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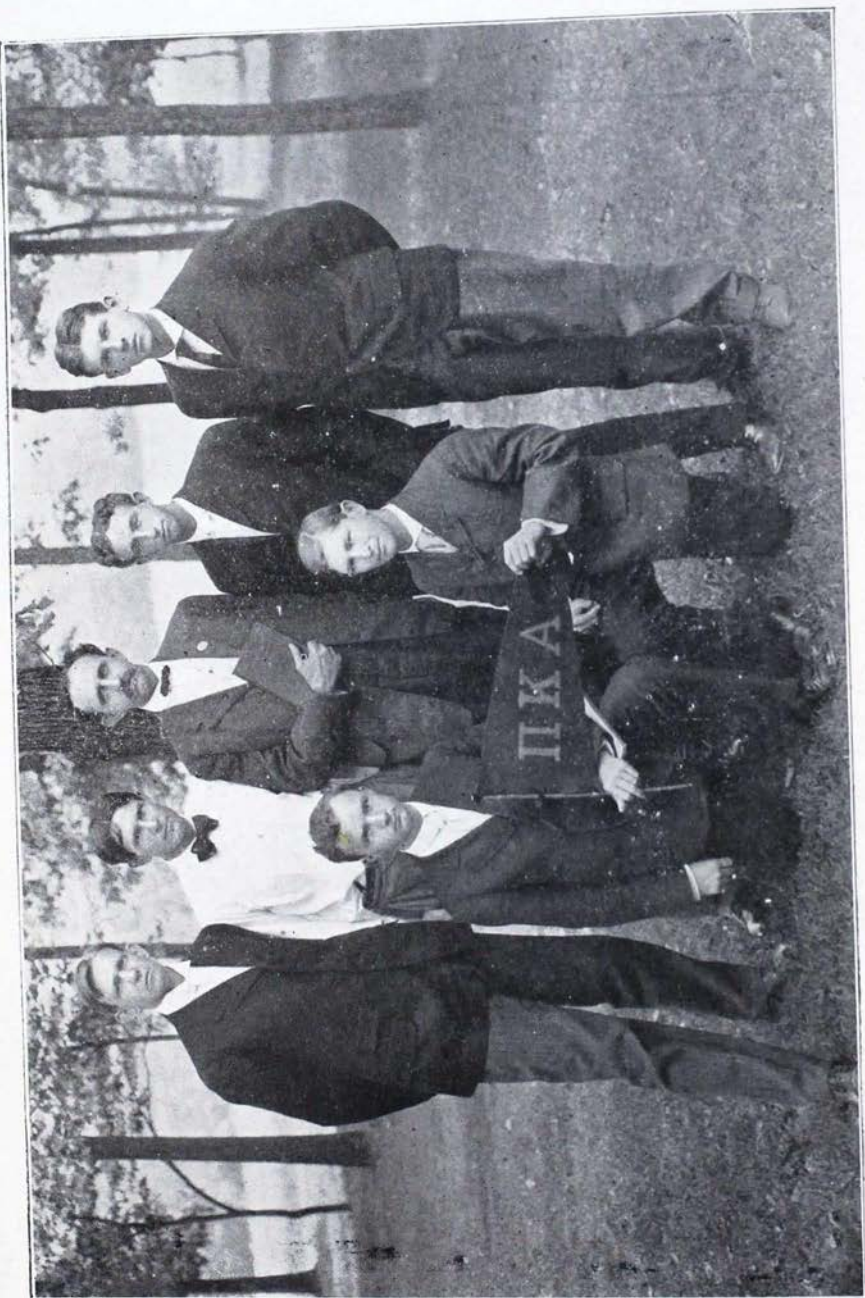
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### FRATERNITY.

#### *Its Object and What It Demands of Its Members.*

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Fraternity is the state or condition of brotherhood; it is that sympathy, that affection which characterizes the true brotherly relation.

A fraternity is a body of men associated together by common interests or characteristics, for their common interest, business or pleasure.

A college fraternity is an organization, usually secret in so far as the meaning of its symbols, its ritual, and its meetings are concerned, having branches, generally called "Chapters," in different colleges, united by a common name, generally composed of Greek letters and a bond of friendship. It is usually composed of men who are actually in attendance upon a college where is located a Chapter of the fraternity, and who have been made members of the fraternity by some form of initiation, and who were in attendance upon a college where is or has been



located a Chapter of the fraternity, and who became members of such fraternity by some form of initiation.

The objects of fraternity are many, being only limited by the boundary of man's imagination, for men band together for all sorts of purposes. But at present we have to do with only one phase of the subject, and that is the college fraternity. What is its object? What does it stand for?

The college fraternity is based on the principle of brotherhood. It seeks to secure men of similar types and to band them together by bonds stronger than mere friendship. These societies of students have increased very rapidly in late years, and have grown in popular favor. Each year they become more important as a factor in the college world.

The college fraternity seeks to inculcate in its members a true regard for truth and honesty; it seeks to promote social intercourse upon a high plane; and it seeks "to make, maintain and uphold a high standard of life and happiness for its members by uniting them in closer bonds of friendship and brotherly union."

The ideals of college fraternities are high, and it is the endeavor of the fraternity to engrave its ideals on the hearts of its members.

If there is one quality the fraternity man should possess above all others, it is that of being a gentleman. Without it he cannot be filled with the true fraternity spirit; he cannot be successful in the social life of his fraternity; he cannot add luster to his fraternity's good name and fame; in short, he cannot be a good fraternity man.

We will grant then, that the fraternity man—and when we say fraternity man we mean a man whose love for his fraternity and its advancement and upbuilding is greater than his love for his own success—must be a gentleman. And if he *must* be a gentleman, there are other qualities which he *should* possess. Without them, or at least some of them, he cannot hope or expect to get the full benefit that is conferred upon him by belonging to a fraternity.



The fraternitty man should be one who enjoys the society of his fellowmen. If he does not enjoy it, he has no right to be a fraternity man, for if there is one object that most fraternities have in common, it is to promote social intercourse. A man should think of this, for his own good, when asked to join a fraternity, and if he does not care for this social intercourse with his fellowmen, if he wishes to divorce himself from the social activities of life and to be a hermit, a recluse in the midst of an advanced and advancing civilization, then that man harms himself and others by joining a fraternity, for he cannot be a good fraternity man.

The fraternity man should be a well rounded man socially, and to that end he should seek the society of good women, whose influence will tend to elevate the mind and purify the heart, and in whose company, as any good fraternity man will attest, one finds pleasure that is real and lasting.

Social functions should not be neglected, for no good can come of neglect, but much harm can and will be done, not only to the man himself, but to his fraternity, by the neglect of those social duties which society places upon her devotees. Man is by nature socially inclined, and the good fraternity man should find no difficulty in entering into the social life of his community.

While the modern Greek letter fraternity is intended primarily for the student in college, yet a duty rests upon those who have left the college walls, but are still fraternity men, to work for the upbuilding of humanity and the inculcation of principles that go to make, maintain and uphold a high standard of life and happiness; and especially is this true with reference to those who are united with them in the sacred bonds of friendship and brotherly love.

When a man joins a fraternity he takes upon himself a duty that cannot, without harm to himself and his fraternity, be shirked. No good man will break his pledged word. Honor, to him, is something sacred, and he values it above his life.

A man joins a fraternity of his own free will. He owes his fraternity the services of a zealous member. He should ever work for her upbuilding and strengthening. All honest ways and methods are at his disposal; opportunities surround him on all sides; he can only blame himself, as indeed he would be worthy of blame, if he does not grasp them. He should so demean himself in both his public and his private life, as to reflect nothing but credit upon his fraternity. He has more than his own honor to protect—in his every action the honor of his fraternity is at stake. If he fails in his trust, no censure can be too great, no action too severe.

A fraternity, standing for all that is good and noble in man, fraternity men must see to it that they do not give occasion to non-fraternity men to censure their conduct. A great part of the human race is like a flock of sheep, give it but a leader and it will follow blindly. Let a demagogue assail the fraternity system, and he will find many who will join him in the hatred of it. It matters not to these followers, these "hangers-on," these disturbers of peace and harmony, who always have been and likely ever will be!—it matters not to them that the system they assail is good, some one has said it is not, and, like a reed in the wind, being easily swayed, they bate, and hate blindly, that worst hate of all! Fraternity men have to guard against such as that. Good and discerning men will not be misled by these "shooting star" demagogues, who shine, at the most, but for a moment, and then sink into the unfathomable abyss of forgetfulness, but the populace is easily influenced and unreasonable in its hatred.

The fraternity is pre-eminently and primarily intended for the man while he is in college. It is there that he becomes a member; it is there that he is initiated into those mystic bonds; it is there that he takes his vows of loyalty, and pledges himself to work for his fraternity as becomes a man of honor and ability.

Financial prosperity is a basic principle of a Chapter's



prosperity; and if the Chapters themselves are not prosperous, how then can the fraternity flourish?

Upon the active members of a Chapter depends the financial prosperity of the organization. Without financial support from its members, a Chapter can but fail, for if those who are actively interested in the Chapter do not do what is eminently their duty, how then can it be expected to secure aid from the alumni, whose interest in a Chapter's welfare can, in most cases, be but a passive one?

Work then, fraternity men, for your Chapter's financial prosperity, and be assured if you will but do your duty, your alumni will do theirs.

Perfect harmony is not an attribute of mankind, for perfection comes only of God. But man can approximate unto Godly things, and the members of a Chapter should be in harmony with each other. Unless they are, the main object of fraternity will be defeated. There must be harmony among the members if any great and lasting work is to be accomplished. Disaffection engenders distrust. Fraternity men, Brothers, see to it that you give one another no occasion for distrust. Be honest and honorable in all your dealings. Keep unsullied your good name and reputation. Unite in all matters tending to benefit your Chapter and your Fraternity. Obey the laws that you make—they were not made to be broken. Do not let your personal likes and dislikes affect your decisions when matters pertaining to the benefitting of your Chapter and your Fraternity are under consideration.

In electing a man to membership in your Fraternity, consider if his personality and position, his congeniality and adaptability to the other members will increase or decrease the strength of the Chapter. Do not be hasty, do not join in a mad rush for new men, for better a small Chapter and good than a large Chapter of different types of men with different tastes and different ideals.

The fraternity man, while an active college student, is directly responsible for the success or failure of his Chapter. He must always have before him its best interests,

and he must always work toward a definite end, not blindly, but intelligently, giving unswerving loyalty and devotion to the end he has in view. He will find that co-operation with the other members in all things pertaining to the Chapter's good, will yield results that will be of permanent benefit, and, in most cases, much more good can be done by co-operation than is possible to be done single handed and alone.

One of the greatest things a man can do which will eventually aid his Chapter, is to thoroughly learn the Constitution and Laws of his fraternity. He will then know where he stands (so to put it), and can the easier and more effectively enter into the business life of his Chapter. Such knowledge is of immense benefit to a man, and should not be neglected by a single Chapter.

The "rushing" of men who have been favorably considered by a Chapter, necessarily, in most cases, devolves upon the active college man. It is his duty to see to it that everything possible is done to cause the man or men under consideration to favorably regard his Chapter; and to that end he should be in readiness at all times to lend his best efforts to his Chapter and to his fraternity. "Rushing" should be done in a systematic manner, for system is the basis of success in all businesses. Local and social conditions must always be considered, and a knowledge of human nature, and especially of the nature of the man being "rushed," will be found of immense benefit.

From time immemorial man has builded himself an habitation wherein to reside. Upon his nature and attainments and social position has depended the beauty and costliness and comfort of his residence. The tendency of the ages has been toward comfort and beauty.

Fraternity life can hardly be at its best unless there is a Chapter house, a place where one can be at home. Every one wishes to have an attractive home, and the same should be true of Chapter houses. They should be kept in good repair. No effort should be spared to make them attractive, both inside and out. The members should re-



gard them as homes, and treat them as they would their own home. Neatness is indispensable to attractiveness. The Chapter house grounds should be kept in the best of order. Here, there is much room for the ingenuity of the members.

Every Chapter desiring a Chapter house should appoint committees to interest the alumni in the plans of their Chapter, and one of the surest ways of interesting alumni in a Chapter, is by seeking to build or improve a Chapter house. The active members of a Chapter, however, should not forget that on them will necessarily fall the bulk of the work that must be done to secure a Chapter house, and they should unite and, actuated by singleness of purpose and willingness of spirit, work toward the end that is always possible.

The Chapter house is becoming to be the most noticeable part of fraternity life. During the fifteen years from 1883 to 1898 the number of Chapter houses increased, according to Mr. Baird, from thirty-three to four hundred and twenty-five; during the last eight years of the same period the increase was from seventy to four hundred and twenty-five. This marvelous growth shows the tendency, and it should stimulate all fraternity men, active and alumni, to work for Chapter houses.

A man who goes to college for no other purpose than to join a fraternity or to make the team, is not a credit to either his fraternity or his college. He is not the kind of man that makes the good fraternity man.

It is presumed that a man goes to college mainly to learn. Fraternities, athletics and the like, are a big part of a man's college life, and indeed without them college days would not always be a delightful memory, but the college man, in his zeal for achievement, fraternally and athletically, must not forget that his ultimate success depends largely upon the advantages he takes while in college, or his educational opportunities. Brothers who are behind in their studies, or whose inclination is not towards scholarship, should be aided and encouraged in every

legitimate way, by those who are more fortunate in their adaptability to the conditions surrounding them. Nothing gives a fraternity better standing with the professors and college officials, than good scholarship and earnestness on the part of the members of the Chapter located at the college. Brothers, you owe it to your Fraternity as well as to yourself, to keep up a good standard of scholarship.

College athletics are becoming more and more important as a branch of college life. Every one cannot be an athlete, but almost everyone can take an interest in athletics; if not actively on the field, then on the side lines where encouraging cheers and loud-voiced approval can do much toward winning contests.

Everyone who is physically able to do so, and unless deterred by causes beyond his control, should actively participate in college athletics.

Your success or failure on the athletic field reflects credit or discredit on your fraternity. But the fear of failure should not deter anyone from doing his best, for honorable failure never was a disgrace. To vary a popular phrase, 'tis better to have tried and lost than never to have tried at all.' You owe your college and your Fraternity your best efforts in every phase of college life. More cannot and will not be asked of you.

Fraternities take an active interest in the social life of a college, in fact, according to such high authority as Mr. Baird, no other factor is more important in the social life of American students, and its influence will probably increase.

Fraternity men can exert a tremendous influence upon their Brothers. The uplifting influence of a fraternity has often helped a man to become brilliant and a credit to his university and friends. Achievement and fraternity should be linked together. Fraternity life should be upon a high plane, as important results are to be derived from the constant association of fraternity men. Fraternity brothers are daily thrown together, and their influence upon each



other is far reaching and of great consequence. Characters are moulded upon this daily association; ideals are formed. The social life of the members of a Chapter should be so carried on as to lead to genuine and impartial manhood, and should ever instill and encourage a high sense of loyalty and a high standard of honor.

The work of organizing new Chapters should always be before the fraternity man, both in and out of college. The progress of the times is forward, and fraternities must advance to keep pace with other organizations. The active college man can do a great deal of work during the vacation days to assist in the formation of new Chapters. Meet men who are going to college, find where they are going, and get to work on them. You will be surprised how much can be done in this way. While in college be ready to assist in the establishment of Chapters at nearby institutions. The General Officers of your Fraternity cannot do everything, no matter how good they may be. It is your duty, and should be your pleasure, to help and aid them in every possible way. Keep in touch with non-fraternity men at colleges other than your own and in touch with the General Office of your fraternity, or head of your division, and give them information, as far as in your power lies, of the fraternity situation in such institutions and the prospects for new Chapters. Your fraternity should continually strengthen itself internally, yet never forgetting that it should also expand; and in this work you have a part.

While it is true that the fraternity is primarily intended for the man during his college days, it is by no means true that when he leaves college he must resign his position as a fraternity man, or must cease to work for his fraternity. It is then that he can use his efforts more actively even than he could in college, for the advancement of his fraternity as a whole. His field of action is broadened. His opportunities are greater. He is better equipped to work for his fraternity's success. When he leaves college his duty to his fraternity does not end, it rather becomes all the stronger, for his opportunities are greater.

It should never be necessary for a fraternity to question the loyalty and generosity of its members, whether in or out of college. If a fraternity cannot depend upon its members for loyalty, it has no right to be called a fraternity. Loyalty, friendship and brotherly love are the cardinal principles upon which fraternity is founded.

How can an alumnus member of a fraternity work for his fraternity? There are many ways, some of which are especially worthy of note.

He should remember, with all that it implies, that he is a fraternity man. He should always have before him the possibility of strengthening the Chapters. To that end he should be on the lookout for young men going to college. He should, if possible, meet them and urge upon them a consideration of his fraternity. He should notify the Chapter located at the college to which any particular young man intends going, of the fact, and advise with it concerning the man in question, telling all he knows of the character, habits and standing of the man. In this way many good men can be gained for a fraternity who would otherwise not join any fraternity or, perhaps, who would join some local club whose laws would keep them out of fraternities altogether. One of the greatest inducements a Freshman can have for joining any particular fraternity, is that he has friends who are members of the fraternity. Fraternity men, out of college, if you do not happen to know the young man who is going to college, meet him and become friendly with him. You will find it more than worth while.

When a man leaves the college halls, he carries with him many fond memories, the most pleasant of which, perhaps, are of his fraternity life and fraternity brothers. It seems almost impossible that he should ever forget his Chapter and its needs. But too often this is the case. Too often when a man leaves college he practically severs his connection, at least actively, with his Chapter. This should not be. A man should always keep in close touch with his Chapter. He can do it lots of good in



more ways than one. Not only should he keep in touch with his Chapter, but with those members of his Chapter who, like himself, have left the college walls and are engaged in the battles of life. An exchange of ideas can be productive of much good, and alumni of a Chapter owe that Chapter their aid in its upbuilding and strengthening.

Of equal importance with keeping in touch with one's Chapter, is keeping in touch with the general officers of the fraternity. They are charged with the supervisory regulation of the Fraternity, and it is due them that they be aided in every possibly way by all the members, both active and alumni, of all the Chapters. There is work to be done in nearly every city and town in a State, and alumni members are generally in a better position to do such work than the active members who are away for the greater part of the year.

In this active age, when mail facilities are becoming better and better, when there is hardly a hamlet that does not receive letters almost daily,—business is beginning more and more to be transacted by mail. The successful business man will not permit laxity in the carrying on of correspondence. If he did, it would not be long before he would cease to be successful. How much more so should this be then, in the carrying on of the affairs of a fraternity which, while they must be run on a business basis, have the higher incentive to success which is generated in the human mind and heart by sentiment and brotherly love! Fraternity men, do not neglect your correspondence, especially when it has reference to the interests of your fraternity. It is as easy, if not easier, to reply promptly to a letter than it is to procrastinate.

Any great movement which has for its object the uplifting of mankind, or the social intercourse of man bound by ties stronger than the ordinary ties by which man is bound to man, uses, as one means of expressing its ideas and ideals, the press. Some great movements publish magazines, contributions to which are more or less con-

nected with the object for which the organization was founded. It is considered a privilege to express, through the columns of such magazine, one's views concerning any phase of the object of the movement.

Most fraternities publish, with more or less regularity, magazines, contributions to which come from the members, active and alumni, of the fraternities. Very few alumni, however, seem to care to go to the trouble (which indeed, is not a trouble, but a pleasure) of writing articles for the magazine. This should not be the case, for often an alumnus is in a better position to discuss a certain phase of fraternity life, or to offer suggestions in regard to some particular question that is before the fraternity, than an active member. Experience is on the side of the alumnus member, and this experience should ever be at the disposal of his fraternity for the protection of her best interests. If the alumni of a fraternity would take more interest in what is published in their fraternity magazine, they would find themselves more and more interested in the fraternity itself.

A very fruitful source of alumni inactivity is the fact that very few of them ever become subscribers to their magazine after they have left college. This is surprising in view of the fact that they are supposed to be imbued with such a love for their fraternity as to deserve to know what it is doing even after they had quit the college walls forever. It is a very small thing to continue to be a subscriber to one's fraternity magazine, but it amounts to a great deal so far as the fraternity itself is concerned. A fraternity is generally judged, at least in part, by the magazine it issues, and the alumni members have as much an interest as the active members in keeping up the general tone and standard of their fraternity.

Most fraternities provide constitutionally for the organization and carrying on of alumni Chapters. In this way the alumni can be organized and brought into closer touch with the general officers of the fraternity and with each other. Alumni Chapters, when properly conducted, are



of great benefit to the fraternity, for through them fraternity men out of college can be more surely interested in their fraternity, and a great opportunity is given for the alumni to consider plans looking to the advancement of the fraternity. Alumni Chapters should be encouraged in every possible way.

The alumni members of a Chapter should interest themselves in the erection of a Chapter house, or if one has been erected, in the improvement of the same. They will find this one of the best ways to help their Chapter after they have severed their active connection with it. They should always be ready to meet with committees from their Chapter and discuss with them plans and ways and means for the benefitting of the Chapter. The strengthening of the Chapters, means the strengthening of the fraternity, and the alumni can assist greatly in strengthening the Chapters.

With the opening of another school year, many new men will be initiated into fraternal bonds. These men have, almost without exception, joined the fraternity of their choice.

New men, you have been united by mystic bonds with men who will be your true and lasting friends and brothers. You have made comrades upon whom you can depend. By becoming fraternity men, you have taken upon yourselves certain obligations which the good fraternity man will not neglect. While the order men in a Chapter will be your leaders, do not forget that some day you yourselves will be the leaders of new men, so work as you would have those whom you will lead in future years, to work.

You can do a great deal towards strengthening your Chapter by the addition of other new men, and this should be one of the greatest objects toward which you should work.

Learn as quickly as you can those high principles upon which your Fraternity is founded, and endeavor, in your every act, to carry them out in all respects. Learn the



laws by which you are governed, and obey them as best you can.

You have pledged your word of honor to be a true fraternity man; see to it that you *are* a true fraternity man.

*Charles W. Underwood, Alumnus of Chi.*

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### THE MORAVIAN MASSACRE.

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When the Revolutionary War broke out it became almost absolutely necessary for a person to take one side or the other. There could be no half-way measures—no attempts at remaining neutral. All such efforts only caused the party to be looked on with suspicion. He must be either patriot or tory. Nevertheless the Moravian Indians,—a branch of the Delaware tribe, who had become Christians, and who were under the leadership of some missionaries,—tried to maintain this untenable position. They had been led to the banks of the Muskingum some years previous, and had made settlements at Salem, Guadenhutten and Schonbrunn, where they lived and carried on their simple worship in their roomy and comfortable cabins.

As was stated, when the war broke out they tried to observe a strict neutrality, aiding neither Americans nor English. For the first two or three years they were left undisturbed, but it was manifestly impossible for this to continue long. Nearly all the other Indians in the West were on the side of the English, who continually urged them to make attacks upon the out-lying posts of the Americans. The Moravian towns were midway between the Indian towns about Sandusky and the white settlements southeast of the Ohio, so that the war parties of wild Indians when going to and from their raids upon whites would use them as half-way houses at which to stop and refresh themselves. Although this assistance was rendered with the greatest reluctance, it was the very thing that

brought the Moravians so much trouble, and that finally effected their destruction.

From the very first the Christian Indians had been looked upon as traitors by the Sandusky tribes, who, when they found that they could not persuade them to take up the hatchet against the Americans, took the most malicious pleasure in trying to embroil them in trouble against their will. This accounts for their frequent stops at the village when on the war-path. They would often go out of their way in order to pass through the Moravian towns and force the inhabitants to give them food and shelter in order to cast suspicion upon the innocent Indians and turn the wrath of the backwoodsmen against them.

Their designs succeeded admirably. The parties that were raiding white settlements and massacreing so many of their inhabitants were receiving valuable aid from the Moravians—however reluctantly it was given—in being allowed to stop and rest in their villages. This continued so long that the whites began to look with suspicion upon the Moravians, refusing to believe that the assistance was rendered only because they dared not refuse it. This suspicion was also increased by seeing some of the backsliders from the Moravian settlements fighting with the Sandusky Indians. So they soon began to clamor for the destruction of the Moravian villages, but for a time they were held in check by the Continental officers commanding the border forts, who had always treated the harmless Indians with great kindness.

The position of the Moravians became more and more perilous as time passed. The missionaries seemed incapable of realizing what danger there was, and they would not permit their charges to take either side, so the poor Indians clung to their homes to the last. Much of the blame must rest upon these missionaries because of the stand they took. Colonel Gibson, the American commander at Pittsburg, tried to get them to come inside the American lines where they would be protected, while on the other side the chief of the Wyandots made every ef-



fort to get them to abandon their dangerous position and come within the British lines. They refused to accept either of these offers and sat dumbly awaiting their fate, which was to come in an all too horrible form. Their end was almost parallel to that of the Dunkards, some Quaker-like Germans who had built a settlement on the Monongohela about a quarter of a century previous, and had tried to maintain a neutral position between the whites and the Indians. They thus became obnoxious to both races, and were eventually massacred by the Indians. The cases are identical, in each instance the slaughtering being done by the opposite race from the one to which the victims belonged.

The first blow which the Moravians received, came from the Indians. In the fall of 1781 they were suddenly visited by a horde of warriors from Sandusky and Detroit, accompanied by a body of white rangers, British and French Tories, flying the British flag. These insisted that the Christian Indians return with them to Sandusky. Begging was of no avail, so they had to go. Many of their houses and a large part of their winter supplies were burned. Owing to the kindness of the British commandant, they were not treated very badly while there, except that they were given a very small allowance of provisions. Some of them escaped and were captured by a detachment of American militia under Colonel David Williamson. But as soon as they were brought before Colonel Gibson, he released them and sent them back to their own villages. The very day after they were sent away by Gibson several murders were committed near Pittsburg, and many of the frontiersmen believed that the Moravians were to some extent responsible for them. A loud clamor was raised against all Indians, and Gibson and Williamson were censured severely for not keeping the prisoners in custody.

During the winter the Moravians suffered greatly at Sandusky, and before spring one hundred and fifty of them had returned to their village. Late in February,



1782, some eighty or ninety men gathered to destroy the Moravian towns. The inhabitants were warned by some of the Sandusky Indians and by a white man, and Gibson sent them a note, which, however, arrived too late; but in the face of a real danger they seemed unable to do anything to save themselves. They did not try to protect themselves nor to flee from the peril.

The men started about the first of March and came to the villages on the third day. By an abominable falsehood they made the Indians of Salem and Guadenhutten believe that they were on a peaceful mission, and they spent some time in gathering them all together and putting them in two houses, the men in one, the women and children in the other. Those in Schonbrunn received warning and made their escape.

As soon as the Indians were all hived in the two houses the white men held a council to decide what they should do with them. A large majority were for putting them to death at once. Others begged that their lives be spared, and eighteen withdrew, calling God to witness that they were innocent of the crime about to be committed. This was commendable enough so far as it went, but history would have honored them far more had they defended the innocent Indians with their own lives. These men took with them an Indian boy, who, together with two other small boys, were the only persons to escape the slaughter.

As soon as they had reached a decision the frontiersmen went and informed the doomed creatures what was to be their fate. They only asked for a short time in which to prepare for death. They begged each other's pardon for anything that might be held against them, and knelt down for a few moments of prayer, after which they kissed each other farewell and began to sing hymns of praise to God. Then the butchers started upon their bloody task of slaughtering ninety-six human beings. The affair must ever stand as one of the darkest spots in the white man's conquest of North America. A century and a quarter

have passed since the foul deed was committed, yet a man cannot read an account of it without an overpowering desire to have been upon the scene with the power to have dealt out to them the just reward for such an atrocity. Or as Mr. Roosevelt so well expresses it: "It is impossible not to regret that fate failed to send some strong, war party of savages across the path of these inhuman cowards, to inflict on them the punishment they so richly deserved. We know that a few of them were afterwards killed by the Indians; it is a matter of keen regret that any escaped."

It can be easily explained why the more violent and vicious element of the frontier would engage in such an enterprise, but how the conservative element could have joined in, or sanctioned it, is almost beyond comprehension. The long continuance of the Indian warfare, and the indescribable horrors accompanying it, however, had brought the backwoodsman almost to believe that the Indian was not a human being, but a filthy, cruel, and faithless animal of some sort, the death of which was a relief to mankind. In trying to explain the cause of the massacre one must also consider the stern, grim character of the backwoodsmen. They lived continually in the face of hardship and danger. They spared not themselves and were not disposed to spare others. The histories of their families were stories of sacrifice to the cruelty of the Indian, and they had come in turn to demand a sacrifice of lives. But try as we might we could never tell just why it occurred, nor could we possibly furnish a legitimate excuse for its being done. It stands as one of the great unexplainable, unexcusable acts in history, a monument to a time when man ceased to be human, and answering the "Call of the Wild" once more assumed the role of a beast, preying upon his own kind.

*C. S. Coffey, '05, Zeta.*



### A GROUP OF PPS.

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The Southern Students Conference of the Young Men's Christian Association was held at the Farm School by the Swannanoa near Ashville, N. C., June 15th to 24th, 1906.

In all, about 250 men from the various colleges and universities were in attendance. Of this number seven were Pi Kappa Alphas, of whom a picture is sent with this. The names, reading from left to right, standing, are:

A. F. Jackson, Tau, West Point, Ga.  
J. L. Neill, Alpha Iota, Montrose, Miss.  
Dr. W. M. Anderson, Theta, Nashville, Tenn.  
W. B. Gillespie, Beta, Rock Hill, S. C.  
T. Stearns, Beta, Ashville, N. C.

#### Kneeling:

J. W. Marshall, Theta, Perdue Hill, Ala.  
S. G. Noble, Tau, Bushnell, Fla.

The morning hours were devoted to conference work. The afternoons were taken up with base-ball, tennis, track, swimming, and mountain climbing. The college yell and song were no small feature of this gathering, even meal time being rendered thus uproarious. In many respects the Farm School was well adapted to such a meeting as this, the mountain air and scenery making the ten days exceedingly pleasant and profitable. We hope to see more *Π. Κ. Α's.* in next year's assembly.

*James W. Marshall, Theta.*



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*WHY JACK BECAME AN OLD BACHELOR.*

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"Why in kingdom come don't I decide once and for all ! I can't marry but one of them—so says the Louisiana law—but the whole trouble is, both of them is in love with me; and now the question has to be answered, which shall I make the future "Mrs. John James Lovell," the brown-eyed Helen with her golden charm, or the bewitching Gladys with a seraph's smile ? Ah ! Gladys, Gladys, would that you possessed Helen's bank account ! But, pshaw ! what a wish ! It is not and never will be so."

My thoughts have certainly taken an age to get in line on this subject, but then its always best "to go slow in the curve." Either one of the dear creatures I can have for the asking—and that's not blowing my own horn either—for I've held a "winning hand" with Gladys ever since we made mud-pies together; and as for Helen, well I've been her 'right bower' since she discovered that I called her out at "Mithras" some years ago. But to come back to the point, which shall I choose ? On the one hand, grace, refinement and intellectual charm; on the other side, fortune, ease and enjoyment. Bah ! sentiment's a thing for poet's to make rhymes about. Love is for men who enjoy living in dismal flats and in assisting their wives in the house work, for men who prefer beer to champagne and street cars to automobiles—tyros in common sense and practical wisdom ! Pshaw ! any fellow past the softness of youth, with a clear head and an eye to the future, can safely pilot his matrimonial craft beyond such a Charybdis. Well, I believe that I've reached my decision, so I'll celebrate with my very best 'Haraus;' and, as the smoke curls about my head, I'll bid all dreams of sweet Gladys farewell and the image of fair Helen—welcome.

Hello ! There's Richard Trent—seems in a hurry \* \* coming here too !

"Caesar's ghost ! But its beastly hot to-day, Jack !"

"Where did you spring from Dick ? What's up ?"

"Everything, Jack, everything."

"Well, you might tell a fellow."

"Start me off Jack, and I will; er——er——the truth is, Helen's promised to marry me, Jack, and I want you for 'best man.' "

"Helen's promised to marry you ! By all the shades of Pluto ! Impossible!"

"Not so, Jack, its a fact."

"Tell me all about it, Dick, won't you ?"

"Not now, old fellow, I'm in a hurry, but I will give the story in full. \* \* \* So long Jack."

"Bye-bye till to-night, then, Dick. \* \* \* To think that Helen should have given me the grand slip. \* \* \* I suppose that I'll manage to survive the shock! Anyway Gladys is left. I'll run over there right away before any one else gets a chance to have a 'say so.' "

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"And you're really in love with me, Jack ? How funny that you have lived beside me all these years and only just now discovered your wondrous secret. I'm afraid you're dreaming, Jack."

"Don't laugh at me, Gladys."

"I can't see how you can feel a spark of sentiment in such weather, Jack, \* \* \* it must be about one hundred and two 'in the shade.' "

"I don't see the point in your remark, being that the sun set fully an hour ago. Won't you be serious Gladys ?"

"Serious ? Indeed I am ! Now I'm going to tell you a little secret to prove it. Jack, my fondest hope is at last to be realized; oh! I'm half afraid to think about it lest it prove a myth, but at this moment I see it so distinctly:

"Some dear little vine-clad cottage blest,  
As cosy and sweet as the humming bird's nest."

"Won't it be lovely, Jack ?"

"Heavenly, if you'll let me sit with you on the window seat beneath the rose-vine. May I Gladys ?"

"Why, Jack, I don't know,—for the window seat is al-



ready engaged—Charlie made me promise it to him about two weeks ago.”

“Charlie, who is he?”

“Why, don’t you know? He is Charlie Layton, my fiancee.”

“Why didn’t you tell me before this, Gladys?”

“Because you didn’t give me time, Jack, and then too, you were so sure that I meant you all the time that it was fun to keep it up.”

“It wasn’t like your old kind self, Gladys.”

“I did not mean to hurt you, Jack, but I must confess that I wished you to learn by experience, never to boast of your bird till its bagged.”

*John Davidson, Jr., Eta.*

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### **RUSHING.**

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Perhaps the most critical part of the collegiate year is, so far as fraternities are concerned, that part known in Hellenic potois as the “rushing season.” The season that determines which fraternity shall in future be upheld by the strongest men, or in others, the relative standing of the the several fraternities. At this crisis, as in all crises, men are liable to lose their heads. Fraternity rushing is indeed a dangerous and exciting game—a lottery. We may draw a priceless diamond; we may draw a blank, a trifle, a figure-head; we may plunge so deeply as to be injured beyond repair. But if the game is played with a cool head and steady hand, the chances are strongly in favor of winning.

After such reflection as the above, the writer conceived the idea of besetting his Brothers in *Φ. Φ. Κ. Α.* with a friendly discourse on the subject indicated.

On the principle that it is wise to get the eggs before setting the hen, let us first discuss what kind of men to



rush and then in due season take up the question of way and means.

This we think should be the first maxim of every fraternity—go after no man until it is known positively that he is a gentleman by birth.

In the excitement incident to rushing, a man's social standing is sometimes taken for granted, and a fraternity is terribly injured. Often a Freshman has all the outward appearance of a gentleman. He is well dressed, has good manners, makes a good impression, but is debarred by the social spider's web from the best homes of his native town. He may even be a fine fellow himself, but still if society shuts its doors upon him, it will also shut them upon the pin that he wears. With this first maxim always before us, let us digest another—get good men, or none at all. A good man, fraternally speaking, is a broad term. It covers strong men; studious men; athletes; "good-for-nothing sort of fellows that you can't help liking." But its meaning is confined to those who have, together with social standing, the qualities which cause them to be admired by or popular with their fellow students. It is not necessary to consume time and space in naming those qualities. They are known instinctively to every student. But remember this—don't whatever you do rush a man who hasn't got them to a sufficient degree.

This then is what we must find in a bunch of Freshmen, gentlemen who are good, strong, congenial men.

In selecting men use your head. Look at the question from every point of view, as it were a business proposition, and take those and only those, whom your common sense tells you that you want.

Having selected your man, the next question is to persuade him to select you.

There are many ways of doing this, and great care and judgment are necessary.

*G. A. Wilson, Jr., Iota,*

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*HISTORIC LIGHTS.*

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From the time that man first appeared under the rays of an oriental sun, there has been a continual struggle for place and prominence, in which man has been the chief actor and the intellect the essential part of that actor. We see myraids of toiling humanity struggling and striving to reach the lofty summits to which they aspire. But while they are trying to overcome the difficulties and to surmount the obstacles which fate seems to thrust in their way, thousands are slowly but surely descending to the dark valley of despair and shame. Yet there are some who have reached those heights and who have carved their names on the pillar of fame to be preserved and cherished and to shine as lights through centuries to come.

Babylon, with all her pomp and splendor was not the offspring of an hour; Napoleon's conquest of Europe was not the result of a single battle; Milton's *Paradise Lost* was not composed in a single day. So it is with all of those who stand upon the exalted pedestal of glory. Their works, teaching and inventions are not the result of a week, a month, a year, nay, even decades of toil and labor were taken to produce them. Look at Bacon and his essays. It is through these that we best know him and that our minds are brought into closer contact with his superior knowledge. These essays have moved the intellects which have moved the world. Look at Milton, whose name is closely identified with sublimity of composition and who is indeed the sublimest of poets. Again, behold Bunyan, who wrote with the ease and clearness of Homer and who has not been equalled in making the doctrine of Christianity understood. Consider Dryden, who in despite of penury and the contempt which follows it of degrading patronage and rejected solicitation, made his name one of the first in English literature.

What more hazardous enterprise is there than that of bearing the torch of truth into those dark recesses in which no light has ever shown? This has been well exemplified



by Newton who brought to light theories which to us at first glance seemed paradoxical. After scattering the elements of unbelief and scepticism and obtaining the harmonious co-operation of his contemporaries, what was the result? It was the solving of problems both theoretical and practical, which could never have been done had it not been for the labors of these men who put these truths forth.

We might well ask of what disposition or of what mind were these men. They were not men who worked upon marble or brass for time to efface nor built temples for the elements to destroy, but were men who were imbued with lofty and just principles and were girded with the fear of God. Inspired with such lofty principles, they worked for the elevation and the advancement of mankind. A man may have talents and accomplishments, but if these are not united with fixed principles and moral courage he cannot make use of them. The men who contributed so much to the world at large possessed these qualities in the highest degree. O, how calm, how majestic in appearance, how like unto the gods of mythology they looked, seated upon their thrones, administering justice and devoted to the search of truth. How can we picture them otherwise, those whose names have been heralded to the remotest parts of the earth and whose lives stand forth as examples of patriotism and heroism. We all should prize these great men. Though they are now numbered among the dead, they stand forth as the lights of centuries. They have left behind them their works, works which are far superior to those of their contemporaries, far more lasting than the Egyptian pyramids.

They are productions which will never be equalled and which will live until the final setting of the sun. Such works as these can only be compared to the sun in brilliancy and duration. Ah! how sweet are those notes of victory which are yielded after the storm has quieted and only the rustling of the leaves remain. Nothing can sound more pleasant to the ear, no notes can be more harmonious

than those which cry out 'the battle is over,' 'the victory is won.' It is to those human lives which have been tuned to those notes that we owe our profoundest respect and love. It is our duty to keep in mind the names of those who have made life's pathway less rugged for others. They are the lights of the past and shall serve as beacons to guide our lives.

They will shine, yea, shine and endure till they have dispelled the mists of ignorance and idolatrous conservatism that still enervate the world's best energies.

*Arthur Arnold, Alpha-Theta.*

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### FRIENDSHIP VS. LOVE.

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It was a bleak December night. Outside the wind raved and howled as it caught up great drifts of snow and hurried them with terrific force around the house, across the yard and down the road which ran in front of the house. Indeed it seemed that the whole earth, sky and intervening space, was one great writhing, swirling mass of snow, coming from everywhere and going everywhere at once. Huge drifts were formed only to be snatched up and hurled with deafening roar against the house or hurried across the neighboring fields.

"Uncle" Ned, for sixty years the stable boy and general utility man in the Ashton home, had been to the stable to see about the horses he had hitched out of the storm several hours before. Finding all well at the stable the old darkey pulled his ragged ulster more closely about his frail body, picked up his lantern and started for the cabin close by, where he and his good wife Mandy, had lived since "way fore de wah."

"Whew!" exclaimed Ned as he shook the snow from his clothes and rubbed his smarting hands, "If any of dem chilluns starts home to-night, dar is gwine to be somebody



hurt sho as yo' bawn, Mandy, case dat wind sho am blusteous."

"Fo de Lawd, niggah, here you is a bothin yo sef agin about nuffin. Don't you know de good Lawd done give Marse Crawford mo sense dan to let dem young uns go home to-night in dis here weather."

The old man sat long without replying, then he said:

"But I'se done heared young Marse Jacob Ross say he's gwine, and he lowed he gwine to take Miss Nancy too."

"Huh!," replied Mandy, "dem white folks haint lost all dey senses yit, an Marse Jack, he's too city like and tender; he ain't no mo an gwine to stick his nose outen de house fore, he ready to stay."

But Mandy did not know the reckless dare-devil spirit of this lilly complectioned city-bred young man, nor did she know a potent influence there was urging him on.

Up at the house, which was a large, old-fashioned country home, all appeared bright and jovial. In every room cheerful wood fires roared up the chimneys from the broad fireplaces and hearths. The sound of music and laughter drowned the fury of the storm outside. Major Ashton was holding his annual family reunion. All his children, grand-children, nieces and nephews were present, and on this, the last night of festivity, all young people of the neighborhood were invited.

This closing night of Major Ashton's Christmas reunion had for years been the crowning event of the year in Salem's society. For here were brought together, under a hospitality which only the country home of old Kentucky knows how to furnish, all the blue-blood of the neighborhood, together with friends and relatives from many distant lands. It was indeed a happy reunion, where college men and farmer lads, society queens from distant cities and the village belles of Salem, met in a bond of common friendship and good will.

Jack Ross was plainly a favorite. Handsome, debonair and a "hale fellow well met" with everybody, he won his

way into the hearts of family and community, just as he had into Crawford Ashton's three years before, as they, Freshmen together, had danced like monkeys, stood on their heads and chewed paper for the Sophomores, and now as Crawford Ashton's guest, he had gained the love of every one present. But, alas for friendship! He had found his way into one heart too many, and that one was Nancy Stone, the belle of Salem, of whom Jack had heard so much in the three years he and Crawford had been in college together.

Crawford had loved Nancy ever since the days they made mud-pies together, and he, in trying to kiss her, had left his finger prints on her clean frock, and to-night he had resolved to declare his love, but each time he sought Nancy he found Jack Ross with her. Irritated by Jack's attentions and Nancy's apparent unconcern, he left the parlor, telling his grandfather that his head ached and he would go to his room and rest a while.

Passing the open door of a small back parlor his troubled thoughts were interrupted by a light girlish laugh. Turning quickly at the sound of a voice he knew and loved so well,—his heart stood still,—he saw the girl he loved and the boy he had loved and trusted for three years, sitting hand in hand, while Jack was speaking in a low pleading voice, and Nancy with downcast eyes had a happy smile on her face.

With a smothered groan Crawford staggered down the hall and out the door, which he scarce could close against the storm, so fierce it was. But he was heedless of the storm and its fury. In vain endeavor to quell the storm raging in his heart, he wandered he knew not and cared not where.

All his past life came before his throbbing mind, and every snow-flake seemed to be a little demon come to increase the fury of the tempest within him. He saw the little golden haired girl of ten as he kissed her and she cried a little, then fell down in the mud to keep her mother



from seeing the finger prints and—yes, she let him kiss her again and didn't cry. He saw the same little girl and himself at the sugar camp, as both licked syrup from the same spoon, a wooden affair which he had made himself. He saw her a coy maiden of sixteen, as together they wandered along the little brook or roamed through the woods picking wild flowers. Then as she started to college she bid him "good-bye" with tears in her eyes, and told him how lonesome she would be without him.

Then his fiercest mind turned to a distant scene, a river, a drowning boy, and how he at the risk of his own life, had brought Jack Ross safely to shore; and how for three years they had been constantly together without a cross word. All these things flashed through his mind with such rapidity that it made him dizzy. And then—oh, God!—the very wind seemed to stop and each snow-flake become a spark of fire. Had he not told Jack of his love for Nancy? And had they not often talked during the long winter evenings of his little girl at home? And now—to-night—ah! a new thought. His teeth ground together, his nails dug deep into his palms, and a fiendish smile spread over his haggard face. "No! By the eternal no! He shall never marry her," he hissed between his clinched teeth.

Rushing madly forward through the blinding storm, he collided with some tall, dark object in the way which promptly grabbed him by the throat, yelling "murder! Help! Help! Mandy! Marse Crawford!"

By this time Ned had recognized Crawford, and was standing at arm's length eyeing his captive from head to foot.

"W-w-w-why fo' de Lawd, Marse Crawford! What's yo doin' out heah in dat swaller tail and biled shirt and no hat ner overcoat ner nuffin?"

"Where have you been, Ned?" asked Crawford, ignoring the old man's string of exclamations.

"Why Ise been down to open de gate fo' Marse Jack and Miss Nancy," replied Ned.

“What! has Jack Ross taken Nancy out in this? The—.”

But Ned heard no more, for Crawford was away with a bound, across the yard and down the road like a blood hound upon his victim’s trail.

Half a mile from Major Ashton’s gate was a road turning to the right and leading to the Stone farm, one mile further on. Thus far Crawford had the storm to his back, but when he turned it nearly carried him off his feet, but he struggled on for several hundred yards until he fell over a prostrate form in the road. Quickly regaining his feet he knelt to see what it was. “Jack! Jack Ross!” was the only words that escaped his lips. Now was his chance! But a blow and his purpose was accomplished—but only a blow? Only leave him awhile and it would all be over. And Nancy! He must find Nancy. With this thought he started down the road again. But—he stopped—ah! he was an Ashton, and no Ashton was ever a coward.

Slowly retracing his steps he again knelt by the prostrate form.

“Jack! O Jack!” he called, as he shook and rubbed his senseless body. He forgot his wrath, and once more worked for the life of his friend. Presently Jack groaned and opened his eyes.

“O, Jack, where is Nance?” was all he could say.

“You, Crawford? you? She is safe at home. I put her out and started back when the horse took fright and—and— O, Crawford! I—I—,” sobbed Jack and fell apparently lifeless in his friend’s arms.

No one ever knew how it happened, but Major Ashton heard a fall and a groan on the front porch, and going out he found Crawford with Jack in his arms, both unconscious.

Three weeks later Crawford Ashton opened his eyes and looked about him. The sun was shining through his window. Where was he? Surely he was dreaming. He saw his father and mother standing by his bed, his grandfather sat near the window. Why! he was at home in his own room. But why was he so weak? A soft sob at his



side caused him to turn his head, and in a flash he remembered.

"Nancy! O, Nancy!" he whispered.

"Crawford! Crawford! forgive me! O forgive me, Crawford!" she sobbed, as she clung to his wasted hands.

Too weak to reply, he smiled and was soon asleep with his hand held in Nancy's. When he awoke Nancy was still by him holding his hand and stroking gently his pale forehead. His father held a letter which he read to Crawford with a choking voice. It ran as follows:

"DEAR CRAWFORD:

The doctor says you are out of danger. Thank God! For twenty days and nights I have watched by your bed, praying God to spare your life, for had you died I would always have been a murderer in my own eyes.

O, Crawford! can you forgive me? If you can your father will telegraph me. If you cannot—and I could not blame you—I sail for Europe next Wednesday. May God forgive me and bless you and Nancy. Forgive me! Crawford, Crawford, forgive me.

JACK."

Weak as Crawford was, he drew Nancy to him and whispered "Yes father, telegraph him."

*John F. Johnston, Alpha-Lambda.*

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### FOR AULD LANG SYNE.

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Some twenty years ago the writer was a Freshman at a Virginia college, where a Chapter of Pi Kappa Alpha had just been launched. In remembrance of those fine old days I would like to speak to my Brothers of the spirit that was in us Pi's at that old college. It may help some of our Chapters now.

Before I was asked by this Chapter I had passed this judgment on it: "I like the way of the boys in Pi Kappa Alpha. They are true to each other and true to what is

right." I witnessed an election of medalist in a Literary Society. A Pi Kappa Alpha man was a candidate. Three of his frat. men voted against him, and one was heard to say to him after the election, "Old man, I felt like a dog, voting against you, but I had to be true to my oath, I swore I was to vote for the best orator, and could not convince myself that you were best." They went off as Brothers should, trusting each other in all things. I made this mental note: "Those fellows better not ask me to join them." They did, and I was fortunate enough to wear the *Shield and Diamond*. It was then that I understood something of the spirit of the men that made up that Chapter. It was a helpful Chapter. The older men did not hesitate to take the Freshmen under their care. They advised them about their social behavior, dictated their attitude towards the Professors, corrected their table manners, helped in matters of dress, rebuked them for bad habits, and encouraged them in their studies. I heard a Freshman of the Chapter say one day, "Confound it, I am about dead for a smoke, but I promised Bob Moore I wouldn't smoke any more till June. I was a fool for doing it, but he argued me into it, and now I have too much pride to beg off from my pledge." Let a slander arise against one of the men, and his Chapter mates to a man would stand by the fellow in trouble if he declared it false. It was a well recognized fact in that Chapter that no member would lie to another. A word from a Brother was final. It settled the matter.

This Chapter was never in a rush to spike men. It is a pleasant memory, which may be confirmed by the records, that most of the initiates were taken in after the holidays. I fear such a conservative Chapter now-a-days would be run away with in one year. It was a fine policy then, as it gave us time to select our men. I have in mind several men who were discussed at nearly every meeting for four or five months. One of these men is now a distinguished criminal lawyer, who reflects great credit on his State, his family, and his Fraternity. It took some months to find in him Pi material, but it was found to be good.









We boys used to spend the summer planning for our Chapter, and we were all eager to get back to the campus to take up the battle for Pi Kappa Alpha. I recall so vividly the excitement of introducing the man we had picked out as the right type to the men of the Chapter and how we labored to show that he was all right. It was sometimes hard to bring the Chapter together on a man, but when we did agree, we were invincible, for it was generally a man that would be drawn to our crowd by natural affinities. My! how I would love to live over another season of rushing for Pi Kappa Alpha.

This Chapter was one of the only two living Chapters on the roll of Pi Kappa Alpha and this made it hard to stand amid the other fraternities, but we stood, and the college annals will show that Pi Kappa Alpha was not an unworthy rival in the race. The Chapter's records will show that twice overtures came from strong National Fraternities to merge with them, but the same records will show that we scorned the thought of forsaking the banner we had loved so dearly. We little thought then that we held the destinies of the Greater Pi Kappa Alpha in our hands. What if we had yielded to the flattering offers!

The memory of those days is free from unpleasant words and deeds towards Chapters of the other fraternities. We were chivalrous at all times and a fine courtesy existed among the Chapters that made Greek life at this old college free from all taint of jealousy and maliciousness.

I trust the same fine spirit will characterize the Chapters of Pi Kappa Alpha always and the success of our fraternity in Southern colleges is assured and the fulfillment of the high and righteous purpose of our noble Order will speedily be realized.

*H. B. Arbuckle.*

## Chapter Letters.

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### ALPHA.

#### *University of Virginia.*

The University of Virginia opened this year with more than the usual number of matriculates. The indications are that the attendance will be more than any former session. Alpha has 12 old men back. They are as follows: R. H. Allen, John H. Neff, W. H. Fulton, W. H. Jordan, Theo. J. Williams, E. H. Venable, J. Loyd Newcomb, Duncan Curry, H. B. G. Galt, L. H. Lewis, C. E. Mason and J. T. Terry. Brother Terry is back after an absence of several years. Brother P. H. Stother is also with us for a time while studying up a medical examination to the navy.

Alpha has three transfers this year: Brothers W. R. Waller, of Georgetown College, R. M. Cust, of Millsaps, and Sidney S. Hughes, of William and Mary College.

The following Brothers did not return this year, either on account of graduation or otherwise: Wade Meadows, C. B. Brown, C. Vernon Spratley, E. Hugh Smith, Ben Hill Brown, C. Tate Scott, Walter Baldwin and Robert H. Webb. Alpha has at present no initiates, but several in prospect, and hopes to be able to introduce them in the next issue.

The prospect this year in foot-ball is encouraging, although the lack of the Carolina game has somewhat dampened enthusiasm. Brother Neff is on the squad with an excellent chance of obtaining a position on the team. He is our only representative in the athletic line.

Alpha had the honor and pleasure of seeing Brother L. W. Tazewell, of Norfolk, Va., one of our honored founders,



who was with us for a short time at the beginning of the session.

The Chapter still rents and occupies the same Chapter house, but a movement has been on foot for some time to raise funds for the erection of a house of its own, and it is hoped that before long we will have a house of this kind.

*C. E. Mason.*

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**BETA.**

*Davidson College.*

Probably never before in her history has Davidson opened with a brighter outlook than that of the present year.

Through the untiring efforts of Dr. Smith, our President, a new dormitory—modern in every particular—has been completed for the accommodation of the great increase in the student body. One hundred and fifty new men matriculated at the beginning of this term, bringing the sum total to three hundred and twenty-five.

There seems to be a very considerable amount of frat. material among the new students, but according to the rules imposed by the Faculty last May, we are forbidden "to initiate, pledge or approach with reference to membership, any member or prospective member of the Freshman Class" before the Monday after college opens for the spring term. These rules we think are advantageous to the frats., and they have accordingly agreed to keep them in good faith. Hence, as far as "rushing" is concerned, frat. affairs are at a standstill. However we have our eye on several good Freshmen whom we hope to "get the hooks on" when the proper time comes.

Ten of our men returned this year, and with this start we feel confident of getting together a strong crowd.

Our home addresses are:

E. Wilcox, 921 Greene Street, Augusta, Ga.

W. B. Gillispie, Rock Hill, S. C.

J. Allin, Jr., Chattanooga, Tenn.

H. F. Morton, Rocky Mount, N. C.

R. C. Sadler, R. F. D. 5, Charlotte, N. C.  
L. R. Scott, Statesville, N. C.  
A. R. Mustin, Asheville, N. C.  
R. C. Walker, Waycross, Ga.  
O. E. Buchholz, Dalton, Ga.  
H. A. Wakefield, Charlotte, N. C.

The student body of the other frats. is as follows: *Σ. A. E.*, 9; *K. A.*, 7; *B. Θ. H.*, 10; *K. Σ.*, 11.

Beta wishes to extend to the other Chapters her best wishes for a most successful year,

*A. R. Mustin.*

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### GAMMA

*William and Mary College.*

On Thursday, September 20, the two hundred and fourteenth session of William and Mary College was begun. It is rather hard at present to estimate the number of students, as the roll has not yet been completed; but we believe that we will have as many as last year, two hundred and forty-four, and very probably more.

Two new professors are with us this session, Dr. Montgomery and Dr. James S. Wilson. Dr. Montgomery fills the Chair of Latin, succeeding Dr. Wharton, who has been made Professor Emeritus, while Dr. Wilson is associated with Dr. Hall in the Department of English and History. Mr. T. L. Bridges has been chosen to fill the position of Registrar.

Another new man, Mr. Withers, of Washington and Lee University, is here in the capacity of Physical Director and foot-ball Coach. While not all of last year's foot-ball team returned to college this year, a large number of new men are on the field daily, and Coach Withers hopes to turn out a winning team this fall.

During these first few days of activity in almost every phase of college life, old Gamma has not been idle. So far we have returned seven men of the twelve who were here throughout the last session, and we are expecting another to arrive very soon. The old members who are with us are as follows:



C. M. Barnes, Williamsburg, Va.  
A. L. Blackwell, Reedville, Va.  
J. H. Brent, Heathsville, Va.  
Floyd Hughes, Jr., Norfolk, Va.  
G. G. Hawkins, Toano, Va.  
E. F. Shewmaker, Jr., Newport News, Va.  
J. S. White, Warrenton, Va.  
Cyrus Hawkins, Williamsburg, Va.  
E. M. McCandlish, Saluda, Va.  
A. M. Sneed, Stafford, Va.

We are still on the lookout for suitable material, and are considering the names of three or four men in regard to whom we will reach a definite decision in a few days.

Gamma has long been represented in positions of honor in college, and we are not lacking in this respect now. Brother G. G. Hankins is Captain of the foot-ball team, and will for the third season fill the position of right tackle, while Brother Shewmake is Editor-in-Chief of the College Magazine. A number of our men are among the candidates for the foot-ball team.

Brothers J. A. Carson, J. N. Hubbard, W. B. Newcomb and G. G. White, members of last year's Chapter, are not with us again. Brother Carson has a principalship in the public schools at Farmville, Va. Brother Hubbard is studying law at Richmond College, Richmond, Va., Brother Newcomb will enter the Medical Department of Johns Hopkins University, and Brother White is at his home in Abingdon, Va.

Our Chapter occupies the same house as last year, everything is running smoothly, and we see no reason why this should not be a most successful year for Gamma.

We extend our best wishes to all the Chapters for a pleasant and prosperous year.

*E. F. Shewmake, Jr.*

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#### **DELTA.**

*Southern University.*

Once again Delta greets her sister Chapters and salutes the Fraternity as a whole. She wishes an unprecedented

success to *H. K. A.* and intends to give an undivided effort towards making it such.

The following men have returned :

N. G. Cammack, Eleanor, Ala.  
R. B. Cochran, New Market, Ala.  
C. A. DeBardeleben, Greensboro, Ala.  
C. A. Grote, Greensboro, Ala.  
A. C. McFaddin, Greensboro, Ala.  
G. M. Watson, Hestle, Ala.

Brother Shamburgher is expected to return.

All report a pleasant vacation, and come back to resume their duties with enthusiasm and noble resolutions for a better and more determined effort to develop and maintain the true principles embodied in our Fraternity.

Though only a few, what we lack in numbers is more than counterbalanced by the enthusiastic loyalty which is present in the heart of every one who did return.

Owing to some fraternity resolutions made by the Faculty, no new student can be solicited until four calendar months have elapsed since his matriculation. These resolutions necessarily defer the "spiking" season until about the tenth of January. When that time arrives we hope to obtain our share of initiates.

The college has had a very promising opening. The number of students exceeds that of preceding years. The personnel of the Faculty has not been changed. No important improvements have been made. The other fraternities, by request, have moved their halls to town and have secured halls practically in the same building as ours. Their former halls at the college are being fitted up for recitation rooms.

The removal of the other fraternities from the college has to some degree given us an equal footing with them. Their strength in numbers is as follows: *K. A.* 13, *S. A. E.* 9, *A. T. O.* 9.

In the Athletic Association we are represented by Brother Cammack, who is Secretary and Treasurer and Manager of the department. He also won the medal for Sopho-



more Oratory last Commencement. Brother DeBardeleben has been chosen by his Literary Society as Debater.

Tennis is the only department of athletics in which a great deal of interest is manifested. Some trouble has occurred in the editorial staff of our college publication, but that has been settled and we hope to have a good magazine.

Brother Willcoxon, an alumnus of '06, will teach the coming season.

Again with best wishes to all.

*George M. Watson.*

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### THETA.

*Southwestern Presbyterian University.*

To all the Brothers of all the Chapters Theta extends hearty greeting, for, with the return of the old boys, there was also a marked increase in the number of new men. With this opening, prophetic of larger things in the future, came new life and activity in all departments. But it is with sincere regret that we note the absence of two of our most popular Professors, Dr. A. B. Dinwiddie and Dr. Wharey, of the chairs of Mathematics and English respectively. The former goes to Tulane and the latter to the University of Nashville. However, we are glad to have with us Dr. Wm. Dinwiddie and Dr. Bond, who take their places.

As you know, our school is small, but the class of students is unusually high. This is evidenced by the great number of fraternity men in so small a student body. Indeed, there is ample room for one or two more fraternities to establish solid Chapters. All four now located have large memberships, and the field is not yet exhausted.

Theta began the year with 13 old men. Fearing too large a number, for a while we thought of taking no new men. Conservatism has ever been a prominent characteristic of the Chapter. But finding some exceedingly desirable material among the new boys, we threw out the life line. By the time the SHIELD AND DIAMOND appears again, we hope to introduce a few men who, we are sure,

will reflect honor on Theta and all of Pi Kappa Alpha. Worth and congeniality make up our motto. To this end we have let the other fraternities do the most of the early initiating.

The roll at present is:

W. H. Armistead, Madison, Tenn.  
W. S. Barr, New Orleans, La.  
R. A. Bolling, Centreville, Miss.  
W. F. Creson, Murfreesboro, Tenn.  
J. W. Clotfelter, Bessemer, Ala.  
G. W. Currie, Hattiesburg, Miss.  
R. N. Marion, Honeka, Miss.  
J. W. Marshall, Perdue Hill, Ala.  
W. G. Miller, Woodford, Tenn.  
G. F. McLeod, Moss Point, Miss.  
J. T. Rothrock, Somerville, Tenn.  
W. H. Rothrock, Somerville, Tenn.  
R. L. Walkup, Waxhaw, N. C.

At our first meeting of the year it was indeed a pleasure to meet Brother Fort, of Zeta.

With best wishes for a happy year,

*Jas. W. Marshall.*

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### IOTA.

*Hampden-Sidney.*

The 131st session of Hampden-Sidney was opened on the evening of September 14th by Brother J. Gray McAllister, our popular President.

There was a decided increase in the number of new students, and there is a great deal of good material in the number.

Our old men who have returned so far are:

P. Tulane Atkinson, '07, Hampden-Sidney, Va.  
James M. Stratton, '09, Lewisburg, W. Va.  
D. Alex. Haller, '08, Pocahontas, Va.

Although we are small in numbers, we have, with the valuable aid of Brother R. C. Graham, who is with us at present, secured the following men, whom it is my pleasant duty to introduce to the Fraternity at large :



Albert Jefferson Gillespie, Tazewell, Va.  
 Rob Roy St. Clair, Tazewell, Va.  
 Roger Lee Chambliss, '08, Rawling, Va.  
 Albert Beery Hopkins, '10, Tazewell, Va.  
 William Goggin Crockett, '09, Tazewell, Va.  
 Frank Chilton Brown, Lewisburg, W. Va.  
 George Walker, Blacksburg, Va.

We wish right here to express our thanks to Mr. S. T. Paulett for very material help rendered to us in the way of furnishings for our hall, which looks very well; also to our alumni, G. A. Wilson particularly, for valuable aid in the same much appreciated manner.

Our chances for a pennant winning foot-ball team are better than they have been for many seasons. Of our old team six men returned; accompanied by a score of old players from other institutions, and other men give promise of being good players.

Th epopulation of the Hill will soon be increased by several families, who will begin to furnish their homes very shortly.

Our material for the first issue of the Hampden-Sidney magazine was sent on last Monday. We now have three men on the Magazine staff, one being Editor-in-Chief.

The standing fraternities here as regards "old men," is as follows: *K. A. 6, B. Θ. Π. 4, Π. K. A. 3, X. Φ. 3, K. Σ. 2.*  
*D. A. Haller.*

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### KAPPA

#### *Kentucky University.*

Kentucky University opened its doors September 12 with about one hundred and fifty students in the College of Liberal Arts. Most of them are new students.

Only four of our old men are back so far, three of which are doing active work. Among those who have returned from last year's Chapter are.

Wade H. Whitley, Pontego, N. C.  
 J. Frazer Hart, Flemingsburg, Ky.  
 H. M. Stansifer, Lexington, Ky., Y. M. C. A.  
 John U. Field, Versailles, Ky.

Brothers George A. Kelly and Archie Wheatley will return at the opening of the law school, October 1.

Brother Homer W. Carpenter will also be back some time during the month of October.

Kappa Chapter wishes to introduce to the Fraternity at large Brother James Meng of North Middletown, Ky. We congratulate ourselves upon getting Brother Meng, as he represents one of the best families in the Blue Grass State and was one of the most rushed men in Kentucky University. We have several other good men in view, whom we hope to have wearing *H. K. A.* badges in the very near future.

There is only one other fraternity in Kentucky University, the Kappa Alpha's, with which we have to contend. They have seven men at the present.

We regret to state the loss of both our members in the faculty. Brother Zembrod has secured the position as Professor in Modern Languages at Kentucky State, with a better salary. Brother Porter is in one of the Michigan Universities.

Brother David S. Bromley is in the banking business at Edinburge, Va. Brother M. L. Kimbrough is with Omega Chapter. Brothers Lewis S. Robins and J. T. Hale are both engaged in business at Mayfield, Ky.

Kappa wishes a pleasant and prosperous year for all the Chapters and awaits with interest the October issue.

*John U. Field.*

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### *MU*

*Presbyterian College of South Carolina.*

The Presbyterian College opened its session with about a hundred students, which is the largest enrollment it has had in ten or twelve years.

We have not taken in any new men yet, as we have had such short time to carefully decide upon any, but we are very favorably impressed with the student body at large and feel sure that there is some good material in it. We



hope by the next issue to introduce several new Brothers to our sister Chapters.

The following members of Mu have returned to college.

Geo. C. McDonald, Sumter, Ga.

D. W. A. Neville, Clinton, S. C.

E. L. Power, Abbeville, S. C.

Although two of our last year men, Brother Law and Brother Fewell, did not return, we have determined that though we be small in number we will do our very best work for Mu Chapter, and with this determination we are sure that she will succeed.

The new administration building in which we expect to begin this session is not yet finished, but in a few more weeks it will be ready to go into. We all feel proud of this building, as it will be one of the handsomest college buildings in the State.

We were very glad to have Brother R. T. Fewell, '06, of Rock Hill, S. C., with us a few days last week. Brother Fewell has been one of our most energetic members; he leaves on the 15th instant for Schenectady, N. Y., where he will take a course in electricity. Brother A. G. Fewell, '03, who for the past three years has taught in Blackstock, S. C., was here a few days before college opened. He has gone to the University of Pennsylvania, where he is taking a course in medicine.

Brother L. M. Kennedy is again with the Clinton Pharmacy, where he has worked several years before. He was with the J. W. Copeland Company last year. Brother Grier, '04, Nu Chapter, is still in the city; he is with the Clinton Cotton Mill Company.

Mu Still has no competition in fraternities, and the "Nons" seem very peaceable so far.

With best wishes to all the Chapters for a prosperous year, the correspondent closes for this time.

*E. L. Power.*

**NU.***Wofford College.*

College opened September 29th with a full enrollment. The upper classes are considerably larger than those of last session. The campus is very quiet. Some interest is being taken in base-ball. Each class is getting out a team to compete for a cup offered by the Faculty.

We have three new members to introduce:

J. W. Hubbard, Anderson, S. C.

J. F. Pate, Lydia, S. C.

B. R. Mullins, Jr., Marion, S. C.

We regret very much to inform our sister Chapters that, in all probability, these are the last initiates that we will ever introduce to you. The Trustees of the college ruled last June that, beginning with the session opening September 19, 1906, no more men were to be taken into fraternities.

The old men who have returned to college are:

J. L. Addington, Water Valley, Miss.

P. L. Martin, Bennettsville, S. C.

L. H. Tolleson, Spartanburg, S. C.

Wesley Boyd, Mountville, S. C.

With best wishes to all the Chapters,

*Wesley Boyd.*

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**OMICRON.***Richmond College.*

Here we are ten strong, with minds and purposes united in earnest work for *H. K. A.*; hearts boiling over with enthusiasm and every hand readily lending itself to the work of the Fraternity. Our Chapter this year is the realization of our dreams and plans for many previous years. Ten old and experienced men are now answering to the roll-call and a number of the finest goats in college anxiously awaiting the time to come when they may do the same.

Two transfers, both very able men, Brother Hubbard of Gamma, and Brother Martin of Iota, have joined us in our



most zealous efforts to give *H. K. A.* a precedence over all other "frats." in college.

Our roll is:

A. W. Robertson, Salem, Va.  
J. S. Wright, Evergreen, La.  
C. H. Elsom, Danville, Va.  
L. L. Chamblin, Philmont, Va.  
H. C. Taylor, Richmond, Va.  
B. E. Steele, Tazewell, Va.

Brothers Paul Woodfin and George Wright, both of whom have been out of college for more than a year, are again back with us, lending us their ablest support. We regret to say, however, that Brothers M. G. Willis, Jr., R. S. Ellis and C. E. Talman, cannot be with us again this year. All three of them are men who have endeared themselves, both to the Fraternity and to the college at large.

The total enrollment of students at Richmond College up to the present is somewhere near 250.

Our prospects for a winning foot-ball team, we think, are the brightest in the history of the college. If a large squad, size of men, strength and good coaching have anything to do with the making of a winning team, ours must surely be victorious, for we have every one of these requisities.

The Law School opened with an unusually large Junior Class. With all the advantages it offers, it cannot help coming to the front.

It is impossible at present for me to give anything like an approximate number of men each fraternity in college has.

I hope by the next writing to be able to introduce to the Fraternity several men whom we justly feel proud of.

*B. E. Steele.*

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### **PI.**

*Washington and Lee University.*

Filled with exuberant spirits, Pi Chapter begins the new year.

September 13th, Washington and Lee threw open its doors to welcome back many of those who have learned to love her ways, and to give a hearty hand-shake to some two hundred young men, fine fellows they are, too, who for the first time take up their abode in Lexington.

There have been some changes on the campus which indicate the healthy conditions existing. The main building of the School of Arts, which was erected many score years ago and which was practically the only structure Washington College could boast, has been much improved internally by new wood work, new walls, new paint. Within the past year one wing of this building has been thoroughly equipped as up to date Chemical Laboratories, and exceptionally fine courses are now offered in Chemistry.

Granolithic pavements have been laid in parts where the campus grades are not to be changed, due to the erection of new buildings. These are a comfort and add greatly to appearances.

Shortly a new library building will be erected, and Newcomb Hall, the present home of the library, will be renovated for the School of Economics and Political Science. This school is highly endowed by the friends of the late William L. Wilson, and it will soon come into special prominence through the courses in Commerce recently inaugurated.

This year the enrollment will exceed four hundred, for at present there are 394 men on the grounds. As we have said before, the new men seem to be of the right stuff. They come from all over the south and some from the north and west, but Virginia furnishes perhaps fifty per cent. Of these new men, Pi has secured five, and we add with a touch of pride, that we have invited only five.

In securing these men we were greatly aided by letters received from Brother *W's.*, and for these letters we are very grateful. The writer has been in the Fraternity longer than the average man yet in college, and he never saw goats of greater promise.

We have been further strengthened by two transfers



from Iota whom we welcome heartily, and we are delighted to have Brother Darnall return after the absence of a year.

Below we give the complete roll:

#### INITIATES.

Robert Watson Arnold, Waverly, Va.  
Stanley Alphonse Beard, Houston, Texas.  
LeRoy Hodges, Norfolk, Va.  
John Myers Nelson, Roanoke, Va.  
George Edward Penn, Abingdon, Va.

#### TRANSFERS.

John Hart Lyle, Brownsburg, Va.  
Thomas Jones Watkins, Charlotte, C. H. Va.

#### OLD MEN.

Herbert Anderson, Franklin, W. Va.  
Lawrence Alexander Anderson, Lynchburg, Va.  
Harry Hairston Darnall, Roanoke, Va.  
Saunders Fleming, Lynchburg, Va.  
William Elliott Jones, Dinwiddie County, Va.  
Lewis Archer McMurran, Newport News, Va.  
William Royall McMurran, Newport News, Va.  
Hughes Mangus Moomaw, Roanoke, Va.  
Joseph Lawrence Wysor, Pulaski, Va.

At present I cannot give data concerning the other fraternities here. Material is good, so several will have a large enrollment probably, but speaking comparatively *H. K. A.* can easily hold her own.

With best wishes to all in the bonds,

*W. Elliott Jones.*

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#### *PHI.*

*Roanoke College.*

It affords us great pleasure to greet our sister Chapters at the beginning of another session, and also welcome back so many of our Brothers this year.

Roanoke began her 54th session on September 12th. Never before has she had such an auspicious opening. Everywhere one looks, he sees "rats! rats! rats!"

Most of the boys are forgetting their home-sickness now and getting down to good, hard work. There seems to be some good "frat." material among the new students, but Phi is in no rush to take in any of these until we learn what kind of material it is, and if it is the "real stuff." As we are the only "frat." here this year, we can look all about us and select only the very best in college. Some of us were expecting other "frats." to come into college this year, but as yet none have come to our knowledge.

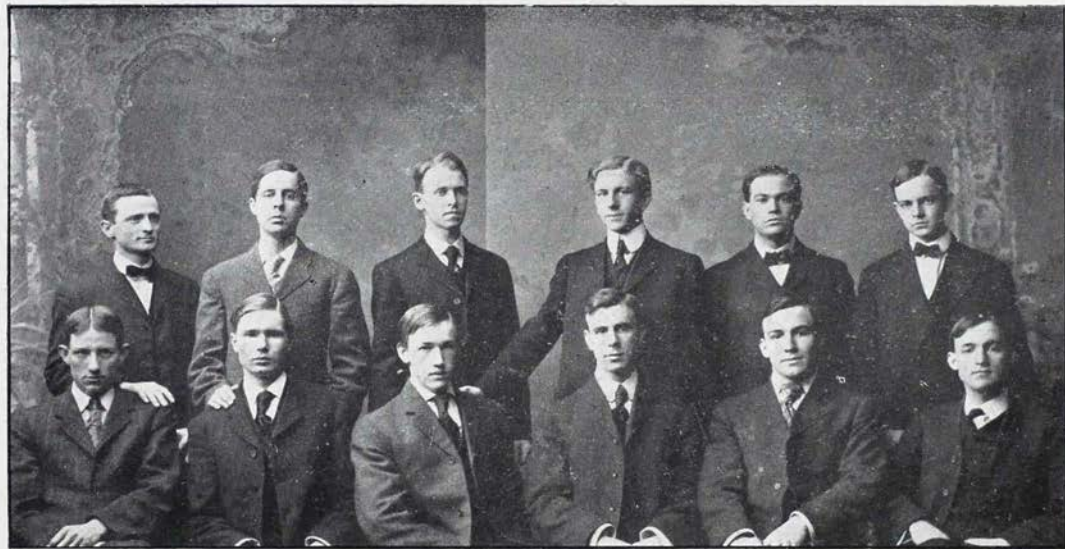
We are glad to say that all our Brothers are back at college this fall, with the exception of Brothers J. K. Bowman and J. C. Murphy. Brother Connor is back again coaching the foot-ball team, and also working to get his A. B. next June. Brothers A. M. Bowman, Jr., and A. C. Cline, who graduated last June, are back a gain taking a post-graduate course. We are all glad to have these Brothers with us again this year.

We have had "Billy" out only once this fall. This time we "goated" one of our foot-ball players, who has been here for two years, and whom we know will make an excellent addition to our Fraternity. It is with a great deal of pleasure that I introduce to the Fraternity at large, Brother Frank Hodge Hansbarger, of Peterstown, West Virginia, class of 1908.

The prospects for a foot-ball team is brighter this year than for many years. Much interest is being manifested in the sport, and there is a good bit of competition for the team. The first game of the season was played a few days since, and Roanoke came out victor, so that is more encouragement to the team. Old Phi is well represented on the "gridiron" this year. Brother Connor is coach and will play full-back on the eleven; Brother Hansbarger is captain and you will find him in left half-back; Brother A. M. Bowman, Jr., is playing quarter-back; while Brother Killey plays on the side-lines. We have a nice schedule arranged for the season, and also several hard games. We hope to come out in these as we did the first of the season.

Our Chapter roll for this season is as follows ;





PI CHAPTER, WASHINGTON AND LEE UNIVERSITY, 1906.

Top Row—R. H. Willis, C. M. Hanna, H. Anderson, L. A. McMurran,  
W. E. Jones, S. Fleming.

Bottom Row—B. S. Sanders, L. C. Witten, L. A. Anderson, W. R. McMurran,  
H. M. Moomaw, J. L. Wyson.





A. M. Bowman, Jr., Salem, Va.  
R. C. Bowman, Salem, Va.  
A. C. Cline, Concord, N. C.  
F. A. Connor, Haverhill, Mass.  
J. H. Gibboney, Wytheville, Va.  
F. H. Hansbarger, Peterstown, W. Va.  
R. M. Killey, Vivian, W. Va.  
F. W. Robertson, Salem, Va.

And now in closing, Phi wishes all her sister Chapters all success during the coming year.

*R. C. Bowman.*

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### **RHO**

*Cumberland University.*

The convocation exercises of the one hundred and twenty-first term were held in Carantheus Hall, Wednesday evening, September 5, 1906. These exercises marked the opening of the Literary and Law Departments: the Theoloical opens on October 5.

The two departments, which are now at work, have begun the year with most flattering prospects. The University has the promise of the best year that she has had for many years.

Only three old members have returned. They are J. Lacey Reynolds, Dover, Tenn., C. C. Wimberly, Stevenson, Ala., Fred L. Hudson, Gibson, Tenn. The opening of the Theological Department will also bring, L. E. Brubaker, Salem, Ill., and J. C. Orr, Louisburg, Tenn.

We have initiated no new men yet; there is some splendid material on the field, and we can get some of the best. The *K. Σ*. Fraternity has already a large Chapter—about eighteen members. The *Σ. A. E.* the other local Chapter, has about seven or eight.

Rho Chapter is pursuing her time honored policy of conservatism; things are favorable for us; the "fates are propitious; we are to have a banner year.

The faculty has decided that owing to the unsettled condition of foot-ball, and also because of the brutality of

the game it has been played, that Cumberland University will not have a 1906 foot-ball schedule. If the changes in the rules are effective, we will have the game next year again. However, something will be "doing" when the basket-ball season comes. We have the men to put out a winning team in the mid-winter sport. And then too we are feeling equally as good over base-ball.

*Fred. L. Hudson.*

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**TAU.**

*University of North Carolina.*

From all appearances, the University has entered upon the most prosperous year in her history. This is indisputably true in regard to the record-breaking immensity of the student body. Even at this writing, which is very early in the season. The number of registered students exceeds seven hundred. The gloomiest side of University life now is the athletic side. Our lately adopted inter-collegiate stipulations have given us practically a green team, while the new rules have nearly made a new game of foot-ball. Therefore it is evident that our outlook is very uncertain.

*II. K. A.* like the college, as a whole is above her average condition.

The vacancies made by the non-appearance of Brothers Miller and Simmons have been filled by Brothers G. S. P. Holland, of Suffolk, Va., and Paul R. Dunn, of Raleigh, N. C. Brother Holland has for four years been on the staff of the "*Norfolk Ledger-Dispatch*."

Brother Dunn is a most promising man and one of the most popular men in his class.

The home addresses of our members are as follows.

Carroll Wiggins, Suffolk, Va.

J. M. Wiggins, Suffolk, Va.

S. G. Noble, Bushnell, Fla.

A. F. Jackson, West Point, Ga.

Paul R. Dunn, Raleigh, N. C.

G. S. P. Holland, Suffolk, Va.

Wm. C. Conghmour, Salisbury, N. C.

Stanley Winborn, Murfreesboro, N. C.

*Stanley Winborne.*



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**UPSILON.***Alabama Polytechnic Institute.*

Upsilon opened the year with very bright prospects for one of the best Chapters in her history, having ten of last year's Chapter to return and losing only six. We hoped to have Brother J. V. Denson back with us this year, but he decided to study law at the University of Alabama. He was with us at the opening of college and aided us greatly in rushing the new men. We feel the loss of the other older members, Brother N. D. Denson and J. H. McEniry, who completed their courses last year and did not return. Also among the missing ones are Brothers J. S. Lyell of Wesson, Miss., R. M. Patton, of Florence, Ala., and S. Hall, of Birmingham, Ala. These three receiving good positions, decided to work for a few years.

There was an exceptionally large amount of fraternity material among the new men this year and, by steady rushing we received our share. I take pleasure in introducing to the fraternity at large,

Y. Shackelford, Montgomery, Ala.  
R. P. Greer, Marion, Ala.  
W. P. Newton, Birmingham, Ala.  
W. T. Brown, Birmingham, Ala.  
E. L. Davis, Oak Grove, Ala.  
C. C. Yonge, Pensacola, Fla.  
F. T. Moragne, Gadsden, Ala.

All these are fine fellows and will prove themselves worthy of the badge which they wear.

The following is a list of those men of last year's Chapter who returned:

J. L. Echols, Gadsden, Ala.  
J. Esdale, Birmingham, Ala.  
R. B. Ellyson, Citronelle, Ala.  
L. B. Forbes, Birmingham, Ala.  
W. Hardie, Birmingham, Ala.  
E. C. Morgan, Birmingham, Ala.  
L. E. Otts, Greensboro, Ala.  
F. M. Shepard, Mt. Vernon, Ala.  
S. L. Greene, Citronelle, Ala.  
J. J. Weatherly, Anniston, Ala.

The other fraternities in college, with the strength of each, are:  $\Phi. \Delta. \Theta.$  25,  $A. \Gamma. \Omega.$  21;  $\Sigma. A. E.$  19;  $K. A.$  13;  $\Sigma. N.$  11;  $K. \Sigma.,$  20.

The prospects for foot-ball at Auburn this year are not very bright. Only four of the last year's team returned, and there is very little new material to pick from. However, our team, though light, will be a very fast one under the coaching of Donahue. Upsilon has several men on the field but all are most too light to make the team.

The number of matriculates this year exceeds all expectations, there being nearly six hundred. The number of buildings of the college has been added to by the erection of a handsome four-story Engineering Hall, which will be used exclusively for civil and mining engineering. There has been improvement in all lines at college this year, the curriculum having been raised much higher than it has been heretofore.

Upsilon has already begun getting honors. Brother Hardie was appointed Captain of Company "C," Assistant Business Manager of the "*Orange and Blue*," our college publication, and acting manager of the base-ball team for the coming season, while Brother Otts was elected a member of the Athletic Advisory Board.

The *Orange and Blue* will be much better this year than ever before as it is to be published in magazine form semi-monthly instead of newspaper form as heretofore.

With best wishes for every Pi,

John J. Weatherly.

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### ZETA.

*University of Tennessee.*

It is with a glad heart and a great amount of pride that Zeta sends in her regular letter. For many months past all that Zeta needed to make her the pride of her members was suitable quarters, where the Brothers could assemble for fraternal life and feel closer than ever the real spirit of such a life. Through the generosity of many of our old



members of the Chapter, together with the hearty interest of the present members of Zeta, we have fitted up a suite of rooms occupying the whole second floor of the north end of Rhees Hall. In decorating the parlors proper, we bore in mind the Fraternity colors, and so the Old Gold and Garnet are now conspicuous in our handsome lounging room. For the purpose we purchased a complete suite of mission furniture, besides the necessary rugs, pictures, pennants, etc. Just now we are well settled in our new quarters, and stand ready at any time to receive any of the members of other Chapters that might be passing through.

Just before we disbanded last year we initiated into our mystic ranks Brother Richmond, of whom we feel justly proud. Living on our "Hill" for two years, he had every occasion to study the fraternity question, and it speaks well for the members of Zeta to have a man of his standing throw his lot with us. He is Editor of both the weekly paper and the monthly magazine, Captain in the military department, and equally as well up in other phases of University life. Much will be heard of him in the near future.

At the opening of the present session, six of last year's goodly crowd answered the roll-call :

L. Theo. Bellmont, Rochester, N. Y.  
Grover Bickley, Knoxville, Tenn.  
Gordon Cox, Oliver Springs, Tenn.  
Cleveland Johnson, Memphis, Tenn,  
James Richmond, Cumberland Gap, Tenn.  
Irvin Vincent, Jonesboro, Tenn.

In the very near future we hope to have Brother Willfred, of Memphis, with us to complete his course in law.

Many of the fraternities suffered severely in the loss of members, both from graduation and other causes. The relative number of men with which each Chapter opened the session with, is as follows :

Phi Gamma Delta 10.  
Sigma Alpha Epsilon 9.  
Kappa Alpha 3.

Kappa Sigma 3,  
Alpha Tau Omega 7.  
Phi Kappa Alpha 6.

So far, only one Chapter has initiated men, the Kappa Alpha taking in three men a few days ago. As yet we have pledged only one man, but have no doubt that we shall secure the right men to uphold and still further develop the interests of our beloved Chapter.

We close with the hope that all our sister Chapters are in a flourishing condition and more ready than ever to advance the cause of Pi Kappa Alpha.

*L. Theo. Belmont.*

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### CHI.

*University of the South.*

Chi takes pleasure in introducing Brothers Bonner N. McCraven, Jr., Houston, Texas; Henry J. Whitfield, Annapolis, Ala.; James B. Whitfield, Demopolis, Ala., who have recently been introduced to Chi's goat.

Chi's Chapter roll at present is:

F. J. H. Coffin, Chicago, Ill.  
J. F. McCloud, Sewanee, Tenn.  
P. T. Prentiss, Charleston, S. C.  
G. L. Watts, Manatoux, Wis.  
W. T. Berry, Franklin, Tenn.  
C. J. Ellis, Rayville, La.  
B. N. McCraven, Houston, Texas.  
H. J. Whitfield, Demopolis, Ala.  
J. B. Whitfield, Demopolis, Ala.

Though we are few in numbers, the Chapter is in splendid condition. There is perfect unity and harmony among the Brothers, and the spirit of *Φ. Φ. Κ. Α.* is predominant. The longer that we remain active members, the more we come to realize how essential to the successful existence of a Chapter perfect unity and harmony are. Having these, Chi looks forward to a brilliant future.

It was with the deepest regret that Chi received news of the death of Brother P. L. Parsons, who died at his home,



Edna, Missouri, on July 26th. Though none of our present active members knew Brother Parsons, the records that he has left in the Chapter minutes, as well as the University records, show him to have been both an actively loyal Pi and a good student.

As many of you may already know, the University of the South holds its vacation in the winter, so we of Chi have been steadily working, while you of our sister Chapters have been enjoying a rest from your labors. One great advantage that this custom enables us to enjoy, is that our alumni can spend their summer vacations with us. During the past term Chi has enjoyed visits from Brothers J. B. Steel, of Birmingham; C. W. Underwood, of Atlanta; R. H. Allen (now affiliating with Alpha), and Brother T. A. Bryson, of Florida.

This year Chi will be represented on the foot-ball field by Brothers Prentiss, Ellis, Watts, and your humble scribe. Sewanee's prospects for a good team this year are unusually bright. We have a heavy schedule, comprising five, and probably six trips, besides two games to be played on home ground.

With best wishes to sister Chapters,

*F. J. H. Coffin.*

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### **PSI.**

*Georgia School of Technology.*

Only four old members returned :

F. O. Galloway, Elberton, Ga.  
M. L. Stephens, Franklin, Ga.  
E. G. Willingham, Atlanta, Ga.  
F. H. Henderson, Chickamauga, Ga.  
J. Elkan, Bellingham, Wash.

However we did not feel discouraged at this small number, as last year we started with only four and was one of the most successful years of Psi.

We take great pleasure in introducing to the Fraternity at large William Akers, Atlanta, Ga.

The college opened this year with an attendance larger than last year, the enrollment being about 175. "Frat." material being very scarce, our number will not probable increase very much during the fall term unless better material comes in later. We have several men in view who were here last year, and we hope to give "Billy" more work before our next letter.

The other fraternity, Sigma Nu, has nine members, but no new members.

We have a new coach this year who has fine prospects of a good team. Psi is well represented on the Varsity team: Brother Galloway half-back, Brother Stephens center, Brother Henderson guard.

Our first game will be with Ga. Tech. on October 6th.

Our Brothers on the team will be glad to meet all Pi's in the colleges that they play.

Promotion in the Battalion of Cadets have not yet been made, but Psi will take her share of them.

Psi wishes her sister Chapters a successful year.

*J. Elkan.*

### OMEGA.

*Kentucky State College.*

First of all Omega wishes to extend belated congratulations to the Editors on the June issue, which was a thing of beauty and a joy forever.

Just a word as to Omega's strength; we returned six, discovered two new "fratres in faculte," received two transfers, have initiated two, and have two pledges. Pi's now at Kentucky State are :

Prof. Alfred Zembrod, Lexington,	Ky.
Prof. Leon K. Frankel, Lexington,	"
Lewis E. Hillenmeyer, Lexington,	"
T. James Orr, Princeton,	"
Robert Lee Sims, Lexington,	"
Graham K. McCorkle, Eminence,	"
J. G. Carlisle Alcorn, Hustonville,	"
Wallace Lee, Campbellsburg,	"



Marion Kimbrough, Lexington, Ky.  
Bailey Pride, Morganfield, "  
Milton Kirkwood Snyder, Lexington, "  
Willard Vories, Monterey, "

The last two named only received Pi honors this year, Snyder being a last year's pledge.

We have had with us for a few days this fall Brothers Alexander of Owenton, Porch of Washington, and Taylor of Owensboro on his way to Michigan.

The two local Chapters have been so lucky as to secure our old rooms again, and they have been refitted and form an ideal loafing place. By the way, the writer desires to compliment Alpha-Lambda at Georgetown on their pretty hall.

Greek letters have been put on many fine fellows at State College this year; besides Pi Kappa Alpha, there are Chapters here of Kappa Sigma, Kappa Alpha, Sigma Chi, Phi Delta Theta, Sigma Nu, and Sigma Alpha Epsilon.

The first Cadet Hop was a delightful beginning of the series of dances annually held at the college. The Pi Kap Dance will be given this year on Washington's birthday.

Pi honors have never been so scarce, but this year we'll get even more than our usual share. The old college has been so fortunate as to secure the services of our J. White Guyn as head coach for the foot-ball team this year; we will also be well represented on the team itself. Omega's only Senior, Brother Hillenmeyer, is a Lamp and Cross man, Mystic Thirteen, President of the Athletic Association and a member of the base-ball team and Manager of the Annual. All our men are very loyal to their college, and will receive their share of the honors before graduating. The Pi's in Lexington have been accused of being too clannish; they are so congenial, in fact, that within a few days after a man is honored with the *Shield and Diamond* none of the boys can remember when they didn't know him. Both Kappa and Omega work well together and among themselves, and we have no strife whatever. We expect to send at least half a dozen Pi's to the Richmond Convention next spring.

We hope that many Pi's will be on the University of Tennessee squad this fall, as we have a date with them here; State also sends her team to the homes of Chi and Sigma early in October. Omega trusts that many Pi's will visit us during the year, and we will try to show you a good time in Lexington.

*Rodes A. Arnspiger.*

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### ALPHA-ALPHA.

*Trinity College.*

At the opening of college on September the 12th. Alpha Alpha found herself in rather unfavorable circumstances, as far as numbers are concerned. Only seven of the old men returned out of fourteen for last year. Notwithstanding this fact we find ourselves on a comparatively even footing with the other fraternities, their numbers being as follows: *A. P. Q.* 5; *K. Σ.* 10, and *K. Λ. A.* 7.

About 85 freshmen have matriculated up to this time, and a few more are expected within the next two weeks. It is a noteworthy fact that out of this number there seems to be an unusual scarcity of fraternity material, as compared with last year's class. However, out of the many there are a few good men, worthy to bear the emblem of any fraternity, and it goes without saying that we will do our part towards linking them with our Chapter. We have already pledged one man and have under consideration two or three more whom we hope will join us. No initiation will take place before February 1st, as prior to that time, initiations are prohibited by the college authorities.

Our roll is:

W. M. Wells, Elm City, N. C.  
N. S. Greene, Lillington, N. C.  
A. L. Lee, Monroe, N. C.  
W. J. Whitley, Bonnerton, N. C.  
Paul Webb, Morehead City, N. C.  
L. B. Gibson, Cibson, N. C.  
L. G. Daniels, Wanchese, N. C.



Hoping that for each of the sister Chapters this will be a most successful year, and with very best wishes,

*L. G. Daniels.*

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**ALPHA-GAMMA.**

*Louisiana State University.*

The good old summer time is only a hazy recollection, and college life is again a stern reality, with it has come its hopes, disappointments, and other features.

We have only three old men back this year—Morgan, Beale, and your present scribe. Brother Edwards, Captain of last year's foot-ball team, has gone in the newspaper business. Brother Tillery has accepted a position as assistant in chemistry in the university. Brother East is attending Soule Commercial College. Brother Hyde will enter Tulane Medical College in October.

Foot-ball is the college topic. Everywhere the true foot-ball spirit seems to be prevalent. Regularly every evening about thirty foot-ball candidates are to be seen out for practice. The prospects are good for a winning team this year.

In every way this session promises to be a banner one in the history of the institution. A law course was put in here this year, and this, coupled with other inducements, has swelled the attendance considerably.

I now wish to introduce to the Fraternity at large our two initiates.

Herbert Sanders, Amite City, La.

Thomas Magruder Wade, Newellton, La.

Though our initiates be few in number we feel that in congeniality, and other attributes that go to make a worthy fraternity Brother, that they will not be found lacking.

*Geo. S. Miller.*

**ALPHA-EPSILON.**

*North Carolina A. and M. College.*

College opened the sixth of September. Out of thirteen members last year, we have six back. We have not yet taken in any new men, but expect to add some valuable members to the ranks of *H. K. A.* soon. We hope to introduce these men to the Fraternity at large in our next letter.

We are expecting to have a winning team on the football field this year. An unusually large squad is practicing under the able instruction of Coach Hesten, formerly of Michigan.

Brother Bason has been made Director of the Band, an honor of which the Chapter is justly proud. Brother Marshall is also a member of the Band.

As near as I can determine, the relative strength of the other fraternities here is about as follows :

Kappa Sigma 11,  
Sigma Nu 9,  
Kappa Alpha 6,  
Sigma Phi Epsilon 9.

The members of Alpha-Epsilon who have returned, are:

G. F. Bason, '08, Charlotte, N. C.  
J. A. Powell, '08, Raleigh, N. C.  
D. Stuart, '09, Laurinburg, N. C.  
W. R. Marshall, '09, New Bern, N. C.  
John A. Park, '05, (Instructor), Raleigh, N. C.  
D. H. Hill, Jr., '09, West Raleigh, N. C.

Alpha-Epsilon sends greetings and best wishes to the other Chapters.

*D. H. Hill, Jr.*

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**ALPHA-ZETA.**

*University of Arkansas.*

We returned more old men this year than ever before. Ten old men came back as follows :



## SENIORS.

A. C. Parker, Paris, Ark.  
S. G. Davies, Fayetteville, Ark.  
Z. L. Reagan, Fayetteville, Ark.  
H. R. Carter, Fayetteville, Ark.

## JUNIORS.

W. E. Thompson, Warren, Ark.  
H. R. Smith, Malvern, Ark.  
A. P. Boles, Fayetteville, Ark.

## SOPHOMORES.

Aubrey Koser, Marion, Ark.  
Ivor Gough, McCurtain, Indian Ter.

## FRESHMEN.

J. K. Ellis, Eureka Springs, Ark.

We have so far initiated three "goats," and I take great pleasure in introducing to the Fraternity at large the following new Pi's: Roy Cnamberlain, Malvern, Ark.; Chalmers B. Boles, Fayetteville, Ark.; Herbert Martin, Warren, Ark.

These men are all Freshmen, and give promise of getting their degrees in four years.

We also have two pledges whom we hope to introduce in the next issue of the SHIELD AND DIAMOND.

The Kappa Sigma Chapter has 14 pledges, the Kappa Alpha's four, the Sigma Nu's four, the Sigma Chi's four, the Sigma Alpha Epsilon's six, and the Alpha Zeta Phi's (local), have one. The fraternities are all profiting by the increased enrollment. There are 150 more students enrolled than on the corresponding day last year, and the University authorities are expecting twelve hundred students in the department at Fayetteville. The new dormitory, accomodating one hundred girls, has given the sororities a great deal more material to pick from, and they have new pledges as follows: Chi Omega seven, Zeta Tau Alpha four, and Gamma Epsilon Delta (local), five.

The new foot-ball coach, Mr. Longman, full-back for Michigan 1905-1906, is considered by far the best coach that Arkansas has ever had, both in playing and coaching

qualities. He is six feet, four inches tall, and weighs one hundred and ninety pounds. Mr. A. F. Wolf, the manager of this year's team, has had an excellent schedule arranged, which includes five good games on the home grounds.

Pledge parties and new student receptions have taken up the social calendar.

Alpha Zeta extends her heartiest congratulations to the Editors for their June issue. It was a beauty.

Brother Riddick of Little Rock, Ark., made us a very pleasant visit of one day. We are so situated geographically, that we seldom have the pleasure of seeing our outside Brothers.

*A. P. Boles.*

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### **ALPHA-THETA.**

*West Virginia University.*

Never before in her history has Alpha-Theta been on so sure a footing as this year. It seems as though the older we become the more prosperous we are. We wish to report the pledging of five freshmen: H. L. Nay, Fairmont, W. Va., G. C. Barnes, Fairmont, W. Va., J. D. Boyles, Piedmont, W. Va., C. Sayre, New Haven, W. Va., and T. Davis, Huntingdon, W. Va.

The old men back this year are:

C. H. Layman, Fairmount, W. Va.

L. A. Carr, Clarksburg, W. Va.

F. C. Knight, Clarksburg, W. Va.

M. J. Malamphy, Morgantown, W. Va.

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

P. B. Lantz, Blacksville, W. Va.

W. D. Hill, Scottdale, Pa.

The old men who have not returned are: W. E. Paul, Charleston, W. Va., L. C. Yeardley, Parkersburg, W. Va., Brother J. Byars is taking law at University of Pennsylvania this year, while Brother W. T. Owens and Robt. Dunham are taking a medical course at the College of Physicians and Surgeons, Baltimore, Maryland.

Brothers Arnold, Lohm and Neff, alumnus of this Chapter, visited the Chapter house this fall and aided in select-



ing new men. Brother Layman is manager of this year's track-team. Brother Carr and pledge Boyles are our representatives for foot-ball honors, Brother Knight was recently elected President of the Sophomore Medical class and Brother Layman is secretary. Your humble writer is on the *College Weekly* staff.

The Chapter house having been recently fitted out with more furniture, pennants, pictures and cozy corners, now presents a very inviting appearance and several fine smokers have been held in honor of the new pledges.

There are stirring times approaching as the class elections, rushes, etc., are about due. W. V. U. lost its first game of foot-ball to Ohio University, but will show up well later on.

Since there are fourteen fraternities located at the college, the rushing has been very animated. The Phi Kappa Sigmas have moved into a very desirable fraternity house thus making the last but one of the Chapters here to have a house.

We wish to congratulate the Editors upon the last issue and hope for further progression along that line.

Hoping to have a few more good pledges to announce in our next letter and wishing the utmost success for the year to our sister Chapters of Pi Kappa Alpha,

We close in *Φ. Φ. K. A.*

*R. Mc V. Drane.*

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### **ALPHA-ETA.**

*University of Florida.*

Alpha-Eta extends greetings to our sister Chapters and a hearty welcome to the new members of our beloved Pi Kappa Alpha.

The University of the State of Florida opened up in its new home in Gainesville September 26th. Several receptions are already planned, and the town people are trying to make us "feel at home." We are very comfortably fixed in our new quarters, everything being of modern equipment.

The student body only numbers ninety, which fact accounts for the small number of Pi's who have returned. The small enrollment is caused by the abolishing of the Normal Department.

The following Pi's have returned:

Burton Barrs, '08, Jacksonville, Fla.

Russell Laddell, '10, Dalton, Ga.

T. Z. Cason, '07, Island Grove, Fla.

We are expecting B. Hough, a brother Pi from Jacksonville, and this little group will constitute the returning Brothers for this year. Of the other fraternities the A. T. O.'s have 8 men back, the K. A.'s have 5.

Brother Bascom Palmer goes to Stetson University, Brother Curry to Chi Chapter, Brother Hall to Pi Chapter, Brother Brown to Dental College. Of our alumni, Brother Peck Greene is now a druggist in Arcadia, Brother Henry is now a chemist in Richmond, Va. Brother Rowlett goes to Medical College.

Thus far we have only one new Pi to introduce to the Fraternity, Brother Author Albertson, of Jacksonville, Fla. We have a number of new men spotted, but as the attendance is small all the frats. are going slow, so to speak.

A prosperous year to our fellow Pi's.

*T. Z. Cason.*

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### **ALPHA-IOTA.**

*Millsaps College.*

After a very pleasant and well spent vacation, we have returned to the Millsaps campus, and are again among scenes that abound in pleasant reminiscences. We enter this new college year enthusiastically interested in the welfare of our local Chapters, and with a strong determination to render whatever service we can toward upbuilding the Fraternity at large. And we sincerely hope that this year's record will equal or even surpass our past achievements.



Our college opened with an enrollment of about two hundred and twenty-five. And from this number we may well expect to find several fellows who are worthy to wear the badge of *H. K. A.* Never in the history of our institution have we witnessed such an elaborate opening, and never in the history of Alpha-Iota have her prospects been brighter.

Of the number on our Chapter roll last year, five were graduated—three from the Academic and two from departments—and three others have not returned, Brothers Cast, Harris and Godbold.

Those now on our roll are:

H. H. Bullock, Monterey, Miss.  
L. K. Carlton, Sardis, Miss.  
G. P. Cook, Chrystal Springs, Miss.  
F. F. Flynt, Hattisberg, Miss.  
H. R. Townsend, Kilmichael, Miss.  
Jeff. Collins, Soso, Miss.  
C. H. Kirkland, Ellisville, Miss.  
J. L. Sumrall, Laurel, Miss.  
J. C. Rousseaux, Westonia, Miss.  
C. Lamar Neill, Montrose, Miss.

As yet we have had no initiates.

The membership of the fraternities are as follows: *K. S.'s* 12, *K. A.'s* 11, and *H. K. A.'s* 10.

Our last letter was sent in before the Commencement exercises, and the general Fraternity may be interested to know of the honors won by Alpha-Iota on that occasion.

The Freshman Declamation Medal was won by Erank Star Williams, of Mt. Olive, Miss., who is wearing our pledge button, and will in the near future pass into our sacred bonds.

The Latin and Greek Scholarship prize was won by Brother Collins. The Freshman and Sophomore Scholarship prize was awarded to Brother Rousseaux.

In a very warm and spirited debate, Brother C. Lamar Neill took off the Galloway-Lamar Debator's Medal, and J. Lambert Neill was an easy winner of the Senior Medal.

From the eight prizes awarded on June 12th, Alpha-Iota took to herself five.

Over and above these honors, J. Lambert Neill was chosen by the Faculty to represent the college in the State Intercollegiate Oratorical Contest at Chrystal Springs, and C. Lamar Neill represented the college in a similar contest at Gulfport, Miss.

Hoping that this will be the most prosperous year in the history of our Fraternity, we close with good wishes to every *II*.  
*Landon K. Carlton,*

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### ALPHA-KAPPA.

*Missouri School of Mines.*

After three months of rest, we again gather together in bonds of *II. K. A.* Our vacation has been pleasantly and profitably spent by every member of Alpha-Kappa.

Brother Seltzer was head chemist in one of the largest ore dressing plants in Denver, Colorado. Brothers Wright and Mann were with the Utah Copper Company, the former as chief draftsman, the latter having charge of the concentrating plant. Brother Murray was employed in the copper region of Michigan as assayer, while Brother Taggart had charge of a department in the head office of a large life insurance company at Freeport, Ill. Brother McTighe is first assistant engineer for the city of Memphis, Tenn., while Brother Walker heads a transit party under him. Brother Jones managed his father's stock farm, and the writer headed a transit party doing municipal work in Northern, Ill.

We returned five of our old men, our Chapter roll at our first meeting reading as follows:

- A. J. Seltzer, Denver, Colorado.
- I. L. Wrigh, Sadalia, Mo.
- J. A. Taggart, Freeport, Ill.
- H. T. Mann, Canon City, Colo.
- K. R. Morgan, Laurel, Miss.
- E. P. Murray, Lake City, Mich.

Brothers McTighe and Walker still hold their positions with the city of Memphis, Brother Jones went to the Uni-



versity of Missouri at Columbia, where we hope to establish a Chapter with his help. Brother Murray entered the Michigan Mining School.

We miss them very much, and hope they will return to us, but wish them every success in the coming year.

Alpha Kappa is comfortably installed in new quarters this year. We have the finest frat. house in school now and are justly proud of it. It contains twenty-two rooms, including a bath and ball-room, the latter is 44x24 with a hard finished floor. We also have a piano, and several of our men are of a musical disposition, so we never lack entertainment.

We have two pledges who are the finest frat. material in their class; we also have a number of others in view, equally good, and hope in the next letter to introduce them to the fraternity at large as Brothers. This year we expect our Chapter roll to number at least fifteen, so a prosperous year is insured for Alpha-Kappa.

*H. K. A.* is well represented on the faculty here at school. Brother Seltzer is assistant in Metallurgy and Assaying, Brother Mann in chemistry and Brother Wright in Surveying.

I cannot say what the Pi's will do in foot-ball here this year, but several will be out and we hope for the best any way.

Since starting this letter we have held an initiation and take great pleasure in introducing to the fraternity three of our pledges previously mentioned.

Fred. G. Beckner, Salt Lake City, Utah.

Harvey C. Smith, St. Louis, Mo.

Berle N. Lay, Denver, Colorado.

These men, together with our two pledges still out, are as I said before the finest men in class and are *H. K. A.* material through and through; more than that need not be said.

We were assisted in the initiation by Brother W. G. Riddick, of Little Rock, Ark., who installed Alpha-Kappa last year. Nothing could have pleased us more than to

have him with us, and his stay was all too short we think. Surely it is a pleasure and an honor to have men like him in our ranks.

Our first informal hop will be given in our new house Friday. No doubt it will be a success, and a good time is anticipated. Representatives of the other "frats." are invited, also the foot-ball coach and some of the faculty; acceptance has been received from all.

Perhaps the frat. news of the day would interest *II. K. A.'s* and will say the *K. A.'s* returned seven men. *Σ. N.* seven and a transfer, *K. Σ.* four, *II. K. A.* five. *K. A.'s* have one pledge *Σ. N.* three, *K. Σ.* one, *II. K. A.* five, three of whom are already in, leaving two buttons out, with a straight line on at least three more.

The *Σ. N.'s* had to give up their fine roomy house, and had to take a much smaller one. This was a hard blow to them, for their old house was the finest in town and its loss was keenly felt. With best wishes to our sister Chapters and Brother *II's* we close.

*Karl R. Morgan.*

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### ALPHA-LAMBDA.

*Georgetown University.*

All the country is astir with the armies of men and women on their way to school. Some of them are going back to their beloved college to take their places in a junior or senior class, but the great majority are new students, those who will have to experience for the first time college life, and who will be dreading their first night in college with the same degree of uncertainty as did some of us in times gone by.

Alpha-Lambda is back to work again with all the old enthusiasm. Brothers Johnston, Creal, A. L. Crawley, M. W. Crawley, Bunyea, Williams, Allen and Argabrite are back in their accustomed haunts. Brothers J. F. and N. C. Waller are at the University of Virginia. We have just secured another room in our building and have now



plenty of room for the year's work, all four rooms being newly furnished.

The college, which has heretofore furnished rooms for the fraternities already established, has been compelled to use the fraternity halls as recitation room and thus putting the other frats down town as we have been all the time.

The prospects are bright for Alpha-Lambda to become more firmly established than ever this year, and we look forward upon our second year's work with the determination to do even better work than last year.

*W H Argabrite.*

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**ETA.**

*Tulane University.*

Welcome Brothers! College has re-opened and we meet again, through the pages of our Magazine.

As usual, Eta is hard at work for the best of the new students, and takes great pleasure in introducing two most worthy Brothers, George Givens Pragst, of New Orleans, and Houston C. Maxwell, of Brookhaven, Miss. Both are taking the Mechanical and Electrical Engineering Course. Eta feels proud in securing these two men, who we intend soon to make our Brothers, and hope to be able to introduce them through the next issue.

Eta is also proud to state that all her members who graduated last June are doing well. Brother Robert is Professor of Mechanical Drawing at Tulane University, while Brother Henry is the Assistant Office Engineer of a prominent firm of this city. Brother Salongne is with the New Orleans and Great Northern Railroad, and Brother Davidson is with the General Electric Company, of Schnectady, New York.

All, save one, of our active members have returned to college, and though Brother Menefee, the former Chapter Correspondent, is teaching out West, his presence is felt among us, so great is the impression left by him.

Eta must bid her Brothers a short farewell, after first wishing them the greatest success and prosperity for the coming year.

*R. Homes.*

## The Pi's.

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In order to make this department complete and more interesting, each member is earnestly requested to forward promptly to H. M. McALLISTER, Covington, Va., *any item of news concerning a brother member which may come under his notice.* If the item appears in a newspaper, clip it out, paste it on a postal and forward as above, giving date and name of paper.

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—Our beloved H. B. Arbuckle writes regarding Agnes Scott Institute “We have a good opening this year. Wish you could come this way and let me show you through the college. I think it would open your eyes to see what a beautiful plant we have here.”

—Clarence R. Pugh, Alpha-Alpha, is an independent candidate for the lower house of the North Carolina Assembly. He has received the endorsement of the Republicans of his county. He was called on to address the convention and made a very appropriate speech, declaring that if elected, he would not go representing any particular faction or section, but as a representative of all the people of the grand old county of Dare. He is a young man, having recently graduated at Trinity College, and is now Superintendent of the Wanchese High School, he having resigned a very lucrative position in South Carolina in order that he might return home to serve his own people. His election is already assured.

—Albert E. Escott, Alpha-Epsilon, is with the Mill News Printing Company, publishers of the great *Southern Weekly* for textile workers at Charlotte, N. C. We wish him great success.

—*The Central Presbyterian* of September 12th, reports that Rev. J. E. Ballou, Iota, has left his church at Craigsville,



Va., to take charge of his new church at Middleboro, Ky., on September 26th.

—J. Pike Powers, Jr., Alpha and Zeta, and for so many years Grand Secretary and now Grand Princeps of the Fraternity, was united in marriage with Miss Lucile A. Borden, of Knoxville, Tenn. The marriage was a very quiet one, only the immediate families of the participants being present, and the ceremony being performed by the Rev. J. Pike Powers, father of the groom, and Rev. Samuel Ringgold, D. D., of St. John's Episcopal Church.

Very heartiest congratulations and best wishes are extended our Brother and his bride for long life and happiness.

—A very pleasing letter from our enthusiastic Brothers R. H. Willis and Walter G. Taylor, Omicron, who are partners in the law business at Buena Vista, Va., says, "Please put us on your list of subscribers to the SHIELD AND DIAMOND, as we want to keep up with the doings of the Fraternity."

In addition to their law practice, they also announce that they have started a newspaper here, of which they are owners and editors, called the "*Buena Vista Times*." Best wishes are extended these Brothers.

—The following interesting announcement, taken from the "*Lynchburg, Va., News*," will be read with much interest by the entire Fraternity, and we are confident that we will very soon hear of the successful election of our loyal and much beloved Brother:

The Republicans of the Second Virginia Congressional district, in convention this afternoon, named Floyd Hughes, a young lawyer of Norfolk, for Representative in Congress. He is a man of high standing in the community and a successful practitioner, and probably will poll as many Republican votes as any other Republican in the district. Personally he is popular. He will oppose Representative Maynard, who received the Democratic nomination over Colonel Cabell. He will make a canvass of the district in October. R. F. Bunting was re-elected District Chairman.

—R. C. Sawyer, Alpha-Eta, played quarter-back on the

Eastman Business College foot-ball team last season, and also center field on the base-ball team of the same season.

—Apropos of the Fraternity situation, the following from the "*Fort Smith Daily Times*" of September 20th, will prove interesting:

The State University opened to-day, the enrollment at 10 o'clock being greater than at the close of the day last year. After chapel and the announcements, President John M. Tillman spoke, and was cheered when he declared this institution to be the greatest in the southwest. Referring to the fraternity question, he urged the students to come together. He said that the statutes recognizes the right of fraternities, and that the quarrels should be settled in the university and must not be carried to the Legislature. His views concerning this question were greeted by hearty applause from the entire student body.

—At the recent Commencement at Millsaps College, Alpha-Iota men won five medals out of nine offered, which is certainly a good showing.

—Rev. R. E. Fulton, Mu, pastor of the First Presbyterian Church at Newton, Miss., has recently accepted a position in the Faculty of the Southwestern Presbyterian University. He will be Assistant Professor of history.

—"The Greenville, Miss., Democrat" of June 28th, in speaking of the acquittal in one of the trials, mentions that Thornton Mortimer, Alpha-Iota, who defended the accused, made a most brilliant defence, and the lawyers predict for this young man a splendid future.

—The General Office has received No. 2 of Volume I, "*Bulletin of Hampden-Sidney College*," containing the announcement and various addresses at the Commencement exercises; this is a most interesting paper, and must certainly give the college a wide advertisement.

—Ira Lee Wright and H. T. Mann, Alpha-Kappa, spent the summer in Bingham Canyon, Utah, one of the largest mining camps in that State.

—We are indebted to Brother Lloyd R. Byrne for the



following account of the death of one of our lost Pi's, a prominent Brother and one of the four chartered members of the old Delta Chapter. This clipping is taken from the "*Ouachita Herald*" of Friday, July 13th:

Professor Charles T. Gordon, one of the best known educators in South Arkansas, died at his home in this city Monday morning at 9:45. He had been in poor health for some six weeks, and was forced to close his school at Bearden before the time was out on account of his physical condition. He was afflicted with an affection of the heart, but it was not until a few days ago the public was aware that he was in a serious condition. He was confined to his bed only eight or nine days before his death.

The funeral services were conducted in the First Methodist Church, of which he was a member, Tuesday morning at 9 o'clock by Rev. W. F. Evans. A very large concourse had gathered to pay a last tribute, and many were the handsome floral offerings that were tendered by sympathetic friends. Interment took place in Greenwood cemetery.

Charles T. Gordon, son of Dr. Thomas B. Gordon, was born in Union county, October 30, 1849. He was educated at the Southern University at Greensboro, Ala., graduating from that institution in 1871, receiving the degree of Master of Arts. He spent more than twenty years in the school-room, filling responsible positions at various places, and everywhere adding to his laurels as an educator. Twice he represented his native county in the lower house of the State legislature. In 1895 he was secretary of the State senate. He was circuit clerk of Ouachita county from 1898 to 1902. In the last primary election in his county he was nominated by a substantial majority over three opponents to represent his county in the legislature. As an orator he ranked among the best in the State, and many are the audiences that were thrilled by his eloquence, benefitted by his logic and pleased by his word painting.

In 1876 he was married to Miss Ella Ritchie in this city, who with one son and five daughters survive. He was a most genial man, tender hearted as a woman, loved his family and his friends, never willingly hurt the feelings of others and delighted in seeing those around him happy.

In the death of Charles T. Gordon, Camden and South Arkansas has lost an educator, a lawyer, a legislator and an orator.

—A. W. Buckner, Alpha-Gamma, has the position of special field agent of the Department of Agriculture until December 1st, being located at St. Joseph, La. After this

time he will take a course in law, which is to be his life's profession.

—M. W. Smith, Omega, is employed as Resident Engineer by the Kenefik-Hammond-Quigley Construction Co., at Houston, Texas. This company is engaged in railroad work, and we wish our Brother great success in his new field.

—John White, of Abingdon, Va., father-in-law of Walter H. Robertson, Gamma, Phi and Alpha, and uncle of Gilbert G. White, Gamma, died Thursday morning, September 6th, 1906, and we extend sympathy to our beloved Brothers.

—G. A. Wilson, Jr., B. A., Iota, is professor of Greek and modern languages at the Fishburne Military School, Waynesboro, Va. This Brother graduated at Hampden-Sidney in June covered with many honors, and his friends predict for him a brilliant career in the world of letters.

—Rev. John I. Armstrong, Iota, a graduate of Hampden-Sidney College and Union Theological Seminary, is now Professor of the English Bible in Agnes Scott College, Decatur, Ga.

—James W. Armstrong, Iota, '06, is in business in Nashville, Tenn.

—J. T. McAllister, Iota, of Hot Springs, Va., in company with his brother and father, is touring the British Isles and lower Europe.

—Hampden-Sidney College, of which Dr. J. Gray McAllister, Iota, is President, has had an increase in enrollment of 50% as compared with last session.

—In acknowledging receipt of the June issue, some very pleasant expressions were used in its praise, and we think the following will prove of interest to all:

*Chas. W. Underwood, Atlanta, Ga.* "I hasten to congratulate you on this issue. It is the best I have ever seen in any Fraternity Magazine, and fully upholds the high standard of Pi Kappa



Alpha. I have heard many compliments upon it from those who are not 'among the number' of us."

*Gordon Brown, Columbia, Tenn.* "I congratulate you on getting out such a creditable copy. It is fuller and contains more cuts than I have ever seen, and certainly does justice to our Fraternity."

*C. Vernon Spratley, Hampton Va.* "Best issue ever gotten out. The Grand Treasurer is to be congratulated."

*D. W. Neville, Clinton, S. C.* "This is a very attractive issue and casts much credit on all the I's."

*James C. Orr and David Brown, Sheffield, Ala.* "It is a splendid edition and much appreciated."

*Robert H. Adams, Davidson, N. C.* "Congratulations upon the excellence of the June issue. It is by far the best yet. Hope it is an earnest of good things to come."

*Thomas A. Caufield, Waco, Texas.* "She's a dandy."

*L. Theo. Bellmont, Dorchester, N. Y.* "The June issue is an excellent number."

*David S. Bromley, Edinburg, Va.* "It is a thing of beauty, and the fraternity is deeply indebted to you for the great improvements."

*John Davidson, Jr., Schenectady, N. Y.* "I have been much interested in the reading matter. It is by far the best issue I have seen and I think you deserve much praise."

*A. J. Seltzer Denver, Colorado.* "What a grand issue it is. The editors are certainly to be congratulated. It was certainly a pleasant task to read and enjoy it."

*Burton Barrs, Jacksonville, Fla.* "This number reflects great credit on its editors and on *Π. Κ. Α.*"

—The following concerning one of the oldest members of Beta will be read with interest from *The Times Dispatch* Richmond, Va., October 1st.

J. R. Howerton, D. D., for ten years pastor of First Presbyterian Church, this city, will tender his resignation to the congregation at a congregational meeting to be held in the church next Sunday morning. The action of Dr. Howerton comes as a genuine surprise to his people, and his future course is not given out.

Dr. Howerton came to Charlotte from Norfolk, Va., where he was pastor of the First Presbyterian Church of that city, to succeed Dr. John A. Preston, who died in 1896.

—Percy Biggs, an alumnus of Chi, is now one of Memphis' promising young lawyers. While at Sewanee he was a very active *Π*, and Chi feels sure that a successful career awaits him.

—Eugene Cecil Seaman, Chi, who graduated from the Theological Department of the University of the South this past commencement, is now assistant rector of Brother Edward A. Wood, C. E. '05, of Chi, has been spending the summer on a surveying trip through Northern Canada.

—The following concerning the alumnus of Alpha-Theta Chapter will be read with much interest:

A. B. Arnold is practicing law in Piedmont, W. Va., R. F. Staubly in Martinsburg, W. Va. A. H. Foreman, is with the Westinghouse Electrical Co., of Pittsburg, Pa. R. E. Watson, is with the Frick Coal Co., Strottdale, Pa. A. L. Long and Carl Neff are practicing law in Clarksburg, W. Va. Brother Perry is located in Welch, W. Va. Brother VanBuskirk is located in business in Elkins, W. Va. C. M. Seibert is in Martinsburg, W. Va. F. A. Parsons is in the Coal business in Meyersdale, Pa. W. L. Fleming is back! at his post as Professor of History, W. Va. University.

—The general office had the unexpected pleasure of a visit from Mr. and Mrs. J. Pike Powers, Jr., on Monday the 9th, instant. Needless to say it was very delightful to see Brother Powers, and especially enjoyable to have the privilege of meeting his charming wife. It was much regretted that they were simply passing through the city and spent but a day. Brother Powers has recently had a very high honor conferred upon him by the Governor in the appointment as Election Commissioner, in which capacity he has the appointment of 450 officers.



## Editorial.

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THE ACTIVE LIFE OF THE FRATERNITY has once more been resumed, and we trust that the scattered threads of the work will soon be woven together in one strong cable connecting all of our Chapters in united efforts to advance the Fraternity's work, its scope and its influence.

This should be a banner year for the Fraternity. The strengthening of the Chapters now in existence, the thorough upbuilding of the internal work of the Fraternity, and the continued development and extension of its borders, should be thoroughly prosecuted. Let us first, however, be sure of the strength of our present Chapters before we attempt any further extension.

It seems we are to lose at least two of our Chapters this year, one having to give up on account of the unequal struggle with more strongly entrenched rivals and the other on account of the passage of anti-fraternity laws by the College Trustees.

The first Chapter's experience brings us again to the problem of chapter houses, and in fact shows their importance and absolute necessity. In the June issue strong advice was given in these columns and earnest appeal made for systematic work during the summer in arranging plans which would result this fall in securing houses. How many of the Chapters paid attention to the counsel and how many of them took any steps whatever? Yet, the matter is of simple conclusion and easily to be arranged if gone at systematically, and this work of building chapter houses should be the banner cry for our work this year.

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IT IS VERY PLEASANT to note in one of the Chapter letters herewith, report of valuable assistance received by them through letters from Alumni in securing desirable men. This has been a phase of the work to which space has been systematically devoted in these columns and earnest efforts made to show its importance. We trust that all of our Chapters and their Alumni will note the chapter letter from Pi showing that good results do accrue from the slightest efforts in advising Chapters of the attendance of desirable material.

It is so much pleasanter for the Chapters to be able to approach these men through their mutual friendships and, of course, the value of knowing in advance all about the men enables the Chapter to be much surer in its work of securing members. No doubt other Chapters have been benefitted this year in a similar manner and they should make known this fact in order that encouragement may be given to Alumni and others to be carefully on the lookout for opportunities to assist in this way.

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THE SUPREME COUNCIL has passed resolutions of vital importance to all Chapters with regard to the payment of initiation fees, and such resolutions have been formally laid before each Chapter, with instructions that they be placed upon their Minute Book and rigidly enforced.

The lack of such a law governing all of the Chapters has been very much felt in the past and the Supreme Council has placed the matter now in most desirable shape and looks to each Chapter to see that it is obeyed. Full report will be required at the next Convention from each Chapter with regard to this.

If any Chapter has failed to receive this resolution, through miscarriage of the mail, prompt advice should be given the General Office, so that a duplicate may be issued at once.



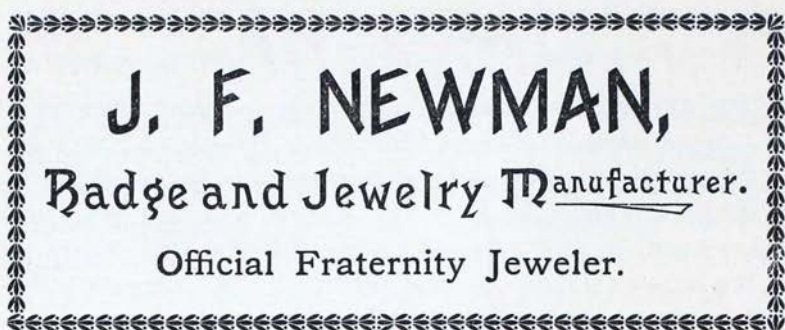
THE ENTIRE FRATERNITY was much pleased with the June issue, and many kind words of commendation as to its articles, as well as its illustrations, were received.

While the management of the Magazine groups these articles together and arranges the publishing, it is the duty of the active Chapters to prepare them, and writers should see that their contributions warrant this praise being given to every issue.

Articles are due by the Chapters on October 1st and April 1st of each year. At the first meeting of the new session a member should be appointed to write the article for the April issue, so that he may give careful thought and abundant time to its preparation. At the last meeting of each session some member should be charged with the duty of preparing, during the holiday, the October article, and thus the literary standard of the Magazine would be greatly improved.

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HURRAH for Brother Powers and best wishes and congratulation.



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