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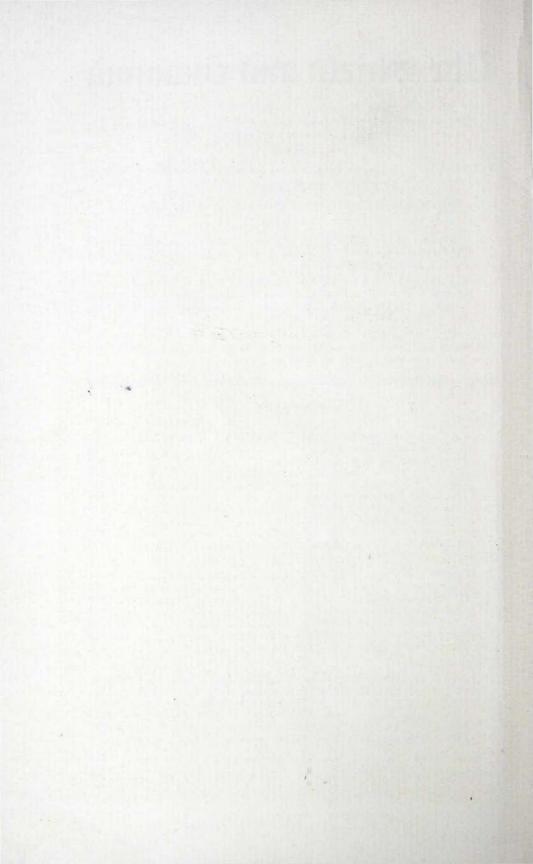
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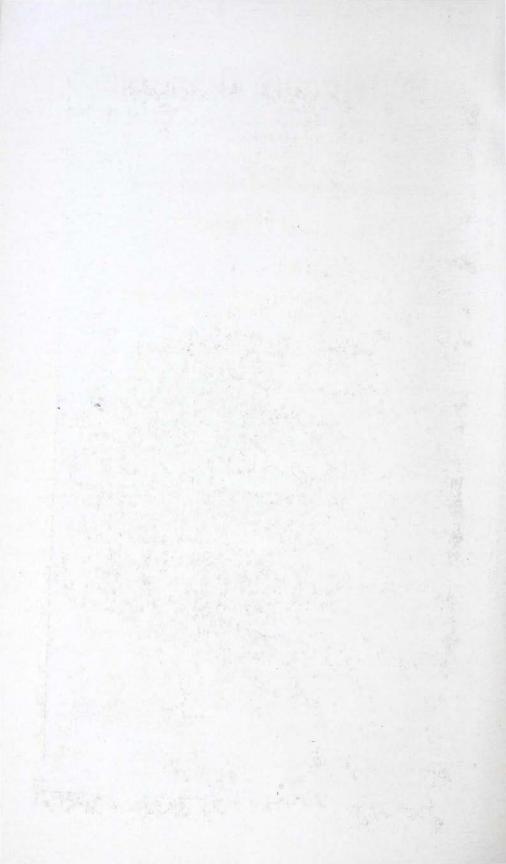
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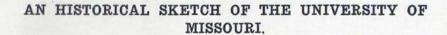
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In this short letter I shall attempt to show to the readers of the Shield and Diamond something of the growth, development and present status of the University of Missouri, the home of Pi Kappa Alpha's newest chapter, Alpha Nu. Space will not permit me to go into detail. I can merely "skim the surface" and by so doing hope to reveal to the reader sufficient facts that they may be impressed with the true worth of the University of Missouri. In this letter I shall not bring out the historical growth and development of the university, but will dwell lightly upon its humble beginning and show by contrast the early university as compared with what it is today.

The University of Missouri is located at Columbia, a beautiful little city of 15,000 inhabitants, on the Wabash and Missouri, Kansas and Texas Railroads. Columbia is a college town; not only is it the seat of the University of Missouri, but here is situated Christian College, the home of 300 young ladies, and one of the most fashionable boarding schools in the West. Stephens College, a boarding school for young ladies, maintained by the Baptist church, also is located here, as is a Bible College of the Christian church and a Preparatory Military Academy. Columbia High School is one of the best in the state.

The University of Missouri is the oldest state university west of the Mississippi river. It has at the present time

the following departments, which I shall notice in detail a little later in this article: Graduating department, College of Arts and Sciences, College of Agriculture, College of Education, School of Law, School of Medicine, School of Engineering, School of Journalism and School of Mines. All of the above-mentioned departments, with the exception of the School of Mines, which is at Rolla, Mo., are located in Columbia. The tuition to all these departments is free.

I shall leave the university of today and go back for a time and show you its origin.

When by act of Congress of 1812 the territory of Missouri was organized, the article of the ordinance of 1787 pertaining to means of providing for education from a sale of public lands of the United States in said territory, in such manner as Congress may deem expedient, was carried across the Mississippi river and somewhat amplified.

When the State of Missouri was organized out of this territory, Congress provided for the donation of two townships of land to "A University;" and one-thirty-sixth of the entire public domain to district schools, thus planting them together and making them constituent parts of our public schools of Missouri. The second section of the sixth article of our state constitution gives the university birth as a part of the organic law of Missouri.

By an act of Congress of 1831 the legislature of Missouri was authorized to sell the lands donated for the founding of a university and to apply the proceeds solely to the use of such an institution.

By the year 1839, the proceeds of the sale under the act of 1831, together with interest, amounted to \$100,000.00; and when the General Assembly of Missouri met in 1839 an act was passed making provision for the selection of a site for the university. A commission of five members was selected and requested to receive bids from six central counties of the state and the county offering the most advantages to be derived to said university, keeping in view the amount subscribed, and locality, was to be entitled to its location.

After a spirited contest the located was awarded to Boone county, which had made a bid of \$117,000.00 raised by private subscription.

The governing body of the new university, a board of curators, was by a joint session of both houses of the General Assembly elected February 11, 1839. The first meeting of the board was held in October, 1839, at the site selected by the commisioners for the university. This meeting resolved as soon as practical to proceed with the erection of a main university building. At an adjourned meeting on the 28th of the same month, plans for the main edifice of the university were submitted. At a meeting March 3, 1840, the sealed bids of competing bidders were opened. On July 3, 1840, the corner stone for the first building was laid. The new university was dedicated July 4, 1843.

The first president of the university, Dr. John H. Lathrop of Hamilton College, New York, was elected October 29, 1840, and entered upon his active duties as president March 1, 1841. His first report of September 20, 1843, gives the number of students 74. The first commencement was held with two graduates November 28, 1843, at which time they were granted the A. B. degree. The university continued with slight growth until soon after the opening of the war, when it was closed and the buildings occupied by United States troops. While the war was yet in progress the university was again opened and has continued to prosper until the present day.

Thus have I pictured to you the humble beginning and the first few years of the struggle of a new university in contrast to the great Missouri University of today.

Today the University of Missouri ranks high amongst the universities of our land and is, in fact, one of the greatest of state universities. It is conceded that the best criterion by which a university is to be judged is whether or not it is placed upon the Carnegie Fund foundation. The University of Missouri is a member of the American Association of Universities and is one of only four state universities which are admitted to this fund.

Instead of only a few students as in antebellum days, her total enrollment will, for the session of 1909 and 1910, reach more than the three thousand mark. While the growth of the University of Missouri has been phenomenal, yet that growth has been a healthy and gradual one. From the year

1890 the growth has been of nearly the same increase in percentage from year to year. The rapid growth of the university of recent years is much due to the organized school system of the State of Missouri. Especially is that due to the development of our high schools and our preparatory schools. Today there are in our state 128 approved high schools, having a four-year high school course, a graduate of whom enters the University of Missouri by diploma. The entrance requirements of the University of Missouri are the same as that of the academic department of Harvard and other Eastern universities. And the student who has finished one class in the University of Missouri in most departments, may enter the succeeding class, with some exceptions, at Harvard and other large Eastern universities.

All the departments of the university with the exception of the School of Mines, which is located at Rolla, Mo., are here in Columbia. By having so many departments all in one place there is great economy in teaching; and also in other expenditures to which our state has to be put in order to maintain her university. For instance, there is a great saving in the maintenance of the laboratories and mechanical contrivances, which can be utilized by several departments. Students in the professional schools have the advantage of electing certain studies in the College of Arts and Science, which are very valuable, but which are ordinarily left out of the curriculum of strictly professional schools.

I shall now go somewhat into detail concerning the different departments, taking them up in the order of their establishment. The university started out merely as a classical school. This classical college is still maintained and today bears the name of the College of Arts and Sciences. The course in this department is an elective one and leads to an A. B. and B. S. degree.

The first of the departments to be established was that of Education in 1867. An outgrowth of this department is the Teachers' College Department, which was established in 1904. This was the first professional department for teachers to be established in any American university. Its purpose is to train efficient teachers for all grades of work,

but is especially well prepared and equipped for the training of city superintendents, high school principals and teachers' colleges and normals. This is conceded to be the best teachers' college of any state university in the United States. In connection with the Teachers' College is maintained a Teachers' College High School, giving a four years' high school course. The teaching in this Teachers' College High School is, with few exceptions, done by seniors in the Teachers' College. Teaching during the senior year, being one of the requirements for graduation and the obtaining of a life certificate to teach in the schools of Missouri.

The Department of Agriculture was the next to be established. It has just entered into a new \$100,000.00 home, one of the most beautiful buildings of the university group. It is a large building constructed of natural limestone and situated upon the state farm. More direct benefit is probably derived by the State of Missouri from this department than from any other. As a result of the investigation and findings in this department, it is estimated that millions of dollars have been added to the State of Missouri in an agricultural way. The following buildings are situated upon the college farm: The Agricultural building, the Horticultural building, another large building of natural limestone; the Dairy building; the Live Stock building; the Farm Machinery laboratory, besides numerous large barns for the cattle. There are two large silos, one of which has a capacity of 250 tons of silage. There are slaughter houses, spacious greenhouses. In all there are over twenty large buildings, all devoted to agricultural purposes and most of which are made of natural limestone. The College Farm consists of 610 acres. Upon this farm are conducted experiments both in the raising of plants and in the breeding of animals. It is estimated that upon the Agricultural College Farm of the State of Missouri there is as large and as fine an equipment of live stock as is found upon any agricultural college farm in the world.

To give you some more information concerning our Agricultural College, I will say that it has a faculty of more than fifty teachers in charge. And to give you some idea as to its national and international reputation, I will say that students

from almost every state in the Union are found in its enrollment, and that many students are maintained here by foreign governments. At the International Live Stock Show at Chicago in 1907, a student from the University of Missouri won the highest score ever made by a student in a live stock judging contest.

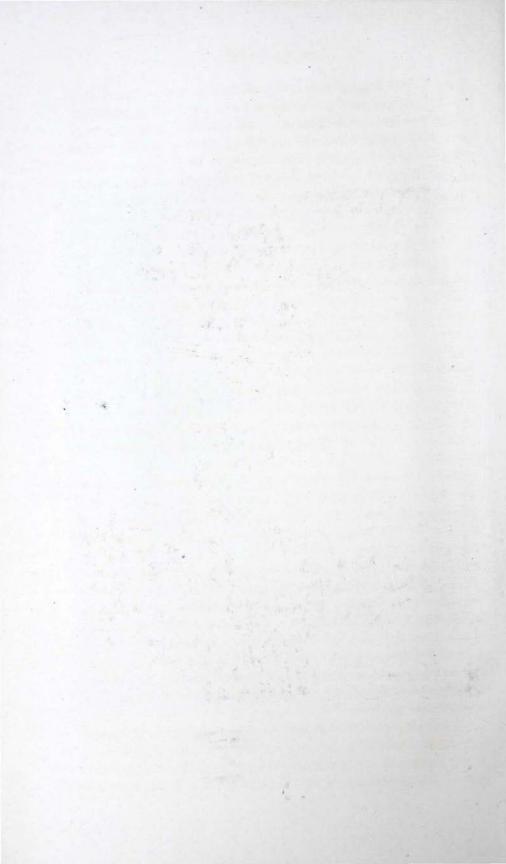
At the Missouri State Fair in the year 1907, twentyeight prizes were offered for judging live stock. Of these twenty-six were won by students of Missouri University. The live stock judging team of the Dairy Department is sent annually to the National Stock Show at Chicago. This team competes with the leading agricultural college teams of the country, and has always been successful in bringing home its share of the prizes. The requirements for admission to a four years' agricultural course are the same as that of the other departments of the university. In connection with the Agricultural College, each winter, for fourteen weeks, is maintained a short course in agriculture for young men who desire to become better farmers, more skillful stock raisers. dairymen or orchardists, but have not the time to take a fouryear course. In this short course more of the practical side of agriculture is dwelt upon than of the scientific.

The School of Mines was founded the same year as was the School of Agriculture. This is the home of Alpha Kappa. The School of Mines was organized to give a scientific course in the study of minerals.

The Law Department of the University of Missouri was opened in 1872. The present home of the Law Department is a large three-story pressed brick structure, erected in 1893, and is practically fireproof. This building has a fine library of five rooms. In this library are over 13,000 volumes, containing the bound reports of every state in the Union. The course of instruction covers a period of three years. The Case system is used. Entrance requirements are the same as that of the other departments, being a four-year high school course or its equivalent. During the senior year, the students are given a practical course in law by means of a moot court.

In 1845 the old McDowel School of Medicine, the first west of the Mississippi river, became the Medical Department of the University of Missouri. Shortly before the Civil war

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it was discontinued, but re-established in 1872. From this reëstablished school grew the present Medical Department of the University of Missouri. At first the curriculum was two years, later three years, and in 1899 extended to the present length of four years. Owing to the limited facilities in Columbia for clinics, the last two years of the medical course have been temporarly discontinued. The entrance requirements of the Medical Department are that, in addition to a four years' high school course required as entrance to the College of Arts and Sciences, the student must have had at least one year of collegiate work and it is strongly recommended that in the future the student must have two such years of collegiate work before he is prepared to enter the medical department. The greater per cent of the students at present pursuing the medical course are taking the combined arts and science and medical courses of six years, which lead them to the A. B. and M. D. degrees. The University of Missouri has among its medical faculty many authorities in their particular subjects. The School of Medicine has always stood for the highest standard of medical education and was a pioneer in introducing and developing the laboratory method.

The Engineering School was founded in 1877. Its purpose is to provide a substantial knowledge such as is needed by a successful engineer, by giving to the students a thorough training in the fundamental principles which underlie the engineering science. The following courses of engineering are given: Mechanical engineering, civil engineering, electrical engineering, chemical engineering and sanitary engineering. The requirements of admission are the same as that to the College of Arts and Sciences. The School of Engineering is equipped with an excellent working library consisting of technical works, together with the best engineering magazines. The laboratories are equipped with the best and newest contrivances necessary in teaching the different subjects of an engineering course.

The School of Journalism is a new department of the university, established in the year 1908. It takes rank with all the departments, as law, medicine, etc. The entrance requirements are the same as the School of Engineering and

other departments. The course embraces four years of study leading to the degree of B. S. in journalism. By this school is edited and published daily, except Saturday and Sunday, a well-balanced and general newspaper, The University Missourian, giving to students actual experience in the running and management of a newspaper.

I have gone only deep enough into details to give the reader an idea of our respective departments. Here it might be well to mention our military school. The cadets to this school are appointed for the period of two years. Each senator and representative has power to appoint three cadets from his district annually. The governor has a right to appoint ten at-large annually. Besides a certain number of students desiring to pay for their own equipment may enter this school without an appointment. The advantage of an appointment is that the student is excused from the paying of certain dues and fees and from the expense of paying for his equipment. The course embraces a study of military science and tactics under the guidance of a United States Army officer, stationed here by the government.

I will now describe some of our buildings as to size and situation. It is estimated that the State of Missouri has invested at the present time here in Columbia the sum of three and a half million dollars in buildings and equipment. As you will see from the sketch found in this number, the buildings are arranged upon three sides of a quadrangle, leaving the north side open. At the south side and extending across and forming one end of the quadrangle, is the Academic Hall erected in 1893. This is a fine building erected of limestone and pressed brick. It is fireproof. It is estimated that today this building could not be duplicated for less than one-half million of dollars. On the right of the quadrangle, looking north from Academic Hall, are the Zoological and Geological buildings, the Chemistry building and the Law building. On the left, the Mechanic Arts building, the Engineering building and Journalism building. The other buildings situated upon the campus proper are the two dormitories, Medical building, Parker Memorial Hospital, and the Observatory. At the front of the campus, but upon individual property, is situated a magnificent new \$100,000.00 Young Men's Christian Association Home. Upon the campus is a heating and lighting and pumping plant, which furnishes to all the university heat, light and water. The buildings above mentioned are only a few of the thirty-three buildings, a bird's-eye view of which may be seen on another page.

You may wish to know something of the size of the faculty of our university. The faculty consists of over 250 members, most of whom are specialists in their respective work.

You may wish to know something of the income of the university. The State of Missouri has by no means in the past been generous, but in the future, as each year there are more and more alumni of the university in the legislature and friends to education, the future prospects become very bright for liberal donations. At the present time the income from the United States government and the State of Missouri is about \$600,000.00 a year.

There are numerous student organizations, many of which are almost as old as the university itself. I have space here to mention only a few, such as some of the older debating societies, departmental societies, the cadet band, the glee club, literary societies, the county and city clubs, social clubs, etc.

There are numerous publications gotten out by the university and by the students of the university. The Savitar, the college annual, is gotten out each year by a committee elected by the junior classes of all departments. The other publications are the Daily Missourian, the Independent, a college paper published weekly; the Oven, a humorous publication published by the students; the Farmers' Journal, edited and published by students of the Agricultural Department; the Engineering Quarterly, published by the students of the Engineering Society, besides numerous scientific works, embodying the results of investigations.

You will probably wish to know something of athletics here. Our athletic relations are confined to colleges and state universities of adjoining states. Missouri University has a well-equipped and new gymnasium, a cut of which can be seen upon another page. Missouri has always been very successful in track events. Fairly successful in baseball and football. The past season in football, however, was a great

success under the management of Roper, last year head coach of Princeton University. The season just closed Missouri played the University of Iowa, Iowa State College of Agriculture, Drake University, Washington University, Rolla School of Mines, Monmouth College, and our old rival, Kansas University, without losing a single game during the season.

I will dwell a moment on where the students live. A large per cent of them live in the boarding houses of the town. A great per cent live in the two large dormitories owned by the state for young men and one for young ladies. The remainder live in the chapter houses of the various fraternities and sororities. The following fraternities have chapters here and all of them have chapter houses. I will name them in the order of their establishment: Phi Delta Theta, Kappa Kappa Gamma, Sigma Alpha Epsilon, Sigma Nu, Beta Theta Pi, Kappa Alpha, Sigma Chi, Kappa Sigma, Pi Beta Phi, Phi Gamma Delta, Delta Tau Delta, Alpha Tau Omega, Phi Kappa Psi, Kappa Alpha Theta, Delta Gamma, Pi Kappa Alpha. Many of the professional fraternities, too, have chapter houses.

The university is governed by a board of curators consisting of nine members appointed by the governor, by and with the advice and consent of the senate. The student body is practically self-governed.

I have by this article attempted to give to the readers of the Shield and Diamond a brief description of the university in which her newest chapter, Alpha Nu, is located. I believe that every reader will be proud to see Pi Kappa Alpha in such an institution and will be convinced that there is plenty of room for Pi Kappa Alpha to flourish in the University of Missouri. My hope is that Alpha Nu will always be worthy of Pi Kappa Alpha and the great University of Missouri.

RUSSELL E. HOLLOWAY.

A WORD UPON EXPANSION.

Brother Pi Kappa Alphas, I want to say a few words through the Shield and Diamond concerning this subject of expansion. In so doing, I am voicing the sentiments—I will go further and say that I am voicing the desires—of Alpha Nu Chapter. I am sure that Alpha Kappa and Alpha Zeta the ultra Mississippi chapters, will bear me out in what I am about to say.

Pi Kappa Alpha has been a Southern fraternity. She has covered that territory and has covered it well; in fact, has outgrown it.

Pi Kappa Alpha is no longer a Southern fraternity. Since she has voted expansion, the important question arises: What form shall that expansion assume? Into what territory shall Pi Kappa Alpha make special efforts to extend? Shall Pi Kappa Alpha extend generally, that is, into any general direction where the opportunity to place good chapters may present itself, or shall she decide to expand in any one direction? Will Pi Kappa Alpha be passive in the matter of granting new chapters; or will she take the initiative to have new chapters placed in such a new and fruitful field as I am about to describe? These are important questions and I believe vital ones. Upon the solution of these questions, I believe, is going to hinge the success of Pi Kappa Alpha's new policy.

I would not suggest that the expansion be strictly in any one direction, for there may come to Pi Kappa Alpha opportunities to place good chapters in good colleges and universities which, should Pi Kappa Alpha decide upon extending into any one direction, would be lost.

But I do say that you will have to concede that there is some territory that is more fruitful and that holds out better prospects for the fulfillment of Pi Kappa Alpha's present policy than others. I further say that it is toward this territory that Pi Kappa Alpha should make special efforts. Now, you will ask me, what is that territory?

It is in the state universities of the Northwest and West. Others, old, large and wealthy fraternities, have foreseen the prospects of this section and have made special efforts to become pioneers in this territory and well have they succeeded, too. And since Pi Kappa Alpha has lain aside her conservative role, why should she, too, not become a competitor in this fruitful field and get in upon the ground floor?

The state universities to which I have just alluded, especially those west of the one hundredth meridian, are new and just in the infancy of their growth. Today they are practically as were the great state universities of Illinois, Michigan, Wisconsin, Minnesota, Iowa and Missouri twenty to thirty years ago. Every one of them, with one or two exceptions, is located in a large state whose resources are wonderful and almost inexhaustible and have been developed only slightly. When in twenty years hence these resources are more highly developed, these states will become immensely wealthy. And in keeping with their wealth, will become their state universities.

In twenty years hence these state universities should more than equal the rank of the present time of the great universities just mentioned, because they will not have the small denominational colleges to fight and subdue as competitors, as has been the case with the universities of the Mississippi valley. The directors and conservators of their policies have the advantage of the knowledge and experience of those occupying similar places in the old state universities. Public opinion favors and encourages state universities. mense amount of immigration is flowing into this territory and every year sees an increased per cent. This immigration is of high-classed and desirable citizenship, ambitious and energetic. The new states will have more money to expend for education because advantage will be taken of errors consummated in older commonwealths in the management of their eleemosynary and penal institutions and in other governmental expenditures, thus leaving an increased proportion for the public school fund.

Because of these reasons, a few years in the future will see the Dakotas, Colorado, Montana, Wyoming, Idaho, Texas, Oklahoma and the Pacific Coast states with great and wealthy universities, the pride of their respective commonwealths.

Pi Kappa Alpha's territory as it now stands seems divided by the great Mississippi river. Not only does it seem

a geographical boundary, but a social and industrial one. The people of these two communities seem to have as a rule an entity of interest distinct from each other. Their social interests seem diverse. The young men of the terrirtory east of the Mississippi river graduate from college, usually settle down some place in the South or in the home community.

In Pi Kappa Alpha territory lying west of the Mississippi river the contrary is the rule. It is rarely that a graduate or alumnus of Alpha Zeta, Alpha Kappa or Alpha Nu locates in his home community. The case is the exception rather than the rule. He pushes on to the West or Northwest, where the prospects for a young man of energy are the greatest.

Since Pi Kappa Alpha has been until comparatively recently confined east of the Mississippi river, she has not many alumni in this territory to push her interests. I was particularly impressed with this fact by letters in the Shield and Diamond from alumni in the Western states who say that they never meet any fraternity brothers. When such is the case, it seems that one misses a great deal of that for which a fraternity stands. One cannot always go in pursuit of his life work into a field where those bound to him by close ties of association will be found, but there can be something done by an organization to extend itself into a section in which so many of the choicest of our young college men have faith to cast their fortunes.

In closing this article, I want to impress upon every Pi Kappa Alpha, "Let us consider carefully the advisability of taking measures to get into this field. It is beyond a doubt worth an effort." Don't understand me to advocate the placing of chapters in this new territory at the expense of quality. Chapters are more apt to flourish in these new universities than in small colleges that are at a standstill and many of which are on the decline and none of which can ever hope to cope with state universities backed by wealthy states and a strong public opinion. I wish that every loyal Pi Kappa Alpha would seriously consider this question with the future of Pi Kappa Alpha at heart and exert every

energy to turn Pi Kappa Alpha into the large state universities and especially into the fruitful field that I have just mentioned.

Respectfully,

A MEMBER OF ALPHA NU CHAPTER.

THE FRATERNITY AND THE CANADIAN UNIVERSITY.

The adoption of a policy of expansion by the Pi Kappa Alpha has, perhaps, a wider significance than might appear at first thought. It means not only that chapters will be installed in the chief Northern universities of the United States, but also that in time it may see fit to cross the border, and establish chapters in Canada.

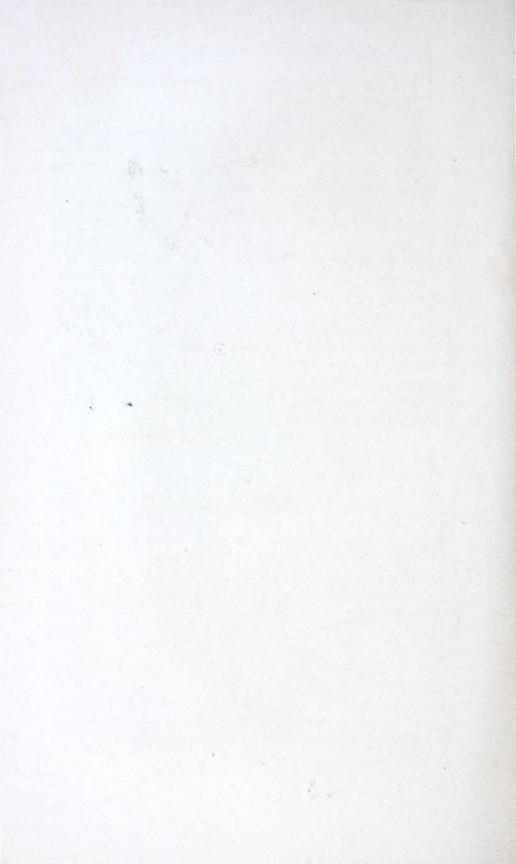
Before making such a move, however, it would of course be necessary to investigate this new field, and to find what it offers us. It is my purpose in this article to set forth to Pi Kappa Alpha brothers the fraternity situation in the Canadian University, and to suggest the possibilities for fraternity expansion in these institutions.

I am able to speak more difinitely of fraternities in the University of Toronto, with which I was associated, in one way or another, for several years, than of other Canadian colleges; but what I say of that university applies, I believe, to others.

The abandoning, in 1896 or 1897, at Toronto, of the University Residence, which corresponds to the American college dormitory, created a serious need among the students. The residence, it is true, had proved a failure. Yet, it was necessary for groups of students to have a home. There seemed nothing to take the place of the Residence, until a few conceived the idea of establishing a fraternity. They communicated with several in the United States, received a charter, and proceeded to procure a chapter house.

The opposition to this move was at first somewhat strong. Faculty and student body were not in sympathy, and looked on in suspicion. The faithful few, however, held together, and soon won recognition through their scholarship and student activities.

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Gradually faculty and student body saw that fraternity life was not only not a disadvantage, but a direct benefit to the institution. There was no falling off of standards, no evil results. On the contrary, the men had a kind of social life and means for mutual helpfulness which had not existed before. Today fraternity life is encouraged in many ways. The authorities of University College made arrangements a few years ago by which it is now possible for fraternities to build their houses on university property, with a perpetual lease.

How many fraternities there are just now in the University of Toronto I do not know. In 1900 there were three, and these were Canadian chapters of American fraternities. When it is considered that more than 3,200 students attend Toronto University yearly, this number appears almost absurdly small. A rich field of expansion lies here for Pi Kappa Alpha. It might well become an aim of its members to work toward establishing chapters not only in Toronto, but also in other Canadian universities. They need Pi Kappa Alpha and Pi Kappa Alpha needs them.

GEDDES W. RUTHERFORD.

ALPHA NU'S HEADQUARTERS.

When a nucleus of would-be Pi K. A.'s quietly banded themselves together at the beginning of the school year, fortune consistently smiled upon their endeavors and the result was the Alpha Nu Chapter of Pi Kappa Alpha at the University of Missouri. When the Pi's faced the next problem, that of securing a suitable home for the remainder of the year, fortune continued to smile upon them and in consequence Alpha Nu starts her career at Missouri with comfortable headquarters.

The home we are now occupying is a large frame structure formerly used by the Phi Gamma Delta fraternity, and is situated at the southern edge of the university campus in Maryland Place, one of the attractive residence districts of Columbia. Large forest trees afford abundant shade during

the warm months and a vacant lot adjoining and belonging to our premises provides a private pleasure ground where the Pi K. A. brethren can limber up for the Pan-Hellenic baseball season, or break the monotony of study and a sedentary life with the mit or the pigskin.

The interior of our new home is well adapted to fraternity purposes. A large library, hallway, living room and dining room furnish ample floor space for dances and other social events. The complete set of mission furniture which we have just installed and a display of pennants, cushions and fraternity steins, give these rooms a pleasing substantial appearance, and savor strongly of college life and college ideals. Our charter and a large white leather bearing the coat-ofarms of the Pi Kappa Alpha fraternity, a gracious gift from Alpha Kappa Chapter at the Rolla School of Mines, grace a section of the library walls and are so placed that the first thing one sees upon entering the house are these symbols and insignia of the glory and majesty of Pi Kappa Alpha. spacious open fireplace is giving the brothers Pi much cheer and comfort these chilly winter days. Its hearth is the mecca of yarn-swappers. About it gather convivial groups to pass around the gossip of the varsity, discuss sport dope, and consider the affairs of the chapter. This fireplace witnesses occasional stormy business meetings of Alpha Nu and, if able to speak, could relate the life ambitions and high-sounding theories of all her members. The upstairs rooms, eight in number, are comfortable and well appointed. They are provided with electricity and bath. All things considered, the brethren can, when looking back upon their era of landladies, sympathize with the sentiment expressed by Nero, who, having built himself a magnificent dwelling after the fire at Rome, remarked, "Now, I am housed as a man should be."

The Pi K. A.'s at Missouri are glad to announce that they are comfortably established and in a position to cordially invite any of their brothers who can to visit Alpha Nu at any time they wish.

COLLEGE POLITICS.

The question of College Politics, as it might be appropriately called, seems to be a growing evil, and one which deserves the attention of every fraternity man in the South. Without attempting to account for the origin of the practice it will be well to meet the issue by assuming that in every, or at least almost every college, there is more or less intense rivalry among the several frats and the non-frat element over the election of the class officers, athletic team managers and captains and other offices that are regularly filled by the student body.

In an effort to divide these honors as evenly as possible among the fraternities, there has developed a practice of forming a combination, between two or more frats, whereby the votes of the members of the fraternities which have entered the combination are exchanged, all voting for two members, generally from two fraternities, who have offered themselves as candidates for some office. The issue fairly stated is: Is this practice conducive to the best results, either from a fraternal or college standpoint, and should frat men encourage or discourage such a practice?

We will assume in the beginning that every man who goes into one of these combinations is sincere and believes that he is acting in the best interests of his fraternity. In order to decide the issue it seems that the only real question is whether or not there is such a thing as a conflict between a man's duty to his college and his fraternity; and if such a conflict occurs, which duty is paramount? However strange it may seem at first that such a conflict might occur, there should be none.

The fraternity might be said to get its existence from the college. Everything that is to the credit of the college is permanent and might be said to inure to the benefit of every integral part of the college, in the eyes of the outside public, while an advantage gained by one small part of the college is hardly noticed save by a small number of persons who are directly interested. Not becoming known by the people outside the college, from whom future patronage is to be derived, it fails to be of any permanent advantage to anything or anybody, other than mere personal pride.

Let us suppose a case: There are two positions to be filled, manager and captain of an athletic team. Fraternity A has a large vote in the manager election, and no candidate, but wants the captaincy, while Fraternity B has a candidate for the manager's job, and a strong vote for the captaincy. Regardless of the qualifications and ability of the candidates, as is often the case, the frats get together and pledge to exchange their votes in the two elections. Suppose we look to see what the result is, supposing both candidates to be elected, to the college and the two frats. When the next year comes around the college is represented by a team poorly captained, which is not so bad where there is a proper and efficient coaching system, and poorly managed, while each of the frats has recorded on its books the two honors. The team makes a poor showing, which is no credit to the institution, keeping away from college valuable men who might have entered and lowering the athletic standard generally, which is no small consideration, and a general poor showing is made which calls for criticism from every side, while the two frats have these honors on the books, at the expense of the institution, which means also the expense of the two fraternities, for the frats cannot by any means rise above the standard and reputation of the college.

On the other side, had capable and efficient men been chosen the season would have ended with more credit and honor to the college, to the men who had charge of the season's work and to the fraternities to which they belonged, thus raising the standard of the college, and the fraternities in general, which must necessarily raise the standard of each individual fraternity.

For these reasons it seems that unless the honors to be divided bring some advantage to the institution, it fails to be of any advantage to the frat. While on the other hand anything to the credit of the college inures to the credit of every frat and every organization in the institu-

Thus there should be no such thing as a conflict of duties toward your fraternity, and your college. These are the views of one person only, who has seen the system in operation at several institutions and heard of the results at several others. Though you may disagree with the writer on some things or on the question as a whole, it is certainly worthy of the thought and consideration of every fraternity man.

Anonymous.

THE IDEAL FRATERNITY MAN.

No doubt every fraternity man has an individual idea of the kind of man who would do a fraternity the most good; and no doubt these ideas vary as the number of members of the fraternity. But there are a few characteristics common in the universal idea of the ideal fraternity man, and it is the purpose of this article to name just a few of them.

In the first place the best fraternity man is the best college man. Fraternities should not want men who do not enter into the life of the college, and who do not take an active part in some phase of campus life. The knight who shuts himself up in his castle never gains power nor honor. The college man who draws himself up in his own particular shell never deserves and never possesses the friendship and esteem of his fellow students. Fraternities are not looking for hermits, who never associate with others enough to let them know they are on the campus.

The ideal fraternity man should be athletic. When the honors won by a chapter are sent in to be published in the official organ a prominent place is always given to the man who has won glory on the gridiron, diamond or cinder path. One of the straightest roads to popularity on the campus is through athletics, and every fraternity is looking for the man who enjoys the friendship of his fellow students.

But athletics is not an end to be sought in itself. The sound body is one of the first requisites of a sound mind. Every fraternity man cannot lead his class, but he can be faithful in his studies and bring honor to his fraternity. Men are not wanted who come to college to spend money and loaf. The fraternity which notices the men who have a purpose in the work, and which initiates such men, is the fraternity which will be considered as the most substantial and which will have on its roll the greatest percentage of men of note. Let us look for men who are men, and who hold themselves in subjection to a high code of ethics.

Many members will "blackball" a man who does not keep a razor-edge crease in his trousers and does not part his hair near his left ear. We do want men who dress well, who are at home in company of ladies and who are cultured, with all that the word implies, but we do not want the "dead-game sport" who cannot spare a little cuticle on the football field or a little mental energy on math and Latin.

It would indeed be a difficult matter to find a man who fulfills perfectly all of these conditions, but it is not difficult to find large numbers who fulfill some of them and are striving to fulfill others. When fraternities are made up of such men, just so soon will the frat and non-frat spirit die out and the general fraternities and individual chapters be respected and esteemed more highly by those whom "Billy's" horns have not touched.

R. D. Dodge, Beta '09.

THE LEGISLATURE AND THE FRATERNITIES IN MISSISSIPPI

The legislature of the State of Mississippi is in session, and it seems has found time for some legislation in spite of the now-famous senatorial deadlock. A bill, known as the Russell Act, is now before the House, looking to the abolition of Greek letter societies in all colleges supported in whole or in part by the state. The writer is not in pos-

session of the charges made against the fraternity by its enemies in Mississippi, but that they are even more chimerical and unwarrantable than is usual in such instances may be easily inferred from the following minority report of the Committee on Education, by which the bill has been recommended for passage:

Mr. Curd, of the Educational Committee, presented a minority report on the Russell bill, seeking to abolish all Greek letter fra-

ternities at the University of Mississippi. It was:

We, the undersigned members of the Committee on Education, wish to present a minority report on bill 127, an act to abolish and prohibit Greek letter fraternities and sororities and all secret orders in the University of Mississippi, and in all other educational institutions supported, in whole or in part, by the state, and providing penalties for any trustee or member of the faculty failing or refusing to enforce the provisions of this act.

We recommend that the bill do not pass the house, for the rea-

sons following:

First-The anti-fraternity men have not produced sufficient and

specific evidence to make conclusive proof of the charges made.

Second-We are informed by a trustee of the university that no complaint has ever been made by the faculty concerning members of the fraternities, and that whenever the chancellor or the faculty declare that the welfare of the university demands the abolishment of the fraternities they would be abolished.

Third-We believe this is a matter which should be handled

by the faculty and trustees, and not by the legislature.

Fourth—The agitation of this subject by the house and senate will be detrimental to the best interests of the university by the extensive advertisment through the daily and weekly press of the unfortunate conduct of both fraternity and non-fraternity boys, yet this cannot be attributed alone to the existence of these societies.

Fifth—It is conceded by all that the attendance at the university

is larger than it has been for years, and that the work being done is in every respect more satisfactory than it has ever been. It has also developed that as many students are now in attendance as can

be accommodated.

Sixth-It has developed, as we see the situation, that there is more agitation of the fraternity question in the halls of the Legisla-

ture than at the university or in the city of Oxford.

Seventh-From our knowledge of institutions of this kind, we are not convinced beyond peradventure that conditions of which complaint is made can be attributed to the fraternities per se. Nor are we wholly convinced that these conditions would not exist in an instituion where there were no fraternities. Eighth—We believe in any case that your committee should have made a more favorable investigation of this matter, and should

have been in possession of a greater amount of concrete data instead of abstract information. We believe that according to the general policy of our state government that this should be more carefully investigated by this committee before being submitted to the house.

Ninth—The petition asking for abolishment presented by the advocates of the bill does not contain the names of a majority even of the non-fraternity men at the university, and we are informed that practically all non-fraternity men were approached and asked to sign the petition. There are about 440 students on the roll and about 130 fraternity men, leaving 310 non-fraternity men. Of this number only about seventy-four ask for abolishment of the fraternities. If we take out of the non-fraternity men 160, as being first-year students, who are prevented by rule from joining fraternities, still the seventy-four signers would not be a majority of the remaining non-fraternity men.

This report is signed by seven members.

That the fraternities are not idle in the defense of their rights may be seen from the following account of a circular distributed by them, which appears in the Jackson Daily News:

The Greek letter fraternity men of the State University have circulated a statement that would seem to set at rest the controversy as to whether or not they are responsible for all the devilment that goes on at that institution.

The following assertions made in the circular letter are sworn to before a notary public, and cover a period of from 1903 to 1910:

1. Every Rhodes scholar has been a fraternity man, and eight out of nine students of the university who passed the examination were fraternity men.

2. Every Odom prize has been won by a fraternity man (\$120.00

in cash).

3. Five out of seven Edward Thompson law prizes (\$250.00 worth

of law books) were won by fraternity men.

4. Every Bryan medal given won by fraternity men. This medal is given by the Hon. W. J. Bryan for the best paper on some subject of government, and the papers are handed in under symbol.

5. Four out of five schools of English prizes won by fraternity men. This prize is given for the best short story in the magazine.

6. Three out of four Hillrie M. Quin prizes (\$30.00 in gold to law student making highest average in whole course) won by fraternity men.

7. Seven out of eleven senior medals, given by the literary

societies, won by fraternity men.

8. Three out of four Bobbs-Merrill prizes won by fraternity men.
9. One out of three junior medals, given by the literary societies,

won by fraternity men.

10. Eleven out of fourteen sophomore medals won by members of some fraternity. Given by the university for excellence of declamation.

11. Eighteen out of twenty-eight freshmen medals, given by

the literary societies, won by fraternity men.

- 12. Twelve out of twenty-eight Taylor medals won by fraternity members, the medals being given for scholarship and deportment.
- 13. Twenty-eight out of forty-five senior speakers fraternity men. These speakers are selected from the students having the highest averages.

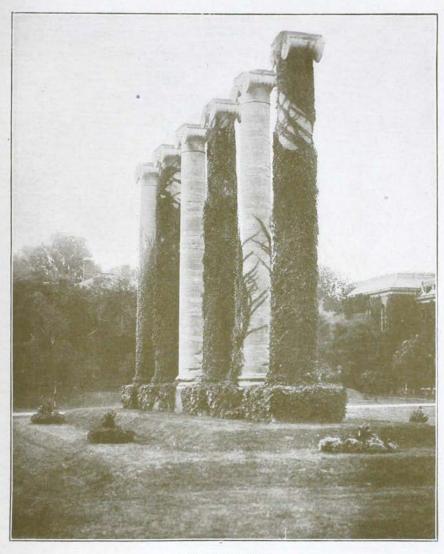
14. Nine out of nineteen alternate senior speakers fraternity

members.

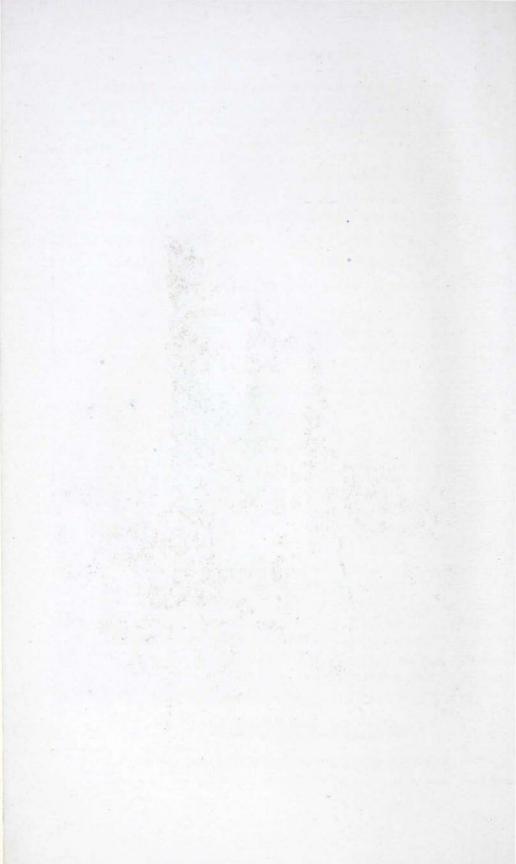
15. Ten out of twenty diplomas "with distinction" won by fraternity members. Distinction is a general average for entire course of over 90 per cent.

16. Four out of seven presidents of the Young Men's Christian

Associations fraternity men.



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17. Five out of seven editors-in-chief of the magazine were fraternity members, and forty out of sixty editors were fraternity mem-The magazine is published by the literary societies.

18. Four out of seven representatives of the university in the

state oratorical contest were fraternity men.

19. Every editor-in-chief of the 'Varsity Voice (the university weekly paper) were fraternity men and twenty-one of its thirty-one editors were members of a fraternity. It is published by the Young Men's Christian Association.

20. Thirty out of fifty-nine presidents of the senior class were

fraternity men.

21. One out of seven presidents of the junior class was a fra-

ternity man.

Four out of seven presidents of the sophomore class were fraternity men.

23. Four out of six presidents of the freshmen class were fra-

ternity men.

24. Six out of seven presidents of the senior law class were

members of a fraternity.

25. Four out of seven presidents of the junior law class were

members of a fraternity.

It is well to note a few facts in regard to these honors. are all honors which come either from the university authorities or from student organizations composed of both fraternity and non-fraternity men. Non-fraternity men are largely in the majority in the student body, and in many, if not all, of the organizations referred to. Hence it follows that non-fraternity men must have had a voice in the selection and election of these men to these honors. In other instances there is no possibility for discrimination against non-fraternity men. For instance, the papers in the Rhodes examinations are graded in England and the scholar selected by a committee composed of presidents of Millsaps, Mississippi and the A. and M. College and the chancellor and vice chancellor of the university. Papers for the Bryan medal, the Odom prize, etc., are handed in under symbol, the name of the writer being placed in a sealed envelope, which is not opened until the day of the award. The officers of the different classes, societies, etc., are elected by vote of those organizations. It takes merit and popularity to win these honors, and the fraternity men, though in the minority, have taken the large majority of the honors of all kinds. Draw your own conclusions from these facts.

As the State of Mississippi supports but one institution at which chapters of fraternities are maintained, it is evident that the passage of the bill, though much to be regretted, will hardly be a death blow to the Greek letter societies. On the other hand, its harmful effect will be apparent at the University of Mississippi in the loss of some of her best students.

ANOTHER FRAT AT M. U.

The following is an account of the installation of our chapter Alpha Nu at the University of Missouri, as published under the heading, "Another Frat at M. U.," in the University Missourian, a daily paper of the university, under the management of the students of the School of Journalism, and an excellent publication of its kind:

A chapter of the National Pi Kappa Alpha fraternity was installed at the University of Missouri yesterday. The charter members of the chapter are Russell E. Holloway, Henry N. Eversole, George C. Hertig, Newton Dale, W. Paul Jones, Dr. D. W. B. Kurtz, Jr., C. R. Mac, E. Prouty, Lawson G. Lowery, Joseph A. Sheehan, Harry D. Hynds, Francis A. Benham, Charles F. Loomis, L. Harold Campbell and Boyd A. Speer.

The installation was held last night. It was followed by a banquet at 704 Maryland place, the home of the fraternity after

Christmas.

The chapter of the fraternity at the University of Missouri will be the most northern chapter. It has heretofore been exclusively a Southern fraternity. It was started at the University of Virginia in 1868, and now has thirty chapters in the universities and colleges of the Southern states, including the University of Virginia, Washington and Lee University, Tulane University, University of the South, William and Mary's College and the Missouri School of Mines.

The chapter here was installed by the chapter at the Missouri School of Mines at Rolla. Several of the members of the chapter at Rolla arrived in Columbia yesterday morning and conducted the installation ceremonies yesterday afternoon. They also attended the banquet last night. Others at the banquet were Dr. A. Ross Hill, president of the university; Dr. W. W. Elwang, pastor of the Columbia Presbyterian church; Dr. A. H. R. Fairchild, Judge John D. Lawson, Dean Walter Williams and Marshall Gordon. The parlors and dining room of the chapter were decorated in the fraternity colors, garnet and old gold.

This makes the twelfth Greek letter fraternity at the University of Missouri. This will be the Alpha Nu chapter of the Pi Kappa

Alpha.

A VISIT TO ALPHA DELTA CHAPTER.

On Saturday night, January 8, I had the pleasure of attending a regular meeting of Alpha Delta Chapter in their most attractive and well-furnished chapter house at 96 West North avenue, Atlanta, Ga.

When I arrived about 8:15 o'clock the business meeting was in session with every member present. The warmth of the blazing fire was most grateful after the coldness of the weather, and the cordiality and ardor of the reception from each of the members did one's heart good.

As soon as the introductions and greetings were over the meeting proceeded with its business and I have seldom been present at any gathering where business was more expeditiously and thoroughly dispatched. The presiding officer was seated at one end of the room with the secretary at his right hand, and while he ruled firmly on all points that came up, there was a cordiality and pleasantness about everything that was charming to see. There was no dragging or matter-of-form reports. Each of the committees seemed to have acted promptly upon the duties for which they were created and the chairmen made live and snappy reports.

Each report was then laid before the meeting and the active discussion of it showed the real interest the members took in the matter.

After the business meeting I was shown over the sleeping rooms of the members. The chapter is charmingly located, occuying all but two rooms of a very commodiously arranged dwelling house and the different rooms of the members were quite characteristic of the usual college boys' rooms, being replete with various signs and other spoils of nights of frolic, softened here and there by pictures of homes and other familiar scenes.

It has been twenty-odd years since I attended an active meeting of a chapter, but if the other chapters of Pi K. A. show the interest in their business meetings and conduct them with the snap and vim that this meeting showed, we are certainly a well-established fraternity.

I would not have missed this meeting for a great deal and I congratulate Alpha Delta on her well-organized chapter and the methods which hold the active interest of each member in everything that is being done.

ROBERT A. SMYTHE.

MISSOURI SCHOOL OF MINES AND METALLURGY.

The School of Mines and Metallurgy at Rolla, Mo., was established in 1871, and is the second oldest mining school in the United States. The grounds and campus are situated in the highest part of the city of Rolla and are over twenty-seven acres in extent. The campus contains beautiful lawns, groves of native oak and many shade trees. There are nine buildings, the largest of which is Norwood Hall, erected in 1902. The Ore Dressing building is not yet completed.

The School of Mines offers four-year courses in mining, metallurgy, civil engineering and general science; and also two-year courses in mining, assaying and surveying. Graduate work is offered in mining, metallurgy, ore dressing and geology. The faculty is uniformly strong and numbers twenty men. The enrollment in 1908 was 254, the largest enrollment in the history of the school. Thirty-six states and countries were represented in the enrollment.

The laboratories of the school are well equipped and the student has an opportunity to apply the theories presented in the class room. Field work in surveying and geology are carried on in the fall and in the spring. Drafting, shop work and work in the various scientific and technical laboratories is given throughout the school year.

The new metallurgy and assay laboratories are complete in every particular. The assay laboratory has a floor space of 4,800 square feet. The main room contains twenty coal-fired double-muffle assay furnaces, twelve gasoline-fired furnaces and ten coke-fired furnaces. Desks containing lockers, pulp balances and fluxes are arranged close to the furnaces. The main metallurgy laboratory is well equipped with hoods and sinks and contains fifty-six desks and lockers. This laboratory is used especially for metallurgical testing of various kinds.

The west wing of the Ore Dressing building is equipped with a twenty-inch waterjacket blast furnace with a Root blower, for the reduction of lead and copper ores. There is also in this laboratory an experimental hand reverberatory roaster, an experimental pot roaster, and an experimental zinc distilling furnace.

A special ore dressing laboratory is provided for investigation and thesis work. The mill-room is equipped with first-class machinery for the crushing and concentration of ores.

The shops are thoroughly equipped with machinery and benches adapted to instruction. The wood bench workroom contains twenty double benches with separate sets of hand tools. The lathe-room is equipped with twenty lathes for wood turning and other machines for wood working. For instruction in forge work there are twenty-four down-draft forges and other machinery for iron work. The metal workroom contains fourteen lathes and other machinery. All of the iron-working machinery is of the latest design and driven by individual motors.

The school is well equipped with surveying instruments, both for surface and underground surveying, and has large well-lighted drafting rooms for general drafting and map making.

The physicial and electrical laboratories are thoroughly equipped and are well adapted for instruction purposes in general physics, thermodynamics and electricity.

The Chemistry building includes laboratories for general chemistry, qualitative analysis and quantitative analysis. The entire second floor of the building is assigned to quantitative analysis and will accommodate seventy-five students at one time.

The students maintain various fraternal organizations and associations, such as usually exist in college communities. The Young Men's Christian Association holds regular meetings and endeavors to be of assistance to all new men during the opening days of the school year.

Tuition is free to all Missouri students, and the total cost of securing a mining education at Rolla is much less than at any other first-class mining school.

The graduates of the school have been uniformly successful in practical work and many of them rank among the leaders of the profession. A number of the graduates have made fortunes in mining and express their appreciation of the School of Mines by gifts and material assistance in various ways. During the past year one of the alumni has made it possible for the school to improve the athletic field. A large tract of land has been graded to provide for football, baseball and a running track. On the north side of the field a concrete bleacher has been erected which will accommodate over 1,000 people.

The School of Mines is well known throughout the State of Missouri and enjoys a splendid reputation in the mining fraternity. Year after year young men come to Rolla from foreign countries and in this way show that the Missouri School of Mines is known favorably in all parts of the world. These students from outside the United States have formed an International or Cosmopolitan Club in order that they may become better acquainted with each other.

The last legislature provided for the creation of a Mining Experiment Station which will work along the same general lines as the Agricultural Experiment Station. This Mining Experiment Station is the first of its kind in the United States and will assist materially in developing the mineral resources of Missouri.

L. E. Young.

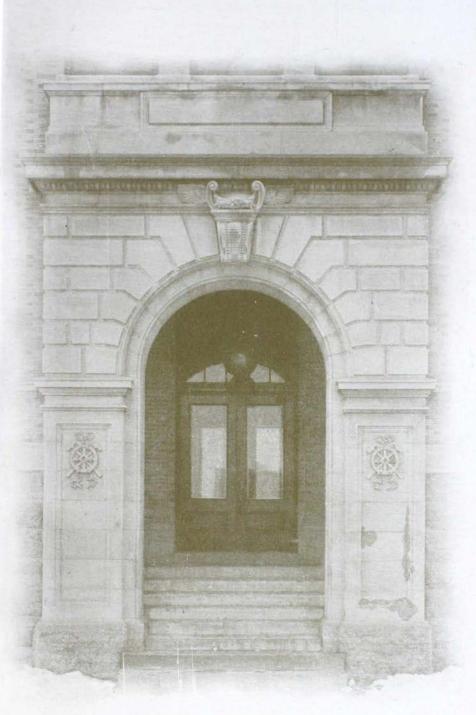
EDITORIAL

In the rigorous days of old, when college discipline was both pertinent and personal, secrecy was an essential to the existence of the Greek letter fraternity. In a day when the social side of student life, which the fraternity intended to enlighten and embellish, was the subject of a doubtful regard upon the part of college faculties, the idea that the fraternity, keeping its meeting and proceedings secret, met and proceeded for some purpose more or less harmful to the general public, the faculty and the non-frat student in particular, was not slow of birth. Without regard to such sporadic outbursts as may have justified this belief on the part of those whose acquaintance with the fraternity was uninvited and physical, it may be said that the fraternities themselves did nothing to discourage or promote this popular romance, which invested them with a pleasing atmosphere of mystery and magic, and from a thoughtless and humorous, half-acquiescence in it they passed to the possession of ideas different from those of their enemies in that the secrets they preserved for themselves were of a nature glorious and sublime.

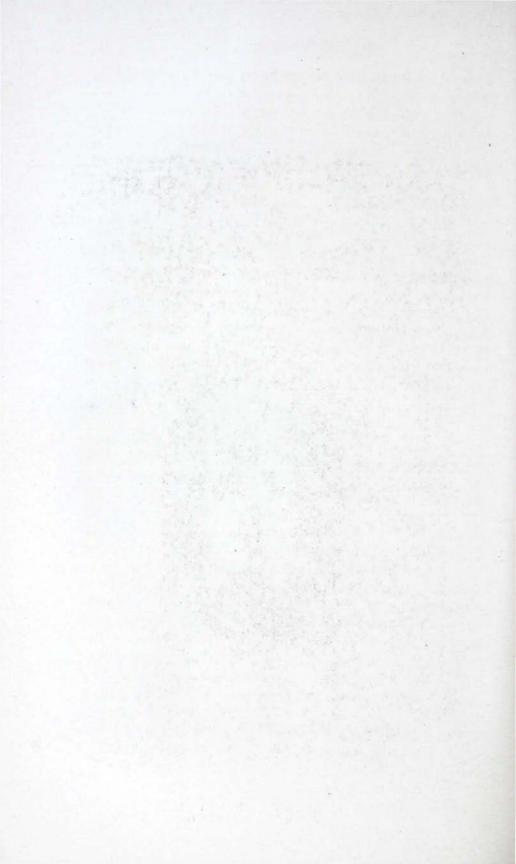
Of course, this perverted idea of fraternities was all wrong, but it was as persistent as it was popular. For a time faculties bethought themselves of ways and opposition. means for the suppression of this grave danger to college authority and discipline, and while they maintained an opposition, vigorous and unavailing, college discipline still lived and improved, until a change the world over in the ideas of education wrought the recognition of the social rights of students on the part of faculties and a clearer conception on the part of students of their duties to the college. Then began that era, which continues to this good day, of more intimate relationship between student and teacher, with its better conception of the position and duties of each to the other, and now few faculties oppose the fra-

ternity per se, and fewer and fewer chapters give them cause for opposition. Yet the solution of the problem was not reached, the fraternity's millenium was not arrived. Succeeding classes of non-fraternity men, yet to be informed as to the real position of the fraternity in college affairs, too often inspired by the misdeeds of particular fraternity men and chapters, clamored for the suppression of the old bugaboo. Finding little aid or comfort from faculty, the more earnest among the misguided appealed to the trustees with the same results, and thence carried the war to the state legislatures, in cases where these bodies had power or authority to act. Here the battle wages now, in the same old way and with the same old result. Legislatures, as faculties and trustees, will be enlightened and informed and then is the end of this species of adversity for the fraternity. Without denying the opponents of the fraternity all just claims to honesty and fair-mindedness, the fact remains that full information upon the subject has always cost them the victory. Legislative bodies, knowing least about the subject, are the last to consider it. Their prompt education in the matter is the surest means of ending it, and no more certain and swift course of education could be adopted than that of fighting the question out before them. If it seems a little unreasonable to the fraternity that legislatures should assume to pass upon a point of purely local college management, which has been res adjudicata with the faculties and trustees for years and years, a little reflection upon the inevitable result may lend a little patience to us while we wait.

In the meantime, it is interesting to reflect upon the cause and effect. Secrecy, which is essentially foreign to the real purpose of fraternities, was engrafted upon them by CAUSE the spirit of the times which gave them birth. Faculties which made secrecy an essential to their existence attacked them because they were secret, and because they were secret the opposition has persisted unto this day. It has been the inconsistency which the public has found it impossible to reconcile with the publicly avowed purpose and intention of the fraternity, and upon which was built the original structure of the opposition. It is the burden which



ENTRANCE, NORWOOD HALL Missouri School of Mines



a harsh day thrust upon the fraternity, and which it has had to bear since.

But it was a burden nobly borne. It welded the fraternal bond, and it is ours now by right of conquest to cherish or abandon as we may desire, knowing, in either event, that it is a matter personal to AND EFFECT. each member, touching only his intimate friendship for his brother, and reaching not to the purpose and work of his order. It concerns the symbols and signs, and means that each reserves for his brother some little token of a closer friendship, just as the soldier holds closer to his camp-mate than to a stranger in the great army to whose battles he marches. This is the day of clearer vision and of far horizon. We see now as never before, but still it is dawn, the morning of the realization of our responsibilities, of the Pan-Hellenic spirit, from which the future, perhaps, may claim the union of all fraternities, in the work for which they were intended in the beginning.

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At the 1907 Richmond convention measures were adopted looking to the creation of a chapter house fund. It was made apparent by the delegates THE CHAPTER HOUSE to that convention that the need for such a fund to aid in the construction FUND. of chapter houses was imperative, and plans were there adopted and put into effect which levied a special annual assessment upon the active members to be devoted to this special purpose and which provided for a systematic call upon the alumni of the fraternity. Provision was also made that no payments should be made from the fund until two years from date of its creation. Two years and more have passed and the chapter house fund has grown steadily, but not in keeping with the growing demand upon it. According to law, any chapter raising two-thirds of the cost of a chapter house and having a signed contract for the erection thereof, is entitled to share in the fund, upon the approval by the Supreme Council of the plans of building.

As was said above, the alumni have been prompt and liberal in their response to circulars asking for contributions to this fund, but as the need of different chapters becomes daily more and more urgent, it is earnestly hoped that many of those who read this editorial will again contribute to this scheme for the improvement of the fraternity. We believe that the members of Pi Kappa Alpha, active and alumni, are sufficiently acquainted with the present trend in affairs fraternal to recognize without argument the need for more chapter houses. The fund must be large enough to answer all the demands made upon it and all contributions, small or large, will help it to do so. No better way of contributing to the financial support of the order could be selected. Take out your check book as you read this article and let Brother Robert A. Smythe, Grand Treasurer, 604 Austell Building, Atlanta, Georgia, hear from you in accordance with your means and your love for Pi Kappa Alpha.

With the chapters' letters sent in for each issue of the magazine, come frequent communications addressed to the editor, regarding that chief difficulty of the correspondent, the scarcity of news of THE CHAPTER interest. Some of the correspondents lo-CORRESPONDENT. cated in strictly technical schools say that so much of their time is given to the practical sciences that they have little opportunity for attaining proficiency in the gentle art of letter writing. Perhaps some of our difficulties are more imaginary than real; and our work, measured by the standard of our wishes, too often seems trivial and weak. But this is the duty of the correspondent and no more: To tell the news of his chapter and college, simply. accurately, intelligibly; with that regard to truth and modesty which a Pi Kappa Alpha should always have, and with that attention to the English language which the college man who writes it should never forget. This done in four lines is better than anything else, though it cover four pages.

We believe that each article and letter of this issue of the magazine could be read with profit and interest by every member of the fraternity. The man who wrote about college politics perhaps for-THE MAGAZINE. got to sign his name, thinking too much of his work, for his ideas are good, indeed. Brother Dodge has taken a very little space to say a great deal about the ideal fraternity man. Among the letters is one-from a technical school, alas-which for human interest and sparkling narrative of chapter doings is rarely equalled. How many of us would like to gather round the open fire with Alpha-Nu! Who is not moved by Brother Waller's appeal for good men in public life? "How many will Pi Kappa Alpha give?" We are answering that question now. All of us, let us hope. And so we might go on through the many letters and articles in this number. It seems to us that they are all good, all interesting, and in reading them the editors have been enjoying a sort of long-distance convention with all the good Pi Kaps everywhere.

Different localities have their pet prejudices in the matter of spirits, as for instance Kentucky. But in Missouri and in college circles generally through the West this winter there has been much THE MISSOURI to say of the Missouri spirit. It originated SPIRIT. in the athletics of the University of Missouri and resulted in the great victory of its football team over Kansas. It is the spirit which does things in the face of difficulties, which snatches victory from defeat, and, like the mule of the State whose name it bears, refuses to be permanently sat upon. It is manifest in the able and enthusiastic Missouri articles in this number and through Alpha-Nu it will henceforth be effective for the good of this Fraternity. We hope to see it shortly epidemic in all the works of Pi Kappa Alpha, and, as a token of good will to the chapter that brings it, along with great enthusiasm for this fraternity, we have called this the Missouri Number.

CHAPTER LETTERS

ALPHA.

University of Virginia.

We are glad to see what a good start the "Baby Chapter" is making. Here's a warm and hearty greeting to you, Alpha Nu. May you never tire in your efforts to make our fraternity more nearly what we want it.

We take pleasure in introducing to the fraternity John Leslie Curry of Staunton, Va., who on January 22 became a wearer of the badge that means so much to us.

The new university catalogue came out in January and we note a general improvement in arrangement and printing, as well as an improvement in courses, notable among which are the engineering courses, though the law and medical courses also show marked changes for the better.

Our baseball schedule was announced about two weeks ago and shows only twenty-two games, as opposed to about thirty-five last year, the faculty thinking that last spring we had a little too much baseball for the good of our work. However, the schedule is by no means weak, for we have one game with Princeton, one with Yale, one with the Army, three with Pennsylvania and three with Harvard.

A new feature in the life of the university is having recitals on the big pipe organ in Cabell Hall on Sunday afternoons.

Allen J. Krebs Jr., formerly of Upsilon, has transferred to Alpha. He comes to us after several years of experience in the business world, to study law.

Pi's, those of you who have not read carefully the "Southern Number" of Collier's, January 22, get it and not only read it, but remember that these opportunities are to us; they are ours to be taken advantage of and used for the South and for Pi Kappa Alpha. For whoever helps to build up the South, socially and morally as well

as in finance and education, that same person by that very act strengthens Pi Kappa Alpha. Our fraternity is not simply a reflector of conditions in the South, but she is her very life and growth indissolubly joined with the life and growth of the South. The two cannot be separated, but go hand in hand, and since both are very dear to us, should we not do everything in our power to build them up and build them well? The South is taking form rapidly and needs strong heads and wise ones to guide her in this critical, formative period. If there is any one thing that the South needs today more than anything else it is men, young men of the highest type, live men who can and will do things and who are not afraid to stand out for what they believe to be right. How many will Pi Kappa Alpha furnish?

J. F. WALLER.

BETA.

Davidson College.

We returned after the holidays with one man missing. Brother McElroy left us for S. P. U. and we congratulate our brothers of Theta upon his acquisition. "Ikey" was liked by everybody and we feel his loss. That left us with only seven men returned, but with the aid of "Billy" we have recruited our number up to twelve. We are proud to report our success after the rushing season, and take great pleasure in introducing to the fraternity at large the following new brothers, worthy wearers of the Shield and Diamond:

James Nichols Van Devanter, Fort Defiance, Va.

Donald Erwin Brown, Anderson, S. C.

Marion Eugene Mattison, Anderson, S. C.

Wade Hampton Williford, Sumter, S. C.

Clifton Reed Ligon, Anderson, S. C.

Of the other fraternities here, Beta Theta Pi took in six, Kappa Alpha five, Kappa Sigma six, Sigma Alpha Epsilon two. We were delighted to have with us for the initiation Brother Bentz of Greenville, S. C.

Just now football is the theme of our conversation and thought. We are well represented on the different teams. Brothers M. Mattison, Brown and W. Williford are starring for the fresh, Boswell and Van Devanter for the sophs, and C. Mattison (captain) and Scott for the juniors, while the writer is the senior coach.

Junior speaking is also only a month off and we are preparing for it. Four men will represent us among the speakers. We are also trying, with the help of our alumni, to beautify our hall, expecting to entertain some few "Sisters" then. And of course we intend to do the "host" act as Pi's should.

The baseball season is not so very far off, and although we can't tell yet what we can do this year, still we have high hopes. Brothers Boswell, C. Mattison and Scott are likely candidates for the team.

We are always delighted to see any Pi's who may be in these parts at any time. Beta's best wishes for success to all the chapters, and especially to our new brothers of Alpha Nu, who have started out so auspiciously.

F. D. THOMAS.



Southern University.

Ere this communication will have come to the readers of the Shield and Diamond the glad and joyous season of long anticipation will have passed and the mist having cleared, we will see ourselves as the professors see us.

We are made aware that our number is increasing daily by the strange faces seen about the campus and in the college halls, and perceive that many will enter for the second mile.

We regret very much that Brother Gunn was unable to return after the holidays. We wish for him a pleasant and successful year in his business at Thomasville, Ala. A visit from Brother John A. Lanford in February is looked forward to with interest. We feel sure that this occasion will be a profitable one for Delta, and judging from the past influence of our historic town we are confident of a second visit from Brother Lanford.

Basketball this year stands pre-eminent in athletics. The Southern's team is fast and in fine trim; has won all games of the season.

Delta extends hearty greetings to all Pi's, sincerely wishing them a prosperous year.

JAMES A. BULLOCK, JR.

ETA.

Tulane University.

Initiate: Willard Thomas Lusk, Pensacola, Fla.

Through an oversight the name of Brother Lusk was omitted in our last chapter letter. Brother Lusk was initiated with Brother Bostick and has already proven himself worthy of upholding the good name of Pi Kappa Alpha. He is in the Law Department.

We are very glad to have affiliated with us Brothers Smith and Sample of Alpha Zeta. "Billy" has developed into quite a ladies' man lately. "Charlie" says he has no time for such things.

Eta was well represented on the football team this year, by Brothers Menefee, Ellis and McLeod. All three of them went to Cuba with the varsity the week after Christmas. Brother Menefee has been elected manager of the baseball team and Brother Ellis is on the nominating committee of the T. A. A.

We are right in the midst of exams, and are working day and night. Every one who is in a like condition has our greatest sympathy. Just as soon as exams are over, Mardi Gras begins. That will give us a chance to recover from the effects.

Among the visitors during the carnival there may be some Pi. K. A.'s. If there are, we will take great pleasure

in showing them around and assisting them in any way possible. It is one of the greatest pleasures we can have to meet a brother and to be of service to him.

The last issue of the Shield and Diamond was fine, especially the Alumni News. There was something said about a Pi Kappa Alpha directory. By all means, let's have one. It would be of great aid to every member of the fraternity.

Three fraternities in Tulane have chapter houses. We hope to have one before the year is out. The prospect at present is good.

Wishing all the members success in their exams, and hoping to see many Pi's during the carnival.

J. W. Butts.



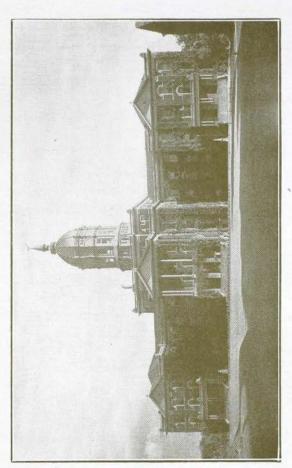
Southwestern Presbyterian University.

Theta Chapter is again in one of her tranquil periods, for which she is so well known. We weathered the Christmas "exams," spent a delightful Christmas, collectively and individually, and have resumed the "even tenor of our way." We are engaged in making history for posterity to chronicle, consequently we have very few items of interest to relate.

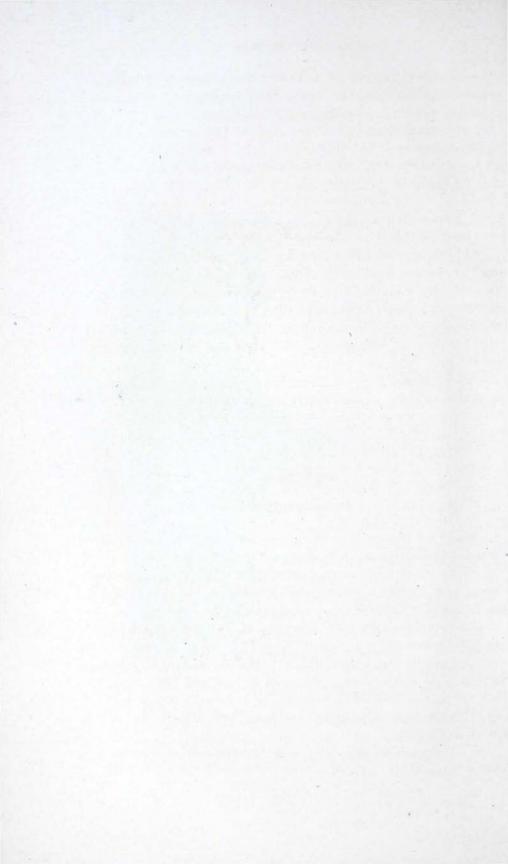
There is one vacancy among us, due to Brother West Humphreys Armistead having gone to the Presbyterian Seminary at Louisville, Ky., to complete his theological course. We shall miss Brother Armistead sorely.

We are glad to have Brother Isaac Stuart McElroy with us from Beta. Very few men have entered school since Christmas, and Theta is rushing none of these. We are devoting our entire time to internal strengthening at present.

Basketball is claiming the attention of the athletes and since none of last year's team returned, there are good chances for aspirants. Our first game is January 28 with



ACADEMIC HALL University of Missouri



Cumberland University at Lebanon, Tenn. On the 29th the team stops in Nashville and plays Vanderbilt. We will probably be weaker in basketball than usual.

Our fickle dispenser of weather in this section sends a baseball day now and then and the boys are quick to take advantage of it. We have good prospects for a good team and expect to win laurels for old S. P. U., and if history continues to repeat itself, laurels for S. P. U. imply some share of glory for Theta Chapter.

The last Shield and Diamond was greatly enjoyed and we believe we were benefited by it. P. K. A. means more and more to a man every day. We were especially impressed with the "Message From the Far East," by Brother Seltzer. He has a fine conception of frat life and it is deplorable that so many of us arrive at that conclusion only too late to benefit both ourselves and our chapter as we should.

Theta extends best wishes to the entire order and hopes to see it continue in a healthy, proper growth.

RICHARD A. BOLLING.

GAMMA.

William and Mary.

Gamma Chapter presents to the fraternity Arthur Read Christie of East Orange, N. J., our latest initiate.

With this addition to our chapter we now number eleven men, Brother James Love having left us to accept a position in his home town at Round Hill, Va.

Examinations are now going on and all are busy striving for higher marks.

Gamma tendered a delightful reception to Brother Conrad (Alpha) at the home of one of our sisters, Mrs. M. H. Barnes, on the 29th of November. Brother Conrad is leaving Williamsburg and going to New York, where he will spend the winter.

Lately we have been receiving visitors quite frequently and among those who honored us were Brothers R. M.

Hughes of Norfolk, T. G. Jones and J. H. Brent of Urbanna, G. G. Hankins of Richmond and O. L. and E. F. Shewmake of Norfolk.

ERNEST POWER FARTHING.



IOTA.

Hampden-Sidney College.

From the date of this writing it has been some two weeks since a dejected, downcast and homesick bunch of fellows straggled back to "the Hill" and resumed the work in which the Christmas holidays had made such a thoroughly enjoyed break. The blue appearance of everything and everybody has long since been succeeded, however, by the look of contentment and the air of satisfaction with life in general, which has always been characteristic of a better acquaintance with the old college. Also, everybody seems to be relieved to have gotten out of his system the stories of things that happened at home, which so insistently clamored for recital to the first gathering of his friends on his return. The class room is at present the noisiest place in this vicinity, and we are likely doing the same thing now that has been done here for the last century, and that is, trying to get down to work again after loafing for two weeks, which of course promises very little excitement.

Iota's full force returned on time, and as a general thing, reported success with exams, and though we are sorry to say we did not all come out of the conflict entirely unscathed, we are still far from feeling ashamed of the result. Our chapter has always taken pride in the standing of her men in the class room, and with the belief that no one thing can reflect more honor on a fraternity, it assumes the form of a duty that we do not fall below the records of previous years.

In a time of year which allows of only the indoor phases of athletics, we naturally look to basketball to tide us over to the period when the baseball team can get down to work. The gymnasium has been fixed up for basketball and the squad has been practicing steadily every afternoon. So far we have played but one game and we are glad to say that this was entered in our column of games won. Brothers Painter and H. W. Blanton are Iota's representatives on the team.

The college is now looking forward with some degree of excitement to the inter-society debate, which takes place in the early part of February. The Philanthropic Society will rely on Brothers Crockett and W. B. Blanton to uphold her superiority this year and retain the cup which was won by the team of which Brother Blanton was a member last year.

The feature event of the year, socially speaking, will be the joint celebration of the two literary societies on the 18th and 19th of February. Brother Walker from the senior class and Brother Crockett from the juniors were chosen by the Philanthropic Society as her orators for that occasion. The German Club will give three dances during that time, and the arrival of the ladies serves as an admirable means to break the monontony of the student life.

We note with pleasure the granting of a charter to Alpha Nu and welcome our new brothers into our order. May Pi K. A. continue to expand and prosper and grow great.

A. C. BUCHANAN.

KAPPA.

Transylvania University.

After a most pleasant holiday Kappa Chapter found upon her first rollcall that all of her men had returned and were hard at work. The question of most interest to Kappa's men was to make the annual social event, which was a dance, a success, and their hopes were realized when the orchestra sounded for the Grand March in Merrick Lodge Friday night, January 21.

This dance is given jointly by Kappa and Omega Chapters and the girls who attended the dance proved to every-

one that Kentucky has the right to claim the laurels for pretty girls. Merrick Lodge never looked prettier decorated in pennants and smilax, with the orchestra hid behind a bank of potted plants, while the old Pi K. A. pin was hung on the west wall, surrounded by Transylvania and State University pennants. The program consisted of twenty-four dances and when Saxton and Trost started on the last dance every Pi renewed his pledge to stand by the "grand old frat until death," and from the disappearance of some of the pins of our brothers some one else besides the boys have been doing some pledging too. The last dance was danced by the light of the pin only, and all left pronouncing it the best dance ever.

Kappa had not been able to secure a man before the holidays, but since then the men have been hard at work and as a result two pledge buttons are seen on the campus daily, with bright prospects for another. These men will be introduced in the next letter.

There has been nothing going on in which Pi Kappa Alpha could share honor, except the annual Inter-Society Debate in which "ye humble scribe" participated.

Kappa and Omega have been trying to arouse the interest of the older alumni; as a result we have been having visits from some of our prominent men.

Kappa wishes all the chapters success in securing second semester men and extend a cordial invitation to all visiting Pi's.

Respectfully,

J. M. BERRY.



Richmond College.

Omicron, as the rest of our chapters, has had its vacation and now starts in the new year with added vim. All brothers living out of town went home and report having had a very happy Christmas. All are back again, we rejoice to say.

We also take pleasure in introducing a new brother, Daniel Bruce Moffett, from Alabama, who has been taken into our ranks during this month. We are confident that Brother Moffett will fully uphold the honor of Pi Kappa Alpha and in all respects will be an added support to our chapter.

This is our first year of basketball for some time and we are glad to say that Brother R. C. Duval is representing us there. The advantages are not such as would mean a particularly strong team this year, but with this year as a beginning we hope to place basketball on a level with football or track athletics.

In this connection we would mention the indoor track meet to be held here in Richmond under the auspices of Richmond College. It is needless to say that we are expecting great things of this meet in a financial way, as our meet last year was a great success.

Our prospects for baseball do not seem to be very bright, yet we hope for the best. Old Richmond College generally manages to put up a good showing and so we have faith in her. Of course we would feel much more secure were Brother Denny Wright, who has won such fame for himself in the pitcher's box, here at college and playing this year. He is in Richmond working and pays us frequent visits. It is always well if the alumni can keep in touch with the active chapter and help it along sometimes with their presence.

Perhaps for such a purpose it has been the custom of Alumnus Alpha to give the active chapter here an annual banquet to which representatives from all the chapters are invited, and we usually have some very inspiring speeches. We hope such a program will not be omitted this year, as it has always proven a bright feature in the year's work.

It is with pleasure also that we look forward to our annual dance. This affords an opportunity for meeting our Pi Kappa Alpha sisters. To them is often due much enthusiasm in our work and their words often spur us on to higher achievements. As we have said, our dance is the social feature of the year.

Omicron sends all good wishes to all chapters and especially to Alpha Nu.

R. A. BROCK, JR.



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Washington and Lee University.

Pi Chapter was so fortunate as to have all her members return to college after the holidays, spent very pleasantly at their respective homes.

We are glad to report the entrance into the School of Law of Brother LeRoy Hodges, who was a member of this chapter in '06-'07 and '07-'08. Since leaving college in 1908 Brother Hodges has been doing excellent work in the North and Northwest as special agent of the United States Immigration Commission.

At the annual fall goating of the Pi Alpha Nu and S. B. C. Ribbon Societies, five Pi's were initiated.

The recent meeting of the members of the 1909 base-ball team for the election of a captain resulted in the unanimous choice of Brother Arthur Lee Stras to lead the 1910 varsity. The baseball prospects this year are indeed bright, and we believe that under Brother Stras' leadership we will have a winning team. Last season he played star ball at first base.

The repapering and a new finish on the woodwork of of chapter rooms should, we think, add greatly to their attractiveness, and we hope to have the pleasure of entertaining any wandering Pi's in them during the year.

We recently had the pleasure of a visit from Brother W. G. Tyler of Richmond, who was here on business. Brother Tyler states that he has had occasion to visit several of the chapters this year and was glad to find them all prospering.

Washington and Lee's basketball team this season promises to be the best "quint" we have ever put on the floor. Although it has as yet had no hard games to test its real strength, the team has shown good form, and hope to win

our next game from Virginia. Kable's School and Davidson have been defeated by large scores.

J. D. ANKROM.



University of North Carolina.

The examinations for the fall term in the Academic Department of this institution were deferred until the latter part of January this year, and the brothers of this chapter, with the rest of the students, are "boning" to pass their work. This spasm of work has made student life in Chapel Hill duller than usual, and news worthy of mention is scarce.

Brother Joseph Dozier Boushall was elected assistant business manager of the football team for the season of 1910. The choice for manager of the team for the succeeding season will be between Brother Boushall and the other assistant manager.

Bro. George Folger Meares was recently elected solicitor for the Law Class Moot Court.

Several days ago we of Tau Chapter were honored by a visit from A. J. Beale, alumnus of Alpha Epsilon. Brother Beale is traveling for a roofing company. His territory as a salesman covers the district of the four North Carolina chapters of Pi Kappa Alpha. Brother Beale is combining pleasure with business and is working up a joint banquet to be given by the North Carolina chapters in Raleigh on next Founder's Day.

All of us are looking forward to attending Alpha-Alpha's initiation on February 5.

Best wishes to all the brothers.

J. C. M. VANN.

UPSILON.

Alabama Polytechnic Institute.

We take pleasure in introducing to the fraternity Brother Henry W. Grady, Stroud, Ala.

Since our last letter the student body here at Auburn has done a thing which it will never regret, and that is the establishment of an honor system, and it was through the efforts of Brothers W. C. Oliver, W. Venable and a few others that we now have it. I shall never forget the speech made by Brother Oliver that morning in chapel just before the ballot was cast. It was great, and it carried the vote by a majority of 400.

The honor committee, or examining board, is to consist of one man from every class and we are proud to state that Brother J. E. Davis was today elected junior class representative.

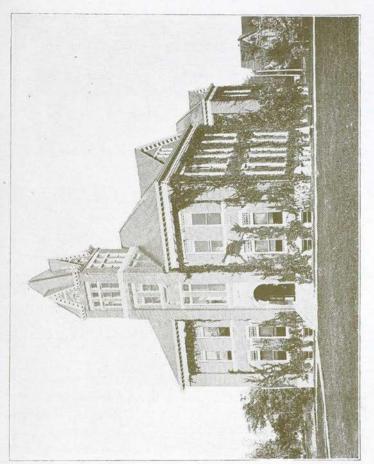
It is the custom here for the different classes and some of the fraternities to give dances on and a few days before Washington's birthday. We will give a dance during this time, and Upsilon extends the following invitation to all Pi's:

UPSILON CHAPTER of PI KAPPA ALPHA FRATERNITY, At Chapter Hall, February 19th, 1910. Dancing. 9:30 A. M.

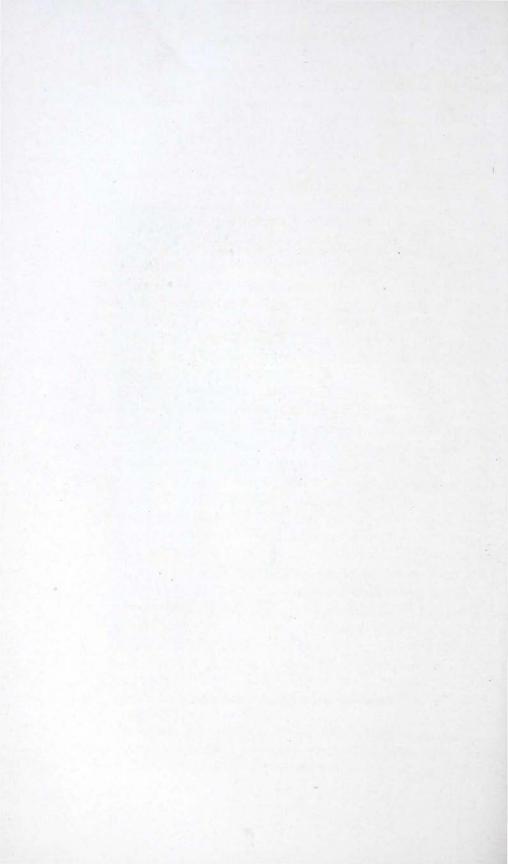
Class football is on now and from the present outlook things are going to be rather warm in about ten days. No varsity men are allowed to play in these class games, thus giving many more men a chance to make the teams.

Brother George Sherling was recently elected captain of the freshman team and has already begun to talk of the championship, but Brothers Bidgood and Beatty, who are out trying for the junior and sophomore teams, tell him that there is "nothing doing."

We enjoyed a short visit from Brother John V. Denson, who is practicing law in Opelika, Ala. Brother Denson is



LAW BUILDING University of Missouri



an alumnus of Upsilon, but still takes a great deal of interest in the active work of the chapter.

Upsilon wishes the best of success to all of the chapters.

Chandler C. Yonge.

CHI.

University of the South.

Champions of the South! That is the title which Sewanee's 1909 football team has won, fairly and squarely. Our last letter was written just before that memorable day known as Thanksgiving Day, on which Sewanee defeated Vanderbilt, and thereby won an undisputed claim to the championship of the South. Prior to that date she had met and defeated the strong teams from Tech, L. S. U. and Auburn, and thus put these formidable rivals out of the running. As to next year's team, it is too far away to predict, but it is safe to say that Sewanee will give a good account of herself when next fall arrives.

At the present time "The Mountain" is interested in two other phases of college life. One is examinations, the mid-year ones which begin in a day or so. However fierce they may be, every Pi is expecting to hold his own. The other is basketball. The varsity is hard at work and prospects are good. Each class team is practicing for the interclass championship. Your humble scribe is so fortunate as to be a member of his class team.

With best wishes for all.

HENRY J. WHITFIELD.

PSI.

North Georgia Agricultural College.

College opened January 5 with the usual enrollment of students. Among the new students (commonly known as fresh meat) there is comparatively little frat material, some-

thing unusual, as there is always a bunch of material here after the holidays, still Psi will get its share of the good things.

It gives us great pleasure to introduce Brothers Benjamin Franklin Barnes of Bullochville, Ga., and Milton Eli Delay of Rome, Ga.

We are sorry to announce that Brother Hollingsworth failed to return after the holidays. He will be in business with his father at Tifton, Ga.

We are expecting to make a hit in the athletic team we have in view. Psi will be ably represented by Brother Neal.

We are just completing our new hall, of which we are proud, it being much superior to the one we formerly occupied.

We expect to make Psi one of the strongest chapters in the fraternity, but we need a little more of that enthusiasm which is necessary to build up a strong and active chapter.

We hope to have two initiates by the next issue of the Shield and Diamond.

Psi extends best wishes to all Pi's.

H. E. WRIGHT.

ALPHA-ALPHA.

Trinity College.

Trinity opened January 5 with three of our men back on time. Brother Stewart spent the holidays with his uncle in New Haven, Conn., and returned a few days late. He reports an enjoyable trip. Brother G. D. Gantt was detained about two weeks with a severe case of the mumps, although he is again back on the campus and is himself again. Brother R. M. Gantt will be with us again during the spring term, returning to take up the study of law. It will look natural to see Bob on the campus again.

We are now in the midst of our fall term examinations, which will last for the next two weeks. All of us are

busy in our preparations for them and we hope to get through successfully.

There has been a donation to Trinity of one-half million dollars by the Dukes for the establishment of a Medical, Dental and Pharmaceutical Department. This will be Trinity's greatest addition of the near future.

Brother Jackson Beall, an alumnus of Alpha Epsilon, spent a few days with us recently. We are always glad to see any of the fellows when they are in our city.

Our annual initiation will be February 5. We are anticipating a great time, since we have invited all the other chapters of the state, and we expect quite a number of the alumni to be present. We will have three or four to initiate into the mysteries of Pi Kappa Alpha. We will introduce them in our next letter.

We extend our best wishes to every Pi.

G. D. GANTT.

ALPHA DELTA.

Georgia School of Technology.

H. J. Hine Jr., initiate.

Alpha Delta sleepily tries to tell of happenings at Tech during the past two months. Why sleepily? Because of mid-term exams. We have endeavored to find a fitting definition for the word "examination," but find Webster utterly incapable for this once of giving the right meaning. We hope that some day his Satanic Majesty will take the time to call in his Woo-Woo Birds—the kind that spread spring fever germs among college lads—and compile a dictionary. Students will no doubt find his work valuable and place it on their reference shelves along with such classic works as, "Why I Never Study," by O. U. Bonehead, and "Studies vs. Pleasure," by E. Z. Mark.

January was a most pleasant month for Alpha Delta in a fraternal way. Brother Robt. A. Smythe was present at the first meeting of the year and entered into discussions like one of the boys. We firmly believe that he really is "one of the boys." He made one of his characteristic excellent speeches, outlining the policy of the fraternity and the standard that the Supreme Council upheld in establishing chapters. Alpha Delta is very fortunate in having Brother Smythe here in Atlanta, for his visits are always a great source of inspiration and help.

Brothers D. H. Brown and H. M. Houser, alumni of Alpha Delta, were in Atlanta on business at separate times during the month and were with us at the house. A large part of the chapter's present growth is due to their efforts in her behalf and we always welcome them heartily.

The Tech Glee Club gave its initial performance at the school on the night of January 22. The chapel was artistically decorated with various college pennants and banners, and the performers with various and sundry sizes of dress suits. After the concert a delightful dance was enjoyed. Musically and socially speaking, the affair was a brilliant success. Alpha Delta was represented by Brothers Tommins, Crofoot and Robertson—by Brother Tommins as one of the soloists, by Brother Crofoot as leader of the orchestra, and by Brother Robertson in the chorus and Mandolin Club. The club is going to take several trips during February, finishing with a concert at the Grand in Atlanta.

We regret to chronicle the leaving of Brothers Hodges and Skinner. Brother Skinner leaves to attend to business interests in Mississippi, but will return next year. Brother Hodges has accepted an important position in this city and says that he will not return if "business conditions" improve. Knowing Brother Hodges' early-rising propensities, we predict his success in his new venture, but at the same time regret that his success will prevent his returning to us next year. We regret very much to lose them, but wish for them the best of success. Both are good students and have been earnest workers for Alpha Delta.

Brother Blount writes that he is able to be about once more, but that his illness and consequent loss of time in school will delay his return until next September.

Brother B. B. Adams, who was with us last year, has returned for the second term and we are enthusiastic when we say that we are glad to welcome him back. Rumors come to us that he has amassed great capital and we await the development of his plans. We wonder whether he will attempt to rival Carnegie in founding libraries or insist on putting a new hardwood floor for dancing in the gym.

Tech will soon start practicing baseball. Vach Heisman

is optimistic and we look for a good team.

The Tech annual is under way and goes to press next month. We are represented by Brother Robertson on the "Blue Print."

In closing, Alpha Delta wishes especially to extend congratulations and best wishes to Alpha Nu, our new chapter at the University of Missouri. She has certainly started off well and we offer her our support in any way that it is possible for us to give it.

M. T. ROBERTSON.

ALPHA KAPPA.

Missouri School of Mines.

Since the Christmas holidays we have held an initiation and take pleasure in introducing to the fraternity Enoch Needles of Kansas City, Mo. This makes the fourth member of the freshman class whom we have initiated and we feel confident that they are all men who will help maintain the high standard we have tried to set for Alpha Kappa.

Brother Randolph has recently been elected to the honorary membership fraternity, Tau Beta Pi, making three of our men who are now representing us in that organization. We have the honor of being the only fraternity having men eligible for Tau Beta Pi this year.

The annual minstrel show will be given on the 4th of February and we are represented by Brothers Owen and Needles.

We are soon to lose Brother Dunn, who has finished up the work needed for his B. S., and who will soon have a chance to put into practice what he has learned at the School of Mines. He expects to accept a position with a large mining company in northern Mexico. He has always been a faithful and tireless worker for Pi Kappa Alpha and we will all miss him very much.

On December 17 Brothers Smith and Mann were sent to Columbia by the Supreme Council to conduct the initiation of Alpha Nu. We wish to extend a hearty and cordial welcome to the new chapter into the bonds of Pi Kappa Alpha and we hope that the establishment of this chapter is the beginning of the expansion policy that was adopted at the convention at New Orleans.

A. S. BILDERBACK.

ALPHA EPSILON.

North Carolina College of A. and M. Arts.

We hope every Pi spent a most pleasant vacation and that the new year brought happiness, good luck and prosperity to every brother.

Our second term opened January 5, and while some of our number were not here at the opening, we are happy to say every man has now returned and the prospects are very bright for some good work during the coming five months, both in fraternity and college.

Our chapter here, though not very large in number, is in a good, healthy condition, and we are constantly on the watch for any good material with which to strengthen our ranks.

At the opening of this term our handsome new dormitory, accommodating about 150 men, was ready to be occupied, and due to this fact several new men are registered now who could not be accommodated in September. This increase in registration brings the enrollment to the highest mark in the history of our college. Of this we are justly proud, as it means much to our chapter, both as to strength as compared with our chapters throughout the state, and with other fraternities at this institution. With this promised growth of our college it is our aim and desire to make our fraternity stand out distinct, clear-cut and ahead of all others.

By the unceasing efforts of the efficient manager, Brother J. L. Springs, our baseball schedule is very nearly completed, and it promises to be the best one ever gotten out here. The team goes out for daily practice beginning February 22, and with the excellent schedule already arranged and the good material here from which to pick the team, we can see nothing but success in store for us.

During the holidays Brother W. E. Blair, who was spending his vacation at Southern Pines, N. C., was called to his home in Buffalo, N. Y., on account of the critical illness of his father. We are glad to say, however, that Brother Blair has returned to college and his father is improving, though very slowly.

We are always glad to welcome any visiting Pi's, and Alpha Epsilon extends its best wishes to all brothers.

C. R. JORDAN.

ALPHA ZETA.

University of Arkansas.

Nothing now remains but fond recollections of the happy Christmas season spent with the dear homefolks and loving friends. The Pi's of Alpha Zeta, fourteen strong, all returned and are now training hard and fast for the coming battle with the examination giant. We have some good men on the string, but a faculty rule prevents any pledges till after mid-term examinations.

Our football season closed with the great game on Thanksgiving Day, when we defeated Washington University of St. Louis by the decisive score of 34 to 0. The season was in many respects the greatest that Arkansas has known in her whole football history. Through it all we sustained not a single defeat and rolled up a total of 187 points to our opponents' 12.

Since the football season closed Coach Bezdek has been supervising the building of a cinder track, which when completed will be one of the best tracks at any Southern college.

As soon as warm spring weather opens up all aspirants

for baseball honors will be out on the field. Arkansas has a very hard schedule, including some strong Northern teams. The season will open with a game with the University of Illinois.

The Pi's are justly proud of our annual dance given on December 12, for it was said by many to have been one of the most brilliant social functions ever given at the university, a place where so many beautiful dances have been given in the past.

The most important event that has taken place recently in fraternity circles has been the installation of a chapter of

the sorority of Pi Beta Phi at the university.

Brother Furhman of Fort Smith dropped off to see us for a short visit some weeks ago. We delight in such visits of our alumni and wish others would do likewise.

We extend to our new brothers at Missouri the warmest fellowship and wish for them richest blessings in the future.

With best wishes for all Pi's.

J. PREWITT NELSON.

ALPHA ETA.

University of Florida.

At the first meeting of the new year Brothers Stewart and Gregory were absent. It was announced that they would not return, much to the regret of all present.

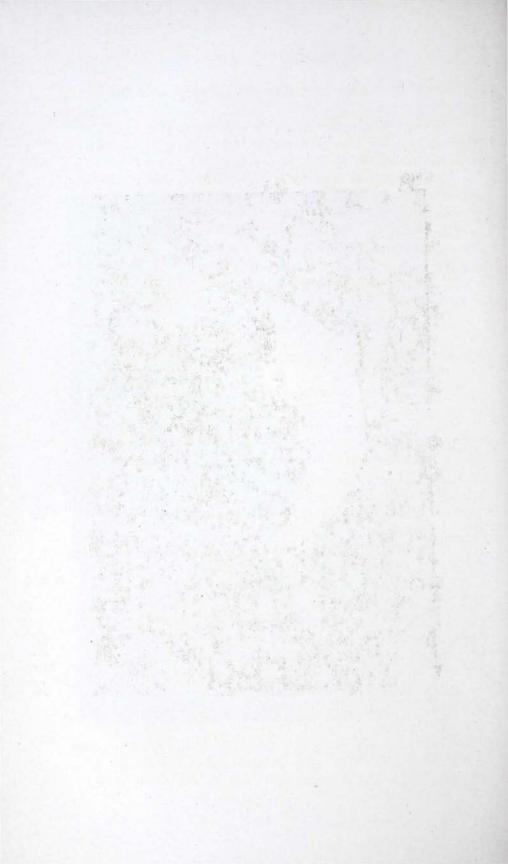
Semester exams are drawing dangerously near and all the boys are "boning" hard.

There is a movement on foot to form a Pan-Hellenic among the fraternities. We expect this to be a great improvement. Brothers Brown and Bouis will represent Alpha Eta.

There is a whisper on the campus that Sigma Nu fraternity will soon install a chapter here.

Baseball practice will begin next week. Among those of our chapter who will try for the team will be Brother Bouis, who is a three-year varsity man.

NORWOOD HALL Missouri School of Mines



For some reason no basketball team has been, as yet, organized.

We received a visit from Bro. E. D. McRae, alumnus Alpha Eta, a few days ago, and all spent an enjoyable evenning in the rooms.

The senior class expects to get out an annual this year, called The Seminole. This will be the first that the university has ever gotten out. Alpha Eta will be represented on the staff of the annual by Brother Holden, who is a first-class editor. Everyone expects the annual to be a great success.

Alpha Eta extends greetings to all other chapters.

J. A. Waggener.

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ALPHA IOTA.

Millsaps College.

Exams! Exams! Exams! Our mid-session examinations are just half over and we are on the verge of the second term's work. Millsaps has installed the honor system this year and it gives us pleasure to note that honor reigns supreme on our campus and in our class rooms. This has added a great deal of college spirit to our student body, and we are justly proud of its work.

Since our last letter to the Shield and Diamond Alpha Iota has been the host of several informal entertainments and smokers. The Royal Hotel was the scene of a happy and enjoyable banquet on the night of December 4, 1909, given in honor of some of our freshmen friends. Every one seemed to have enjoyed themselves to the fullest extent, and all too soon did the happy hours pass away.

The most notable social event of the season was held on Wednesday night, January 12, in our chapter rooms. Our annual mid-session reception was given in honor of our friends from town and from the freshman class. Our rooms were beautifully and artistically decorated. Among the guests of the evening were the seniors from Belhaven College, who were chaperoned by Miss Harbin, their English teacher. Hot chocolate, sandwiches, salads and punch were served and taken as a whole, it was one of the most successful receptions that Alpha Iota has ever given.

Brother John W. Crisler has been selected by the faculty to represent Millsaps in the state oratorical contest to be held some time in May. We have confidence in Brother Crisler's ability as an orator and feel confident that he will do honor to himself and to his college.

Our varsity football team has been selected and Alpha Iota is represented by Lewis, Kirkland, L. C., Kirkland, J. B., and Williamson. The sophomore team was victorious in the class championship games. We had three men on that team. Lewis was captain and L. C. Kirkland was manager.

Under the management of Brother M. L. Neill our annual is progressing rapidly and we feel sure that Millsaps will be represented by one of the best annuals in her history.

The mid-session debate between the two literary societies will be held at an early date. Williamson will represent us on that occasion.

Brother Sam Graham, '05, is boarding on the campus during the special session of the legislature. Graham is a member of the lower house from Kemper county.

February 2 is our pledge day and we are all busy talking Pi Kappa Alpha to the men whom we wish to make the acquaintance of "William." So we will not be able to introduce any initiates until the April issue of the Shield and Diamond.

Brother F. F. Flynt and wife, both still loyal to Pi Kappa Alpha, have moved to Jackson. Flynt is the assistant manager of the Cumberland Telephone Company.

On last Saturday night we held our semi-annual election of officers.

Frank S. Williams.

ALPHA LAMBDA.

Georgetown College.

Greetings and a most hearty welcome from Alpha Lambda to Alpha Nu.

Mid-year examinations are on this week. We are none of us in love with that part of college life, but as exams seems to be a necessary evil we hope to make the best of it and "punch" the Profs. out for at least pass marks in all our studies.

Our William Goat got busy again a few days ago and we have another good man to introduce to the fraternity:

Otis D. Crout, Butler, Ky.

Brother Crout held down second base on the varsity baseball team last spring and was one of the best fielders, hitters and base-runners on the team, and bids fair to outdo his former work this season. "Dutch" is an all-round good fellow too.

The outlook is very bright for baseball here this year and we fondly hope to win the championship of Kentucky. Our season opens with a game against the University of Illinois on Hinton Field, the latter part of March.

Our basketball team is rather weak, being badly handicapped because of the smallness of our men. Captain Bradford and Kenney represent us in this line of sport.

Several of us attended the annual dance given by Omega, Kappa and Alumnus Rho Chapters at Merrick Lodge in Lexington Friday, the 21st. The Lexington chapters certainly did themselves proud and we heard several of the guests say that it was one of the most enjoyable events of the kind that they had ever attended.

Fraternity material is mighty scarce here this year and unless something comes in after mid-year there is very little chance of us getting any more new men this year.

Brother Robinson is taking agriculture at the Kentucky State University, but as he goes back and forth every day, returning home each night, he has not withdrawn his membership from us.

WM. G. Bradford.

ALPHA MU.

University of Georgia.

As the month rolls around Alpha Mu realizes that there is more to report than had been anticipated. We take pleasure in announcing that we have succeded in corraling two good men:

C. D. Walker of Tampa, Fla.

R. C. Jenkins of Eatonton, Ga.

Walker bids fair to make the baseball team, having somewhat of a reputation for holding down first base.

The boys showed up after Christmas refreshed and invigorated by the vacation, and while with a tinge of regret at having to leave home just as it seemed to feel natural again, all were eager to get together again and be at work for Pi Kappa Alpha. Only two of our brothers failed to return after Christmas and both of these were for personal reasons, neither one being deficient in any studies. They are Brothers Davis and Fulwood, and while the chapter misses them and will feel their loss keenly, it only brings the more forcibly to us the realization of the responsibility resting upon us to keep the standard of Alpha Mu up where it should be. Our best wishes will always go with our brothers and we hope they will achieve the utmost success in their undertakings.

Basketball is in the limelight here just at present, as it was doubtful for a long time as to whether Georgia would have a basketball team on account of the lack of a gymnasium floor on which to practice, but realizing the value of the material we have, arrangements have been made whereby the Y. M. C. A. gymnasium can be secured during the dinner hour, and some twenty applicants have shown their college spirit and enthusiasm by using their dinner hour in practicing for the team, and the prospects for a winning team are bright.

Our new athletic field, which is now under course of construction, is progressing nicely and when completed will be one of the finest college diamonds in the South. The warm weather of the last few days has brought quite a few gloves and balls into evidence and it is no unusual sight to find pitchers warming up and working out their kinks. While baseball is not a general subject of conversation yet, it is in the air and our prospects are unusually bright from this distance.

Rumors of class banquets have been flying thick of late and as a result one or two clashes have taken place, but with no serious results.

Looking forward eagerly to the coming months with their possibilities, and with all best wishes to Pi Kappa Alpha, I am, Very truly yours,

G. S. PECK.

ALPHA NU.

University of Missouri.

Russell Edward Holloway, Columbia, Mo.
Henry North Eversole, Columbia, Mo.
George Corbin Hertig, Columbia, Mo.
Newton Dale, Weston, Mo.
Daniel Webster Boone Kurtz Jr., Columbia, Mo.
Wendell Paul Jones, 3215 Olive, Kansas City, Mo.
Lawson Gentry Lowrey, Excelsior Springs, Mo.
Joseph Alphonsus Sheehan, 3607 Cooke avenue

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Carl R. Mac E. Prouty, Elm Grove, Upton P. Q., Canada. Harry Daniel Hynds, 2601 Linwood, Kansas City, Mo. Frances Abel Benham, Bonne Terre, Mo.

Lewis Harold Campbell, 1371 Goodfellow avenue, St. Louis, Mo.

Charles Francis Loomis, 2518 N. Garrison, St. Louis, Mo. Boyd Alten Speer, Chamois, Mo.

The above men constitute the charter members of Alpha Nu of Pi Kappa Alpha, and we take this opportunity to extend our greetings to our Pi brothers the world over.

Pi Kappa Alpha's newest chapter was installed at the University of Missouri, December 16, 1909. On January 1, we moved into our new chapter house, each man coming back after the Christmas vacation in the best of spirits and with an enthusiasm that does things. After being in our house a little over a week now we are fairly well settled and everything is running nicely.

In this, our first chapter letter, a few remarks as to the standing of some of our men might not be amiss. Our men all stand well, but, as is usual, some always stand out as being exceptionally good. We have two men, Brothers Benham and Kurtz, belonging to Phi Delta Phi, the honorary legal fraternity, and one, Brother Lowery, to the honorary medical fraternity, Phi Beta Pi. Alpha Nu is not lacking in dramatic ability, as one of our members, Brother Jones, recently made a most decided hit in a production of "Old Heidleberg" by our University Dramatic Club.

In the athletic line, the first semester, which is just drawing to a close, has seen the revival of the old Missouri spirit which had long been dormant, and as a consequence the football Tigers of 1909 hold the title of the undefeated champions of the Missouri Valley.

We of Alpha Nu, after having had a visit from Brother Sale of the Supreme Council, and Brothers Smith, Mann and McKibben of Alpha Kappa Chapter, have been congratulating ourselves on getting our charter, and our pride in the fact that we are now brother Pi's is increasing every day.

We have two pledges whom we are sure are most worthy of wearing the shield and diamond, and we will probably get the "goat" well oiled and in good working order in time to initiate them at the beginning of the new semester.

Our initiation, which took place in the Phi Delta Phi rooms, was a most "impressive" one in more ways than we can mention, and the solemn parts of the ritual were appreciated and highly complimented by all the fellows.

After the initiation we had our installation banquet at our new home, which had been decorated in garnet and old gold for the occasion. The table was laid out in the shape of a huge letter "Pi" and each one of the nine courses was a delight. We were honored by the presence of a number of prominent members of the faculty as our guests, and their words of commendation and good cheer were very inspiring. Brothers Smith and Mann also spoke very encour-

agingly, pledging us the support of Alpha Kappa, our nearest sister chapter, to the fullest extent. Brother Smith also presented us, on behalf of his chapter, a beautiful white leather, emblazoned with the crest of Pi Kappa Alpha, which we have hung in our chapter room.

I think we should say a word in regard to the very cordial reception which we have been accorded by the other fraternities and the sororities. We have been welcomed by all, and especially by the four sororities represented here. The fact that we have some loyal Pi sisters among the sorority girls probably has something to do with our extremely cordial reception, but anyway we are all enjoying their hospitality to the utmost.

We were all very sorry to learn, on our return from the Christmas holidays, that Brother Sheehan would be unable to return this year on account of a complete nervous breakdown. We hope, however, to have him with us again next year.

George C. Hertig, one of the charter members, has not been initiated yet, as he was taken sick while on a visit, but he will go through soon.

In closing it is the wish of every man in the chapter that I again extend to you all our heartiest good wishes; and we assure each one of you that the baby chapter will do all in its power to maintain the high standard of scholarship and manliness which we know is so faithfully upheld by all the older and better-established chapters of that greatest of all fraternities, Pi Kappa Alpha.

HARRY D. HYNDS.

ZETA.

University of Tennessee.

Since our last letter most of Zeta's men have been home for the Christmas holidays where all reported good times. Brothers Kirk and Goldman, who were a little more studiously inclined than the rest, remained in school. Brother Johnson went on a trip to Columbia, S. C., where he met our Grand Princeps, Brother Gordon. On returning we were confronted with mid-year examinations, with which we have been busy until the past week, when they ended.

These examinations will be of double interest to us, for not only will it give us the satisfaction of knowing that we have passed up so much work, but it will determine who of the first-year men (in whom we are so keenly interested at present) are eligible for fraternities. Zeta has what we consider the pick of the class as her prospective goats, and we hope to be able to introduce these in the next issue of the Shield and Diamond.

Every member of the chapter regrets that Brother Kirk has been forced to retire from school again on account of sickness. He was a senior in the Law Department and his leaving school will be a big loss to us.

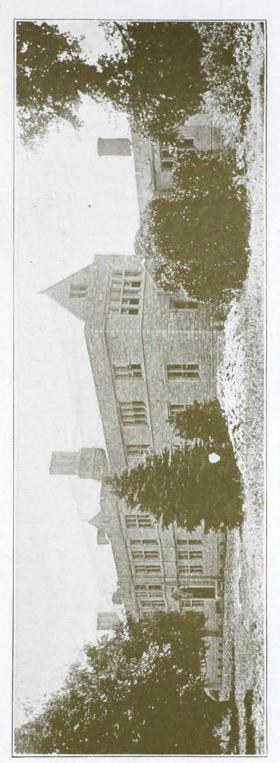
Pi Chapter of the Chi Omega Sorority entertained Zeta Chapter with a "five hundred" party at the home of one of the sorores, Miss Agnes Brown, last week.

Three of Zeta's men were recently elected members of the Tennessee Cotillion Club. Brothers Goldman, McAllister and McCullay were the fortunate ones, as this is one of the most select organizations in college.

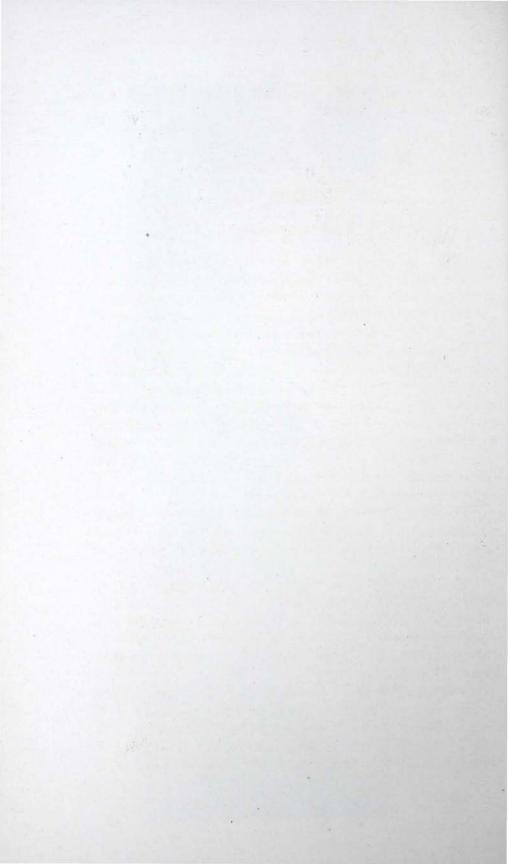
Brother Phipps was elected president of the department of the National Rifle Association which is located here in the Military Department. We hope the rifle team which represents us this year in the tournament will be a good one on his account especially.

As a representative on the editorial staff of the Volunteer (the annual) we have Brother Goldman.

Only a few more weeks of the wintry weather and then the crack of the bats and the pounding in the mitts will begin to be heard across the campus green as the ardent young athletes struggle on the "Wait" field for a chance to show their worth on the varsity. For two years now we have won the championship of the South and prospects are good for a winning team again this year. "Doughtie" McAllister will catch again in all probability, as he was one of the strongest men on the team last year. Oke Goldman and Branch will likely win places on the varsity this year.



THE AGRICULTURAL BUILDING University of Missouri



Wishing all the chapters the best of success for the new year, we close with a welcome to our new chapter at the University of Missouri.

R. C. Branch.



OMEGA.

Kentucky University.

Since our recent letter we have initiated Henry M. Walker, and I now take this opportunity in introducing him to the fraternity at large. Brother Walker is a member of the sophomore class and one of the most popular men in the class. He is also a member of the Agricultural Club.

Kappa and Omega joined hands again in giving the most successful dance in our history. The Phi Kappa Alpha dances have grown to be favorites in Lexington and this upheld our enviable record. We had with us many out-of-town Pi's for the occasion and they all expressed their congratulations. Alpha Lambda Chapter was here in a body and we regret that the fellows do not come oftener. The grand march was beautifully led by Brother John U. Fields of Kappa. In all, the evening was a grand success.

The Glee Club has begun its series of entertainments and several more trips will be taken in the near future. Brother H. Berkley Hedges takes a prominent part in all its work.

The Kappa Kappa Gamma Sorority will be established here this month. It absorbs the local Chi Epsilon Chi. The K. K. G.'s are to be congratulated on their new chapter, as it is one of the best in the university at present. The Pan-Hellenic Council will likely entertain in their honor.

A new president has been selected to assume the duties of ex-President Patterson, resigned. The man named to succeed him is Judge Henry S. Barker of Louisville, who will take active charge in September next. President Patterson has been connected with the university for about thirty-nine years and while we feel that a younger man is needed in his place, we hate to see him go.

Coach Sweetland has accepted the newly-created position of director of athletics at State University. Sweetland coached our great football team and rather than lose him this position was offered him at a very fancy salary. He is to take active charge of the football and track teams for the next three years. A basketball coach has been secured and under his direction we expect to overcome the slump that has befallen our team recently. A baseball coach has been obtained also and though he will not come until March indoor practice has begun in the large armory. The new man is well recommended and we expect to have a great team this year.

Brother Hedges is captain of the Gym. team and has been working hard whipping his team into shape for the annual tournament that will take place in the next month.

During the lull in the social season the college societies are getting busy and their work will soon be evident. Omega expects to land her share of class society honors.

With best wishes to our sister chapters, I am, in the bonds, W. W. HILLENMEYER.

ALPHA GAMMA.

Louisiana State University.

It is the pleasing duty of the scribe of Alpha Gamma to chronicle in this issue of the Shield and Diamond our recent mid-term initiation of

William Felix Hemler, Rayville, La. Ernest P. Lembrement, Brewly, La.

whom we take pleasure in introducing to the fraternity as brothers of whom we feel justly proud and gladly accord a hearty welcome "within the wicket door" of P. K. A.

By the courtesies of Brother Laycock, following the initiation ceremonies, an informal spread was tendered the newly initiated brothers, as a welcoming feast. All assem-

bled seemed to well remember the latter part of Macduff's "spiel" to Macbeth—Damned be he who first cries, hold, enough—thanks to "Jack."

Contract has been let for the erection of Alpha Gamma's chapter house, and actual work will probably commence within a few days. The plans follow the general outlines of the bungalow type of structure and show a total floor space of 1,400 square feet, divided into three rooms, two adjoining parlors and an anteroom, for the keeping of the paraphernalia, etc. We hope to be able to announce the successful completion of the building by the next issue of the Shield and Diamond.

Alpha Gamma extends a cordial welcome to the midterm initiates and of our sister chapters.

HENRY V. MOSELY.



ALUMNI NEWS

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In order to make this department complete and interesting, each member is earnestly requested to forward promptly to the Editor or Assistant Editor any item of news concerning an alumnus which may come under his notice.

P. H. Marcum, Alpha Theta, is practicing law in Huntington, W. Va.

Michael J. Malamphy, Alpha Theta, is private secretary to Governor Glasscock of West Virginia.

C. H. Kirkland, Alpha Iota, '08, is practicing law at Laurel, Miss. "Kirk" is meeting with much success in his profession.

A. J. Gillespie, Iota, is managing a farm for his father in Tazewell County, Virginia. His address is Tazewell, Va.

L. K. Carlton, Alpha Iota, '08, is located at New Albany, Miss., and is making a fine record practicing law.

John (Lefty) Core, Alpha Theta, who was a football and baseball star while in college, played great ball for South Bend (Indiana) in the Central League last season. "Lefty" Core and football are synonymous terms at W. V. U.

Goggin Crockett, Iota, is working for a drug company in Tazewell, Va., preparatory to taking a course in pharmacy. J. Gray Hamlin, Upsilon, '09, is superintending some construction work at Russellville, Ala.

John C. Rousseaux, Alpha Iota, '08, is located at Bon Ami, La. Brother Rousseaux has charge of the Methodist Church at that place and has recently made the demand for a parsonage, for he has taken unto himself a "better half" in the person of Miss Pearl Weston of Logtown, Miss.

C. Lamar Neill, Alpha Iota, '08, has charge of the Laurel (Miss.) High School, where he is doing a fine work. Brother Neill has twenty-seven teachers and nearly 1,000 pupils under his supervision, and there are some "predictions" that he will soon have "another teacher" to care for.

Gilbert Cook, Alpha Iota, '08, is principal of the Johns High School at Johns, Miss., and is making a fine success as a teacher.

- J. L. Addington, Alpha Iota, '08, and Nu, is in the mercantile business at Water Valley, Miss.
- J. Brian Bell, Mu, Beta and Pi, is traveling representative of the Philip Carey Roofing and Manufacturing Company in eastern South Carolina and North Carolina.
- W. H. Wakefield, Beta, is a physician at Kanapolis, N. C., where Lafferty, also of Beta, and Harris of Alpha-Alpha are located.
- W. C. Coughenhour, Tau, who was a professor at Horner's Military Academy last year, is now completing his course at Columbia University.

Bruce Gibson, Alpha-Alpha, is farming near Gibson, N. C.

Another loyal Alpha-Alpha man is N. J. Boddie, who is one of that chapter's "fratres in urbe." He is connected with the Citizens' National Bank of Durham, N. C.

An influential member of the Committee on Davidson College Endowment is Hon. Franklin McNeill of Alpha and Beta.

Robert W. Arnold, Pi, '08, has been chosen by Governor William H. Mann of Virginia as a member of his staff. Although sometimes called "Runt" by his intimate friends, we imagine that Bob will make rather a distinguished-looking "Colonel," for that is the title which goes with the office.

The fraternity at large will learn with deep regret of the recent death of Mr. James M. Wiggins at Suffolk, Va. Mr. Wiggins was the father of our well-known brothers, J. Carroll and James M. Wiggins Jr., of Tau Chapter, to whom we extend our heartfelt sympathy.

- F. F. Flynt, Alpha Iota, has located at Jackson, Miss., where he has accepted a position with the Cumberland Telephone Company.
- R. J. Mullins, Alpha Iota, '09, is working as assistant secretary in the Railroad Y. M. C. A. at McGehee, Ark.
- R. P. Greer, Upsilon, '08, is editor and manager of The Herald, the daily paper of Uniontown, Ala.
- W. W. Davis, Upsilon, '02, is attending a course of lectures at "The Sorbonne" in Paris, France. His special work is the French language and French government.

Harry H. Darnall, Pi, has been elected recorder of the town council at Beckley, W. Va., in the face of strenuous competition.

S. M. Graham, Alpha Iota, '05, is representing Kemper county in the state legislature now in session at Jackson, Miss. Sam is making quite a "rep" as a politician.

Rev. E. M. Craig, Iota, is now pastor of the Presbyterian Church at Prattville, Ala.

D. A. Haller, Iota, is studying medicine at the College of Physicians and Surgeons, Columbia University, N. Y.

Bob Gannt, Alpha-Alpha, whose name is classed among Trinity's great pitchers, will enter the Law Department of that institution in February.

T. B. Harris, Alpha-Alpha, has accepted a position as bookkeeper for the White-Morrison-Flowe Company at Kannapolis, N. C. He will be with his chapter again next session.

Parks M. Lafferty, Beta, is secretary and treasurer of the F. S. Smith Drug Company at Kannapolis, N. C.

R. E. Cline, Phi, is a member of the office force of the Cannon Manufacturing Company at Concord, N. C.

Another Pi at Concord is K. B. Kline of Alpha Epsilon. He is city reporter for the Concord Tribune.

Two Omicron boys who have gone far out in the West are Presley T. Atkins and B. E. Steele, both '08 men. They are practicing law at Roseburg, Oregon, and will be glad to see any Pi's who stray into that country. Their address is Box 404.

D. W. A. Neville, Mu, '08, is superintendent of the Hickory Grove School, Hickory Grove, S. C.

D. H. Hill Jr., Alpha Epsilon, '09, has entered Princeton University, where he is making a special study of English.

W. J. and T. C. Whitley, both of Alpha-Alpha, are engaged in the lumber business at Edward, N. C.

M. C. Ross is traveling salesman for the National Cash Register Company. He is another alumnus of Alpha-Alpha and his home address is Bonnerton, N. C.

The following clipping from the Lynchburg News will prove of interest to the many friends of Brother A. L. Stras, Phi and Pi:

BASEBALL AT W. & L. U.

Arthur Lee Stras of Roanoke Elected to Captain Team.

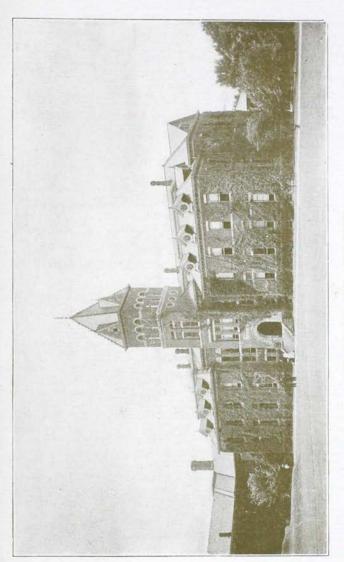
Lexington, Va., December 5.—(Special.)—Owing to the failure of J. W. Anthony, captain-elect of the Washington and Lee baseball team, to return to college, Arthur Lee Stras of Roanoke has been

chosen captain.

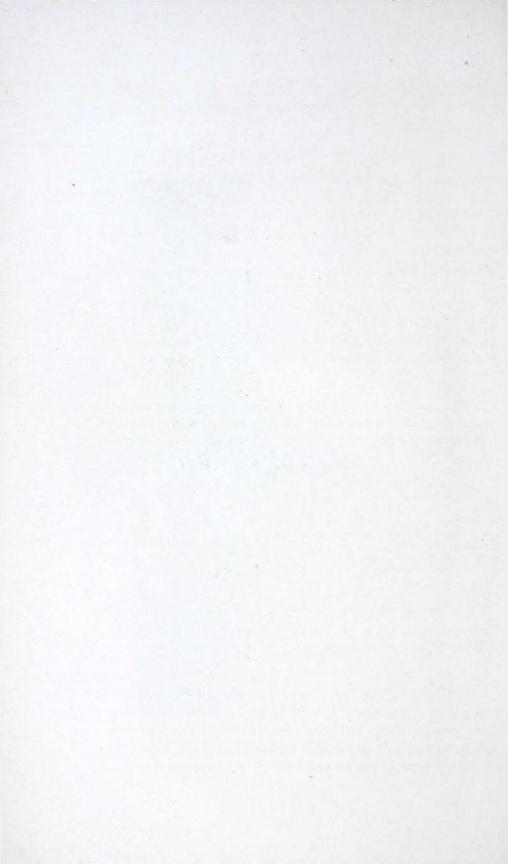
Stras matriculated in the college last year, coming to the university from Roanoke College, where he played on the baseball team for two years. He showed up strong for first base during the preliminary practice and held the position easily throughout the season. While at Roanoke he lead the batting list, but last season his stick work was not so good. He is a good base runner and fast fielder, and should show improvement at the bat this year. Standing six feet four, he has the ideal build for a first baseman, throws to the bags well, and with his experience and knowledge of the game, should make a good leader. Stras matriculated this September in the school

make a good leader. Stras matriculated this September in the school of law and is a member of the Pi Kappa Alpha fraternity.

For so early in the year the baseball outlook at Washington and Lee is indeed bright. Hood, captain and star outfielder of the 1908 team, Stras, Rectenwald, who put up a great game at backstop; Paredes, Gwathmey, Herring and Watts are back in college, while Waddill and Brown, who played on the 1908 team, are eligible and will be likely candidates for the varsity this spring. In addition to this strong bunch of four fielders and three pitchers, four of the stars of last year's team at Fishburne School, Moran, the Efirds brothers and Smith, are in college. Moran and one of the Efirds are known to be two of the best amateur pitchers in this section of the country. The other of the Efird brothers is a crack catcher and fast infielder, while Smith was recognized as one of the fastest and surest shortstops in the State. There is, also, other promising material at the university.



ENGINEERING BUILDING University of Missouri



Manager McDonald has almost completed what is perhaps the best schedule Washington and Lee has ever had. Several of the strong Northern teams will be met on Wilson field, while in addition to a Southern trip, the team may go North for series of games.

Although located in the Tarheel State, Beta Chapter draws a good per cent of its membership from South Carolina. Among the younger alumni who are at present located in that state are the following:

W. L. Bruce, who is in Greenville, where he is associated with his father in business.

D. W. Dodge is numbered among the pedagogues and is principal of Camden High School at Camden.

W. B. Gillespie is also teaching in the Palmetto State and is located at Florence.

In Florence we find also "Dick" Gillespie, who is the pastor of the Presbyterian Church.

The newspaper clipping which follows concerns an Alpha Epsilon brother, and is taken from the Concord correspondence in a recent issue of the Charlotte (N. C.) Observer:

Mr. Karl Kline, who has been engaged as local editor of the Evening Tribune since last September, having succeeded H. P. Deaton, will probably leave in a few days for other work, having secured a position with the Pullman car people and will likely be assigned to a conductorship within a very short time. Mr. Kline is one of the city's foremost young men and the best wishes of his host of friends will go with him to his new field of labor. It has not yet been announced who will take his place on the paper.

Dr. H. A. Wakefield, Beta, has given up his work at Kannapolis, N. C., to take special work in eye, ear, nose and throat treatment at Baltimore.

Dr. John Miller Wells, pastor of the First Presbyterian Church of Wilmington, N. C., is a Pi, his name being on the rolls of both Theta and Iota. He is one of the fraternity's ablest divines and is considered the closest biblical student of the state in which he resides.

Arthur F. Jackson of Tau is a senior in the Medical College at the University of Pennsylvania.

Ralph Clifton Patton, Eta Chapter, is now in charge of the Department of Designs at the D. & W. Fuse Company. Providence, R. I., a corporation manufacturing miscellaneous electrical equipment. His address is No. 6 John street, where he will be glad to see any Pi's who happen to be in that locality.

Among the new subscribers to the Shield and Diamond is H. L. Myers, the eminent eye, ear, nose and threat specialist, whose name is a household word in North Carolina and Virginia. Though personally so well known, but few of the younger members of our fraternity were aware that Dr. Myers is an alumnus of the mother-chapter Alpha. He resides at Norfolk, Va., and the Pi's who call on him will remember with pleasure this pleasant gentleman who was an active member more than twenty years ago. Brother Myers is a busy man, and says that he rarely meets any of the brothers, but he manifests his continued interest in becoming a subscriber to the magazine.

- C. S. Flagler is at the University of Pennsylvania, "taking" medicine. He is an alumnus of Tau Chapter.
- F. H. Lee, Alpha-Alpha, has a position with the Icemorlee Cotton Mills, which are located in his home town, Monroe, N. C.

Also located at Monroe, N. C., is Frank Redfearn of Alpha Epsilon. He is working for the Heath-Lee Hardware Company.

Claude G. Winstead, a charter member of second Tau, is a traveling salesman with headquarters at Birmingham, Ala., where resides our Brother Oscar Underwood of Alpha, when not engaged in his congressional duties.

Leigh Scott of Beta resides in Durham, N. C., where Alpha-Alpha may claim him as a "frater in urbe."

Two Beta men who are preparing for the medical profession are R. C. Sadler, who is pursuing his studies at the North Carolina Medical College, and Everard Wilcox, who is at the University of Georgia Medical College.

- J. G. C. Alcorn, Omega, is with an enginering corps of the Louisville and Nashville Railroad, and is located at Crofton, Ky.
- R. B. Thomas, Alpha, is secretary of the South San Deigo Investment Company, offices 309-310 Union building, San Deigo, Cal. This company is doing a great work in building up this section of the wonderful California country, and the general office has recently received a copy of the San Deigo Sun giving full illustrations of the Panama-California Exposition, which this city expects to hold in the near future.
- W. M. Wells, Alpha-Alpha Chapter, in renewing his subscription to the Shield and Diamond writes:

"My best wishes are with you all the time, even if I do overlook my subscription dues. The Shield and Diamond is a great pleasure to me and I want to congratulate you on its continued standard of excellence."

The general office acknowledges receipt of the invitation to attend the marriage, an account of which follows, and extends to the brother of Alpha Lambda and his bride the good wishes of the fraternity.

Bertram-Argabrite.

The marriage of Mr. W. Houston Argabrite of this city to Miss Mary Josephine Bertram, announcement of which was made in last week's issue, will take place tomorrow (Wednesday) morning at 6:30 o'clock at the home of the bride at Monticello. The ceremony will be performed by Rev. G. W. Argabrite, father of the groom, assisted by Rev. Kimble of Monticello. Immediately after their marriage the young couple will leave on a short bridal trip to Louisville, Indianapolis and other points. The attendants at the wedding will be Mr. George Argabrite, brother of the groom, and Miss Margaret Ber-

Mr. George Argabrite, brother of the groom, and Mrs. Rangaret Lottram, sister of the bride.

The groom is the eldest of two sons of Rev. and Mrs. G. W. Argabrite of this city. He is a graduate of Georgetown College, Class 1906, and is a young man of exemplary habits with a brilliant future before him. At present he is connected with the Georgetown News Publishing Company, being secretary of the corporation and

assistant editor of the News.

The bride is the youngest daughter of Judge Joseph Bertram of Monticello, a well-known Democratic politician of the Eleventh district and a leading attorney of that section.

"Barb" Walker, Beta, of Waycross, Ga., is studying medicine at Johns Hopkins.

H. R. Deal of Beta holds a responsible position with the National Biscuit Company and is located at Asheville, N. C.

Another Pi at Asheville is Spears Reynolds of Tau, who is very actively engaged in the practice of law. Those who attended the Norfolk convention in 1902 have not forgotten this brother, who received such a heavy vote on the ballot for "the handsomest man."

The Democratic voters of the First judicial district of North Carolina are receiving letters announcing the candidacy for the nomination as solicitor of Norwood L. Simmons, one of the strong young lawyers of the district, and an alumnus of our Tau Chapter.

C. R. Pugh of Alpha-Alpha, who some months ago won a bride among the fair daughters of Illinois, is now teaching in that state.

Hardly a year but there are several Pi's at Johns Hopkins, and among them this year we find Brother T. Stearns of Beta.

Chi Chapter recently received the following invitation, which is of interest:

Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Cordes Doar request the honor of your presence at the marriage of their daughter Julia Gregorie

Rev. Paul Trapier Prentiss
on Tuesday, the twenty-eighth of December,
Nineteen hundred and nine
at eleven o'clock
Palo Alto
St. James, Santee, South Carolina.

Brother Prentiss was a faithful member of Chi Chapter for three years, having graduated from the University of the South in 1908. He and his bride will make their home in Denver, Col., where he has charge of a parish.

The best wishes of the fraternity are extended to the young people to whom the following extracts from the Raleigh News and Observer refer. The groom is an enthusiastic Pi of Alpha Epsilon and Alumnus Sigma.

Kenly, N. C., Dec. 23.—The wedding of Mr. John Alsey Park of Raleigh, and Miss Lily Helen Pair of this county, occurred here at 1:30 o'clock this afternoon. The ceremony was performed in the Presbyterian Church by Rev. E. W. Sonders of Southern Pines, who was formerly pastor of the bride. The chancel was banked high with palms and ferns and white chrysanthemums. The ring ceremony was performed with beautiful simplicity, the only attendants being little Miss Louise Alford as flower girl, and Master Rudolph Kirby as ringbearer. These were preceded to the altar by the ushers, Messrs. Jonathan T. Hookes, Jr., of Freemont, and A. E. Escott of Raleigh. The bride was attired in a cloth going-away gown of dark catawba, with hat and gloves to match.

Mrs. Park is the second daughter of the late Dr. and Mrs. A. D. Pair, and has been residing near Kenly with her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. L. B. Richardson. She has a host of friends in this county and elsewhere. She was graduated with honors at Peace Institute in Raleigh, then taught in Pitt county and later at the Peace Institute. Many of her friends have showered presents upon her here, and other friends have sent tokens of esteem to her new home in Raleigh.

Mr. Park is the second son of Mrs. T. C. Park of Raleigh. He is an expert on automobiles and holds the position of manager of the Carolina Garage and Machine Company. Mr. Park was graduated in mechanical engineering at the North Carolina A. & M. College in 1905, and then became instructor in mathematics there. Soon afterward he began selling automobiles, and when Col. C. E. Johnson and Mr. E. C. Hillyer decided to invest heavily in this business Mr. Park was at once called upon to join forces with them.

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The young couple took the afternoon Coast Line train North.

Their tour will include Richmond, Washington, Philadelphia, New

York and Detroit. After returning they will be at home at 207 North

West street, Raleigh.

There were present at the wedding from Raleigh: Mrs. T. C. Park, Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Park, Miss Margaret Wood, Miss Rosa Broughton, Mrs. P. B. Rodgers, Messrs. Albert E. Escott, K. W. Yates and Stanley Jones. From Smithfield came Misses Mildred Sanders, Ruth Sanders and Annie Ihrye Pou; and from Fremont Mr. J. T.

The Raleigh guests left here on their return trip in automobiles at 2:35 this afternoon. They reported a fine trip down, at an average rate of 13.8 miles per hour running time over the forty-five miles. Some stretches were run at as high rate as forty-five miles per hour. Only one stop for repairs or adjustment was made, and that lasted a minute. Stops for water were made at Clayton and Smithfield.

The general office in December received one of the most nicely gotten up invitations of the season, and wishes to say that it was of high credit to the Western chapter which issued it, as well as to the fraternity. It read as follows:

> Alpha Zeta Chapter of the PI KAPPA ALPHA FRATERNITY requests the honor of your presence at its Annual Dance Friday Evening, December Tenth, Nineteen hundred and nine

8 to 11:30.

S. A. E. Hall.

The following extracts from the newspaper accounts will give some idea of the delightful occasion:

Pi Kappa Alpha Reception and Dance.

Alpha Zeta Chapter of the Pi Kappa Alpha fraternity did themselves proud last evening in their annual reception and dance given in the Sigma Alpha Epsilon hall. The Pi Kappa Alpha is one of the youngest fraternities in the University of Arkansas, but is one of the strongest and most substantial in the personnel of its membership.

The hall was beautifully decorated with winter holly, immense streamers of garnet and old gold, the fraternity colors, radiating from the center and making a veritable pagoda for the guests. In the receiving line were President and Mrs. Tillman, Prof. and Mrs. Ramsey, Dr. and Mrs. Brough, Mrs. Blake, Miss Holcomb, Messrs. Alphin, Gough and Roy Goodwin.

The elegantly designed programs listed eighteen regular numbers, with two extras, waltzes and two-steps alternating. Barr's Orchestra sustained its reputation for well-timed and inspiring music. Several visiting young ladies honored the occasion with ther presence, among them being the Misses Robinson and Brazell of Chant, Okla., Ragan and Block of Eureka Springs, and Elizabeth Nichols of Muskogee.

After the tenth dance delicious refreshments were served, the lemon sherbet and cake being ornamented with lilies of the valley and red carnations, the fraternity colors. During the thirty-minute intermission joy was unconfined as the guests of the evening recounted the happy reminiscences of university life and built air castles for the future. Half-past eleven came all too early, for everyone had

a most delightful time.

The chapter roll of the Alpha Zeta contains the name of Ivor Gough, Chalmers Boles, Earl Shipley, Pat Bailey, Roy Goodwin, Lynne Goodwin, Henry Yocum, Hendrick Alphin, Prewitt Nelson, Walter Miles, Ray Purcell, Ralph Adams, Joe Cooper and Emmit Gaughn.

The editorial office is in receipt of the following invitation. Brother Larrick is an alumnus of Pi Chapter and is now practicing law in New Martinsville, W. Va. In college he was a leader of his chapter and prominent in all student activities, and in the practice of his profession he is meeting with deserved success.

Mr. and Mrs. B. C. Bridgeman request the pleasure of your company at the marriage of their daughter Sue Ellingham

Mr. Albert Eugene Larrick
on the morning of Wednesday, the sixteenth of
February, nineteen hundred and ten,
at eleven o'clock, at their home,
New Martinsville, W. Va.

James A. Taggart, a charter member of Alpha Kappa, was united in marriage to Miss Rose Short, formerly of Rolla, Mo., at Florence, Col., on the evening of February 5. Taggart is employed as chemist by the A. V. Smelter at Leadville, where he and his bride will make their home.

T. S. Dunn of Alpha Kappa is now with the Savannah Copper Company and is located at Silver City, N. M.

Homer W. Carpenter, Kappa, is located at Shelbyville, Ky. Brother Carpenter was married to Miss Tevis Carpenter of Stanford, Ky., last summer.

James W. Meng, Kappa, is spending the winter in De Land, Fla.

Archer Wheatley, Kappa, is practicing law in Jonesboro, Ark. Brother Wheatley has recently been situated with American Express Company, Memphis, Tenn. He is pleased with his new location and hopes to see some of the Pi's of that section.

J. G. C. Alcorn holds a position with the Louisville and Nashville Railroad at Crofton, Ky.

W. M. Clayton, Sigma, is in Vanderbilt again this year, where he graduates this spring. Brother Clayton is one of the most popular seniors in Vanderbilt. He is a member of the Commodore Club, track team, Glee Club, etc.

George E. Goodwin, Omega, is in school at Ohio Wesleyan, Delaware, Ohio.

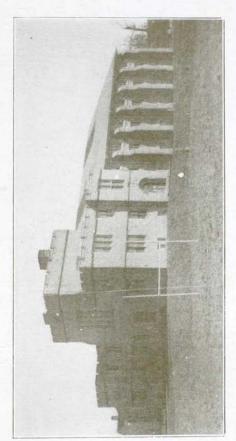
Allen Cummins, Phi, is assistant cashier Hermitage National Bank, Nashville, Tenn.

Percy Hoge, Phi, is making a good success as a dealer and breeder of hackney horses. His home is near Frankfort, Ky.

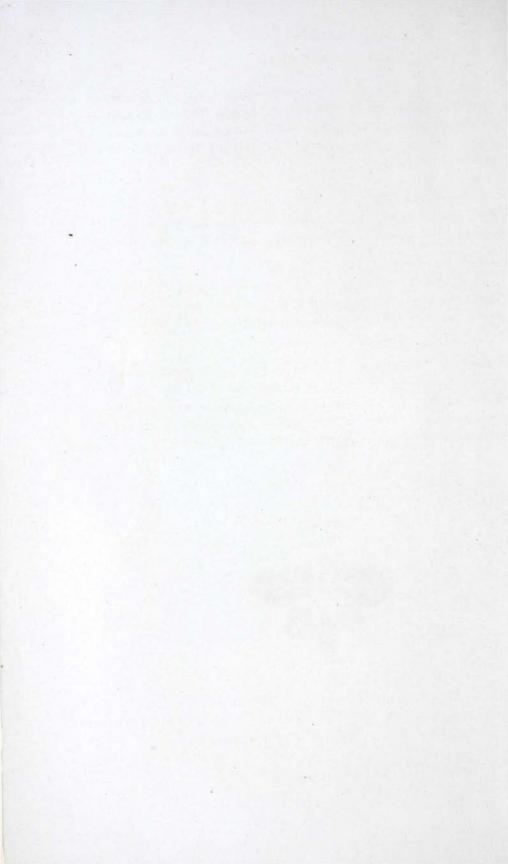
W. C. Lee and Ben Waddle, Omega, are studying law at Cincinnati University, Cincinnati, Ohio.

Hervy Lettor, Omega, is assistant cashier of one of the banks at Jackson, Ky.

P. J. Beard, Alpha, is one of the Kentucky senators now in session at Frankfort. Brother Beard is one of the leading lawyers of Shelbyville, Ky.



THE GYMNASIUM University of Missouri



Andrew J. Kerr, who was a member of Alpha Kappa in 1908-09, spent the summer in Colorado with a United States Geological Survey party. He is now in Nevada engaged in irrigation engineering and expects to be back at school next year.

Harry Clay Kibe, an alumnus of Alpha Kappa, is now located near Newberg, Mo., where he holds the position of superintendent of the Newberg Mining and Milling Company.

E. P. Murray, who graduated from the School of Mines at Rolla, Mo., is now connected with the engineering department of the Federal Lead Company at Wardner, Idaho.

Coral T. Heydecker of Alpha Kappa spent last summer prospecting in company with E. P. Murray of Idaho. He is now in Chicago attending to some legal business, but expects to return to the West in the spring and superintend the development work on some claims he located last year.



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The Delta Chi Quarterly announces the recent establishment by that fraternity of a chapter at the University of Nebraska. The charter was granted to the John Marshall Law Club, which was organized at the close of the last session with twenty-four members. The new chapter begins its career with a membership of thirty.

The Nashville Evening Banner of December 21, 1909, has the following interesting bit of information:

"Work began today on one of the finest chapter houses of the country, that of Phi Delta Theta, at the corner of Hillsboro Pike, or Twenty-first avenue, and Division street. It will be located on the site of the old chapter house, will be a brick and stucco structure, three stories high, of the colonial style of architecture. It will contain sixteen sleeping rooms, dining room and kitchen facilities and several large rooms on the first floor, all of which can be thrown together upon occasion. The old house is now being torn down. Phi Delta Theta is the oldest chapter at Vanderbilt University. The building which is now being razed was constructed in 1892, and was the pioneer among clubhouses in the South, except the Phi Delta Theta house, erected in 1884 by the chapter at Sewanee."

The following from The Scroll of Phi Delta Theta is sound doctrine for the members of any chapter. We quote:

"Team work is necessary to make a chapter successful. Therefore all active members, as well as the officers, should

make themselves familiar with the general statutes; and for this purpose it would be well for each chapter to hold several meetings especially for the reading and discussion of the laws. It is necessary for the new members to study the statutes in order to pass the fraternity examination which is required to obtain a shingle or certificate of membership. Each initiate should commit the bond to memory, and should learn all about the organization of the fraternity, the rights and privileges of chapters, and the rights and privileges of active, associate and alumni members. He should also become familiar with the chapter by-laws. It should be the pride of all members to become 'bright' Phi's, that is, to learn all that they can about the government, history and traditions of the fraternity and of their respective chapters. A model chapter is one that is composed of members who are not only loyal, but who are thoroughly informed about Phi Delta Theta, and who are mindful of all of their fraternity obligations."

Besides the information to be gained from the following, for some Pi's it may have an additional interest:

"Pi Beta Phi recently held its twentieth convention in New Orleans with Sophia Newcomb. With thirty-eight chapters, this sorority may be called the most liberal expansionist in the college world. Its journal, The Arrow, has a circulation of 2,200."—Themis of Z. T. A.

In the January issue of the Caduceus we find this unique clipping:

"A Problem of Affiliation.

"In a letter from the Cornell Chapter in this number mention is made of the fact that it has been found impossible to affiliate the great number of eligible Beta's who are in attendance at the university and who were initiated by other chapters. Some sentimentalists think that the chapter should at once enroll these men, but if it did the chapter would not only become of unwieldy size, and possibly be inharmonious, but it would lose its distinct Cornell spirit and its place in Cornell life. Much as we may regret it, the chapters confronted with a similar condition must protect their own existence in the same way. We suggest, however, that these Beta's should form a Beta Association of Cornell University, meeting at regular intervals at the chapter house, enjoying the benefits of its social advantages so far as practical and helping each other and the members of the active chapter in every possible way. They are not strangers, but brothers. One does not, however, always have a house large enough to accommodate a brother, but he is always welcome to the social life of the family. A little mutual kindness and forbearance and some talent for organization ought to solve this problem satisfactorily."—Beta Theta Pi.

Zeta Tau Alpha wants good students, not flunkers, and we want those who come to us for four years of regular work. In choosing our new material, let us keep in mind the idea of a higher scholarship, and if there are specials who are too desirable to be overlooked, let us make it our duty to encourage them next year to take up as much work as possible leading to a literary degree.—Themis of Zeta Tau Alpha.

Perhaps there is no greater material mark of progress in the development of a fraternity than in the matter of the occupancy and ownership of chapter houses. It denotes loyalty, activity and strength; in a word, it is a symbol of progress.—Shield of Phi Kappa Psi.

If the above editor is correct in his foregoing statement then must Beta Theta Pi have made giant strides, for in the January issue of the Caduceus we read under the caption, "Beta Theta Pi Almost Wholly Housed" the following:

"Beta Theta Pi now enjoys the distinction of being more nearly housed than any other national fraternity. The Hanover and Central Chapters having entered upon the occupancy of chapter houses, it may truthfully be said that the fraternity has become completely committed to the chapterhouse idea,' declares the Beta Theta Pi. The Davidson and Hampden-Sidney Chapters have no homes, it is true, but these colleges have in reality not changed in the social conditions among the students as other colleges have done, and the lodges or meeting rooms of the chapters serve all the requirements of chapter life at these colleges, as they did thirty years ago. The Johns Hopkins Chapter has an apartment which is practically a chapter house, and the same is true of the chapter at Tulane. The Cincinnati Chapter has its meeting rooms with many of the appointments of a club, and the Washington Chapter at St. Louis lives in one of the college dormitories in a manner quite similar to the life of a chapter house. But with these four exceptions, due to peculiar circumstances, every chapter of the fraternity is in a house."

Perhaps one of the most serious charges that opponents of fraternities bring against them is that they have forgotten the old definition of "fraternity" and are building up cliques and social combines, that the qualifications for membership are too numerous or too artificial for mere manhood and individuality to avail, that they attempt to mould men into a certain social pattern instead of developing that personality that fits a man to fill his own particular place in the world as no one else could quite fill it. Essentially fraternity is democratic, not aristocratic, and the reason for joining fraternal organizations ought to be reasons for holding good in a democracy. Personal worth should be the reason for an invitation to join a fraternity and personal worth in the chapter should be the reason for accepting such an invitation.—The Record of Sigma Alpha Epsilon.

In a recent issue of The Shield of Phi Kappa Psi appears a striking article entitled, "The Phi Kappa Psi Association of Beloit College," and what Phi Kappa Psi has thus tried with so much success we believe Pi Kappa Alpha Alumni Chapters would do well to attempt. For that reason we

take the liberty to copy this somewhat lengthy article in full. It is as follows:

An innovation in the line of fraternity publications is the annual report of the Phi Kappa Psi Association of Beloit College, just issued. The report is published in pamphlet form, and contains a large amount of interesting information. Within its pages is found the report of the secretary, an account of the 1909 reunion, the minutes of the meetings of the association and its board of trustees, financial reports of the association, the chapter and the boarding club and a list of those present at the annual reunion.

Brother Kent C. Childs, secretary and treasurer of the associa-

tion, says in the course of his report:

"The story of the progress of our association is one of generous and untiring labor on the part of a few and the hearty cooperation of each and every brother. But a few years ago our chapter was struggling with a burden of ever-growing debt, our house was heavily mortgaged, and with our alumni far-scattered and loosely organized, effective progress was greatly impeded. At this time of need a few of the brothers, who have always been the backbone of our chapter, took upon themselves the burden of the responsibility of reorganizing the association and placing it upon a sound business basis. When once it was made clear how we could all pull together with the one aim of placing Wisconsin Gamma where it ought to be, each brother was found ready and willing to do his share. By dint of good field generalship and good team work we have attained the goal of perfect business organization, a sound and sofe financial basis and a strong business organization, a sound and safe financial basis and a strong unity of purpose on the part of all the brothers to continue the good work."

Last year the association offered several prizes to the active The conditions were all complied with, and each prize offered was won. One of the features of the evening at the annual banquet, at which sixty brothers were present, was the presentation of the prizes won by the chapter during the college year 1908-09. Only one member of the chapter had a condition for the entire year's

work. The prizes were distributed as follows:

1. The prize given by Brothers Mouat and Welsh to the chapter on condition that it should lose no man by any avoidable cause

throughout the 1908-09 school year, was won.

2. Brother Wirt Wright's prize to the brother in the chapter having the highest number of credits for the year 1908-09, was won by Brother Koefod.

3. Brother L. C. Child's prize to the freshman in the chapter having the highest number of credits in the year 1908-09 was won by

Brother Hinckley.

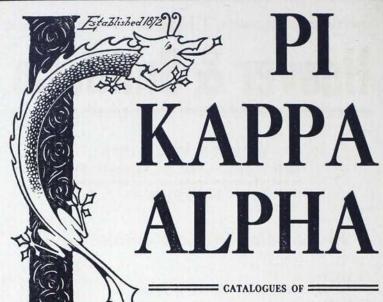
5. The prize of \$5.00 given to each brother of the chapter winning an official "B" by the class of '03 was awarded to Brothers Mead (2), Dunham (1), Pearsall (1), Wolcot (1).
Similar prize offers, which were in cash, have been renewed for

this year.
"The matter of prizes," says Brother John A. Dupee, the retiring secretary, "has been a great factor in the lives of the active members. The prizes have been very well balanced, so that the interest is not all in any one line. A few years ago the scholarship of the chapter was in a rather precarious condition. The prize offers acted as a wonderful stimulant, and helped to raise the standard all along that line. The brothers have not worked for the few dollars along that line. offered nearly so much as they have to bring honor to Phi Kappa Psi, which they have succeeded in doing to no small degree. I trust that

you will feel that much good has come from these prizes, and that you will continue to offer them."

The financial report of the association shows that it has completed a very successful year. The sum of \$500.00 was paid on the mortgage, in addition to the payment of nearly \$900.00 for a new porch for the chapter house. The year closed with a substantial balance in the treasury. During the same period \$517.05 was received as installment payments on the notes, and \$560.00 from rental of the chapter house. The value of the real estate owned by the association is \$19,170.57; notes and accounts receivable bring the total assets to \$28,558.68. The amount of liabilities of \$3,700.00. The reports of both the active chapter and the boarding club show them to be in excellent financial condition, each closing the college year with a balance in the treasury.





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