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# In Memoriam

JULIAN EDWARD WOOD, M. D.

A Founder.

The whole fraternity will be shocked to hear of the death of one of its founders, Dr. Julian Edward Wood, who died at his home in Elizabeth City, N. C., in the early part of June, last.

Dr. Wood was one of the five original founders of Pi Kappa Alpha, and his death leaves only one surviving founder, Mr. Littleton Waller Tazewell, of Norfolk, Va.

Julian Edward Wood, the son of William Edward Wood and Sophia Martin Trotman, was born on May 3, 1844, in Currituck County, North Carolina. When quite young he entered Virginia Military Institute, and participated in the battle of Newmarket, at which battle the cadets of that institution made their famous charge which has never been surpassed, if even equalled, as a demonstration of bravery in the history of the world, and was one of the color bearers during that famous battle. Dr. Wood continued service with the Confederate Army from that time throughout the war, after which he returned to Virginia Military Institute, from which place he graduated.

In the fall of 1867, he entered the University of Virginia, where he studied medicine, later completing his course at Washington College, of Baltimore, which is now the College of Physicians and Surgeons, and graduated from the latter place with the degree of M.D., in 1869. It was while Dr.

Wood was a student at the University of Virginia that he and four other students at the same institution associated themselves together and formed the Pi Kappa Alpha Fraternity.

For over thirty years Dr. Wood practiced his profession in Elizabeth City, N. C., having won and held the confidence and admiration of the medical profession, not only of that immediate section, but of his entire state. He was physician or surgeon for the government, and was also connected as a physician in the life saving service of the government, and was a surgeon for the Norfolk and Southern Railway from the time of its inception until within a few months of his death, when, on account of failing health, he had to give up the practice of his profession.

Dr. Wood was married to Miss Mary Jane Scott on February 17th, 1874, who survives him, as do his two children, Miss Mae Wood, of Elizabeth City, and Mr. William Edward Wood, of Alaska.

Dr. Wood was particularly prominent in military affairs throughout the active part of his life, having served with distinction and honor throughout the Civil War, though only a boy. He was the organizer of one of the first military companies organized after the Civil War, which was known as the Pasquotank Rifles, which company became famous in after years on account of its proficiency in military tactics. He was colonel of the First North Carolina Regiment, and was also colonel of the First Division of the North Carolina Naval Reserves, all of which organizations depended to a graet extent upon the military training they obtained at the hands of Dr. Wood.

Dr. Wood was a consistent member of the Baptist church at Gatesville, North Carolina, and prominent in every phase of life in and about his home, and was also a member of the B. P. O. Elks.

WHEREAS, It has pleased Almighty God, in his infinite wisdom, to take from our midst our beloved Brother,

JULIAN EDWARD WOOD, to serve in the higher and better service of Him who doeth all things well, and

WHEREAS, In the death of Brother Wood, The Pi Kappa Alpha Fraternity has lost one of its valued members, one of its founders, whose great and noble mind helped to conceive the beautiful and worthy principles by which we are bound together, one who at the very beginning of the Fraternity's life unselfishly devoted his time and means to advance its interests, one who has lived up to its standards and teachings, and whose life was an example of its high ideals. Now therefore, be it

RESOLVED, By the Supreme Council of The Pi Kappa Alpha Fraternity, governing the Fraternity and acting in its behalf, that the Fraternity does deeply deplore the death of Brother Wood, and extends to his stricken family its most heartfelt sympathy in this time of sorrow, and commends them to the compassion of the Power who lightens the burdens of the weary and comforts those who sorrow. And be it further

RESOLVED, That these resolutions be presented to the family of our deceased brother; that a copy thereof be sent of Alpha Chapter, to be spread upon the records of that Chapter, and that the same be published in The Shield and Diamond.

Given under our hands, and the Great Seal of the Pi Kappa Alpha Fraternity, this 21st day of July, 1911, and 44th year of the Fraternity.

(GREAT SEAL.)

J. GORDON HUGHES,

Grand Princeps.

ROBERT A. SMYTHE,

Grand Treasurer.

P. TULANE ATKINSON,

Grand Secretary.

J. GRAHAM SALE,

Grand Historiographer.

# The Pi Kappa Alpha Symphony

To have ever at heart the best interests of my fraternity; to foster a feeling of helpful brotherhood; to be true and honest with my brothers and all my other associates as well: to be in no sense a snob; to be loyal to my college and to advance her good name in whatever way I am able; to place class standing before social position; to merit the confidence and esteem of my instructors; in my private life to be pure and noble; to commit no deed which will bring shame to my fraternity; in my life's work to be as true, as honest, as loval, as pure, as worthy in short, to be a man, in the best sense of the word, and thus fulfil the highest ideals for which Pi Kappa Alpha must ever stand.

KARL BORDERS, Kappa.

## Contributions

#### A HEALTH.

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

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

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

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

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

P. L. SHEWMAKE, Gamma, December, 1904.

## THE ATHEISM OF COERCION.

By J. M. CROCKETT, IOTA.

[The following oration, delivered by Bro. Crockett, won the 1911 Virginia State intercollegiate oratorical contest. Eight institutions were represented in the contest, only six of which have fraternities. Four fraternity men took part representing Theta Chi, Kappa Sigma, Phi Delta Theta and Pi Kappa Alpha.—Editor.]

The history of the world is the history of a struggle between Might and Right. By Might we mean brute force, a mere animalism, without regard to a soul or an ideal. By Right we understand that which accords with the moral law, and is the embodiment of the soul and the ideal. The proposition is clearly stated on the one hand, by those who declare that God is on the side the biggest gun. And, on the other, by those who assert that one man and God make a majority.

In the misty struggles of the Ages the sentiment that one man and God make a majority was lost sight of. And men bowed to material force as the God determining the destinies of nations. It assumed a more refined and scientific meaning expressed in the phase "The survival of the fittest," and the fittest meant those with the most brute strength.

Without disparaging the scientific worth of the survival of the fittest theory, we cannot help seeing that around the idea there has grown up an Atheism of Coercion which attempts to explain all progress and justify the same on the tooth and nail basis.

A glance at the history of civilization will reveal the hold this idea has had upon the world. The Hebrews caught the spirit of it and found excuse to "save nothing alive that breathest." Even the laws of Moses, the Psalms, and the Prophecies are infected. Hellas, the sunny home of the Greeks, after unnumbered years of bitter warfare, felt a gleam of humanity and endeavored to make war less cruel. The Hellenic cities were not surpassed by the Roman Republic. But in the days of the Roman Empire evolution brought a new spirit which thrived for a time and then went down, and men were again crazed by the Atheism of Coercion.

The chaos and horrors of the middle ages grew out of this

spiritless doctrine. The papacy itself was based upon it, and declared that "no faith is to be kept with heretics." The craze got into the Protestant church, and gave it excuse to commit crimes that are painful to remember. Europe was turned upside down, and extermination by coercion was the only thing thought of. Machiavellis "Prince" was law and gospel, and lying and teaching were his creed. During all this dark period men might cry with the King's son in Shakespeare's "Tempest"

"Hell is empty,
And all the devils are here."

Amid all this confusion there were those who caught a ray of light, and proclaimed the doctrine of mercy. Men like Soto in Spain, Conrad Bruno in Germany, Albericus Gentiles in England, who recognized that there is a God of this world, whose law is proclaimed in the "still small voice" of Right and Justice. They made true these lines:

"One accent of the Holy Ghost, The heedless world has never lost."

Greatest among these men who saw the true light, was the erratic and brilliant prodigy, Hugo Grotius. At a time when halluncination domineered he wrote his treatise concerning war and peace, which is today the foundation of international law. The work is developed from a simple source; "The commands of justice written by God on the hearts and minds of men." A simple doctrine, yet those heathens of the middle ages had never thought of it. And only a few years ago great men from all parts of the earth met in the Netherlands, and did honor to Hugo Grotius, by placing a wreath of silver and gold upon his tomb. He repudiated the idea of physical force and gained immortality. But the Atheism of Coercion did not die with Hugo Grotius. Down on an Italian island lived a boy, the olive browed Napoleon Bonaparte. The story of his life reads like an Arabian tale. But it's too old to tell again. Lodi and Austerlitz, and Waterloo, and St. Helena. Every reader of history knows those names. They call to mind the mighty Being that made them immortal. That Being was an Altruist of Coercion, who presumed that the virtues essential to the life of a peasant could be disregarded by a man of Destiny. Because of this mistaken view, he entered upon a career that made a continent tremble, and a world stand aghast. But what cared he for justice? Was not "Providence on the side of the heaviest battalion." For a while it seemed that he was, but, "Mene, Mene, Tekel, Upharsin," Napoleon fell at Waterloo. Erect at the fountain head of that calamity is the silent, mysterious, misunderstood shadow of Human Justice.

The Man of Destiny was flung out at St. Helena. The story of the wild storms that whipped the shores of that lonely island when he passed away, is typical of the trepidation that raged within his own soul. He saw widows weeping, and heard orphans crying on that night. Oh! fain would he have died in the zenith of his glory, before his crowning acts of injustice brought just retribution. Now, his name is dying from the lips of men. His Empire is gone. It is the old, old story of the nations that forget God.

There is a newer story of a nation forgetting God. Over the sea lies Russia and Japan. For years they watched each other with a burning jealousy, till at last the guns thundered on the banks of the Shaho announcing that war had begun. The stupid old world shook its head. Russia is too strong for Japan it murmured. But the Japanese soldiers knew nothing but victory. They had a base for their operations. That base was the conviction that their cause was Right, and that Right would triumph in the end. It was a logical necessity that they go to war.

But what of Russia? For what did her soldiers fight? Nothing. If there were any better reasons the soldiers and common people were never told about them. Russia depended upon her might. That strange apparition bristling with bayonets and armed with steel imagined that it was something not of this world, and forgot that there are such eternal truths as Nature, and God, and Destiny. The downfall of the Russians might was inevitable. Spectral it lived for many years, and

spectral it passed away without leaving memory of a single generous deed.

It seems increditable that the idea that Might makes Right should ever have found lodgment in American minds. mighty Henry, who fired the hearts of those who won our independence believed in no such fallacy. "They tell us, sir, that we are weak," he cried, "But sir, we are not weak. Three millions of people armed in the holy cause of liberty, are invincible by any force which our enemy can send against us. Besides, sir, we shall not fight our battles alone. There is a just God who presides over the destinies of nations, and who will raise up friends for us." The idea of being conquered by brute force, never entered the mind of the great orator. Edmund Burke at the same time was telling his countrymen in England that they could never rule America by coercion. "We have no sort of experience in favor of force," he declared. But the blinded bigots of that age did not understand that there is an unspeakable religiousness which will not be conquered. Their atheism cost them the American colonies.

The father of his country realized as did Patrick Henry, that there is a law of justice in this world against which the brute force of the universe cannot avail. In his first inaugural address are found these words: "No people can be bound to acknowledge and adore the Invisible Hand which conducts the affairs of men more than the people of the United States. George Washington was no sentimentalist, but he had wisdom enough to see the eternal nature of justice.

The words spoken by Henry and Washington represent an ideal. It is the ideal which above all else, has given permanence to the American government. Unfortunately, we are drifting away from it in these latter days of iconoclastic practices. A commercial Machiavellianism has sprung up, and men have become blind to every law not pertaining to profit and loss. Presidents of insurance companies imagining that with their riches they become immaculate, have forgotten God and the Golden Rule. As a result it has come to pass that the policy holder is like a certain man of the Scriptural times, who

journeyed between Jerusalem and Jericho and fell among thieves.

Indeed, this Machiavellianism, or Atheism of Coercion will account for most of the excrescences of our present social system.

It has produced most noticeable fruit in the person of the modern political boss. "Not principle, but dollars," was his motto until the question of who could win on election day, became only a question of who had the biggest pocketbook. He came to regard the moral law as a kind of vermiform appendix which were better removed since it had no place in our political system. The political history of Philadelphia is the history of the political boss. Here in the iron might of incarnate power the notion of men's rights were disregarded. Citizens were overtaxed for political purposes and then sold their votes for the same money they had paid out for taxes. The demoralizing effects spread into every hamlet in Pennsylvania. Remedy after remedy was proposed, but the evil was not cured, and honest men despaired of our representative system of government.

But there there came an unexpected change. Lowell once declared, that there is enough dynamite in the New Testament to blow up our whole social system, if not carefully handled. This dynamite began to fuse in the hearts of the voters in the city of Brotherly Love, and they remembered the words of the first great commandment, and of the second "which is like unto it." The bosses awoke to a realization of the fact that dormant in the hearts of the multitude there also remained a spark of that old commandment, "Thou shalt not steal." Upon that platform, the city of Philadelphia was redeemed. A simple platform, yet all the law and the prophets are wrapt up in it. Folk and Weaver have been great apostles, and because of their doctrine the days of bossism are numbered. Right is triumphing over Might. Light is coming into the political world. The old idea that "to the victor belongs the spoils" is giving way to the principles of the "square-deal." The survival of the fittest theory still has its place, but the fittest now

is not he who has the most brute strength, but he who holds most sacredly to the eternal principles of Right and Justice.

Those who hold that Might makes Right should compare the lives of Mahomet and Jesus Christ. "The sword," says Mahomet, "is the key of heaven and of hell. A drop of blood shed in the cause of God, a night spent in arms, is of more avail than two months of fasting and prayer. Whosoever falls in battle his sins are forgiven. At the day of judgment his wounds shall be as resplendent as vermillion, and as odoriferous as musk, and the loss of limbs shall be supplied by the wings of angels and cherubim." It was with the spirit of these words that he of 622 marched through Arabia enforcing his religion with the sword. Compare him with the man of Nazareth who "went about doing good." Mahomet's voice was the sword, but Christ's was the "still small voice which has in it a strength greater than the Eastern wind or the voice of thunder." Light travels 186,000 miles in a second, an army moves a few miles in a day, that is the difference between Jesus Christ and Mahomet. The followers of Mahomet grow fewer as the years go by, but the religion of Jesus Christ which suffered ten persecutions in three centuries, and finally overcame the might of the Roman power, is now pressing its jurisdiction into the uttermost isles of the sea. The Kingdom of Coercion is passing away, and the Kingdom of Light and Life, and Love is coming to rule for evermore.

In the victory of Christianity we have the supreme example of the power of Right over Might. Nothing but right can prevail in a world where the hairs of the head are numbered, and the parrow's fall is marked. One thing we know, since David of old slew Goliath of Gath the only governments that have endured on this planet, have been those which have had in them the germs of the Golden Rule. The conquered Napoleon realized this, when he said: "Alexander the Great, Caesar, Charlemagne, and myself founded great empires, but upon what did the creations of our genius depend? Upon force. Jesus alone founded his empire upon love, and to this very day millions would die for him." Physical force never

has been substantial, and it never will be. "I tell thee again," thundered Thomas Carlyle to his Atheistic countrymen, "I tell thee again, there is nothing but justice. One strong thing I find here below, the just thing, the true thing. My friend if thou hadst all the artillery of Woolrich thundering at thy back in support of an unjust cause, and infinite bonfires visibly waiting ahead of thee, to blaze centuries long for thy victory on behalf of it, I would advise thee to call halt, to fling down thy baton and say: in God's name, no. For it is the right and noble alone that will have victory in this struggle." Blind indeed, is the man who cannot see the power of right and nobleness on this world's battlefields. All that we know of life and history teach us that there is a power invisible that rules this world. All wars, all overthrown dynasties, all changing governments are but bubbles on the current flowing on toward the inevitable goal. That goal is God.

> "That God which ever lives and loves, One God, one law, one element, One far off divine event, To which the whole creation moves."

#### IN P. K. A.

The nights are light,
The days are bright,
And life is life both day and night
The life in P. K. A.

Pe Kay A, Pe Kay A Through P. K. A. Is the only way To know the heights Of glorious nights And the brilliancy of day.

The blood runs strong,
The laugh is long,
And life is one good, glad, sweet song
The life in P. K. A.

-G. A. WILSON, Jr., Pi.

# FRATERNITIES—THEIR INFLUENCE ON COLLEGE MEN AND COLLEGES.

A few words in favor of fraternalism, and the benefits derived therefrom, would never be amiss; but now, as so much has been done of late toward the suppression of Greek letter fraternities, both by the biased attacks of unprincipled persons and the State legislatures, it is the duty of every fraternity man to do all in his power to suppress the movement.

This article, let is be understood, is written neither in defiance of, nor for the enlightenment of that class who are prejudiced against all fraternalism by purely personal motives. The best way to treat them is to ignore them entirely, for they are not open to conviction. It is rather toward the fair minded members of the anti-fraternity element that I will lend my efforts. It is my intention to show, as briefly as possible, a few of the innumerable advantages which a fraternity bestows upon its members and, through them, upon the college.

When a man is received into a fraternity he knows that he has made a host of friends, brothers in every sense of the word, upon whom he can rely; men who will smile with him in his joy and will share with him, his sorrows.

Who is there who will say, "I need no friend, I have perfect health, abundant means, and constant happiness. What more could I want?"

Yes, my dear idiot, you may have them all—at present. You have been endowed by a benevolent Providence with all the world affords, but will you always remain in these circumstances? A shrewd manipulation of the stocks wherein your money is invested, and where is your fortune? A sudden attack of illness, and where is your health? A terrible calamity which causes you to lose some of your loved ones, and where is your happiness? It is then that true friendship shows itself best. Not when all is sunshine, but when fate has changed your fortune and life no longer seems pleasant, then it is that a hand outstretched in sympathy and a tender word uttered in the fulness of heartfelt sympathy means more than words of gilded treasures.

Again, man by his nature, loves society where, outside his fraternity can he find such a coterie of good fellows, men whom he can trust and who will return that trust with all the sincerity of an honest and upright heart? In a club he is honored and admired because he is a good speaker, musician, athlete, or is possessed of bountiful means. In a fraternity he is not only admired because of his power or achievements, but he is loved because there is the tie of brotherhood between him and his fraternity mates. Among no other body of men is the command of the great Master, "Love ye one another," so faithfully carried out as among those joined together in the bonds of fraternal brotherhood. Surely that which is in accordance with the laws of God and man, cannot be founded on principles other than those of righteousness and justice.

Now, passing from the benefits conferred upon its members, we come to the oft repeated question, "What does the fraternity do for the university?"

First, it promotes "college spirit" by bringing the men closer together. Some of our universities are, unfortunately, located in large cities. The students are scattered to all parts of the city and in the midst of manifold attractions almost forget their college spirit. The counteracting forces are fraternities and, for the "barb," the clubs. They bring the men together at least once a week and in these gatherings the spark of college spirit is kept alive. And without college spirit, the university would suffer greatly.

A second way in which the fraternity aids the university is in helping to uphold the standard of scholarship among its members. It is to the advantage of the fraternity to have its members good students. As a result, if the members see that one of the brothers is "falling by the wayside" in some subject, they make it their business to see that he improves. It may be that a little talk will bring about the desired end, or if the man is doing his duty, a little coaching by some brother will help him up and in a short time he will be a credit to the fraternity and the university. If one will take the trouble to look up the records of the fraternity men and the non-fraternity

men he will find, as a rule, that the record of the fraternity men is the better. Of course the fraternity benefits the university in many other ways, but lack of space will not enable me to enumerate them.

It has been urged by some that the fraternity promotes snobbishness. By analogy, then, when a man joins a fraternity he becomes a snob because he is expected to live up to its teachings. This is easily disproved. Take any university in which there are fraternities and you will find that the leaders in every branch of student body activities are usually the fraternity men. The non-fraternity element is usually in the majority and by reason of that fact they can place anyone they wish, in power. Does it stand to reason that they would support a man, or bunch of men, who are snobs and who look with disdain on all "barbs?" It most assuredly does not. But it is reasonable to suppose that they would elect men who were men of character and ability. As a result, the fraternity man is chosen. There are cases, of course, where a chapter has one or more real snobs in it, but there are more snobs outside the fraternity than there are in it.

The sooner that the above facts are realized by the universities and the non-fraternity element, the sooner will the universities begin to show rapid advancement in every way. It is to the interest of all concerned to have perfect harmony exist between both factions and the time is soon coming when it will exist. And then, supported by the united efforts of both factions our institutions of learning will soon attain the goal for which they have long been striving. With internal warfare, they can never reach it.

A. CARSON BALL, Eta.

## AN APPEAL TO THE ALUMNUS.

When something is needed to arouse enthusiasm in the foot-ball team and student body of this college a call is sent out for alumni and they come. Men who graduated as far back as 1893 come back to the old school and in a way live their college lives again for a week or two.

The presence of these men has never yet failed to key the entire school to the highest point. The thought that these men have dropped their business and come back, to work for their alma mater and the team, fills the student with more love for them both.

The rushing season for the fraternity probably calls for more enthusiasm than any other time of the year and few of the alumni realize how much they could help by spending a few days with "the fellows" at the opening of school.

All of you who take your vacation in the summer could arrange to take it about the time for the opening of school and go by for a few days in the old house or hall again.

The presence of an alumnus lends weight and dignity to the occasion. The alumnus has seen more of the world, is a better judge of men and could make many and valuable suggestions about the new men.

Again, when the new man is introduced to the prosperous looking, well dressed, middle aged business man he is impressed with the fact that the older generation believes in the younger generation and in its ability to do things. The new man may not be conscious of the impression but it has been made just the same, and will influence him in his decision.

In closing, Mr. Alumnus, think of this: You are just as much a member of the fraternity now as you were when you saved the day for Varsity by that sixty yard run, as much so as when you burnt the midnight oil over a "feed" on the books, and the chapter needs you just as badly now as it did then.

"The old order changeth, yielding place to the new And God fulfills Himself in many ways Lest one good custom corrupt the world."

Come back, not so much to tell how it was done then, but to find out how it is done now, and to help do it.

HEBER THAMES, Upsilon.

## THORNWELL JACOBS, MU.



The fraternity will be glad to know that Brother Thornwell Iacobs, an alumnus of Mu, is achieving no little fame in the literary world. Leaving college in 1894, he entered the field of journalism and was for some time located in Nashville as editor of the Taylor-Trotwood Magazine. Resigning this position, he removed to Atlanta and became the editor of the Presbyterian of the South, and he is also literary editor of the Atlanta Journal.

Although only a little over thirty, Bro. Jacobs

is the author of several poems and novels, among them "Sinful Saddy," "The Law of the White Circle," "The Southbound Mail," and his latest volume, "The Midnight Mummer and Other Poems." Bro. Jacobs is now engaged in rounding out what he considers will be the masterpiece of his poems, "The Old Cotton Farm," wherein is depicted the successive stages in the growth of cotton, from the preparation of the ground to the time when the farm is a field of snowy white.

Borne on the fragrant breeze's breath The kiss of the cotton is wafted afar Until in the ages to come and go It'll touch the shore of a distant star.

One can see the old farm house and the big cattle barn, the

old black mammy, big and fat, and the pickannies all over the farm. The men as they toil in the fields are depicted by Bro. Jacobs in his happy descriptive way, and when the sun is setting, as they troop homeward at the close of day, the scene is one of happy contentment, strikingly illustrated by the wealth of descriptive power brought to bear upon it.

The following from the Atlanta Journal indicates in what regard Bro. Jacobs is held by men of worth:

Thornwell Jacobs, editor of the literary department of The Atlanta Journal, has published a book of poems entitled "The Midnight Mummer," and Lucian Knight, commenting on the volume, pays Mr. Jacobs the following beautiful tribute:

"Thornwell Jacobs is a genius. Whether behind the sacred desk or in the editorial sanctum, he invariably weaves the magician's spell. To use an expressive but trite phrase of the Anglo-Saxon, he is always at home in both of these difficult roles. His attic prose has long been famous. But I doubt if even his old friends in South Carolina and Tennessee have suspected the extent to which he has secretly wooed the Muses. Though an exceedingly busy man of affairs, absorbed in duties both sacred and secular, he has nevertheless found time, during moments of quietude and relaxation, to play the minstrel. Often, when there has come a lull in the day's work, he has betaken himself to Olympus, and many an idle evening has found him wandering with Homer.

"The results of these excursions at last appeared in a little volume of verse entitled, "The Midnight Mummer." Perhaps the name is suggestive of the witching hour when most of his subtle fancies were caught. At any rate, I have been charmed with the lilt of some of the lines. Mr. Jacobs is now an Atlanta man. His little volume of verse also bears the local imprint; and one of the daintiest songs in the collection is entitled, "The Psychic City," under which name Mr. Jacobs, in his happiest vein, poetizes his adopted home; the metropolis of the south.

"But there are many strings to his harp. In range of inspiration, he is not limited to skyscrapers, however, high these may soar. Most of his poems deal with outdoor life—with woods and meadows and streams and flowers. They possess warmth and color. Mr. Jacobs has evidently mastered what many writers of verse fail to appreciate: that the chords of feeling are most responsive to familiar and simple things. Like the plougman of Ayrshine he finds music in commonplace realities. There is no effort to reproduce Miltonic grandeur The reader may detect in his verse the murmur of water falls but not the rumble of cataracts. On every page there is just what the matter-of-fact and care-worn man of the world needs to retore his jaded spirits; the beckoning call of cheerful yesterdays, a glimpse of forest paths, a grip of old acquaintance, an odor of musk of violet from some half-forgotten rose jar, a lilac sunbonnet, a twitter of birds, or a voice of music from the homestead on the hills.

"Poems like 'Square Round' and 'Just-a-Whistling' are the best of tonics. The predominant strain is reminiscent but the variations are infinite and always optimistic. Perhaps the author's sweetest note is registered in 'The Urge of Bush River.' At any rate there is nothing in the little volume to surpass the opening lines. They sketch for the reader a whole forest, in the midst of which dashes a stream from the mountains, while a boy, rod in hand, sits upon the bank, angling for small fish; and below him the water can almost be seen and heard—

"'Rippling thro' the wooded wild Where the mint and minnow meet."

"Mr. Jacobs does not confine himself to any particular style of versification. The mechanical structure for his verse is almost as varied as his themes. There is nothing amateurish in his work—nothing starched or stilled—nothing whatever to suggest the apprentice hand of the beginner. On the contrary there is much which smacks of the mature artist. The typographic and illustrative features of the little volume are both excellent.

(Signed) LUCIEN LAMAR KNIGHT."

#### "THE GARNET AND THE GOLD."

(Tune—"My Bonnie Lies Over the Ocean.")

1. From the depths of our heart let us sing it,
A song that will never grow old,
While the world holds a Pi Kappa Alpha,
A song of the Garnet and Gold.

#### Chorus:

Pi Kappa Alpha All hail to the Garnet, all hail to the Gold, Pi Kappa Alpha Hurrah for the Garnet and Gold.

- 2. The Gold is for hearts pure and loyal And red is the hue of the bold, The banners of chivalrous knighthood Are blazoned in Garnet and Gold.
- In our youth and our strength we are chosen And by vows strong and sacred enrolled, As knights of the Shield and the Diamond, The wearers of Garnet and Gold.
- 4. When our places are taken by others And the tales of our school days are told, We shall still be fraternity brothers Still loyal to the Garnet and Gold.

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#### THE MAN "ON THE OUTSIDE LOOKING IN."

A student body, to do the most effective work, should be an organic whole. With various sub-departments—to be sure, but no department of student group organizations should detract from the union of the student body. For if such should be the case the purpose of the institution becomes a secondary matter, and college education dwindles down as a side line.

Fraternity life has meant much for the development of the lives of thousands of college-bred men, and bids fair to stir to action the noblest qualities of thousands yet to be. statesman, the doctor, the tradesman, and the clergyman may strike the happy medium when in afterlife the conversation drifts to gone-by-days, spent in the fraternity halls in confidential musing as to how they may do honor to their Alma Mater. But a great per cent of every student body is composed of non-fraternity men, many of whom go through college without getting a bid to a fraternity. There are various reasons why this is true, which we will not mention here, but suffice it to say that we have the non-fraternity men among our student bodies. Many of this class of students become leaders in college activities, and often the leaders in class work, and are, therefore, men capable of looking into things and drawing valid conclusions. Then the question arises, what does the nonfraternity man see in the group bearing the Grecian titles? Does he recognize it as a branch of the struggling student body, which casts a soothing and helpful influence over the neighboring branches, and inter-locks with them to brace against the raging storms of disappointment, gloom and dissipation? Or does he see a group of college boys who stand aloof from the non-fraternity men, and mix stiffly with other groups, "politicing" for their band that they might gain undue honors over a fellow student? Does he see a band of Pharisees who proclaim from the house-top the Alpha, Beta, Gamma superiority, and with a twitching smile thanks the professor that he is not as that man is? Does he meet the fraternity man on the street—a congenial acquaintance or one who passes him by with a superior air?

To be sure the ideal fraternity man does not portray a character such as mentioned in the later statements, but rather that of the former. And as fraternity men we would do well to meet all members of the student body on equal grounds in our associations with them and in matters pertaining to college affairs. It is characteristic of all Americans, and especially college students, to feel humiliated if lorded over by any, except the proper officials, and surely it is not to the credit of any fraternity group to enter into a spirit of humiliation to others.

Public opinion is often the wrong opinion, nevertheless it has its weight, and too it is often the correct opinion. Little do we think of the number of opinions expressed about us daily, both as individuals and as groups of individuals. One man sees in us something detestable—he mentions it to another -he looks for the same thing, and having his mind made up, imagines he sees it too, whether he does or not. So if we once do a thing that is disapproved of by people in general the critical eye of every passer-by is turned upon us, and we are soon branded as belonging to a certain "class." And whether we are classed right or not it takes a long time to wear off an undesirable brand. Non-fraternity men, other fraternity men, and business men of our college towns are branding us. It is up to us to determine, to a very great extent, the nature of the brand. And as we are in the eyes of other people-so will we feel-to a disagreeable or pleasurable extent, as the case may be.

Then if we have public brands we do not like, as a fraternity or as an individual, let us begin now to rub them out and replace them with the true garnet and gold conforming to and living in  $\Phi$   $\Phi$  K A.

Thos. J. Gross, Delta.

## FRATERNITY FACTIONS IN COLLEGE LIFE.

One of the principal objections to the college fraternity raised by anti-frat. men and those in authority in our schools is the breaking up of the student body into a number of factions. That the existence of these factions is a reality in most schools where there are several chapter cannot be denied, neither can it be argued that this is for the common good. The question that confronts the fraternity man is: How can these factions be destroyed and a closer bond of union formed among the different chapters?

My first suggestion is this: Let each chapter appoint a delegate who shall be empowered to represent his fraternity at a pan-Hellenic council to be held certainly as often as once a month. This council is to be a sort of clearing house for all matters of common interest and the discussion would prove very helpful to the men and through them to their chapters. At the Richmond College we have a modification of this plan that is working splendidly. The president of the college appoints three representatives from the faculty who meet once every month with representatives from the different fraternities. This not only insures an understanding between faculty and fraternity but promotes inter-fraternity harmony.

The second suggestion is that at some time during the school year the chapters unite in giving a common social function. In this way affairs could be made a far more creditable one than if given by any one chapter and it would still possess that indefinable charm which only a fraternity dance or reception can have.

In the third place I would suggest the organization of pan-Hellenic dramatic and glee glubs. These would not lessen the interest in fraternity life but would serve to tighten the bonds that unite all the members of Greek letter fraternities.

The fourth suggestion is the most difficult of execution and yet the most important and beneficial of all—the placing of college politics upon a higher, cleaner plane. It is a lamentable fact that in many of our schools it is not the best man who gets the position of honor but the best politician. This is a disagreeable truth but we must face it, and furthermore we must recognize the fact that the worst phase of college politics is the inter-fraternity deal. We as fraternity men are supposed to stand for the highest ideals of college life. We would scorn to stoop to personal fraud or deceit, yet no political

trickery is too debased for us if we may thereby gain an honor for our chapter. Honor! Rather say disgrace; for one stain of this kind will blot out the effect of years of faithful work and make the chapter an object of contempt to the college world and a source of ignomy and shame to the whole fraternity. I am glad to say that there is as little of this clandestine work in II K A as in any other fraternity yet we must admit that no fraternity is entirely free of it. We are told that the frats must band together to support a frat man against a non-frat man. All right, if the frat man is the better man of the two. If not, support the other candidate. The other chapter may strive to crush you the next time, but an honest defeat is better than a dishonest victory. The life of the chapter de pends largely upon its reputation among the student body and questionable political activities not only lower the standing of the chapter among the students at large but cause inter-fraternity discord and hard feeling. The evil is an insiduous one and the loyal men of  $\Delta$  K A must respond to the call of duty. away with corruption in college politics by beginning at the heart of the trouble and abolish the fraternity deal. Stand four square to every political wind that blows and make merit the requisite for college honors. Then and then only will the united fraternities be able to stand for the very best in college J. B. DUVAL, Omicron. life.

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#### THE OLD CHAPTER HALL.

How dear to my heart are the scenes of my college days, When fond recollections presents them to view; The college, the campus, the wide level drill-ground, And every loved spot that in those days I knew, The hard examinations, the faculty who gave them, Of all these old things I delight to tell; But nothing is ever so pleasant to remember, As that Dear Chapter Hall that I loved so well.

The old Chapter Hall I hailed as a treasure,
For often I've met with the Pi boys there,
And this I regarded an exquisite pleasure,
Their secrets to know and their joys to tell.
How pleasant it was for us to assemble,
And laugh at the jokes that the boys would tell,
To talk of the friendship that nothing can sever,
That were formed in the hall that we all loved so well.

The banquets and dances we all took delight in, And every social event was enjoyed by all; But the greatest pleasure that any Pi could find, was The meetings that we held in the old Chapter Hall. "And now far removed from the loved situation, The tear of regret will intrusively swell," As fancy reverts to the grand congregations Of II's in the hall that I loved so well.

-R. P. Baldwin, Jr., Upsilon and Alumnus Lambda, April, 1904.

## CHAPTER HOUSE IN LOCAL FRATERNITY LIFE.

The chapter house is a big factor in fraternity circles. In fact there is nothing which plays a greater part in local fraternity life than the chapter-house. Each fraternity's prestige is augmented by having an imposing house, where the brothers may gather and bind themselves closer together into one bond, standing for what is noble, just and upright in college life. Now in what does the chapter-house especially benefit the fraternity locally? It offers a home where the members may come closer in contact with each other. This close association will essentially cause the members to study more by having their upper-classmen brothers to urge them on; and by standing high scholastically the chapter can raise itself in the estimation of the faculty and the outside student body. That chapter which stands highest in scholarship will naturally be thought more of by the faculty; and by this it will not only

raise the standing of its own fraternity but it will also aid its other brothers in the Greek world. This factor is very potent in state universities where there is an opportunity for antifraternity legislation. By raising its own scholastic standing the chapter will be raised above its competitors.

Besides offering an opportunity for higher scholarship the chapter-house plays a very great part in the social side of fraternity life. The chapter-house offers a home where the brothers may give their socials. Here, their annual balls, their banquets, and their smokers are held. The chapter-house may be owned by the chapter or may be leased or rented; but whatever the case the fact that the chapter has a house will cause it to stand high.

Then, living together in this close association, the spirit of brotherhood will be increased. Each member will become attached to the others more closely; and this will stand him in good stead in after life. He realizes more and more that not only is he a brother to the other chapter members but also that he is attached to the entire fraternity by bonds which cannot be severed. As we finish our college courses and pass into life with all its worries and trials we look back to the days of our association together as the most pleasant days of our life.

G. B. Marsh, Alpha Omicron.

#### II K A.

In 1868 Brothers,
March of that same year,
Was founded in Virginia,
A frat without a peer.
Of Frederick Southgate Taylor
We love the memory,
For he did first originate
Our grand fraternity.

CHORUS.

Of Pi Kappa Alpha

The story must be told, For lilies of the valley, For the garnet and the gold.

Then next came Waller Bradford
And Schlater, Howard, Wood,
We love to sing their memories
As for the frat they stood.
The first sister chapter
Was Beta of old D. C.,
And next along comes Gamma dear,
Of William and Mary.

Then here's to Theta chapter
Of Clarkesville, Tennessee,
She held the frat together in
Its weakest infancy.
When only she and Alpha
Were left to show the way
She raised on high the emblems
Of our dear old P. K. A.

At first we were a Southern frat,
And stayed in close at home,
But now our boundaries are raised
And to the West we roam.
So now that there's no limit for
Our members good and true,
We have the whole vast country
Of the red and white and blue.

H. F. MORTON.

## CHAPTER POLICIES.

Every man, to be a success, must have an ideal he is trying to imitate. Not in every case does the man realize that he has an ideal but there is always some one whom he is striving to pattern after. If it is a real person he is trying to imitate, it is some one who has been such a success in the line that the imitator is following, and he has been such a success in this line that the imitator can never hope to reach his plane in this world. For all this, the striver is always better for having made his attempt to reach his ideal, and from this very fact, that he can never equal his model, is the benefit derived. The higher the ideal the higher the climber goes, and hence the greater and better for his attempt.

The same principles hold for the modern fraternity chapter. Each chapter has its ideal which it is, consciously or unconsciously, striving to equal. Possibly, the men of the chapter know of no chapter which is on a par with what they are trying to equal, but this makes no difference, so far as results are concerned. An imaginary ideal is as good, sometimes even better, than a real ideal. Any ideal if it be a real one, must have its faults, while the imaginary one may be perfect. Every chapter should be true to its ideal and strive to equal it. Even if this is not possible, the chapter is better off for having made the attempt.

In the modern college which boasts of more than one fraternity chapter, each chapter stands for some one thing, distinctive from its neighbors. To assume a case, suppose there are three different chapters in a certain school, in time each will come to be known to the student body, faculty, and citizens, for a different thing. One will have a reputation for being "sporty," another as being "social butterflies;" and the third for being students. No matter what sort of a fellow the initiate is, before a year is up he will be like the rest of the men in his chapter, a "sport," a "social butterfly," or a student. Now the question of policy comes up, which will make my chapter the strongest with the citizens and the school at large? answer is evident. A certain class of people worship good dresses, another worship social standing, but, in the end, all respect the student. Each chapter should make it its policy to see that its reputation was as student, not "flunkers."

Every chapter will be troubled, more or less, by knockers. This is caused by the men of the chapter being somewhat clannish or maybe by their holding themselves aloof from the

rest of the student body or citizens of the town. There is one excellent way to overcome this drawback. Let each man make it his policy to be a mixer, to have a good word and bright smile for everybody. This may be hard to do but it will pay. Possibly one of the men doesn't like so and so; don't let that keep him from having a word and hearty smile for him when they meet on the street. A good friend on the outside always stands one in good stead and they are not hard to attain. Invite the members of other fraternities to your house and to your dances. It costs nothing and they won't forget it, later. Invite the "barbs" around once in a while, too. They will appreciate it. In other words, always try to notice every one and they, in return, will always have a good word for you and your bunch.

Besides these things, the chapter should make it its policy to meet all obligations, especially its bills, right on the minute. Do this when you are prosperous, and when you are up against it, you will have no trouble in getting a little backing when you need it. The best way to make this policy possible is to make it a rule that every man shall meet his chapter assessments when they are due and not a day or week later.

Such policies as these are not always possible to follow, but there is one that all can come up to: Be "on the square" with every one. Do this and your chapter can not help from being a credit to your fraternity, your school, and yourself.

FREDERICK G. Moses, Alpha Kappa.

## THE EVOLUTION OF THE FRATERNITY.

Historic study, which is essentially retrospective, promises the investigator the surest requital. A careful observation of the march of events through the past puts us in a safe position to predict their tendencies for the future. In unraveling the sundry problems that perplex, or eventually tend to perplex, the fraternity world, appeal can be made to no more profitable method of investigation. Looking thus, with an eye to this plan, through the briefest epitome of the history of cis-Atlantic

fraternities one is astonished to discover a growing tendency to get away from secrecy in its original interpretation.

There are three clearly defined stages through which we may speak of the fraternity as having passed in the short span of its centenary of years. The first we may denominate as the period of out-law existence. Perhaps few of us are aware of the stress and struggle of our pristine life. It was a babyhood in which every inch of the man was demanded. The fraternity was ushered in under a cloud of the rankest hatred, tempered only by suspicion and dread. To the unitiated they were hot beds of plots, sedition and indescribable deviltry. Outsiders talked about them in whispers. Faculties legislated against organizations, whose chimerical existence they could not touch, yet feared. Dark cellars and windowless garrets were trysting places, and dismal rainy nights were trysting times. The sentinel on guard completes the picture, not unlike that of Scottish Covenanters dodging English dragoons. The Chi Psi fraternity introduced chapter houses in this dangerous period in a most romantic way. The first venture was a log cabin located remotely in the woods, and so well hid that it defied all searching parties. In general during these early years the fraternity was misunderstood and unreasonably hounded.

The second period is as marked as the first, and is characterized by what we might please to define as sane and respectable secrecy. A few years had slipped by, and the institution was beginning to be understood. Certainly it had lost that element of public menance, which had been popularly attributed to it. The lapse of years now found the fraternity man one of a faculty. Perhaps the disclosure by him of his sometime fraternity affiliation had dissipated the mysterious dread which his unitiated colleagues had once entertained, and accounts for their recognition of former aberration. Somehow the hounding ceases, and inimicalness gives place to silent approval. This does not purport necessarily a waning of secrecy or a step toward publicity. It simply means that the stigma and opprobrium of a misunderstood institution has been removed. The fraternity man can now show his head without fear of appre-

hension. He can wear an emblem. He can own a home. He is reinstated as a respectable and salutary member of society.

Nothing is more true than that secrecy is the corner-stone of the fraternity as an institution; for with it are bound up those essential and indispensable first principles, mystery, sacredness, and respectable adoration. But because the legality of an institution is recognized, because the world sees virtue where it had imagined sedition and vice is no sufficient ground for the asservation that this achievement was concomitant with a first step toward sacrificing secrecy to publicity. The truth is, by this turn we gained all and lost nothing.

As yet we see no intermural forces tending to publish abroad the arcana caelestia of the fraternity. Each order is busily keeping guard over the sanctity of its own secrets. Reticent awe is everywhere prevalent.

The third period, and the one which we find ourselves facing, it can hardly be an overstatement to call one of unguarded secrecy and menacing publicity. In the face of the array of facts I doubt whether this is even a mooted statement. Those who ask for evidence have only to put themselves back a half century, and from such a vantage ground they may see beyond doubt looseness in this particular, even determined disregard.

One national fraternity publishes the names of its chapter officers in the magazine which goes out for public reading. Another practices a public "goating," and chooses to have it on a gala night and before a large audience. Still another makes no pretense to secrecy and gives out its constitution for public publication. These are deliberately approved methods.

Perhaps the other side, the unconscious drifting, carries with it most hazard. It has not been long since a fraternity man deliberately divulged to the writer what his fraternity fees were; and it came not as a lapsus linguae either. He was not at all conscious of a breach of faith or etiquette. One often meets a man who professes to know at least a half a fraternity grip. He makes bold to show you all he knows, and you in turn undertake to circulate the information. Whether false or

true the effect is the same. We cheapen fraternity secrets and cultivate a vulgar curiosity to know things with which we have nothing to do. How many times have you remarked to another fraternity man, "That tow-headed chap that sits by you in physics would make a good goat," to be answered, "we balled him just last night with five balls." Have you never heard men in mixed company discuss their methods of "goating." How this man acted and what devices were employed to harass that one. Ah, you ask for evidence of obsolescent secrecy. Take these as food for thought: pledge-buttons; promiscuous and discriminate use of emblems and Greek letters from pennant to a tobacco pipe; pan-Hellenic leagues, where secrets just slip out; public an inter-fraternity soirees, where you lose your individuality and cheapen the sanctity of your home; and lastly, promiscuous badging of girls. Are not these enough evidences of callousness in regard to secrecy?

It is much easier to put the finger on the condition than its cause. The wherefore has an indefinite, intangible, remote, analysis-defying obscurity. Why are we drifting in this direction is a puzzling query. Is the multiplication of fraternities and fraternity men robbing the institution of the respect and regard it once called out in men? Very little. Has the existence of ribbon societies and class organizations cheapened the fraternity? It is true that these organizations claim to number the best and picked men of the fraternity, and on this score should have superiority, and therefore ground of appeal over the fraternity, though this is doubtful. The two need not clash for they have a separate province of service.

Fortunately the strongest causes are intermural, and therefore the more corrigible. These manifest themselves in two forms and carried back one step further we are compelled to lay the burden of the blame on the improper indoctrination of newly initiated men. The first and most potent of these is carelessness. At this moment there lies on the desk of the writer the secret organ of another fraternity. Of what crime the owner may be accused for leaving it there, I know not. Should the writer open this magazine, who knows what he

might glean? But the fact stands that here it lies with no other bond of protection but the observer's sense of propriety. I have in mind also many instances in which men have related having time and again seen other fraternity constitutions, which their room-mates have allowed to lie exposed to the view of every visitor and passerby.

The twin sister of carelessness is indifference. Often men are conscious of laxity about these matters and somehow will not take the trouble to correct the error of their way. If you say that indifference is not a fact I point you to numbers and numbers of cases in which active fraternity men do not own a pin, and as many instances of those who do, and do not wear them because they are unwilling to take the trouble to transfer them from one garment to another a few times a week. This is but one instance of indifference, but it is that same indifference which is prompting men to turn a deaf ear to a recall to rigid secrecy.

What efficacy is there in secrecy? What does it profit a man or the institution? A world of profit, indirectly and directly. First, indirectly, the unitiated world, as is natural, views the mysterious and undisclosed with awe and respect. They are not only feeling this, but are constantly expressing it. This outside reverence reacts on the fraternity man and enlarges his appreciation of the efficacy of secrecy concerning his order. Let this idea be impeached, let the world lose its respectful awe, and inevitably the fraternity man has his estimation lowered of the organization of which he is a part.

In the second place, we are conscious of the force of the secret, per se. That which is known to a few inevitably makes itself more intrinsically valuable to them. Most values are determined in terms of their scarcity, and the limited knowledge of secrets (being confined to the members of one fraternity) gives intensity to your valuation.

Again every fraternity holds itself sacred, and the outward symbols such as the pin, the name, and the abstract fact of its very existence are also sacred. We naturally put the sacred in a corner. To talk about it, to define it, to call it into public by parading anything concomitant to it tends to make it common and to destroy its effects. Anything more than reflection dissipates its spell. Secrecy and sacredness are mutually dependent.

The plan of correction must be constructed around our knowledge of what a man's impression will lead him to do. Ideas are puissant forces-often more powerful than actual facts. The power of ideas is illustrated in the historic credence given witchcraft. If men had thought, they would have seen how inexcusably foolish a thing it was to believe that an old woman riding a broom-stick through the air could devour a whole flock of sheep in a twinkle. But they did not think. They had an idea that there were such things as witches, and that witches should be burned. The unreasonableness and preposterousness of the thing never entered their heads. That idea was force. All ideas are forces which militate more toward determining the conduct of men than the facts. Remembering what always actuates men, we find the remedy lying in an effort to implant and nourish unconsciously in every new man the necessity of secrecy. Few men will take the trouble to reason the matter out to the end to see that secrecy is the normal and logical means of preserving the fraternity in its integrity and purity. Every man will, however, act on the idea, that secrecy is essential to fraternity life and vitality, or that is a matter of minor consideration to be careless and indifferent about.

This points us to the only way of solving the difficulty: that is, the proper indoctrination of new men into the beauty and imperativeness of uncompromising secrecy. Once this idea possesses men the rest will come of itself.

Our present tendency is menacing to say the least. The fraternity has its eyes on too broad an horizon. It has delegated to itself too many functions, and is threatened with the prospect of being degraded into the character of a public club. Stripped of its old association, its sacredness, and its secrecy it will deserve no better name. We like too much to play in robes of glittering apparel before the world, and forget that our work is the work of the closet. W. B. BLANTON, Alpha.

# THE PERSONAL DUTY OF EACH MEMBER OF THE FRATERNITY.

The Socialistic form of government is entirely Utopian and visionary, because the major premise, upon which its principles are based, is fallacious. These arm-chair theorists, as they have been styled, dream of a place and a time in which all men shall live together, and strive together, as brothers. Not as brothers DO, but as brothers SHOULD. The most superficial student of history and human nature knows that such a condition of affairs can never obtain so long as human beings continue to be turned out from the same moulds in which present and preceding generations were cast. For we find certain elemental and universal traits of human nature which make such a brotherhood of man an elusive myth. Self-preservation is termed the first law of nature, and men will in the future, as they have during the past, seek their private and selfish interests to the detriment of their fellows, still crying, "Am I my brother's keeper?"

The complicity of our American government is due mainly to the fact that all men are not good citizens. That all men will not deal fairly with one another. That some men must be controlled for the sake of the general welfare. How needless and superfluous would most of our governmental machinery be, if individual integrity prevailed. Woodrow Wilson has spoken truly in prescribing individual integrity as America's chief need. A nation is, and can be, only the sum of its component parts—its citizens. The first duty of every citizen is, not to deplore present conditions and tendencies, but to put himself in the proper relationship toward his government—to do his duty toward it.

This brings us up to the purpose of the present writing. Those who are familiar with the history of P. K. A., know that during its chaotic period when it was nearing dissolution or absorption, its salvation and upbuilding were the work of a few men whom some of us know, and all of us revere. So is the history of any nation, the chronicle of the lives and

deeds of a comparatively few men. But whatever may have been the past history of the fraternity, and however glorious its prospects now are, she is still in need of good men and true. Broadly speaking, our task is to strengthen ourselves internally, and at the ame time expand Northward and Westward.

This question of expansion will naturally fall upon a competent few. The alumni are in a sense obligated to help the frat in this respect (and then some). The pressing duty of the individual member is to do all in his power to upbuild and uphold his chapter. This is possible only when each man takes hold and does his part. Here, as elsewhere, human nature asserts itself, and a few bear the major part of the load. Such is my verdict after four years membership in Theta Chapter, visits to a few sister chapters, and conversation with Pi's from all over the country.

Now fellows, to be specific, there is hardly a member of the whole frat who knows as much about P. K. A. as he should. The law of compensation is firm. We get out of a frat or anything else, pretty much what we put in it. Have you ever, in talking with a brother from a distant chapter, been ashamed on account of your ignorance along some particular line bearing on the frat? How many of us are living up to the vows taken on our initiation night? Has our individual membership brought honor or dishonor upon our chapter? The little jeweled shield and diamond should represent more than an ornament. We all know these things, but all of us grow careless and neglectful. Let each man think a moment what he means to the Frat, and what it means to him. As America can advance only through the individual advancement of her citizens, so can P. K. A. be strengthened only through the private lives and deeds of her members.

RICHARD A. BOLLING, Theta.

## THE FRATERNITY IDEAL.

Ever since the early 60's when the American college fraternity became a recognized factor in college life, the aims, ideals and purposes of the Greek letter organizations have been greatly misunderstood by the unitiated world. Even in the colleges themselves where the students mingle together on more or less equal terms, many students look upon them as clannish organizations whose sole purpose is to set themselves upon the pedestal of social supremacy, and from these airy heights proclaim themselves the salt of the earth. Of course, in the outside world the popular conception of the college fraternity is extremely hazy. Many consider them as vague, indefinite organizations, upheld by a mass of ritualistic dogma whose principal pastime is leading a life of carousal and creating an unhealthy, undemocratic atmosphere. Whatever may be the arguments for or against such prejudice, the part which the real fraternity should play in the lives of its members is two fold.

In the first place, the primary motive underlying the conduct of fraternal organizations, should be to develop the social instincts in the individual members. By the social instincts, I do not mean an aptitude for bridge parties, pink teas, and tete-atetes, but rather the wholesome, ennobling influences which go to make up true friendships. Those dormant qualities of character should be developed which will cause a man to discard all the narrowing influences of prejudice and ill feeling and make of him a well-rounded social being, capable of meeting his fellow man on terms of friendship, and of piercing through the gilded veneer of conventionality, and of judging the true man underneath. Such a man with the larger heart and kindlier eye, should be the product of the true college fraternity, and such an ideal social being, in his dealings with his fellow men in later life will reflect nothing but honor and credit upon the organization whose insignia he bears.

Another, and perhaps greater part which the college fraternity should play in the lives of its members, is in the moulding of character. It is perhaps unjust to the fraternity to suppose that it should take any and every kind of protoplasm and construct from him an ideal, whole-souled character, but such should be its constant aim and purpose. A young man first entering college, is peculiarly susceptible to outside influences. and it is possible at this turning point of his career to either completely pervert his moral character, or to lay the foundations for future greatness and life-long success. member should take care that the newer and more susceptible members have thrown around them such influences as will cause them to turn their attention to the more durable and uplifting things of life. This then should be the chief ideal of the successful Greek letter fraternity, and it is only by this individual service to its members that these organizations deserve to factor as real and necessary factors in the college man's existence.

G. A. WARLICK, JR., Alpha Alpha.

## WANTED

Twenty-five or thirty poetry artists to submit songs for the Pi Kappa Alpha Song Book. Songs on fraternity subjects only desired. A handsome prize will be given to the Pi submitting the greatest number of accepted songs. Submit samples at once to

C. W. UNDERWOOD,

Editor-in-Chief,

1109 Atlanta National Bank Building,

Atlanta, Ga.

## Editorial

Nearly forty-four years ago five students of Brother the University of Virginia banded together Wood. and founded the II K A fraternity. The fraternity has grown, during that time, from a sectional into a national organization, and despite many adverse circumstances has prospered and continues to prosper as the years go by. The principles laid down by the founders of the fraternity have never been departed from but still continue to be the goal to which each initiate is sought to be led. One by one the founders of the fraternity have passed away until in June of this year Brothers Littleton Waller Tazewell and Julian Edward Wood were the only ones left. In that month Julian Edward Wood answered the call of the Grim Reaper, and passed to the chapter immortal. Bro. Wood ever since he left his active chapter, has always taken a deep interest in the fraternity, and has never failed to respond to any call made upon him pertaining to the regulation and conduct of fraternity affairs. The entire fraternity laments the death of Brother Wood and extends its sympathy to his family. The article on Brother Wood in this issue was received while the October number was on the press; hence the delay in publishing same.

Alumni. Every Pi wants to see Pi Kappa Alpha rank Alumni. first in the fraternity world. Then, Brother Alumni, let us think on these questions. Can Pi Kappa Alpha ever attain this high place in the realm of Greek letter fraternities with only the support of her active members? Can her publications ever reach and retain a high standard, with only the flat pockets which are characteristic of college students as a financial basis, and their immature pens as a literary criterion? Can any man cherish the same love for an organization after all active association with it has been severed as he did in days when membership in it was the very ambition and pride of his life, unless he keeps aglow a keen interest, by giving liberally to

it, and keeping an eager eye upon its development and progress? And does any loyal Pi K A want to see his luminous love for his fraternity lose one ray of its brilliancy? Every thoughtful and liberal minded Pi will unhesitatingly answer these questions in the negative. Then, there is but one course to pursue. Subscribe for THE SHIELD AND DIAMOND and contribute occasionally some article to it. In this way you not only aid the fraternity financially, but by your interest you stimulate a greater interest and activity in others. Money is most certainly essential to the upbuilding of any organization; yet can it be placed ahead of co-operation on the part of its members? Of course the two dollars is a needful help, but what our fraternity needs most today is an interest in her general welfare on the part of her alumni that will excite them to greater action and sacrifice. Don't lag behind in an indifferent calm. No category separates us. We are all Pi's of the same standing, so let each of us work equally hard for our fraternity's betterment. "In unity there is strength," is a saying which cannot soon be forgotten, because it is a truth strikingly put.

J. M. C.

To the The active chapter look to the alumni to aid Alumni—Again. them in various ways, and the alumni should not only consider it a duty but a pleasure. Too often, we regret to say, the alumnus is called on for financial aid only. It has almost got to be a fact that when an alumnus receives a letter from his chapter it is soliciting a contribution for some purpose. No doubt the cause is a worthy one; but if possible the active members of a chapter should finance it themselves if within the bounds of possibility. We think it a good plan for a chapter not to undertake a social event unless the active members can finance it themselves. Where it has become a custom for a chapter to have an annual dance, it would be well for the chapter to plan ahead, increase the dues a small amount, and put aside each month a certain amount of money. In this way quite a

little fund could be accumulated and the burden of getting up the money at the last minute materially lessened. We venture to state that if the alumnus knew that he was not going to be called on for financial assistance more than once in a while he would take a greater and truer interest in his chapter and communicate with the members thereof more frequently than experience shows to be the case. Of course in the case of the building of a chapter house it is only right that every member of that chapter should contribute to the cause. It is as much the house of the alumnus as of the active member, and the alumnus is always assured of a hearty welcome whenever he visits the chapter.

The object of this editorial, however, is not so much to deplore this financial activity on the part of the chapters as to stress upon the alumnus the fact that he should take an active and not a passive interest in his chapter. Realizing this fact, the last convention adopted a by-law requiring each chapter, once a year to publish a record containing the names, addresses and occupations (where known) of all the alumni, a copy of such record to be furnished the officers, chapters and district chiefs. This will serve, no doubt, to create more interest on the part of the active members in the alumni, and should result in the alumni taking more interest in the chapter. The alumnus can be of great assistance to his chapter in the matter of new men. Most of us know of some young man who is going to college, and we can at least advise the chapter whether or not that man is good fraternity material. Many a man is lost to a chapter on account of a lack of interest on the part of the alumni.

Mr. Alumnus, lend the chapters your aid, and also send the editor \$2.00 for a year's subscription to the magazine.

The Football It is proposed to make the February, 1912,
Number issue a football number. Quite a number of
gridiron warriors during the season just closed are wearers of
the Garnet and Old Gold, many of them being recognized as
the best players on their respective teams.

It is earnestly requested that each chapter send in at once a list of the Pi members of the football team, and wherever possible a plate or photograph of each. The editor must have the material quite awhile in advance of the February issue, so as to get it in shape for publication. In addition to the name of the player, we desire a little description of what he did during the season—something that will be of interest to the fraternity in general.

Please. We are glad to note that a number of the chapter correspondents have adopted our suggestion and are writing their chapter letters on the typewriter. This facilitates more than anything else the work of the editor and the printer. However, a great many letters are still being sent in written by hand, and in some instances evidently in a hurry, to judge from the poor penmanship displayed. Some of the names of initiates and members mentioned in this issue are no doubt incorrect, but we have no means of telling an "a" from an "o," or an "e" from an "i," unless plainly written. Again we urge our correspondents to spell out the names at least or use the typewriter.

Membership Under the provisions of the by-laws of the Certificates Fraternity the Supreme Council has provided for issuing membership certificates. a handsome one, being neat and attractificate is tive and of the very best material. It is 11x13 inches in size and engraved on the best diploma sheep-skin. At the top is engraved the coat-of-arms of the fraternity and at the bottom is attached the great seal. The certificate shows the name, chapter and date of initiation of the member engrossed by an expert, and is signed by the Grand Princeps and the Grand Secretary and by the S. M. C. and S. C. of the initiating chapter. Every member of the fraternity should have a certificate, for, besides being a proof of membership, it is an attractive piece of work and will in the future be an excellent souvenir of old chapter and college days. The Supreme Council has arranged for the issuance of these certificates at considerable expense, and it is hoped that every member will secure one. While the certificate is nearly as large as a college diploma, we have secured a very low price, when material and workmanship are considered. The price is \$1.25 per certificate, which amount just about covers the cost and expense of transportation. Remit this amount for each certificate to Robert A. Smythe, Grand Treasurer, Room 604 Austell Building, Atlanta, Ga., together with your name as you wish it to appear name of the chapter initiating you and the date of your initiation. It is best to typewrite your name, chapter and date of initiation in order that no mistake will occur in engrossing them.

—J. G. H.

## Chapter Letters

Chapter Letters must be mailed to C. W. Underwood, 1109 Atlanta National Bank Building, Atlanta, Ga., not later than the 25th day of September, November, January, March and May of each year. Further notice of this rule will not be given. Chapters are liable to fine for failure to observe it.

## **ALPHA**

## University of Virginia.

Since the writing of the last letter, Alpha chapter has initiated into the fraternity four men whom it believes will add strength to its enrollment, men who will be at the university a number of years and who will thus secure a foothold in life here by their longevity. They are: Alexander B. Butt, Jr., of Washington, D. C.; H. C. Stanard, of Roanoke, Va.; W. B. Allen, of Suffolk, Va., and Fred Guthrie, of Port Gibson, Miss. We were greatly pleased at the acquisition of Brother J. M. Howard, who came to us as a transfer from Trinity College, North Carolina. The chapter roll numbers sixteen, with the prospect of one or two additions after the Christmas recess. Numerically and otherwise, Alpha chapter is stronger than it has been for a number of years.

Although the chapter has lost by graduation a number of men holding prominent positions in the life of the university it is not inactive in college affairs. Brother Reuds in his first year on the football squad, has exceeded the highest expectations by remaining a fixture on the team and playing in every game of the season, not excepting the banner game with Georgetown at Washington. In this contest he won laurels by overhauling a Blue and Gray man, who had started on the way to Virginia's goal. In spite of this spectacular feat, however, Georgetown won by the score of 9 to 0, largely because of a soaked field and lucky breaks at every stage of the game.

In the literary line Brother Livingston is winning warm encomiums by his articles in the "Magazine" upon life in the "Western States;" "The Last Ray of the Setting Sun" will be

the title of the book into which the author will eventually collect the serial essays. Brother Livingston is also a poet of some local reputation. Brothers Bitting and Blanton are on the staff of College Topics, the university newspaper, and the latter is an associate editor of Corks and Curls, the annual, of which the writer has the misfortune to be the editor-in-chief. Corks and Curls is gotten out by the fraternities here. When a prize was offered for the best song to be used in the cheering against Georgetown, Brother Butt's collaboration in composing one of the two selections netted him a substantial cash honorarium.

The glee club is at present on a trip to Staunton, where it performs tonight before the girl students of the Mary Baldwin and Stuart Hall Seminaries. Brothers Wilkins, Bean and Howard are included in the troupe. Tomorrow they will delight Randolph-Macon Woman's College with their joyous madrigals.

Life is no more ideal anywhere in the fall than at the University of Virginia, and the comforts of a well-located chapter house have added to conveniences. A majority of the brotherhood traveled to Washington for the gala Georgetown game, and practically all will see the downfall of North Carolina at Virginia's hands on Thanksgiving day at Richmond. After this final fling, unremitting labor will be the portion of all, especially for those to whom Christmas exams are counteracting influences against a degree in June.

Dr. Landon S. White, Alpha, of Knoxville, Tenn., paid us a highly appreciated visit last month, and we have also been glad to have with us Brothers L. A. Anderson, of Lynchburg, Va., and Oscar L. Shewmake, of Surry, Va., the newly appointed editor of the alumni notes for the "Shield and Diamond."

Fraternally, ROBERT B. ALBERTSON.

## BETA

## DAVIDSON COLLEGE.

Football, around which has centered a great deal of interest this season, is soon to be a thing of the past. We have had a successful year so far, having lost two games by very small score, and had Tiny Graham, the fast little quarterback been in the games, in all probability there would have been a different tale to tell. Graham had his leg broken in the V. M. I. game, and has not been able to play any more. Thus far we have won from Catawba College, Lenoir College, Charleston College, Wake Forest, University of South Carolina. We lost to Virginia Military Institute and University of North Carolina; in both games the score was 5 to 0. There remains only one more game, that being with the University of Alabama on Thanksgiving Day in Birmingham.

Last year we were represented on the varsity squad by Brother VanDeventer, who had the team practically made this season, but on account of sickness had to stop. However, in his place we have another brother. Brother Williford is a very fast man and has been a star in every game played this year. We are all very proud of him and justly so, tor his work has been of the best.

Brother Whitlock, who was with us a while after school commenced, has accepted a position at Baird's School in Charlotte, N. C. We wish very much that he could have stayed with us.

Brother C. S. Mattison, of the class of 1911, whom we expected to have with us again this year, has returned home to enter business with his father in Anderson, S. C. Brother Mattison was in every sense of the word a loyal Pi Kappa Alpha, and we are very sorry indeed to have so valuable a man leave us. We all hope though, and feel sure, he will take a high rank in life for the fraternity.

We have been very busy rushing the freshmen so far this year and hope after the Christmas holidays to give some proof of our good rushing. The present freshman class has some of the best frat material in it that has been here for some time, and with some hard work after the holidays Beta ought to be able to land all that she has been trying to get.

The faculty has purchased a handsome silver cup, which has ten spaces, one for each year; for ten years, in this space will be engraved the name of the fraternity making the highest average during the year and at the end of the ten years the fraternity having its name on the cup, most number of times, will have the honor of owning the cup. This is something well worth working for and we want to urge every member now in school to put forth the best there is in him and let's win that cup for T. K. A.

Since our last letter we have been favored with a visit from Brother Scott who has a very good position in Statesville, N. C. We are always glad to have any Pi come to see us.

Best wishes to our sister chapters for a most successful year.

H. R. Boswell.

## **GAMMA**

## WILLIAM AND MARY COLLEGE.

Things have been comparatively quiet in the old college for some time past. It gives Gamma great pleasure to introduce to the fraternity-at-large Brother William Mortimer Harrison, president of the junior class and associate editor of the Literary Magazine, and the "Flat Hat." Next year's prospects have been brightened by the pledging of Robert M. Newton, brother of Blake Tyler Newton, for many years an active worker for Gamma and  $\Sigma$  K A, and Mr. Whitehead, fullback of the academy football team and a very promising man.

The close of the football season brought Brother W. L. Parker the coveted monogram, while sickness doubtless played a large part in depriving Brother Wright of the same honor. Brother Harrison is among the most promising of the candidates for a position on the basketball quintet.

Brother Thomas has just brought out his first issue of the

Literary Magazine, the most creditable that William and Mary has seen for years. Four of the seven men on its staff are Pi's.

At the first German of the year, Gamma was well represent ed by Brothers Harrison, Cox, Jones, Wilcox and English. Much time has been spent in improving the interior of our chapter house, the rooms having been thoroughly renovated and re-decorated, and we offer its hospitality to all brothers who may pass this way.

Brother Brent, of Richmond, spent the day with us recently, and was heartily welcomed.

ALAN FRED ENGLISH.

## DELTA

## SOUTHERN UNIVERSITY.

Delta began this session under conditions which were by no means flattering—only two members returning—Allen and Gross. But the following have been initiated:

Edgar Spain Grant, Linden, Ala.; Caleb Archabald Haskew, Whatley, Ala.; Thomas Roscoe Roberts, Pine Apple, Ala.; George Herman Stapleton, Greenwood, Fla.; William Newberry McClurkin, Caledonia, Ala.

So we now have a nice sized chapter, composed of men whom we believe will do things. In fact we have already shown that ability, for Brothers Allen and Roberts have represented us well on the varsity football team. And Brothers Grant, McClurkin and Gross are participants in public debates.

The Southern University is experiencing quite a change this year in the student body. A fitting school has been established which takes away from the student body all those who could not enter the freshman class. While heretofore they have not been students of the Southern University, yet they were under the same rules and had the same advantages only they were not eligible to fraternities.

We get out for Christmas holidays on the 21st and have until January 3d. The boys are already figuring out their homeward schedules.

THOMAS J. GROSS.

## ZETA

## University of Tennessee.

Since the last letter Zeta wishes to announce the following initiates: Jean Geislar, Bristol, Tenn., and Harry Davis, Berntyn, Tenn. Zeta considers herself fortunate in getting these two men as they are very popular on the "hill." Brother Geislar is a member of the junior class, while Brother Davis is in his sophomore year.

All the "fish" have been rushed by the different fraternities, and out of the crew Zeta has pledged five strong men and has many names on her list which we hope will soon be "goats." These men, however, will not be eligible to initiation until they have passed off their first term's work. On Saturday night, December 2d, Zeta is to tender a smoker to her "goats" and a very enjoyable evening is anticipated as everyone has written home for a Thanksgiving box.

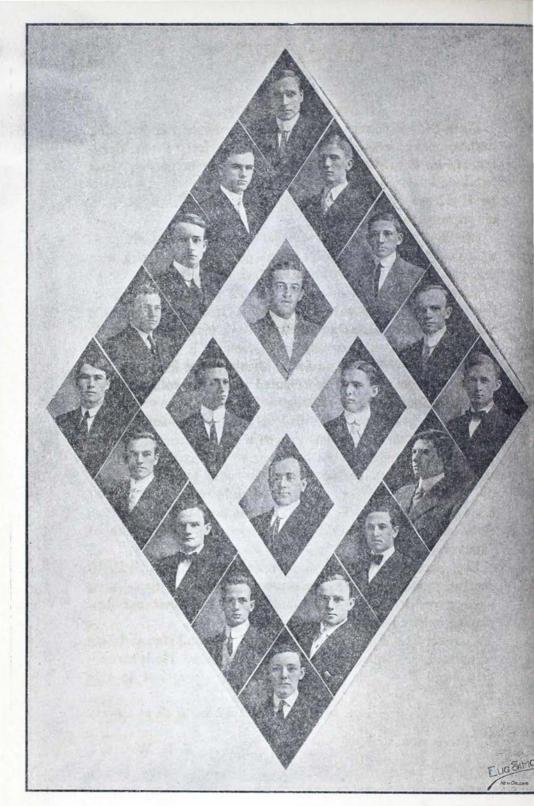
Zeta this year is well represented in all the college activities. The football team, although it has not been so successful, has played good consistent ball all fall. Brother Branch, captain and quarterback, has proven a worthy leader; Brother Tompkins, at fullback, has been one of the mainstays of the team all year, while Brother Geislar who played center at the first of the year, was shifted to right end on account of his terrific tackling. Brother Lowry is president of the Glee club, and has arranged for an extended trip on the 12th of January.

Last Saturday the football team defeated the fast S. P. U. football squad by the decisive score of 22 to 0. On the visiting team were Brothers Stokes and White and their excellent playing helped to keep down the score.

Clarence McCollum, an old Tennessee football star and Zeta man, has been visiting us for a couple of weeks. He is certainly a loyal II K A and his tales of how they used to ride the "goats" has given us some pointers.

Zeta sends greetings to every  $\Pi$  and wishes each and every one a merry Christmas.

E. R. WHITE.



ETA CHAPTER, 1911.

#### ETA

## TULANE UNIVERSITY.

We have not as yet taken in any new men this year but we have four good men pledged and with this addition to the number of old men back and two men from other chapters, W. L. Brinson, Alpha Mu, and P. J. Miller, Alpha Gamma, who will no doubt affiliate with us soon, we have a very strong chapter of enthusiastic Pi's.

Our football team is showing good form this year and we as usual are well represented on the squad.

G. F. McLeod continues to star on the football team in his position at left tackle.

All the students are looking forward to the Tulane-L. S. U. game at Baton Rouge, December 9th. There will be several excursions run for this game and practically the whole student body both of Tulane and Newcomb will attend.

Pat Hogan, Alpha-Gamma, is taking his practical course necessary to his engineering course in Baton Rouge in this city this winter and is a shining light at all our social affairs.

We have been entertained at several dances at the home of one of our most popular sisters and all, of course, enjoyed themselves to the fullest extent.

H. GRADY HUNGATE.

## THETA

SOUTHWESTERN PRESBYTERIAN UNIVERSITY.

Frank Loper Armistead, Lake, Miss.; Richard Asa Bolling, Centreville, Miss.; Louis Robert King, Durant, Miss.; Isaac Stuart McElroy, Jr., Columbus, Ga.; John Christian McQueen, New Orleans, La.; George McAlister Smiley, Ariel, Miss.; Alvin Stokes, Gloster, Miss.; Bertram Oliver Wood, Moss Point, Miss.

On Monday night, October 30th, Theta put her trade-mark on William Cowan White, Pulaski, Tenn.; Ulysses Short Gordon, Sardis, Miss.; James Archibald Warren, DeKalb, Miss.

There is a striking law at S. P. U. now which specifies

that no freshman may be initiated into a fraternity until after the first monthly grades have been published. And then, provided his average is 65 or over. This was passed by the pan-Hellenic council here, which consists of a member from each fraternity, and transacts any business which affects the Greek world at large. We find it very useful and helpful.

Brother S. E. McFadden, who was such strength to the chapter when here, is now at the Kentucky Presbyterian Theological Seminary, 109 East Broadway, Louisville, Ky. Bro. P. C. Cato is teaching in a preparatory school at Tullahoma, Tenn. Bro. E. C. Scott, our third graduate of last year, is working in the freight office at Columbus, Miss., preparatory to a continuation of his ministerial studies. Brother Maurice Miller is at home on the farm at Woodford, Tenn., this year.

After the roping and branding was over on Monday, the 30th instant, we sat down to a most delightful spread of dainties prepared for the chapter by some of our fair feminine contingent in the city. None who failed to be present then could ever appreciate the quality and quantity of viands before us, so we pass that by. There were present as visitors Brother Fulton, professor of history in the university; Brother Maurice Miller and Brother Matt Rudolph.

At our regular meeting on November 8th we had with us Brother Blount, of Psi, some years ago. In fact Brother Blount was instrumental in establishing Psi, and Psi was partly responsible for Tech and Georgia, so we listened with interest to his narration of "Ye Good Old Days."

Brothers Stokes and White will have returned from a football trip to Knoxville, before this goes to press, but we predict for them an enjoyable visit to the chapter there. Brother Wood took the trip with the team to Mississippi and A. and M., but he was injured then and has not been in football condition since. While recuperating he was more grievously injured or smitten by Dan Cupid, so his recovery can be only partial, at best.

We beg your indulgence while we refer to a matter which

is doubtless out of our province as correspondent, but which needs attention. The constitution provides for publication of a directory of each chapter this year. We, realizing the amount of work involved in this, have begun collection of data. We urge each chapter to do the same at an early date. Unless we change our plan we will publish the following: 1. No. on chapter roll; 2, name; 3, address; 4, date initiated; 5, occupation. This may be of value to some one. Alphabetical order, with his number on the roll will enable us to locate a member more readily. With praise for the last S. and D., we close.

I. S. McElroy, Jr.

## KAPPA

## TRANSYLVANIA UNIVERSITY.

With the addition of three new men on November 16th, our active roll now numbers nine. The three initiates are J. T. Hazelbrigg, Carlisle, Kentucky; Clark White, Mexico, Missouri; and Wallace Spink, Jacksonville, Illinois.

We have tried to follow a conservative policy in pledging men this year, and it is paying. The II K's here are men who stand for something besides social position and wealth. Earl Spink is manager of the foot ball team. Wallace Spink is full-back on the varsity team and Thomas is center and captain. We have two class presidents, a president and a secretary of literary societies, and all of our men are found in the van of things doing about the campus.

As soon as the training season is over, we plan to have some informal parties to add to our social life.

This has been a banner year for Transylvania in football. On November 18th, State University, our bitterest rival, met defeat at our hands by a score of twelve to five. Spink and Thomas played a splendid game in their positions and we are justly proud of them. One game to be played with Central on Thanksgiving stands between us and the state championship. The team is working hard and we expect to win.

A campaign started some time ago for an increase in the

endowment of the university has proved highly successful. The two hundred thousand mark has been passed and the good work continues.

We shall have perhaps one day only for Thanksgiving recess, so all are saving up for the Christmas home-going.

KARL BORDERS.

## **OMICRON**

## RICHMOND COLLEGE.

Omicron introuces with a great deal of pleasure the following new brothers:

James Alderman Newton, Pocahontas, Va.

Harry Gordon Duval, Rhodesville, Va.

Russell Stuart Wingfield, Highland Park, Va.

The initiation took place in our new hall which will serve as temporary quarters until we go to greater Richmond College. We were delighted to have with us on that auspicious occasion Brothers Blanton and Saunders from Iota. Many of the Omicron alumni were present making things very merry with their stories of the times when they were members of the active chapters.

Our football men, notwithstanding their defeats, are keeping up their spirits and hope to win from Randolph-Macon in the last game of the season. Brothers R. C. Duval and C. T. O'Neil are upholding nobly the honor of II K A on the gridiron. The student body at large is looking forward to a great game and believe that the team representing old red and blue will be victorious. We expect to have the blue's band out to help us with our songs and create more enthusiasm.

The prospects in tennis are fine. The team is composed of Brothers J. B. Duval and J. P. Snead. We thought as long as the team was made up of only two men, we might as well have both, even if it did look greedy. Both of these brothers are excellent players and handle the racket with a great deal of ease and skill.

We enjoyed very much the last issue of THE SHIELD AND

DIAMOND; being the first of the year, it gave us an idea of what our brothers were doing.

Omicron's doors are always open to her sister chapters and she is always glad to greet any of the II K A alumni.

GARLAND M. HARWOOD.

#### PI

#### WASHINGTON AND LEE UNIVERSITY.

Pi Chapter takes pleasure in introducing to the fraternity Mr. William Devereux Langhorn of Lynchburg, Virginia.

We are sorry to announce that Dr. Denny, our president, has accepted the presidency of the University of Alabama, and will leave us at the first of the year. We are sorry to give him up and congratulate Alabama upon their new leader.

Washington and Lee has one of the best foot-ball teams in her history and under the leadership of Bro. Moomaw has made a good record. We tied our old rivals V. P. I. 5 to 5, in one of the greatest games ever played in Roanoke. A number of old Pi's were at the game and it was a treat to be with them again. We lost to North Carolina 4to 0, bu thope to redeem ourselves when we meet Tulane on Thanksgiving day.

Brother Lacy, our district chief, paid us a short visit during October. We are always glad to see him and extend a most cordial invitation to him and other Pi's who come by Lexington, to stop over and see us.

J. Т. Rотнкоск, Jr.

## TAU

#### UNIVERSITY OF NORTH CAROLINA.

Initiate: Grady Daniel Askew, of Harrrellsville, N. C.

On next Wednesday the greater part of the student body leaves for Richmond for the annual game between Carolina and Virginia. Our team has been very successful this season not a single game having been lost. On November 18th we played South Carolina here and were very glad to find her coach to be an old II K A brother, "Johnny" Neff.

Brother Kitchen brought over a party of girls from Durham a few days ago and we had a little informal dance in the hall. We are very glad to receive visits from Alpha-Alpha's men at any time.

We are looking forward to the fall dances, which are to be held on December 7th and 8th, with a great deal of pleasure. Brother Bonshall is one of the leaders of the German club dance.

Best wishes for a merry Christmas and a happy New Year.

J. D. Phillips.

## UPSILON

#### ALABAMA POLYTECHNIC INSTITUTE.

Iniates: Edwin Simpson Brannon, Bessemer, Ala.; Francis Bernard Cagle, Schenectady, N. Y.

Here we are on the last stage of the first term and our thoughts are commencing to turn toward the dreaded examinations. "The girl we left behind" too, is beginning to put in her claims for a share of them and the approaching holidays seem far off when such thoughts interfere with our studies. Here's hoping we come out all right in our exams, so that our Christmas will be a second Thanksgiving also. Fall and the present wintry days have driven us indoors, there to plan for our chapter house that shall be a reality before long. Our hall is not so lonely now, for it is there that our fellows gather in vacant hours and spin big, healthy yarns or build air castles in the smoke of many pipes. The chapter letters in the first issue of this year 1911-12 were very good and Upsilon read with pleasure what the other chapters were doing and their prospects for the coming year. In all the letters the chapters seemed to be making good plans and getting good material. Upsilon recently received a letter from Dr. Louford, a brother at Tulane University, assuring us of his hearty co-operation in our plans for our chapter house. With such men as he and Brother John Denson with us the chapter house is practically a certainty.

Our foot-ball team is up to the usual standard. Auburn, so

far, has not lost an S. I. A. A. game and we hope to win our remaining game, that with Georgia on Thanksgiving. Upsilon is represented on the team by Brothers Davis and Newell. Davis' terriffic line plunges will make him an all-Southern certainty. Basket-ball practice has been started but it is too early in the year to talk about our prospects for a team. However, there are quite a number of aspirants for positions on this team. Our beloved coach, Mike Donahue, fell a victim to the fever, which has weakened our squad so much, soon after the Auburn-Tech game and is out for the rest of the season. The coaching of the team is being done by faithful alumni. Upsilon is represented in the military department by Brothers Waulin, who is regimental sergeant major, Grady, who is a captain, and Lieutenants Avery, Anderson and Major. We cannot close this letter without a word of thanks to our brothers of Alpha-Delta for the many kindnesses shown us when we were in Atlanta at the Auburn-Tech foot-ball game. We will never forget the hospitality shown us while in the camp of the enemy. They are certainly a loyal set of Pi-Kappa-Alphas.

T. O. ROBERTSON.

#### PSI

#### NORTH GEORGIA AGRICULTURAL COLLEGE.

Iniates: Robert Oscar Barnes, Bullochville, Ga.; William A. Clarke, Jr., Gainesville, Ga.; Garland Peyton, Mt. Airy, Ga.; James Ralph McClelland, Atlanta, Ga.; James Quinn Steed, Eton, Ga.

From the above it is easy to see that Psi has made good use of the time elapsing since the last issue of the "Shield and Diamond," and I take great pleasure in saying that we have five as good men as ever wore the shield and diamond. Each one of them has entered with lots of enthusiasm into the spirit of the fraternity.

McClelland is a brother of J. S. McClelland, District Chief of Georgia-Florida.

Am sorry to say that we were unable to get out a foot-ball

team this year as the trustees were opposed to that form of athletics, but they are in favor of baseball and I feel safe in saying that, with the material we have here we will be able to make some of the other colleges sit up and take notice even if we are situated up here twenty-five miles from a railroad.

On October 20 we were delighted to have with us about forty Brenau College girls. This is an annual visit from our sister college, as they always come some time in the fall to study the rock formations and other branches of geology. It is a great question as to whether the girls gained very much knowledge, as the boys were allowed to accompany them to the mines.

A reception was held in their honor and we were greatly pleased to find among the girls two charming sisters, who together with some of their friends we had the pleasure of entertaining in our chapter rooms where music and dancing was enjoyed by those present.

In the October issue of The Shield and Diamond Bro. Robertson's account of his visit to an active chapter was well worth reading and to my mind it is indeed a model chapter and one that each chapter would do well to imitate.

The Christmas holidays are next in order and it is hoped that each and every one will enjoy them to the fullest extent.

F. E. MILLER.

## **OMEGA**

## KENTUCKY STATE UNIVERSITY.

It was the good fortune of Omega chapter to be able to entertain the Honorable Oscar Underwood this month.

Brother Underwood, who is a member of Alpha chapter, was initiated when the fraternity was but twelve years old.

He is a Kentuckian by birth but has for the last few years made Alabama his home. He has been a member of congress for several years being sent by the State of Alabama. He is one of the most able men of today in the democratic party, and is chairman of the Ways and Means Committee.

He was on a trip through the country making speeches in the

interest of the democratic party. He made a speech here and, after his speech, was entertained by Omega at the chapter house. Brother Davis of Versailles, who was in school with Brother Underwood, was also with us.

Brother Underood made us a short talk on his school days and the fraternity as it was in his days. He has been out of school for several years, but has not forgotten his college days and especially his fraternity.

Brother Underwood has set the standard very high for Pi Kappa Alpha and we all feel justly proud of him, and we should all do what we can to keep the standard where Brother Underwood has placed it for us.

Two months have gone by since the opening of school and the rushing season is about over. Omega has been very successful in securing the men she has tried for this year and at present we have ten men pledged and several more under consideration. It is our aim to make our chapter roll number at least twenty-five by the end of the year and from the way things are going now it looks like we will succeed.

Foot ball is the all absorbing topic just now. We have had a very successful year so far and there is little doubt now but that we will be champions of Kentucky. Wm. Collins, who is the only man that we have on the team this year, is holding down the position of right end. He sustained a sprained shoulder in the Miami game but is now back in the game harder than ever.

G. L. Pool, who is court stenographer in his district, has been at home for the past few weeks attending court, but we trust that he will soon be with us again.

We have at last gotten comfortably fixed in our new home, and are thoroughly satisfied with it. We have made rules to govern the house, as to study hours, etc., and if these rules are not complied with, we have two officers who have the power to enforce them. It has been a very successful arrangement.

We extend to all Pi's the heartiest invitation to visit us when in town. Our doors are always open.

CARL C. CROFT.

## ALPHA ALPHA

#### TRINITY COLLEGE.

The fevered whirl which always preludes a year of college work is now a thing of the past, and the conglomeration of raw material which gathered here at the opening has settled down to the task of absorbing education. In all lines of college activity the present session bids fair to set a new high water mark for growth and development.

The elite of Durham feminity is looking forward with delightful anticipation to the Thanksgiving dinner which Alpha-Alpha gives each year at Southgate's Cabin near Durham. The party, which this year will include about twenty couples, will leave the city for this ideal retreat early Thanksgiving morning, chaperoned by several members of Trinity's faculty. The luncheon, which will adhere closely to traditional Thanksgiving repasts, will be served by a professional caterer from Washington. We are all expecting the occasion to be surpassingly successful.

At present Trinity is in the throes of an inter-class basket-ball series. The schedule, which provides for twelve games, is about half finished. The seniors appear to have the call, with the juniors a close second. The attendance has been remarka bly gratifying, over one hundred dollars already having been cleared. Alpha-Alpha is represented in the series by Bros. Lee and Warlick.

Since our last letter, Bro. Lawrence McCullen has withdrawn from school. "Pee Wee" vainly imagines that there lies dormant in his diminutive frame the makings of a soldier. Accordingly, he has hied himself to a military preparatory school in Washington, hoping soon to be able to brave the rigours of the U. S. Military Academy at West Point. All who have known him feel sure he will make good.

There has been no cessation of our rushing activities, our pledges now numbering five. It is probable that this number will be even further added to, some time in the near future. Our annual initiation will be held February 1st. On this date,

following our usual custom, we will give an initiation banquet in honor of our new brothers.

Trinity's basket-ball squad is practising daily, and when the call to action comes, the Blue and White will be represented by the best team in her history.

G. Andrew Warlick.

## ALPHA DELTA

GEORGIA SCHOOL OF TECHNOLOGY.

Initiates: Charles Stinson Watts, Camden, Arkansas; James Charlton Craig, Macon, Ga.; John Blair Maclin, Tallahassee, Fla.; Lawrence D. Oliver, Groesbeck, Texas; Rollin Moutford Rolfe, Ft. Worth, Texas.

Tech is happy. We have had one of the greatest foot-ball seasons in the history of the school, and the best part of it is that Tech has won over some of her old rivals who have carried off the honors in the past.

Alpha Delta was favored with a visit of a few days from Bro. Coyle, of Upsilon, last month as well as a visit from the entire chapter at the Auburn-Tech game.

At the Tech-Georgia game we had the pleasure of having the members of Alpha Nu chapter with us.

Bro. "Baby" Blount, Jr., of Pavo, Ga., who did not return this session was a welcomed inmate of Alpha Delta's chapter house during the two or three days of suspense that accompanied the Tech-Georgia gridiron battles at Ponce de Leon Park.

Bro. Ross Drake has been elected vice-president of the freshman class, and Bro. C. S. Crofoot has the honor of being junior class poet.

With best regards to Pi. K. A.

S. A. GROGAN.

## ALPHA EPSILON

NORTH CAROLINA A. AND M. COLLEGE.

Alpha Epsilon takes great pleasure in introducing to the fraternity at large Bro. Peyton Hogue Parks of West Raleigh, N C., whom we feel sure will prove a worthy and valuable addition to our chapter roll.

Every member is now showing great interest in the chapter, which indicates a very successful year to us. Since our last writing we have had ample time to look over the new men in college. Everyone agrees that there is more frat material here this year than any previous year. This is indeed very encouraging. When initiation comes off in February, we feel sure that this chapter will have its full share of new men.

Foot-ball happens to be the absorbing topic of discussion here just now. Thus far we have been very successful, having lost only two games during the season. Great enthusiasm is now being shown about the annual Thanksgiving game with V. P. I. in Norfolk, Va. This is one game that the entire student body has been looking forward to throughout the whole season. Two specials will be run for the occasion and nearly every man on the "hill" we go.

Bro. Jack Beall, of Charlotte, N. C., was in town several days ago making preparations for the annual conclave, which is to be held here in April. Although several months off, Bro. Beall thinks it wise to make an early start and get things lined up in plenty of time. Bro. J. Frazier will assist him in making preparations for the conclave. With these men at the head we feel sure it will prove a great success.

During the past two months a number of men from Alpha Alpha, Tau, Beta and Omicon Chapters have visited us. Alpha Epsilon says: "do it again." We are always glad to see you.

R. W. HOWELL.

## ALPHA ZETA

#### ARKANSAS UNIVERSITY.

The past two months have been such busy ones that Alpha-Zeta's correspondent can hardly realize that time has come for another letter. In fact if he had not happened to be searching through The Shield and Diamond for information with which to defeat arguments of competition in winning new men he might have forgotten about the duty until after the 22nd,

and then there would have been a five spot to cough up and worse still the knowledge that a duty had not been performed.

Since sending the last letter Alpha-Zeta has initiated Bro. Jo Joiner, of Magnolia, Arkansas. Bro. Joiner is a senior in the A.B. work but he is one of those strong men who is able to adapt himself to surrounding conditions within a short time and already we are taking Bro. Joiner's advice on the more important questions that arise.

Naturally at this time of the year foot ball is the leading topic of interest. Arkansas has had what she regards as a very disasterous season. She lost the Southwestern championship to Texas University and on top of that lost another game to the Kansas Agricultural College, by the score of 3 to 0. It is a very unusual thing for Arkansas to lose more than one game during the season. As a result of this losing streak former defenders of the "Razorback's" goal are pouring into town and are making their appearance on the foot ball field every evening. This week the students, accompanied by the university band, will appear on the side lines cheering the team in its practice. Everything possible will be done to get the team in the old time form. Brother Dan Estes is Captain of the team this year and no one feels the sting of defeat more than he. Our greatest drawback has been the lack of a quarterback. Coach Bezdek has been compelled to use four men at this position and those who know how important a strong field general is to a team can realize the extent to which Arkansas has been handicapped.

Thanksgiving, Arkansas will close her season at Little Rock with the annual Arkansas-Louisiana game. At that time the alumni of Alpha-Zeta will hold the first annual Pi Kappa Alpha reunion. The cries for help that have been going out from the active chapter at Arkansas have fallen on listening ears and it seems now that we are about to realize a long cherished dream—that of getting the alumni over the state back to work for the interests of Alpha-Zeta.

LEROY HIGHFILL.

## ALPHA ETA

#### UNIVERSITY OF FLORIDA.

The letter from the chapter appearing in the October number was written before the university had opened. The old men returning were Lewis R. Morgan, of Arcadia, Fla., Charles Harold W. Read, of White Sulphur Springs, West Virginia, L. E. Tenney, of Federal Point, Fla., and C. L. Crow, of Gainesville, Fla. The initiates so far have been: Thomas B. Dean, of Gainesville, Fla., Walter S. Lang, of Gainesville, Fla., Elmo L. Riley, of Jacksonville, Fla., John C. Evans, of Gainesville, Fla. From Gamma chapter we have one transfer: William F. Nottingham.

The university opened with a large attendance. Student interest has centered around foot ball, in which we have been extensively successful—not having up to the time of writing lost a game. We are represented on the team by Tenney. The second team has not won a game, although Read has done his best to score. At a recent meeting of his class Tenny was elected president.

Socially II K A has been prominent. On November 8th an extremely pleasant social was given in the Chapter rooms. The other Fraternities were represented by some of their joll-liest members and our men were at their best.

On November 16th a hop was given at the Elk's Home, which was easily the most enjoyable student affair up to the present time. The Chapter is developing the Fraternity spirit to a higher degree than ever before.

C. L. Crow.

## ALPHA IOTA

MILLSAPS COLLEGE.

John Fleet Burrows, Prentiss, Miss. Charles Weems Crisler, Jackson, Miss. John Brogan Holyfield, Rose Hill, Miss. John Redding Matthews Ard, Hazlehurst, Miss. Walter Waddell James, Montrose, Miss. John Vettell, Jackson, Miss.

On Wednesday, the 22d of November, the college chapel was the scene of a very impressive service. Many notable laymen and several church divines came to do honor to the memory of one who has been closely connected with and intensely interested in the affairs of Millsaps since her foundation. The occasion was the presentation of the portrait of the late Bishop Charles B. Galloway.

Things have been quiet on the "hill" for some time with the exception of a class football game now and then. The college is barred from inter-collegiate athletics, but we had a very near approach to it on November 18. The alumni in the city challenged us for a game; we accepted and outplayed them in every stage—our goal never being in danger. The game aroused a good deal of enthusiasm and healthy rivalry. Alpha Iota was represented on the team by Kirkland at end and Lewis at halfback.

P. K. A. is represented on both the college publications; will very likely have a man on the basketball team; at least one in baseball—but that is some time away; and in all the college organizations our men will be found acquitting themselves ably. Seven of the present chapter are members of the law department. This is quite an unusual thing to have so many outside of the Academic school. Probably an explanation for this would be that three old men returned for improvement along the legal line. We expect to have a reception before the Christmas holidays.

We are hoping not to be disappointed in the next Shield and Diamond of seeing where several new chapters have been installed. Give us some news!

T. W. LEWIS, JR.

## ALPHA KAPPA

MISSOURI SCHOOL OF MINES.

In this letter to the Shield and Diamond, Alpha Kappa is pleased to announce to the Fraternity the initiation of the fol-

lowing new brothers: Roy N. McBride, of Salesville, O.; Albert L. Trent, Johnstown, Pa.; Roy W. Griffin, Cleveland, O., and Clinton D. Smith, Austin, Minn.

They are all true and loyal P. K. As., and require no further introduction. We have one more pledge whom we will initiate some time this week.

We have not been so successful in football this year as we were last, but this is due to no fault of the men themselves or the school at large. Just after practice had started and was progressing nicely, our coach, Mr. Denny, was taken ill with a severe case of typhoid fever. He has just been able to leave the hospital a couple of weeks ago.

On the 24th of October the fortieth anniversary of the school was celebrated. In the morning the school heard talks from a great many of the alumni and men in the mining profession. In the afternoon the cornerstone of Parker Hall was laid. Parker Hall is to be our new library and assembly hall. After this event a football game with Central College. In the evening a dance and reception was given to our visiting guests. When the day was finally over we were all proud of the fact that we were members of the Missouri School of Mines.

At the time of the Missouri U. Mines football game, Brother Halsey and the writer took advantage of the opportunity to visit our brothers of Alpha Nu chapter. We were most royally entertained and were certainly very glad that we had made the trip. We only hope that at some time some of their chapter will give us a chance to return a few of the favors that we received from them on this occasion.

Alpha Kappa has already given two dances this year, both of which we considered to have been very successful. In order to keep our "hand in" we are going to give another on the 24th of November. We find this to be a most excellent way to spend our spare change and long evenings during the winter

Our first term finals "do not come" until after the holidays, and so we are all planning on coming back from our vacation prepared to pass all of them with M's. May none of us be disappointed!

Alpha Kappa, in closing, wishes every chapter and man of IT K A a most merry Christmas and happy new year.

FREDRICK G. Moses.

## ALPHA LAMBDA

GEORGETOWN COLLEGE.

Initiate: Lee Andrew Simms, of Harrodsburg, Ky.

Since the faculty is still unfavorable towards the frat house question, we are now considering plans to extend our rooms in the Lancaster Hotel.

Isaac C. Smith at fullback, and Robert Howard at right half-back, have been working all season on the varsity and have earned the right to wear the orange "G." Our team though it has lost out in the Kentucky championship race, has nevertheless made a much better showing than the last year's squad.

William Glass, who has been sick for some time, is out again and will very probably work at end in Huntington, W. Va., Thanksgiving when we play Marshall College. Lyon Switzer is the star end of the second string. He secured the winning touchdown in their game against Millersburg Military Institute a few weeks ago.

Harold J. Howard, of '10, who is now residing in Mt. Vernon, Ill., came down to coach the team and witness the games against I. U. and Kentucky State. Brother Howard was for three years an all-Kentucky man.

Robert Howard, as assistant football manager, arranged quite a successful schedule for the second team this past season.

Isaac C. Smith was today elected president of the strong freshman class.

Alpha Lambda is as usual, prominent in musical circles, and this year just as last, three of our men hold positions on the college quartet. Two of our soloists are to render selections on the Ciceronian literary society program Saturday night, and three solos are to be given by our members in the first recital December, '11.

The tryout for basketball will begin soon. Glass, Switzer, Sims and Smith hope to make the squad.

J. ROBERT HOWARD.

## ALPHA MU

## UNIVERSITY OF GEORGIA.

Alpha Mu has at last had her fondest hope realized. We have gone into our chapter house. This was the culmination of the efforts of all the brothers who worked diligently to this end.

All of our brothers are working hard for the advancement of Alpha Mu, as well as the progress of Pi Kappa Alpha as a whole, and we are endeavoring to bring it to its right position at the head.

We can see nothing but bright prospects this year, for we have started with unlimited success and will continue to keep it up.

We are overjoyed to hear that Brother Mitchell, who was with us last year will most likely be amongst us again after Christmas. With only three old men at the beginning of the year, we have now increased our number to fourteen good men.

The roll call is as follows: Brothers Calloway, Johnson, Hunter, Liddell, Vaughan, A. L. De LaPerriere, H. C. De LaPerriere, Holder, Thaxton, Pirkle, Shaw, Covington, Rey and Akerman.

With best wishes to all Pi's.

HARRY J. VAUGHAN.

## ALPHA NU.

## University of Missouri.

Since our last chapter letter was written we have initiated Mr. Ross Slaughter, of Kansas City, Mo., a Sophomore in the College of Arts and Sciences. Our attention was first called to Mr. Slaughter by Brother F. G. Moses, of the Alpha Kappa chapter, who knew him at Kansas, and we take this method of thanking Brother Moses for his interest.

We have also pledged Homer Price, a freshman from Sturgeon, Mo., who, of course, cannot be initiated until next year.

We now have eighteen men in our house, which fills it, and in addition we have our pledges boarding with us.

All of our affairs, business and social, are in good shape now and we expect a most successful year.

Brother Le Mire, who "made his letter" in football last year is again doing good work on the team, having played every game this season except the first at which time he was injured and unable to play.

Brothers Gadding and Savage have worked faithfully on the "scrubs," and we firmly believe they will be "M" men next year.

Brother L. Bermond, captain of the track team, made a visit to the University of Kansas last week, where he was intered in a five-mile cross-country. While there he was entertained at the home of a local fraternity who petition Pi Kappa Alpha for a charter last year and who intend to petition again this year.

Bermond brought back a good report of these fellows and we of Alpha Nu are hoping they get their charter for we are in need of neighbors in this vicinity.

Speaking of new chapters—one of your alumni was a professor in a Western University last year has interested a good local bunch at that place in Pi Kappa Alpha and no doubt they will be heard from soon.

At present we are making a special effort to raise the standard of scholarship in our chapter as is being done in all the fraternities here. Comparative grades are published at the end of each semester and this has resulted in considerable rivalry among the frats for first place.

A. R. WATERS.

#### ALPHA OMICRON.

#### SOUTHWESTERN UNIVERSITY.

Lewis Neilson Stuckey, Kaufman, Texas, is the newest initiate of Alpha Omicron. He is a Sophomore Academic and the chapter is indeed fortunate in securing a man of his worth and standing in the University. The serious illness of Brother Elliot Jones has thrown a shadow over the activities of the Fraternity here, but we are glad to say that he is rapidly recovering.

Brother S. A. Grogan decided that Texas was not large enough for him this year and transferred to Georgia Tech. We miss him very much, but are glad he is not a homeless Greek.

Southwestern started her football season with defeats at the hands of the heavy teams of A. and M. and Texas State. She secured some revenge by walloping Texas Christian University and holding Arkansas to a scareless tie. Brother Estes, of the last named team, played superb football and proved himself a true sport in many ways.

He seemed to get along nicely with the fair maids of the Lone Star State at the reception tendered the team that night. If Alpha Zeta has many men of his caliber the chapter must be a good one. Recently the team had the pleasure of putting it on Louisiana State by a good score. Brother Mosely is manager of the Tigers, and is a jolly good fellow.

Mickle and Waggoner report royal treatment at the hands of Brothers Garrow, Belmont, Beard, Carson, Jacobs and the other Pi's in the ciy of Houston during the recent trip of the team. Alpha Omicron was glad to hear of the appointment of Brother Harris Garrow, of Houston, as district chief.

Recently we had the pleasure of having with us Adrian L. Voight, '11, who is teaching in San Antonio. He came up with his squad to play our scrubs and a good game was the result.

A man does not fully appreciate his fraternity till he goes out

in the world and encounters fellow members, or comes back on a visit to the old chapter house on the campus. We had the pleasure of seeing C. M. Singleton, '11, not long since. He intends to be back with us next year.

C. M. MONTGOMERY.

#### ALPHA PI

#### HOWARD COLLEGE.

The December issue of The Shield and Diamond finds our Chapter in a very flourishing condition. Though several of our old men failed to return, yet their places have been filled by new initiates, who are "worthy of the steel."

Those who did not return for work here this year are: W. L. Porter, who finished in last year's class and is now principle of the High School at Tuskegee, Ala.; W. M. Pitts, a post-graduate, now teaching at Pushmattaha, Ala.; H. L. McEachern, who is now studying pharmacy in Atlanta; J. S. Cook, who affiliated with Upsilon this year; Joe Embry, a graduate, and Claude Griffin, who are reading law at the University of Alabama, and Clyde Letcher, who is in business in Montgomery, Ala.

Those who returned are: E. F. Day, Selma, Ala.; J. A. Deaver, Oneonta, Ala.; M. A. Hoffman, Clayton, Ala.; W. D. South, Warrior, Ala.; J. O. Williams, Clanton, Ala.

Those who have received initiation at our hands this year are: T. A. Foster, Eames, Ala.; A. E. Moon, Hillsboro, Texas; R. Robinson, Thorsby, Ala.; J. R. Robertson, Bessemer, Ala.; I. F. Simmons, Monroeville, Ala.; J. R. Stodghill, Birmingham, Ala.; W. W. Jordan, James, Ala.

Brother W. R. Harris has affiliated from Alpha Iota.

Brothers Robinson and Stodghill are doing excellent work on the football eleven. We have several others from whom you may expect to hear before the basketball season is over, also tennis and baseball.

During the month of October our hall was the scene of a most pleasant reception and we are preparing to give another before Christmas holidays. Our Sisters—God bless them—chaperoned by our Sunday school teacher, Mrs. Watlington, gave us "sweet" surprise on the evening of October 6th, when they rushed into our assembly in the hall, each bearing a box of candy of their own make.

The dread of the six weeks' test, which comes before Thanksgiving, is somewhat counter-balanced by the anticipations of the Thanksgiving turkey.

J. F. SIMMONS.

# WANTED

Twenty-five or thirty poetry artists to submit Songs for the Pi Kappa Alpha Song Book. Songs on fraternity subjects only desired. A handsome prize will be given to the Pi submitting the greatest number of accepted songs. Submit samples at once to

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#### ALPHA

R. M. Bird, collegiate professor of chemistry at the University of Virginia, has just put his late book on the market, "The Modern Science Reader."

E. M. Shink has entered the insurance business.

Brother E. L. Bemiss and his wife have announced that their second daughter, Miss Frances, will be one of the debutantes of Richmond, Va., this season.

John L. Kable, who graduated last year in medicine, is now in the Red Cross Hospital in New York city.

James R. Sheppard is practicing law in Richmond.

The following from the Lynchburg (Va.) News of October 31, 1911, about Henry St. George Tucker, Alpha, will be of interest to the Fraternity:

#### HAS NOT DECIDED.

It is not known whether Rev. H. St. George Tucker, D. D., president of St. John's College at Tokio, Japan, and bishop-elect of the diocese of Kioto, Japan, will accept the bishopric to which he was elevated last Friday in New York by the Episcopal House of Bishops.

He is quoted in Richmond as saying that it all depends on whether it will be possible for him to perform Episcopal duties and at the same time see that the St. John's College work is carried on, as he has planned it.

As the diocese of Kioto does not include Tokio, this fact may cause him to decline the honor. However, he is hopeful that he will be able to straighten out matters sufficiently for him to assume the bishopric duties.

Dr. Tucker went down to Richmond Sunday morning from Lynchburg, where he has been visiting his father the Rt. Rev. Beverly D. Tucker, bishop coadjutor of Southern Virginia, and formerly rector of St. Paul's church, Norfolk. He leaves today for Boston, where he is scheduled to deliver several addresses in the interest of his work in Japan. He will return to that country in January.

The bishop-elect of Kioto is a graduate of the University of Virginia, and is the eldest of nine brothers. The Rev. Beverly D. Tucker, Jr., is rector of the Episcopal chapel at the University of Virginia. Dr. Augustus W. Tucker, another brother, is doing medical missionary work in China.

It is stated that his election to the bishopric of Japan means that for the first time in the history of the Episcopal church in America,

a father and son have been bishops at the same time.

#### BETA.

D. W. and R. D. Dodge, '09, are in the second year class at the Union Theological Seminary, Richmond, Va.

#### GAMMA

Rev. R. R. Claibourne is now at 201 Park Place, Montgomery, Ala.

Hon. Wm. P. Kent, ex-candidate for governor of Virginia, is now a foreign minister to Shanghai, China.

W. S. C. Walker, Gamma, and who is judge of the Twenty-second Judicial Circuit, at Kennett, Mo., writes the general office under date of November 28th, as follows:

I enclose money order for \$2.00. Please send me The Shield and Diamond. I became a member of the fraternity at William and Mary College 1877; then was a member of Alpha chapter, while at the University of Virginia, 1879-80. I confess that my present interest in the fraternity arises from the fact that my daughter is now at Hardin College, Mexico, Mo., and that her interest in the sororities in the school has caused me to begin thinking of my college days.

I received a copy of THE SHIELD AND DIAMOND from Alpha chapter and I want to subscribe.

# PAYNE-PARSONS.

Rockingham, Oct. 18.—Beautiful in its simplicity was the marriage of Mr. Beverly Payne to Miss Cornelle Parsons.

The church was tastefully decorated in green and white, with yellow chrysanthemums.

Promptly at 8 o'clock Miss Nancy Pegues in her charming voice, sang "Because," immediately after which the attend-

ants entered to the strains of Mendelssohn's wedding march, beautifully rendered by Mr. John L. Armstead. First came the ushers, Messrs. P. T. Payne and George M. Payne, of Norfolk, Va., brothers of the groom; T. C. Leak, Jr., and H. C. Parsons, who took their positions, two on either side of the altar. Next came Misses Rosa and Jennie Parsons, sisters of the bride, dressed in white lingerie and carrying boquets of yellow chrysanthemums. Last came the bride, handsomely gowned in a beautiful creation of Princess falle.

#### IOTA

Graham Gilmer, '09, and Frank Broun, '09, have entered the Union Theological Seminary.

A. St. Clair is studying surgery at Columbia this year.

T. A. Painter, '10, is teaching in Cluster Springs Academy. Jack A. Raper will spend the winter at Highbridge, N. J.

The alumni of Iota as well as the fraternity at large will sympathize deeply with our Grand Secretary, P. Tulane Atkinson, in the loss of his father who died at Champe, Va., November 2nd.

Rev. F. F. Jones, '96, Iota, for many years the greatly beloved pastor of the Brunswich church, has tendered his resignation and goes to Tarboro, N. C., to become assistant to Rev. J. C. Ballon, '94 Iota, the pastor at the above named town.

D. Alexander Holler, '08, is now in the third year of his medical course at Columbia University, New York city, and is giving a good account of himself. He finished last year among the "upper ten" in a class of ninety-five men.

Rev. J. Gray McAllister, D. D., '94, has been elected professor of the English Bible in Louisville Presbyterian Theological Seminary, succeeding Rev. E. H. Marquess, D. D.

Dr. McAllister was at one time engaged in business at Richmond, Va. He is a graduate of Union Theological Seminary, and was for a time an assistant professor in that institution, after which he served several years as President of Hampden-Sidney College.

For the past two sessions Dr. McAllister has been lecturing at Louisville Seminary in the absence of Dr. Marquess, who has been away on account of his health. At a recent meeting of the trustees of the institution, his resignation was presented and Dr. McAllister was elected permanent professor.

#### KAPPA.

Harry McDonald has returned to Lexington from California.

Wade Whitley, of Paris; Milfred Berry, of Carlisle; Miller Burnaugh, of Paris, and Hardin Field, Jr., of Versilles, all Kentuckians, were over to witness the Transylvania-State game.

Charles West, of Reno, O., was our guest during the Lexington tests.

John Field, the district inspector favors us with a visit oc-

#### Pr.

F. L. Uysar, B. A.'11, is at the University of Virginia taking medicine this session.

J. H. Tabb L. L. B., '11, is practicing law in Gloucester, Va. R. C. Bouman, B. A. '11, is in the brokerage business in Roanoke.

Jack Ryan, '11, is studying law at Yale this year.

# ALPHA KAPPA.

We quote from an interesting letter recently received at the general office from T. S. Dunn, Lethbridge, Alberta, Canada:

I am up here as Mining engineer for the Chinook Coal Company of Lethbridge, Alberta, and am located at the mines near Diamond City, about eight miles north of Lethbridge.

I have only been here a month so cannot say much as to the country so far. It gave me a decidedly warm, or rather, I

should say, cold reception, as the thermometer said 35 below zero yesterday, and it doesn't seem any warmer today.

I was very glad to see how enthusiastic all the chapters seem in the letters in the October Shield and Diamond, and hope this will prove a banner year for P. K. A.

Can you tell me if there are any other Pi's located in this part of the country?

#### ALPHA MU

The following from the Athens Banner, anent Alpha Mu's new home, was reproduced in the Macon Telegraph:

This fraternity has just moved into new quarters. These young men have rented the two-story house on the corner of Hancock avenue and Hull street, which has recently been renovated and is now one of the most comfortable and desirable club houses in the city.

The chapter has about fifteen members enrolled who have furnished their home most comfortably. The bedrooms are models of comfort and convenience, having stained floors, rugs and iron beds. Artistic curtains and shades with all the furnishings are new and fresh. The living or club room is in mission. These progressive young men will in a few days have completed one of the most desirable club houses in the state. They represent a body of splendid young men and start out with unusual prospects for a most prosperous year. While an old and strong fraternity in many colleges, it is comparatively new in the University of Georgia, but bids fair to grow in strength as well as numbers.—Athens Banner.

#### ALPHA

T. H. Willcox, Jr., '09, is engaged in the practice of law in Norfolk, Va., as junior member of the firm of Willcox, Cooke & Willcox, with offices in the Citizens' National Bank Building.

Duncan Curry, '08, is practicing law in Staunton, Va.

John Garland Jefferson, Jr., '08, is practicing law at Amelia, Virginia.

#### BETA

R. C. Sadler, '08, is attending the Medical College at Charlotte, N. C.

L. R. Scott, '08, is teaching school at Durham, N. C.

J. W. Todd, Jr., is in the banking business at Laurens, S. C. The following alumni are attending the Union Theological Seminary at Richmond, Va.: Robert King, H. F. Morton, R. D. Dodge, D. W. Dodge and O. E. Bucholtz.

#### GAMMA

Blake Tyler Newton, '10, is principal of the Hamilton High School, Cartersville, Va., and we hear great things of the success with which he is meeting there.

E. F. Shewmake, Jr., is principal of the High School at Staunton, Va., this being his second year in that position.

Fred M. Parrish, '05, is practicing law in Salem, N. C. Among the graduates of the Medical College of Virginia for June, 1911, was Brother George Geddy Hankins, '08.

#### THETA

W. G. Miller, '10, is attending Lane Theological Seminary, at Cincinnati, Ohio.

R. L. Walkup, '07, has for some time had charge of the Presbyterian church at Brookhaven, Miss. He is also a member of the board of directors of Bellhaven College, at Jackson, Miss., and is the business manager of the Mississippi Visitor.

#### OMICRON.

- G. H. Gresham is in business in his old home town, Tappa-hannock, Va.
- R. W. Taylor is with the Planters' National Bank, of Richmond, Va.
  - J. R. Sheppard, Jr., is practicing law in Richmond, Va.
- R. Holman Willis, '04, is a member of the law firm of Hairston, Hairston & Willis, with offices in the Terry Building, Roanoke, Va.

#### PI

Robert W. Arnold, '08, is engaged in the practice of law at Waverly, Va. He is a member of the governor's staff, and is also examiner of records for the Third Judicial Circuit.

LeRoy Hodges, '09, who has charge of the Department of Immigration for the Southern Commercial Congress, has recently moved his headquarters to Petersburg, Va.

#### UPSILON

J. P. Hughes, '11, is with the Dupont Powder Company at Newark, N. J.

F. Ordway, '11, is doing Y. M. C. A. work at the University of Texas.

S. E. Davis, '11, has accepted a position with the Western Architecture Company, of Birmingham, Ala.

#### Psi

Julian Ellison, '11, holds an important position with a mining company at Edwardsburg, Iowa.

A. S. Johnson is studying medicine at the Atlanta College of Physicians and Surgeons.

J. E. Creel is Professor of Agriculture at the Eleventh District Agricultural School, Douglas, Ga.

R. N. Steed, '04, is practicing law at Spring Place, Georgia, with a marked degree of success.

## ALPHA ALPHA

G. S. Lee is at present in business at Monroe, N. C. He expects to return to Trinity next year to complete his course.

Sam Gantt, at one time a stellar moundsman for Trinity, is in business at Coolomee, N. C.

A. W. Horton, '08, is teaching in the Wofford Fitting School, Spartanburg, S. C. He has recently received his license to practice law and expects to become an active member

of the Spartanburg bar at the close of the present school session.

G. D. (Bunny) Gantt is located at San Benito, Texas, and is reported to be doing well.

### ALPHA EPSILON

On Wednesday, October 25th, the marriage of Miss Hazel Miot Olds to Mr. William Anders Buys took place at St. James' Church, Belhaven, N. C. Brother Buys was graduated from A. and M. College in 1906, and is now in business with the Interstate Cooperage Company, of Belhaven, N. C.

- D. H. Hill, Jr., '09, now of Charlotte, N. C., is Associate Editor of The Textile World.
- W. G. Ferguson, '08. is with the General Electric Company. Schenectady, N. Y.

### ALPHA IOTA

- S. E. Williamson,'11, is teaching in South Mississippi.
- A. T. Kelly, '10, is in the lumber business at Laurel, Miss.
- C. H. Kirkland is practicing law at Laurel, Miss.
- T. S. Williamson is teaching in Canton, China.

## ALPHA DELTA

R. H. Williams, of Macon, Ga., has an important position in the offices of the Southern Bell Telephone Company in Atlanta.

J. A. Blount, Jr., is at his home in Waynesboro.

Willis Westmoreland is in the insurance business in Atlanta, Ga.

John G. Gilliam is in business with the Cotton States Belting and Supply Company, of Atlanta.

J. L. Skinner, Jr., is superintending a plantation at Eliza beth, Miss.

## ALPHA LAMBDA

K. Howard Smith, '01, is in the insurance business in Owenton, Ky.

Owen M. Moreland is managing a blue grass farm seven miles from Georgetown, Ky.

Hubert Bunyea, '08, is pastor of the Randle Heights Baptist church, Washington, D. C.

Claude Williams has charge of the Department of English in Louisiana College, Pineville, La.

#### ALPHA MU

R. E. Holloway, "The Father of Alpha-Mu," who was graduated from the Department of Law here in 1907, is practicing his profession in Columbia, Mo.

A. A. Jones, '10, is teaching in the department of Agricultural Chemistry in the University of Oklahoma.

"Dick" Durrett, who, while in college made quite a reputation as a vocalist, is now in New York doing some special work in preparation for entrance into grand opera.

#### ALPHA XI

A. E. McNeely, '11, is principal of the high school at Arcanum, Ohio, and is doing good work there.

A. B. Robertson is pastor of the First Christian Church at Carthage, Ohio.

C. F. Jahnke, '10, is in Beloit, Wis., with the engineering department of the Fairbanks-Morse Co.

Fritz D. Lotter is teaching in the Winston Place School, Cincinnati, and besides doing good work in his chosen field is reported to be a great help to Alpha Xi chapter in many ways.

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#### FRAT ITEMS.

 $\Phi$  B K has lately made several finds important to its own history: (1) That there was a society at William and Mary before  $\Theta$  B K bearing the initials, supposedly of a Latin phrase, P. D. A., which, however, if it had any literary requirements for entrance did not mention them. (2) A portrait of John Heath, the founder and first president of  $\Phi$  B K brought to light through one of his descendants in Virginia. (3) The grave of Elisha Parmalee, under whose direction the chapters at Yale and Harvard were organized. This grave is said to be on the Red Bank farm in Shenandoah County, Va.

In this connection it may be mentioned that  $\Theta$  B K has within the past year established an annual scholarship at William and Mary College for the benefit of descendants of Phi Beta Kappas from William and Mary.

A strange state of affairs at the University of Mississippi is reported, according to the Phi Delta Theta *Scroll*, by Mr. Jas. Anderson Hawes, general secretary of  $\Delta$  K E. He writes:

"It may seem a little strange to some that, whether or not  $\Theta$  K E continues its chapter at the University of Mississippi, depends upon whether Vardaman is elected U. S. senator next

fall, or whether the conservative element in the Democratic party wins, and either of the two leading candidates are elected by the legislature, but such appears to be the fact......

"A certain man a few years ago, failed to make any fraternity, and he pledged himself to oppose the fraternities at Mississippi for the rest of his life. He ran for the legislature from the town of Oxford, where the university is situated, and, for reason appreciated by college men, was able to arouse an opinion hostile to these student organizations, which enabled him to succeed and carry on his warfare in the legislature, and as a leader of the radical wing of the party.

"Besides the charge against the fraternities that they are undemocratic, there was one to the effect that they prevented other students from taking part in student activities. Because of this the fraternities have withdrawn from all activities in college life, and the university at this time presents the most extraordinary situation—where all the leading students are practically on a strike. No social affairs have been given by them for a year, greatly to the annoyance of the local tradespeople, who are beginning therefore, to change their views on this matter; the tongue of the orators are silenced, and the musical organizations have practically disbanded; the baseball nine, and other athletic interests, of the college have the greatest difficulty to maintain the semblance of life, and practically the entire student machinery of the university has stopped.

"The fraternities, however, have been wise enough not to carry this strike as far as their college studies, and the result is that all fraternity men are able now to devote their entire time to study, and therefore are maintaining a high standing of scholarship."

One of the K  $\Sigma$  Rhodes scholars writes from Oxford that it seems out of the question to establish, as K  $\Sigma$  once proposed fraternity chapters at Oxford. His impression is that "the spirit which inspires Greek letter fraternity does not exist at Oxford" and he mentions English reticence in social advances,

general aloofness and contentment with a very small circle of acquaintances as barring the easy going fellowship which makes possible American fraternities.

Ex at Michigan, proposes to solve the assimilation problem by two distinct groups of men, one the Michigan chapter only, the other the representatives from other chapters. Does this solve it?

That  $\Theta$  N E is abolished by its mother chapter (Wesleyan, 1870), supplanted at Washington and Lee and abolished at Alabama seems to show the growing disapproval of that order which would be the logical outcome of the modern fraternity spirit.

The  $\Pi$  B  $\Phi$  sorority sets a good example of public service in its two hospital rooms maintained by alumnae clubs, one at the Galesburg, Ill., hospital and the other at the Burlington, Iowa, hospital.—A  $\Upsilon$  Quarterly.

The Yale chapter of  $\Delta$  K E has a talk at its weekly meetings every Tuesday night by some member of the faculty. This would appear to be an excellent idea for keeping in friendly touch with the authorities, not to mention the good results to accrue from instructive association with the older heads.—K  $\Delta$  Journal.

Central University, like the University of Virginia, offers free lots to fraternities desiring to build thereon, and also offers to lend part of the money for the houses. Under this plan several chapter houses have been erected at Virginia but none yet at Central.— $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  Scroll.

It is refreshing in this decorous day and generation to see a frat fracas in progress between  $K \Sigma$  and  $\Delta \Upsilon$ . It seems that the latter fraternity has cordially invited  $K \Sigma$  to substantiate its oft made claims to have been founded in Bologna in the an-

cient days of 1403, and thereby to dispel  $\Delta$  T's respectful doubt that the youths of the University of Virginia in 1869 discovered this antique charter from Bologna and "revised" the hoary order of K  $\Sigma$ —which invitation of course  $\Delta$  T had a right to extend. But K  $\Sigma$  sent in regrets with remarks about an Ananias club lately formed in the brand new capital of a modern domain and thus totally declined to produce the missing links between 1869 and 1403—as of course K  $\Sigma$  has the right to decline.

But the question is how is  $\Delta \Upsilon$  to get rid of its cold and misty doubt so long as  $K \Sigma$  hangs on to its sacred golden links? Echo answers, how? And the trouble is in several spheres that those who know of missing links do not produce them, and that those who harbor doubts cannot dispel them.

A genuine fraternal hand is extended to Delta Tau Deltas at large by its New York club as seen in the following advertisement in Rainbow:

"Aim. Realizing that many younger brothers from the fifty-five universities and colleges where Delta Tau Delta has active chapters, come to New York each year in search of jobs, the New York Club has appointed a committee to co-operate with and assist any Delt coming to New York in one of the most important events of his life—namely, that of securing his first position. This committee will maintain a complete bureau of information, where a card index will be found, giving a list of all available positions, whether with brother Delts or with business corporations, professional men or others not members of the fraternity. A like list and complete data in regard to applications for employment will be kept for the convenience of prospective employers. There will be no charge made to either employer or employee. We are doing this for the good of Delta Tau Delta and her younger sons.

Employer. An important part of this work will be for all the older brothers who are likely to require the services of recent college graduates, or who are in a position to know of openings, to communicate with the committee advising them of the nature of the employment in regard to which they are most likely to have information of value in placing younger brothers. Send in this information at once, whether the positions are in New York City or elsewhere.

Employee. Any members who desire to secure positions in New York City should fill out the blank below and send it to the committee at once. Until this work is made more national in scope, applications for positions in other localities and in foreign countries may also be sent in.

Delta Tau Delta.

EMPLOYMENT COMMITTEE, 6 W. 36th St., New York.

#### BETA'S MEMBERSHIP.

The total membership of the fraternity down to the close of the college year, 1910-1911 is 17,649, of which 661 were admitted during the college year, and 1,787 were in active attendance at the different colleges where we had chapters. The number of names which appeared in the catalogue of 1905 was 14,341, and the number of names which are credited to the chapters since that time is 3,930, making a total of 18,271, from which must be deducted 622 names which appear more than once. Additions to the roll since 1905 have been: 1905-6, 612; 1906-7, 580; 1907-8, 677; 1908-9, 729; 1909-10, 671; 1910-11, 661.—Beta Theta Pi.

The following newly elected governors are fraternity men: Woodrow Wilson, New Jersey, Phi Kappa Psi; Herbert S. Hadley, Missouri, Phi Kappa Psi; John A. Dix, New York, Theta Delta Chi; Lee Cruce, Oklahoma, Beta Theta Pi; Simeon E. Baldwin, Connecticut, Alpha Sigma Phi.— $\Delta$  K E Quarterly.

So many are the large gifts announced at every commencement time that one important, if not unique, memorial fund, mentioned in the list yesterday, is somewhat in danger of being overlooked. It is the gift of the Delta Kappa Epsilon fraternity of \$5,000, the income of which is to be awarded at the end of

each year to the member of the academic freshman class who shall have shown himself to possess most conspicuously the traits that characterized James J. Hogan, '05, the famous football captain, whose death occurred recently. These traits are defined as uprightness, high standing in the college world and high character.— $\Delta$  K E Quarterly.

### WHAT THE POWERS THAT BE ARE SAYING.

The recent bringing to trial of the fraternity system has caused much interviewing of college authorities upon the subject of fraternities. President Schurman issues a statement that at Cornell, while fraternity men constitute but 29 per cent of the total number of male undergraduates, they furnish 45 per cent of those dropped for unsatisfactory work after the first term.

Provost Edgar F. Smith of the University of Pennsylvania, says to an interviewer of the *Philadelphia Bulletin*:

"The inference attributed to President Schurman, of Cornell, that college fraternities have a baneful influence upon the scholarship standing of their members, would be, I think, difficult, if not impossible to prove. My experience has led rather to the opposite conclusion. Whatever evils may be connected with college fraternities, I do not believe that this is one of them. Dr. Schurman complains that fraternities furnished a proportion of failures larger than the proportion to the total enrollment, but in the same breath admits that fifteen of them have an unimpeachable record. Doesn't it seem to you that this rather takes the edge off the argument?"

And a good word comes from President A. H. Wilde, of the University of Arizona, who declared at a banquet at Prescott that he favors fraternities as they are a developing factor in American college and university life. He spoke of the high code of ethics which the better fraternities inspire in their members.

Unexpectedly, too, the venerable scholar and diplomat, Andrew D. White, "creator of Cornell University," expresses him-

self as seeing in the fraternity system the solution of a standing college problem. Kappa Sigma Caduceus reports him in an extract from the New York World as saying:

"While we educators have been trying to hit upon the ideal plan of housing college students, the college students themselves have solved the problem. There is no doubt in my mind that the fraternity house or the community house, if you wish to call it that, solves the problem. Twenty or thirty fellows can live together in a fraternity house far better than in a college dormitory, for the reason that they have a common interest in the house. They are less inclined to destroy property that is their own, and they are more inclined to be gentlemen in their own home than in college quarters. The manner in which the members of the several fraternities visit back and forth shows that the danger from cliques is comparatively unimportant. To my mind the fraternity house is the solution of the whole problem."

Moreover the Alpha Chi Rho Garnet and White prints an

Moreover the Alpha Chi Rho Garnet and White prints an interview with President Thwing of Western Reserve in which he says:

"The influence of fraternities on college life is, I believe, wholesome. A fraternity represents simply a close association of college men. Men of like character, conditions, purpose, methods, will always associate together. A fraternity whether having Greek letters, or Hebrew, or any cabalistic characters, does not possess any magical influence. College men are the cleanest and best sort of fellows in the world. Their influence, therefore, on each other should be, and is, for the best. Of course, weak men, or bad men, in any organization will extend an influence corresponding to their character. But on the whole there can be no doubt that college men organized into fraternities do have a good influence over each other. The intimacy of the relationship, its constancy, its variety, are elements that make for its goodness. The helpfulness, too, of the graduate members of the fraternity over the undergraduates is a further element of the benefit. The helpfulness too, which men of the same fraternity after graduation give to each other is a very important element. A fraternity brother in college is a fraternity brother in all times and all places.

"I do not think that fraternities, as such, have in this university any special influence for or against scholarship, but there is one special element which deserves mention. If we find that a man is falling down in his work, we at once state the fact to certain members of his fraternity. This statement is received as a warning of peril. Almost invariably the men take hold of the recreant member and make him work hard A fraternity greatly dislikes to have any one of its members fall under any college penalty."

After all, the contention about fraternities seems to center around the matter of "rushing." To quote from a pertinent article in Kappa Sigma Caduceus "It is the undesirable men who give the black-eye to fraternities and who have brought down upon them the wrath of college presidents and state legislatures." The same writer thinks the chief source of undesirable men is the hasty judgment of them when they arrive upon the campus, the stupid principle that whoever is rushed by one fraternity at first is desirable for all and whoever does not happen to be rushed by any fraternity at first is desirable for none, the pledging of men before they come to college, or because they are "recommended" before they come, the blind passing over good men simply because they are not "recommended;" in fact the evasion in one way or another of a real judgment of men upon their own merits. To quote directly the same writer says:

"I know personally of several eligible men who have not made a fraternity because they came to school unheralded, were not rushed at first for that reason, and have not been rushed since because they were not rushed at first. But if some fraternity were to extend them hospitality now—there would be an insane rush for them. I also have seen fraternity men who would no more have made a fraternity on their own merits than a chicken would write shorthand. But they were recommended."

At the same time this inane hypocritical, exaggerated and hasty "rushing" of men who are utter strangers to college life subverts their judgment, disturbs their work and itself causes them to fail.

Hence the first usual recommendation from the colleges which, recognizing a power for good in fraternities, have undertaken so to regulate them as to minimize their evils, is with reference to "rushing" and pledging men.

Rushing is a cross between proposing to a girl and abducting a coyote. Rushing a man for a frat is trying to make him believe that to belong to it is joy and inspiration, and to belong to any other means misery and an early tomb; that all the best men in college either belong to your frat or couldn't get in; that you are the best fellow on earth, and that you're crazy to have him, and that he is a coming senator; that you can't live without him; that the other gang can't appreciate him; that you never ask men twice; that you don't care much for him anyway, and that you are just as likely as not to withdraw the spike any minute if you should happen to get tired of the cut of his trousers; that your crowd can make him class president and the other crowd can make him fine mausoleums; that you love him like real brothers and that he has already bound himself in honor to pledge-and that if he doesn't he will regret it all his life; and, besides, you will punch his head if he doesn't put on the colors. That's rushing for you.—The Key of Kappa Kappa Gamma.

### PLEDGING RULES AT PENNSYLVANIA.

A new code regulating the pledging of men has been signed by the fraternities of the University of Pennsylvania. It consists of the following seven rules:

No chapter will entertain a sub-freshman candidate for membership before noon of the Thursday previous to the opening of the university in the fall.

No invitation to join a chapter will be extended to a candidate until noon of the first Monday in December.

No acceptance from any such candidate will be received until

noon of the second Monday in December. The acceptance must be made in writing.

Until the second Monday in December a candidate will at no time be allowed to remain in any chapter house over night.

Hereafter, no chapter, or committee of a chapter, will entertain any man, neither will they cause him to be entertained, on their behalf or in their interest in any place except upon the campus of the university, and at the quarters of the fraternities.

No withdrawal from this agreement will be made by any chapter except upon three months' written notice to the signatories hereto.

Upon the written request of any three chapters the signatories hereto agree to send delegates to a meeting of all chapters to confer upon any question that may arise in connection with this agreement, and that the number of delegates be limited to two from each chapter.

American College Fraternity publishes the following table of the states of the various fraternities in the year noted. From this is seems that there is no such thing as decline or failure in the life of fraternities:

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#### COLLEGE TALK

The now notorious article of Mr. R. T. Crane, a wealthy Chicago manufacturer, published in the August number of *The Value World* has of course received its quota of notice and refutation. Mr. Crane's conclusion that "Apparently a young man cannot get any standing in college unless he is a degenerate is based on "investigation," by a man employed for the purpose of student life at Harvard University. The investigator estimates that on the basis of one hundred students the following tabulation is true:

Whether or not this estimate is true, Harvard men do know that it is not wholly untrue, that more of it is true than need be, and that much should be done by authorities and students at Harvard to prevent what makes possible such a report at all. And what is needed at Harvard is needed at many other institutions of learning. For the time has come when great universities that persist in admitting mere boys to an undergraduate department where they are nurtured as "lusty young pagans" should cease being entirely irresponsible for their moral character. All this, too, with the full recognition that Mr. Crane's

conclusions are too hastily made general to be considered seriously.

The number of times this article has been reprinted in fraternity publications shows that the question of morals is taken seriously by the modern collegian:

### THE OLDER BROTHER.

THE TRIP TO THE BAD, AND WHO PAYS FOR THE TICKET.

Few boys would go wrong in college if the costliness of the experience were better understood. There is no journey on the list of Thomas Cook & Sons so expensive as the trip to the bad.

Beelzebub's Personally Conducted Tours to Hell have been exposed by press and pulpit, for ages, yet they go right on attracting a tremendous patronage of fools by understating the cost.

"Come for a good time," the circulars tell you. "All you need is a little money." They neglect to mention the obligations to be incurred en route, which you will never be able to pay in this life, and which every person whom you love will be called upon to help you pay before the damnable debts are cancelled.

"It is nobody's business but my own," a young fellow says, when he hits the down-grade and restraining hands are held out to help him back. "I am paying for this and I am not asking anybody else. When the evil consequences arrive I'll pay for my fun like a good sport when the time comes. I'm no welcher."

That is all very fine, but such a youngster does not know that part of his punishment will consist in seeing his family and friends surrender their happiness as a part payment for his "good time." No man ever pays the whole bill alone.

Suppose:

A young man, blessed with talent and training and possibilities for usefulness in the world, went to the red light district and wallowed in moral filth to his heart's content. At the end of the debauch the devil presented his statement.

"It is more than I can possibly pay," said the young man.

"But I must be paid," said the devil. "You will have to get somebody to help you."

"There's my father and mother."

"I'll take what they give, but they haven't enough."

"Then let my sisters contribute."

"That will help some, but there will still be a large amount due."

"Let the girl I am going to marry pay part."

"Very well," said the devil, "but your parents and sisters and best girl are too poor to pay the debt in full. You don't seem to realize the magnitude of this transaction."

"I suppose I shall have children some day. They can pay something on account, can't they?"

"Yes, they will have to assume their share of the burden, and their children after them, never fear. But I must have more."

"I have many friends; they believe in me."

"They will pay, too. There are also thousands of people who might have been happier if you had not sold your talent to me. All these will have to help pay for your fun."

"All right, send them the bill," said the young man.

Sophomore Jones declares that this is an impossible supposition, and he is right. No man on earth would ask his loved ones and his friends to pay for his rottenness.

Yet they do pay, in every case. The father and mother pay with broken hearts. The sisters pay with grief and shame and shattered pride. The best girl pays with a life of devotion wasted on a sin-scourged wretch. The children, robbed of their right to be physically and morally clean-born, pay with warped souls and stunted bodies, with pain and suffering and degeneracy. The friends pay; if you ever had a fraternity brother go wrong, you know how the friends pay. And the needy world, that might have been made better by one clean man's work in it, pays also. Suppose Edison or Mark Twain or Docto Eliot, before they knew how great their genius was, had wrecked their lives, don't you see how heavily the world would have had to pay?

Not saying anything about what the man himself has to pay,

I want only to ask you, at the beginning of the college year, to look at a fact that escapes the notice of many boys:

If a man travels the road to the devil, every one he loves will have to help pay for the ticket.

If you have never read "David Copperfield," get a copy this winter and see what befell poor Steerforth. There are Steerforths in every college generation. God pity them—and their friends!—The Caduceus, through Shield, Theta Delta Chi.—The Mask of Kappi Psi.—Reprint in Phi Chi Quarterly.

The enormous endowment of learning in the United States is one of the marks of the century. That the states are not leaving all the endowing to be done by multi-millionaires is shown by Minnesota's half mill tax which yields its university annually a half million dollars and will yield more as the state's wealth increases. Besides this the Minnesota state lands set aside for its university are now valued at \$40,000,000.

On the other hand the forty-seventh general assembly of Illinois which closed its session recently appropriated for the University of Illinois for the coming biennum \$3,519,300. This is said to be the largest appropriation ever made by a state legislature to an institution of learning.

That agriculture will become more and more an important department in the college, certainly of the university curriculum is the opinion of former President Andrew D. White of Cornell. The agricultural college of that institution is said to be his pet and today its enrollment is larger than any department of the university. Says the New York World as noted by K S Caduceus:

"In fact, the former president of Cornell believes the making of scientific farmers will be the greatest work of the universities of the future. That the great institutions of learning in America will turn out college bred farmers rather than lawyers, doctors and other professional men is an entirely new idea, but Mr. White declares that time to be not far distant.

"In England when a man makes money he seeks a home in

the country; in America he seeks the city," continued Mr. White. "Fortunately we are beginning to adopt the British idea, and the back-to-the-farm movement is one of the most significant movements in America today. Quicker transportation, better roads and improved housing conditions make life in the country far more enjoyable than it used to be."

And in that connection it may be well to report also from Caduceus that Harvey J. Sconce from the University of Illinois, "an enthusiastic Kappa Sigma," has a farm of 1,500 acres and "is devoting all his energies to scientific corn raising and is recognized as one of the corn authorities of the country." One of his most interesting experiments has been a new variety of corn popularly called "cobless." Mr. Sconce says "I have developed an ear as long as fourteen inches with twentyrows of kernels and a cob so small that its weight is only three per cent of that of the entire ear. Each kernel is enclosed in a husk of its own and Prof. Mumford of the University of Illinois recommends it very highly as a variety adapted for feeding purposes on account of the small amount of cob, and because of the roughage along with the grain."

Dartmouth has made an investigation to see whether a college education pays. From the class of 1900, 76 have sent in confidential reports which yield the following facts:

Of the 76, one is earning \$708, one \$12,000 a year. Eight are working for \$1,200, five for \$1,500, nine for \$1,800, six for \$2,000, two for \$2,400, four for \$2,500, six for \$3,000, four for \$3,500 and twelve earning between \$4,000 and \$7,500 a year. The average for the 76 is \$2,620.

Fortunately, however, these facts may be taken, they do not prove that college training pays nor do they prove the reverse.

It sounds like the millenium to the June-soaked freshman when he hears that final exams are abolished at Nebraska. "Don't all at once" go to Nebraska, however, for the insiduous "hour test" unheralded may pierce his vitals from ambush

at any time; and there is provided "a system of grading which shows more accurately the actual knowledge of the student rather than his ability to jam facts into his head in preparation for a single ordeal of questions."

#### AMHERST'S REVISED A. B. COURSE.

The president and trustees of Amherst College, in response to the "memorial of the class of 1885" asking that the college adopt a modified classical course, abolish the degree of bachelor of science, raise professors' salaries, limit the number of students, etc., announce that, after three years, the degree of bachelor of science will be abolished, and that only the degree of bachelor of arts will be given; but the science required for this degree will be doubled, two years instead of one. Four years of Latin will be required of all on entrance, and in college two years of ancient languages. A reading knowledge at sight of German and a Romance tongue will be required before graduation, save where Greek is taken and then only one of them. A third of the course is required and two-thirds will be elective; but on the group system.

Teaching rather than research will be sought. To encourage the study of Greek, the college proposes to have in residence each year, for part of a semester, a Greek scholar of the first rank, who will deliver a course of lectures and will, in addition, carry on a special work in teaching. The first incumbent under this plan will be Gilbert Murray, Regius professor of Greek in the University of Oxford, who will visit the college next spring.

It is deemed desirable to maintain the number of students at about 500, and recitation classes will be small; in five courses out of six, under thirty. Outside activities in college—dramatics, music, literary publications, intercollegiate debates and oratorical contests—are held of great cultural value, and will be regulated so as to interest every student in them, and prevent any from overdoing, with rigorous requirements for scholarship. The minimum for graduation has been raised from 65 to 70. In athletics, the entire college is to be drawn in, instead

of a few, and 300 out of 500 students are already on competitive teams.

In 10 years \$400,000 has been raised to advance professors' salaries and \$400,000 more is now to be added to the endowment for the purpose of adding to these salaries, through gifts announced on commencement day.—Phi Delta Theta Scroll.

An Oxonian in jotting down his surprise at the lack of snobbishness in Kansas University gives these instances, as recorded in *Beta Theta Pi*:

"The arriving crowd had lengthened out to a quick-stepping procession up the hill to the town.

Now, if an embryo Oxonian should so far forget himself as to not only walk from the station to his college but to carry some of his baggage as well, probably he never would live it down. Not so at Lawrence. The few commercial travelers who alighted there took the half dozen buses or cabs at the station; the students walked, suitcases in hand.

"A final incident, as I was leaving the "hill," sent me away with a fine, healthy taste in my mouth. Two young men, if anything, rather better dressed than the average, met and shook hands in an almost dandified manner. One of them was even so self-conscious as to adjust his tie and shake down his cuffs. Here, I thought, are the real college "men," the kind who will drawl and be blase and talk about the bore of having to leave the summer resorts before the season was over, don't you know, and miss the grouse shooting without even the compensation of a real club, by Jove.

"I passed near enough to hear them. They were discussing the crops. One was from Northwestern Kansas, the other from the Southwest. They had been working "on the farm" all summer and were comparing notes.

"So I never did find the K. U. snob."

Beta Theta Pi gives this reprint of a vital catechism written by President William DeWitt Hyde of Bowdoin:

The Student: "How large is the college? Is it large enough

to have all types of minds represented? Is it small enough to let the individuals count?"

The College: "How big a man are you? Would you command a place of leadership and responsibility in a group of two hundred, and be a mere unnoticed and neglible unit in a mass of a thousand or more?"

The Student: "Are your professors mainly great scholars with international reputations who lecture to large audiences? Or are they mainly young and enthusiastic teachers meeting small groups intimately by the preceptorial method?"

The College: Are your intellectual tastes and interests already developed so that impersonal contact with a great man at a distance will kindle your zeal into a steady flame? Or are you merely a big boy who wants, or for whom parents want, something or other that is called an education?"

The Student: "Are your students rich and cultivated; drawn from the best social circles? Or are they all poor boys working their way? Or do rich and poor meet together on terms of equality and intimacy?"

The College: "Are you a snob who needs to learn how much stronger and braver and better some poor fellows are than the best your select circle can show? Or have you had limited advantages and need to learn how wealthy and cultivated fellows meet and overcome temptations you never dreamed of, and are qualified for positions you could never fill unless you learn by association with them what they have to teach?"

The Student: "Is the tone of student life in its modes of recreation, in its attitude toward work, clean and sound and earnest? Or is it low and vulgar and flippant?"

The College: "Are you able to pick and choose and create a wholesome, moral environment for yourself? Or are you weak enough to be made or unmade by the environment into which you happen to fall?"

The Student: "How much money in endowment for teaching, salaries of professors, investment in plant, per student, have you to offer? On how large an investment shall I draw my share of interest in return for the tuition I pay?

The College: "How much intellectual earnestness do you bring with you to indicate that you are worth spending our resources upon?"

The Student: "Who are your graduates? and what sort of places are the men getting whom you are graduating now?"

The College: "What kind of a man are we capable of making of you, if we give four years of our best efforts to the task?"

The Student: "Is your student life organized into small intimate groups, where the older influence the younger; the younger look up to the older, and all help each other to be a happy and helpful social life? And how large a proportion of the student body can secure the best such fraternity life has to offer?"

The College: "What sort of a fellow are you? And have you enough geniality and social training to make you a desirable member of such a group?"

The Phi Chi (Medical) Quarterly in speaking of "opportunties for post graduate (medical) work in America" says:

"The day has passed when a few brief weeks or months "abroad," as it is fondly called, elevates a physician to the class of immortals or wise men. We have learned in latter days that these foreign junkets often consist in "following the man from Cook's" or hasty tour from clinic to clinic with only a faint conception of the demonstration or lecture. I do not mean to belittle foreign study, but a few years ago the expression "studied abroad" was equivalent to the words "Made in Germany" on so many commercial articles. Were the truth known, many of the studies consisted in deciphering legends on steins or unfolding the mysteries of a railroad schedule. We have overlooked a domestic product. Truly, "a prophet is without honor in his own land." It may be said that we now realize the value of the American post-graduate course.

"For the man of limited time and even more limited means, the post-graduate courses that are open to him are numerous and well organized. It is possible to get knowledge in tablet form. A perusal of the catalogue or report of such hospitals and colleges will convince any one that they are in competent hands. The most representative men of our profession have lended aid to these institutions and they have succeeded because they have filled a want and have, in common parlance, "delivered the goods."

"Let me cite a few examples of what may be offered in the way of post-graduate work at Harvard. During June, July, August and September ninety-eight courses are given, divided among the following branches: Anatomy, Comparative Anatomy, Physiology, Neuropathology, Biology, Chemistry, Bacteriology, Pathology, Comparative Pathology, Legal Medicine, Preventive Medicine and Hygiene, Pharmacology and Therapeutics, Internal Medicine, Pediatrics, Roentgen Ray, Survey, Orthopedics, Obstetrics, Gynecology, Dermatology, Syphilology, Neurology, Opthalmology, Otology and Laryngology.

According to the recent catalogue, the University of Virginia is a national Institution. Only a little more than half the students are from Virginia, the rest of the South provides less than one-fifth, and the remainder of the students are from the North and West, with one per cent. from other countries.—  $\Delta K = Quarterly$ .

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