother Craig lives in Birmingham, Ala., and will be glad to welcome any Pi's.

—Brother Van Frierson is studying medicine at the medical department of Tulane University, New Orleans, and while there, will affiliate with Eta Chapter.

—The General Office has received numbers 6 and 7 of the series of Documents relating to reconstruction, edited by Professor Walter L. Fleming, Ph. D., of the West Virginia University, Morgantown, West, Virginia. This contains an account of Freedmen's Bureau Documents and the Freedman's Savings Bank. This is a most interesting work and is being commented upon by all historical organizations.

—F. M. Massey, Sigma, is Principal of a large training school at Cornersville, Tenn., with several assistants. Brother Massey writes in renewing his subscription: "I am no more in college, but love the *H. K. A.* Fraternity and her men. 'This neck of the woods' is well supplied with Pi's. My students are beginning to join as they go to college."

—W. G. Riddick of Pi, is now located in Little Rock, Ark., Principal of one of the large schools of that thriving city. He writes under date of the 10th, renewing his subscription :

"I am glad to enclose a subscription. Wish I could make it two thousand instead of two dollars. I am glad to hear of the new Chapters, and if there is anything I can do to push the good work along, please command me. I am pretty busy teaching school, but I think I can always spare a little time for my beloved Fraternity. Arkansas is in great need of more *H. K. A.*'s. It is needless to remark upon the financial condition of the average school teacher, but I will be glad to subscribe toward getting a new Chapter if you need it."

Would that we had more like Brother Riddick.

—We know the Fraternity will sympathize very much with Brother S. B. Alexander of Pi, whose father died about three weeks ago. On account of his illness Brother

Alexander had to leave school, and is now working with the Cleveland Drug Co., of Elberton, Ga. He will remain in this position until September, after which time, we are glad to say, he will return to college and take up his work with Pi.

—“*The Houston Chronicle*” of November 19th, has a most interesting account of the Greek letter Fraternity banquet held at Rice Hotel, at Houston, Tex., on Monday night of their Carnival week. Among the many speeches, we note Brother J. W. Garrow of Pi, responded to Pi Kappa Alpha. This Pan Hellenic Association was organized about a year ago, and gave its first banquet Thanksgiving week, 1903, there being 35 members present.

—The Payne Shoe Company, of Charleston, W. Va., is doing a very large wholesale business. This concern was established in 1869 and incorporated in 1903. Our Brother, Chas. K. Payne, is president. He writes us under date of November 21st: “The October number is a very interesting one, and I am glad to see our Fraternity coming so well to the front. I very often think I would like to attend some of the meetings.”

—J. M. Giles, Nu, who is the Assistant Engineer in the Hydrographic Branch of the U. S. Geological Survey, with headquarters at Atlanta, writes us renewing his subscription: “I take this opportunity of sending my little to help in the good work, and hope it will continue to prosper. With best wishes for a New Year.”

—Brother Henry C. Fite, Zeta, writes us on December 12th, renewing his subscription: “I have been located here (Florence, Ala.) with Jos. Milner & Son, as chief clerk, since I finished at the University of Tennessee a few years ago. I am making some money, doing some society, and enjoying life generally. Met a nice // in St. Louis this summer—Glen F. Mason, now in Pittsburg.” We hope our Brother’s good fortune will continue.

Editorial.

THE WORK OF EXTENSION has certainly been successfully inaugurated this month and the establishment of four new chapters is very encouraging. It is especially gratifying to note that two of them are in our Southwest territory, to which it was decided at the last Convention to direct special effort. Two more chapters are in process of organization and the work is being very successfully carried on by resident *IP's*. We have every reason to believe that ere this number reaches you, a chapter will have been chartered.

In his admirable report to the last Convention, Dr. Arbuckle stated that it would take just six chapters to break our record for a year's work, and named the colleges where he urged that these be placed. This suggestion will be found on page 20 of the "*Dagger and Key*." None of the new chapters chartered, and only one of those in process of organization, are at colleges in this list. Therefore it behooves our members to refer to Dr. Arbuckle's list and see if they cannot include all of the colleges mentioned, in our extension work this year.

The credit for two of the chapters chartered is due entirely to our Alumni, and we are also indebted to them for the opportunity of placing two more. We hope this will be an incentive to our chapter men and that they will not let the older members outclass them in this work.

TO THE NEW CHAPTERS, who have just been installed, we extend hearty greetings and welcome them into our fraternal bonds.

Active and zealous members make good chapters, and these

kind of chapters give permanent strength to a fraternity and enable it to successfully carry on its work, growing stronger and extending further and further its usefulness. A chain is no stronger than its weakest link and therefore each member of the chapter is himself responsible for the strength and growth of the entire Fraternity throughout the South. Each member should appreciate this fact and should work with the Fraternity's interests uppermost in his thoughts.

That the chapter life may be successful and that each chapter may be a stronghold for the Fraternity, there should be among the members that cordial fellowship which has always characterized our organization. The system of reciprocity well established is the best guarantee for a pleasant and successful chapter life.

To the old chapters this applies as well as the new, and while primarily a man's interest is centered in his own chapter, he should realize his obligations to the Fraternity at large.

THE COMMITTEE appointed at the last Convention to provide a permanent record book for the use of all the chapters, has carried out its work most thoroughly. The result is a very handsome book, bound in garnet, with a place for the name of each chapter to be stamped in old gold. The book contains 300 pages, providing for an index, a complete history of the chapter and the records of the individual members.

The spaces arranged for the individual records are very comprehensive, and when these books are carefully written up they will be a most valuable fund of information for the historian.

Several of the chapters have not yet obtained these books and the General Office requests them to send for copies immediately, in accordance with the orders of the Convention.

THE LAST CONVENTION urged that each chapter should furnish a cut of its members for the Magazine. In the June issue quite a number appeared, but many of the chapters advised their inability to furnish cuts until this fall. The October issue contained only two and there only two in this number. Those remaining chapters are requested to give the matter attention and mail their cuts to our publisher at Petersburg, Va., being careful to label the same with their names and addresses.

THE CHAPTER LETTERS in this issue are not up to the usual standard. They appear to have been hurriedly written and are greatly lacking in style and thought. The make-up of the Fraternity is judged, to a great extent, by its chapter letters. This department is usually the first read, for it shows the throb and pulse of the Fraternity's life—as that life exists in the chapter hall.

We hope in the future the correspondents will give more careful attention to the preparation of their letters and that they will make them as interesting and full as possible. By sending in these letters early, the prompt publication of the Magazine will be greatly facilitated.

The chapters are reminded also of their duty to the Contribution Department. Very few of them have sent articles due October 1st. This is called to the attention of the delinquents, who should see that these articles are mailed before the first of the year.

TO ALL THOSE GOOD FELLOWS who wear the "*Shield and Diamond*," wherever they may be, the Season's best wishes are extended, with the hope that the new year will bring them all that their hearts desire.



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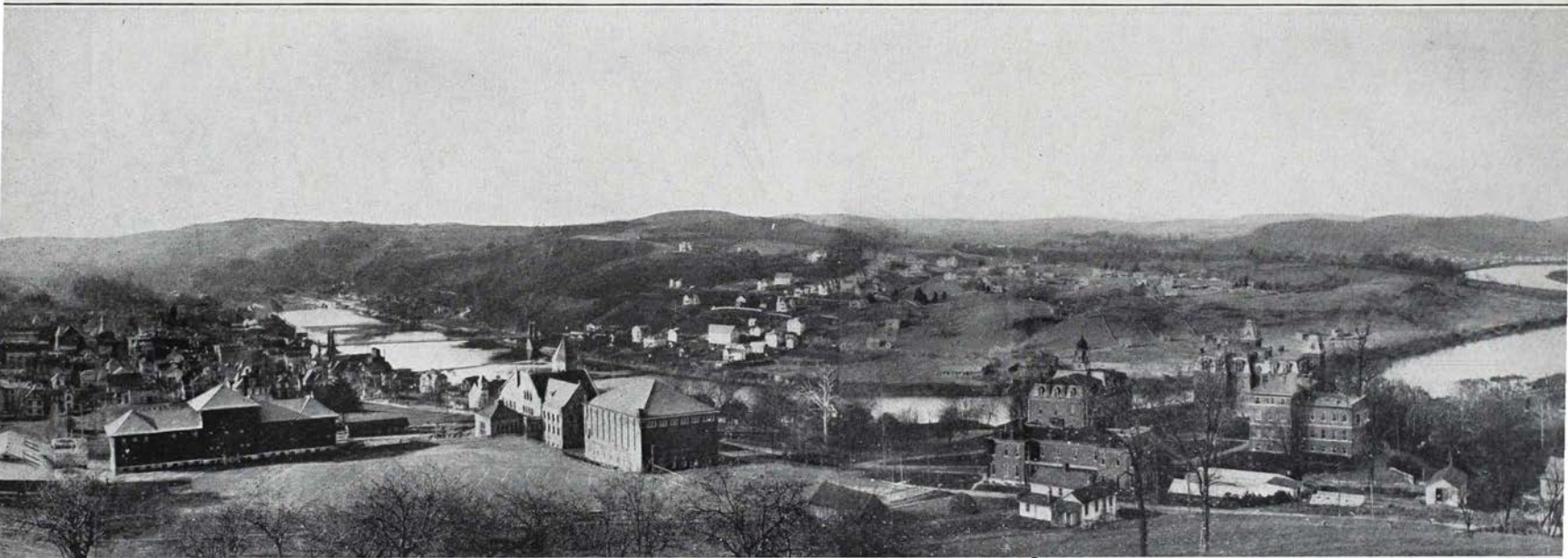
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