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## Contributions

INITIATION ODE.

*Tune: America.*

Pi Kappa Alpha! lo,  
Thou art our brother, to  
Grasp, heart and hand!  
Brother in love to be,  
Partner of mystery,  
Comrade in sympathy,  
Bound in our band.

Brother, we welcome thee  
To our fraternity,  
Thy heart's desire.  
Take thou of us the best,  
Stir thou our hearts with zest,  
Stand thou the fiercest test  
Of friendship's fire!

As we have chosen thee,  
May'st thou such brother be  
As we should choose.  
Steadfast in failure's hour,  
Staunch in the tempter's power,  
True till thy final flower  
Drinks heaven's dew.

When the great Master Pi  
Gathers his friends on high  
At close of day;  
Through midst of mortal gloom,  
To Pleached bowers bloom,  
Where hills of triumph loom,  
Show thou the way!

—THORNWELL JACOBS, Mu, '94.

## THE FUTURE OF THE AMERICAN COLLEGE FRATERNITY, JUDGED BY ITS PROGRESS IN THE PAST.

If there is any one phase of college life that is distinctly American, I think attention might be called to the Greek Letter fraternity system which is now so well known and so familiar to our American college men. In this respect we seem to have something which is entirely unknown to our English cousins, and which bears only a slight resemblance to the "corps" of the proverbially jovial German student. Neither do we find any corresponding student activity among the students in the large universities of France and Russia.

Although each initiate of a general college fraternity is supposed to be familiar with the history of his own fraternity as well as the general history of its contemporaries, it might be well to trace, in as few words as possible, the origin of the fraternity system in the United States.

It is generally agreed, although one fraternity has urged claims to an earlier foundation, that the Greek Letter fraternity saw its birth at William and Mary College at Williamsburg, Virginia, in 1776. Thus to Phi Beta Kappa, which since has assumed the role of a purely honorary society, belongs the distinction of being the first in the field. Within the first few years chapters were established at Yale and Harvard, but no further chapters were installed until the year 1824 when a chapter was established at Union College. To the founding of this chapter may be attributed the rapid increase in fraternities within the next few years. The establishment of this chapter was followed by the founding at Union College of Kappa Alpha (North) in 1825, Sigma Phi in 1827, and Delta Phi in the same year. Then at intervals of only a few years and at various schools in all parts of our land we find the establishment of other fraternities in the order and date named: Alpha Delta Phi, 1832; Psi Upsilon, 1833; Delta Upsilon, 1834; Beta Theta Pi, 1839; Chi Psi, 1841; Delta Kappa Epsilon, 1844; Alpha Sigma Phi, 1845;



Delta Psi, 1847; Zeta Psi, 1847; Theta Delta Chi, 1848; Phi Gamma Delta, 1848; Phi Delta Theta, 1848; Phi Kappa Sigma, 1850; Phi Kappa Psi, 1852; Chi Phi, 1854; Sigma Chi, 1855; Sigma Alpha Epsilon, 1856; Theta Chi, 1856; Delta Tau Delta, 1859; Theta Xi, 1864; Alpha Tau Omega, 1865; Kappa Alpha (South), 1865; Pi Kappa Alpha, 1868; Sigma Nu, 1869; Kappa Sigma, 1869; Phi Sigma Kappa, 1873; Alpha Chi Rho, 1895; Sigma Pi, 1897; Sigma Phi Epsilon, 1901; Delta Sigma Phi, 1901; Omega Pi Alpha, 1901, and Sigma Kappa Alpha, 1909.

From the meager figures which I have at hand the following table has been compiled, which will show at a glance the rapid growth of the fraternity system both in number of chapters and in number of members. The figures below are the combined figures for all of the national fraternities.

YEAR	ACTIVE CHAPTERS	MEMBERSHIP
1883	505	67,941
1890	638	92,079
1900	830#	145,000#
1910	1,082	224,498

# Estimated.

The increasing strength and wonderful growth of the fraternity system has not been spontaneous of course; but is the direct result of carefully laid plans and lots of hard work on the part of the members themselves; then, too, the passing years have seen a radical change in the method of government. We have passed entirely beyond the age of government by and the domination of the "parent" chapter; and the present day finds each of the national fraternities, in so far as I have been able to learn, with a well defined system of representative government working under a comprehensive constitution. As is always the case in our American system of government, we find the executive, legislative, and judicial departments distinct and well defined, the executive department represented by a national or supreme council; the legislative,



by the delegates of the various chapters in convention assembled; and the judiciary, by a Grand Chancellor or Supreme Advocate. Through these departments the relations of the various chapters are regulated and intercourse with other national fraternities is conducted. To the splendid system of government adopted by most of the fraternities, then, we may attribute a great part of the success of the American College fraternity.

In the early years of fraternity history, many chapters were established at the smaller denominational schools and colleges of our land; but of late years it seems to be the tendency of many of the fraternities to establish new chapters at only the larger universities. In a recent number of "Beta Theta Pi," the editor discourages such a course. "We believe that the attention of the fraternity has of late been too much concentrated upon the state universities as locations for chapters to the neglect of institutions less prominent but offering a proper field for development." Perhaps "Beta Theta Pi" is right, for the experience of our own order has shown that a chapter in one of the smaller colleges produced the man who stood by the guns and steered the helm when Pi Kappa Alpha was in troubled waters. It might be well to mention, too, that five or six of the national fraternities have seen fit to establish chapters in the larger Canadian universities. This might presage only the beginning of inter-national expansion; but inherent differences in the American college student and his fellows in England and Continental Europe seem to negative this idea. As a consequence it is very probable that the college fraternity system will never pass beyond the borders of the North American continent.

Having traced briefly the rise of the college fraternity and in a few short paragraphs indicated the present condition of our organizations, we may now speculate upon the future. What does the future hold in store for the college fraternities? Ask one hundred men this question and you would probably get one hundred and one different answers. To me it seems that we have a wide field still untouched and a noble

duty to perform. More particularly our field for expansion lies in the West and Central Western states. Here we have many large and growing schools receiving financial aid direct from the state. In addition, there are a large number of private colleges and universities in this same territory. These schools are increasing at a rapid rate both in enrollment and in equipment; but at present many of them are not represented by a single fraternity chapter. This situation is due in some measure to the opposition to fraternities by the faculty and governing boards of such institutions.

To overcome this prejudice, to place the fraternity system in its true light stripped of all its outward show and foolishness is the noble task appointed for every loyal fraternity man residing in such a community. This we must show in our every-day life among our fellowmen by our words and by our deeds. For unless the college fraternity has made us better students while in college and ultimately better citizens, then I can see no real justification for its past existence and future continuance. That the fraternities help to mould character in the right direction and that they continue to hold the interest of their members when they get out into the hurry and bustle of business life there can be no doubt, as evidenced by a sentence quoted from a letter written by our own brother, Hon. Oscar W. Underwood, to the writer of this article: "The ties of a man's college are those that are always closest to him, and the memories of my old college fraternity are full of recollections of the many good fellows who have since taken honorable positions in the world."

Granting then, that the fraternity system does mould character in the right direction—that it does hold the interest of its members even after they have been out in the business world for many years—who can doubt the real benefit conferred and the ultimate survival of the fraternities? With such cooperation on the part of all fraternity members, we may expect the fraternity system in the next decade to surpass even its brilliant record of the past and to cement as it



were the college youth all over our land into a sympathetic and glorious brotherhood.

In conclusion, my brothers, I have not attempted to express in detail in this short article all of my views on this subject. I have endeavored only to give you a short glimpse into the past and a brief summation of present conditions in order that we might be prepared to speculate upon the future, and, if needs be, to "put our shoulder to the wheel" and make that glorious future come true. If your views are quite different from mine, I should be glad to see them expressed in future numbers of this magazine; but on one proposition I am sure that we are agreed, "That the American College Fraternity will stand the test of time, because it performs a service really worth while, a service of inestimable value to its members and through them to the world at large."

HENRY N. EVERSOLE, *Alpha-Nu.*

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### "WHY ARE FRATERNITIES?"

As there has been some discussion as to the good or evil of fraternities in our colleges, it is only necessary to glance at the purpose and the results accomplished by fraternities in order to prove the error of such an opinion. It is really not necessary to write anything in defense of such organizations which speak for themselves. Occasionally, however, we see some bigoted fantic who fancies he "knows it all" and reveals something that he has conjured up in his fertile imagination about fraternities being a detriment and a menace to education and that they impede the advancement and welfare of the college. This, on the face of it, is false and absurd.

These organizations of brotherly love do not, as is erroneously supposed, bind their members into a clan which holds itself aloof from others, but they arouse and stimulate an ambition in their members to work for their fraternity and their college.

The older members set examples for the younger ones and keep them under their supervision. Thus we see that this



is a great advantage which fraternity men have over the "non-frats." Especially is this true in chapter houses where the students are naturally more closely banded than otherwise.

There used to exist much antagonism and hard feelings between the "frats" and the "nons" but this thing is gradually dying away and will soon be a thing of the past. The men have come to understand each other and to realize that:

"Patience wins more victories than violence. Justice counseling with humanity will solve most human problems if men will listen to their advice."

The most important duty and one in which rare judgment should be exercised, is in the choosing of good men, for on them depends the success of the fraternity. Before extending a bid it should be known that the man in question is a good man. He should be one of strong character and one that could be pointed to with pride as a brother.

A student makes no mistake when he joins a fraternity and he should realize that he has adopted the proper course, for fraternities are, and will continue to be the "backbone" of our best colleges.

D. W. JOHNSTON.

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### A VISIT TO AN ACTIVE CHAPTER.

On last Saturday afternoon I was an interested spectator at the football game between the 'Varsity eleven and the team of a rival college in an adjoining state. The University won by the way. On meeting the captain of the team, a fraternity brother of mine, after the game, he insisted that I should stay over and attend the regular weekly chapter meeting that night. He impressed me as being heartily enthusiastic about his chapter; his welcome was warm; and I walked with him to the chapter house.

The home of the chapter was a comfortable, well arranged house of several rooms. All the fellows were out on the porch busily engaged in talking about the game and the beautiful, but skillfully planned, forward pass that had broken the tie.

I noticed that about half of the bunch were men wearing badges of other fraternities. This observation impressed me. Whenever a chapter has made its home, or meeting place, a home for all Greek Letter men, it has grasped one of the real fundamental meanings of the word, "Brotherhood." It has long since escaped the ever narrowing confines of internal selfishness that eventually destroy a narrow-minded chapter.

The letters of the fraternity appeared in gold on the door. At every turn I was impressed with the neatness of the place. My Lady Nicotine had many devotees in the house, but receptacles placed in convenient locations were used and held the ashes of the many pipes and the cigar stumps of the sons the tobacco trust claimed as its own. In the library I found the current issues of several of the popular monthlies and some half dozen of the publications of other fraternities. I learned that the chapter exchanged fraternity magazines with the other chapters on the campus and endeavored to keep actively in touch with the doings of other fraternities. Helpful suggestions on chapter administrations were often secured in this manner, and methods tried by others were given a test with eyes ever open for improvement.

After supper, served at Widow Jones' house near by, we lounged around the library, which was used as the meeting room. Promptly at eight o'clock the door was locked, and I was attending the meeting of an active chapter. And such a business meeting it was, too! I was given a seat at the table near the presiding officer. The roll was called and very man was present. The secretary proudly handed me his book, which showed an almost perfect record of attendance for every man. Even the absences noted were marked "excused." The chair called for reports from the various offices and committees appointed the week before. These reports were given with a promptness and a clearness that could come only from the business being properly attended to by the men to whom it was assigned. There was none of the "Continued-in-our-next" or "Will-report-next-time" business that, I remembered



regretfully, had nearly always characterized reports in the chapter that I had visited frequently during a certain period.

From the treasurer's report I learned that the chapter house was a rented one. The chapter was working for a chapter house all its own and was banking a small amount each month, a surplus over the running expenses of the chapter and temporary chapter house. The itemized statement showed all dues paid to date, and three checks from alumni that were to be added to the fund mentioned above. The checks were small, but indicated interested alumni. And I began to ask myself "why shouldn't they be interested in this chapter?"

Business was brought up and discussed with so much interest that it was a pleasure to listen. The supreme officer knew his business. As all college men should do, he had prepared himself to serve as chairman. It was his business, certainly to do so before taking the chair and as a result he ruled easily and capably. In having a man of this type the chapter was fortunate indeed, or so wide awake were the members that all seemed to want the floor at the same time. In the other chapter mentioned only some of the old men had taken part in the discussion while the others had always silently waited for the "motion for adjournment," and had barely aroused themselves at voting periods. But here things were different. Here all, under classmen included, had opinions and were eager for a chance to express them. Every man addressed the chair when recognized and side talk, among the "brothers assembled" around the room, did not exist. The chair would not have tolerated it. During the hottest discussions the beautiful spirit of fellowship existed. Some matters were discussed for several minutes, but each argument brought forward but helped to bring the members closer together and to give the chapter a longer lease on active life.

But I will not go further into the details of the meeting. At ten-thirty it adjourned. Rugs were rolled, the chairs and tables were moved to the hall, mandolins were brought from up-stairs, and a stag dance started.

To my mind this chapter is one of which we might well be



proud. It is an *active* chapter while many of our so-called active chapters are, to say the least, merely sleeping chapters. Others are on their last legs, fraternally, financially, and every other way, and colleges, or the fraternity itself, realizing the state of affairs in such chapters, will sooner or later wipe them out of existence.

But is the visit, chronicled above, the visit to a model chapter? If so, how does your chapter compare with it?

M. T. ROBERTSON, *Alpha Delta and Upsilon*.

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### OUTLINE OF FRATERNITY HISTORY.

The Phi Beta Kappa which might be called the forerunner of our modern Greek Letter Fraternities was founded in William and Mary College in 1776. It was at first composed of five members, John Heath, Richard Booker, Thomas Smith, Armistead Smith and John Jones. The meetings of the society were held and conducted in a manner very similar to those of our modern fraternities. It was formed mainly for social purposes although now and then a little literary work was introduced. Charters were granted to many of the smaller colleges of Virginia, but these together with the chapter at William and Mary College were dissolved during the course of the Revolution. In the years 1780 and 1782 chapters were founded at Yale and Harvard respectively. An effort to keep up a literary communication failed and in 1830 the secret features of the order were abandoned. In the year 1821, the Chi Delta Theta was founded in imitation of the Phi Beta Kappa and was literary in its work. The two may be considered simply as forerunners of the fraternity as we see it today.

The first fraternity in the modern sense of the word was the Kappa Alpha Society, founded at Union College in 1825. It was, in a way, a copy of the Phi Beta Kappa but there existed between its members a much stronger tie and feeling of personal friendship.

It was during the years between 1830 and 1870 that many of the leading fraternities were founded. Needless to say, they

met with much opposition from the faculty and older school organizations. It was during this period that Hitchcock, a college president of the day, wrote a letter to the presidents of several of the Northern universities regarding their opinion of the fraternity movement. From some he received no reply, but from those who did answer he received no favorable ones. The chief objection was that they created envious and jealous factions among the students. It was, then, against great odds that the fraternities had to start their existence. Many of the colleges attempted not only to limit but to entirely stamp out the fraternity system. In 1851 the University of Michigan tried to suppress them by expelling their members from the institution. This, however, led to much opposition from the Masonic order and other secret societies and led to the overthrow of the non-fraternity administration. In 1855 Princeton absolutely forbade fraternities within the college. Today it is the only large institution in the country which has no fraternities. Shortly after Princeton, Harvard declared against them and many of the smaller colleges followed their examples. Those which favored the movement were Pennsylvania, Columbia, Cornell and Yale.

In 1874 a book was published entitled, "College Secret Societies; Their Customs, Character and Efforts for Their Suppression." The book treats of the evils of fraternity life, enlarging on the bad points and suppressing the good ones. It relates incidents which, it is true, speak badly for the fraternity world, but which are not the general rules but the exceptions. Its reports are not even reliable and exact, but nevertheless it did much to arouse anti-fraternity feelings. Other works were also published on the subject and the harm which they did the fraternities was considerable.

However, everyone was not against it. Books were also written which favored the movement. One of the best of these, written by W. R. Baird, is called "American College Fraternities." A quotation from it will give an idea of its character. In speaking of the financial side he says: "We can say from personal experience and after careful inquiry that



the fraternity expenses in any one chapter rarely exceed twenty dollars per annum in a city college with a comparatively small society, while any increase in the size of the chapter reduces the expense proportionately. In country colleges when living is cheaper, the total expenses will rarely amount to half that sum. In return for this outlay the members receive lasting benefits in the way of business and social training. They have the help of the upper classmen and the use of a costly library, perhaps, and usually the privilege of a chapter house." Thus some favored the fraternity but many more were against it. In spite of this the societies continued to grow in strength and power as well as members. An incident which occurred at Purdue University in 1881 will serve to show the growing strength of the fraternities at that time. The faculty of the institution was opposed to the movement. As a result the freshmen on entering were obliged to sign an anti-fraternity contract. The guardian of a certain student who was refused admission on that account, carried the matter to the supreme court of the state, which decided in the student's favor. The old president resigned and a new man who favored fraternities was put in his place.

With such incidents as these the records of the fraternities are filled. But in spite of this opposition they have triumphed, and steadily grown, until they have reached that high degree of perfection in which we find them today.

JAMES P. ANDREW.

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### RUSHING NEW MEN.

The question—the eternal question, which presents itself to the minds of each individual of each chapter is just what policy is the best in rushing new men. This question is a broad one as well as vital. It is a question upon which books could be written with very little difficulty. But after careful consideration it seems to me that the whole situation can be summed up in a word—concentration.

Well, what is meant by concentration? All men are, after



all, of the same type; the best of us are but human; and what class of men are more human than a class of freshmen? Every man likes more or less attention. And the more attention a man is paid by you, the better that man will like you. It was through the concentration of her affections that the unscrupulous Delilah brought about the downfall of Samson and its subsequent disasters. It was through the concentration of their forces that the majority of the decisive battles of the world were won. And so on down the rock path of time to the present day, the dawn of the twentieth century, it is through concentration that the mammoth industries of the present are so eminently successful.

And so it is in the active chapter. No freshman who was sought for by other fraternities was ever gotten over the opposing chapters through the sole efforts of any one man; nor will one ever be. The man who is usually worth "going after" is generally "rushed" by more than one chapter, especially is this the case where there are some several chapters on the campus. To pledge your man you must concentrate on him; that is every man of the chapter must show him that he is wanted. As one brother once expressed it, "two heads are better than a ram's horn, any time."

The prevalent trouble in most chapters is that there are always one or more dead-heads in each chapter who are more of a menace than a force for good in the chapter. To get your man over all opposition he must be thoroughly convinced that each member of the chapter is equally anxious to have him become a brother. When this point of concentration has been reached you may feel assured of your man. Concentration moves and controls the world.

W. M. COLMER, *Alpha Iota*.

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## THE FRATERNITY QUESTION AT ARKANSAS.

Like many other states Arkansas has for the past five years placed a ban upon college fraternities, discriminating against them in favor of the non-fraternity students. This hostile leg-

isolation was brought about through disappointed non-fraternity men who, realizing that they would probably never receive a bid, and jealous because of the power of the fraternities in college life at Arkansas, opened one of the fiercest factional fights that has been witnessed in any university. During the two or three years of fiercest conflict many were the clashes of the two factions, not only in conducting university student organizations but physical encounters were numerous. At that time the legislature of Arkansas had very few college men in it, and of course they were easily influenced by the many untruthful stories of immorality and the control of power by the fraternities. They could not see that the fraternities represented only about one hundred and twenty-five out of one thousand students, yet they believed that this one hundred and twenty-five were able to run the whole of the student affairs. The result was that the fraternities were placed under deplorable restrictions, taking from them many of the opportunities of the institution. Since that time the record of Arkansas in literary activities has been very poor until this year when the two factions have begun to see the folly of the actions of their former leaders and have joined hands in student activities.

So far has this friendly spirit between the fraternity and non-fraternity elements been developed that at the present session of the legislature the non-fraternity students, over eight hundred strong, have petitioned that the obnoxious laws be repealed and the fraternity men be reinstated to full student fellowship. The constitutionality of the law has ever been questioned. Only a few years ago the Supreme Court of Indiana declared a similar law in that state unconstitutional. The court in its decision stated that the University is a state institution and the taxes for its maintenance are paid by all the people and that discrimination against a part of them could not be made. So strong is the belief that the law in Arkansas is unconstitutional that it has been clearly disregarded this year. The first step was that of sending D. A. Gates, a member of the Sigma Nu fraternity, to Knoxville to represent Arkansas against the University of Tennessee.



A few days later a bill was introduced in the state senate providing for the removal of the restrictions. It passed the senate almost without opposition. But in the house it was killed. However, correspondence with members of the house who opposed the bill show that they did not realize the exact conditions at Arkansas and from them the impression is gathered that if the bill is reconsidered it will receive a much stronger support. Representative Reagon, a graduate of the University, has given notice that he will call the bill up for reconsideration.

With the repeal of the present restrictions, much may be expected from the fraternities at Arkansas University. Already they are beginning to show more interest in college activities and are, wherever they put in their appearance, soon given leadership. In the work of reconciling the two factions, Alpha Zeta has been in the lead. She has, even while the fight was the bitterest, shown interest in literary work, and located as she has been in the dormitory, she has been constantly in touch with the non-fraternity students. By courteous treatment toward all, and by making a special effort to avoid anything that might be considered snobbishness, the men of Alpha Zeta have always had staunch friends among the "barbs."

This year will be our last at the dormitory. We have contracted for a chapter house to be completed, ready for occupancy next fall. We are not building it ourselves but it is being built according to plans submitted by us, and especially for a chapter house. At present our chapter house fund is not sufficient to warrant our building, but at the expiration of the lease on the above house we expect to build.

LEROY HIGHFILL, *Alpha Zeta.*

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## REFLECTIONS OF A RECENT INITIATE.

The usual time of college life is when a boy is just changing into a man. Perhaps the most important and most dangerous period in the whole life of a man is the four years that he spends in college.

Important, because that is the time when he usually chooses his profession and equips himself to cope with his fellowman. Important also, because then is the time that he makes friends that last through life, and exert over him a good or bad influence, as the case may be. It is a dangerous period because he is then first from under the control of his parents, and his fate, to a great extent is in his own hands. It is therefore of the greatest importance that he should have the guiding hand of his brothers, who not only have his interest at heart as an individual, but as a member of an organization in which they have the deepest interest.

I must confess, that all of my early impressions of fraternity men when I came to college have not been favorable. It seems that there are men who cannot stand to have honors bestowed upon them, and it is an honor to be a member of a good fraternity. It seems that with some it has the tendency to make snobs of them, and some others seem to think that the reckless expenditure of money is a part of their fraternal duties. But such were not the ideals of those who framed the constitution of our Pi Kappa Alpha fraternity. They realized the force of the old maxims, "United we stand, divided we fall," and, "In unity there is strength." They realized that the ties that bind us together would help when we come to the rough places in the road. And in addition to all this, there is a pleasure in itself peculiar which is an incident only to college fraternities.

Will close by expressing the hope that the members of our fraternity will ever keep before them the ideals that inspired the founders, and in addition to the statutes prescribed in the written laws of our fraternity, we may also be governed by that unwritten law that is implanted in the breast of every gentleman, "The code of honor," and that there will never come a time in the life of man when it will not be an honor to be invited to become a Pi Kappa Alpha.

Fraternally,

F. H. BRYAN, *Alpha Alpha.*



## THE LITTLE MAID OF MU.

Raise ye high the glasses, brothers,  
Mix your life-blood with the wine,  
And drink with lips red-wrought of love  
And fellowship divine.  
Drink to the little maid of Mu  
Whose heart is wholly thine.  
Her mem'ry be forever blest,  
The little maid of Mu,  
Who pleads with us to toil and trust  
And deeds of love to do.

Then here's to Him who lives and loves,  
All hail, thou Lord of Mu.  
Here's to thy sword that flashes bright  
In gleams of glimmering blue,  
Here's to the heart, love-taught of God,  
As His bright sword, so true.  
Hark, how the glasses join in joy,  
Clinking right merrily—  
No silent tongue, no hollow word  
Of insincerity!

When He shall lift the veil before,  
The last great Master-Pi,  
Who loved his brothers well so that  
For them his soul must die,  
Who loves his brothers still as doth  
The Father—God on high—  
There'll be no happier heart in heaven—  
With joy thrilled through and through—  
Than thine to whom His love has given  
The little maid of Mu.

Dedicated to the Sisters of Mu chapter and written at the request  
of the brothers, for the annual banquet. Clinton, S. C., 1893.

—THORNWELL JACOBS, Mu.

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ALUMNI AS A UNIT OF SUPPORT OF A COLLEGE  
FRATERNITY.

The question presents itself: What is the duty of an alumnus towards his chapter and towards his fraternity at large?  
Is it not a fact that when the average college man graduates,

and the more serious problems of life confront him, that he has a tendency to merely look back on his college career as an incident of past history, and with that comes a waning interest in his fraternity? This should not be the case. He is loyal to his fraternity of course, but it is natural that unless he is brought into direct contact with an active chapter he does not feel the responsibility and interest he should.

What is it that encourages an individual more than anything else? Is it not a strong personal interest in his welfare? Now, what could keep life into a chapter more, than for its alumni—those who are directly connected—to feel it a matter of personal responsibility and interest, the manner in which it is conducted, and the general uplift of its members?

How can this be done? The chapter and the fraternity at large should keep in close touch with every one of its members, and in turn the alumni should do everything in their power to help and encourage the active chapters; subscribe to the fraternity publication, and above all things try to attend every convention.

Let me make an earnest plea that every alumnus give his loyal support to the fraternity, and strive as a unit to make it *the* strongest and most glorious of college fraternities.

DONALD A. FRASER, *Psi*.

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### PENN'S PROVOST DEFENDS FRATS.

"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."

So said today Provost Edgar F. Smith, of the University of Pennsylvania, when interviewed in regard to a warning sounded by President Schurman to Cornell fraternity men to do better work in their class rooms. He points out that of



the eighty-eight men dropped in February, as the result of the mid-year examinations, the fraternities furnished 40 to 45 per cent., whereas the number of male undergraduates belonging to fraternities constituted but 29 per cent. of the entire male student population.

The figures are about the same as last year, and Dr. Schurman says that is not a good showing for the fraternities. He is glad to commend fifteen fraternities, whose names he gives, which did not lose a single man for poor scholarship last year. Of the 3,587 regular students, excluding graduate students and women, 1,048 belong to the fraternities, and 2,539 do not. Forty fraternity men and forty-eight non-fraternity men were dropped.

Dr. Smith pointed out a fallacy in Dr. Schurman's reasoning and incidentally indicated the unreliability of statistics. He said:

"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?

"It is fallacy to conclude that because a certain number of fraternity men are dropped their failure is due to their fraternity membership. It is quite likely that they would have fared no better had they been non-fraternity men. Some much more explicit evidence must be adduced before it can be logically predicated that membership in a fraternity discourages study.

"My experience both as a fraternity man and as a member of the faculty leads to an opposite conclusion. When I was in college I was frequently helped in my work by other members of my fraternity. I remember distinctly receiving advice and correction from older classmen in regard to essays I was preparing."

When it was suggested to Dr. Smith that possibly such practices were not as prevalent in fraternities nowadays as in his time, he said:

"I do not know whether they are or not, but if they are not, there are other tendencies which, while they may not proceed from a purely academic desire for learning, have the same result. There is keen rivalry between fraternities in the placing of their members on athletic teams and prominent undergraduate organizations. To retain membership they must maintain their scholarship and right here is furnished a powerful incentive for fraternities to discourage loafing.

"I know that I was aided in every way in my college course by my fraternity membership and it is my belief that the evils inherent in fraternities are more than counterbalanced by their benefits.

"In many western universities, possibly also at Cornell, fraternities are more powerful in college politics and in graduate influence than they are at Pennsylvania. I consider most fraternities, as constituted at Pennsylvania, to be distinctly beneficial, in the best sense, to most of their members, especially to students from out of town."

Statistics, despite the fact that Dr. Smith places little reliance on them, corroborate his suspicion that possibly the fraternity problem is more acute at Cornell than at Pennsylvania. While at the former university 29 per cent. of the regular student body are fraternity men, at Pennsylvania only 19 per cent. are members of these organizations.

Twenty fraternities have chapters at Pennsylvania and they have a total undergraduate membership of 580. The largest has 39 members, the smallest 20. With almost twice as many fraternity men at Cornell, it is logical to suppose that some chapters there run as high as 70 members. At Pennsylvania only ten chapters are more than twenty years old. Prior to 1877 there were only four in existence. The earliest—Delta Phi—was established in 1849. The others, in the order of their establishment are:

Phi Kappa Sigma, Zeta Psi, Delta Psi, Phi Kappa Psi, Beta Theta Pi, Phi Gamma Delta, Alpha Tau Omega, Phi Delta, Theta Psi Upsilon, Delta Upsilon, Kappa Sigma, Sigma



Nu, Alpha Chi Rho, Delta Tau Delta, Sigma Chi, Delta Kappa Epsilon, Phi Sigma Kappa, Sigma Alpha Epsilon, Omega Phi Alpha.—*Philadelphia Bulletin*, May 1, 1911.

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## RESOLUTIONS

### IN MEMORIAM.

RICHARD BAXTER ALEXANDER.

*Whereas*, We have learned with sorrow of the recent death of our beloved brother in Pi K. A., Richard Baxter Alexander, and

*Whereas*, We desire to express our heartfelt sympathy to the bereaved family, and also to the fraternity at large for the loss of a true and noble character, be it therefore

*Resolved*, That we, the members of Alpha Iota chapter of Pi K. A. fraternity do bow submissively to the Divine will, and mourn the loss of our brother; be it also

*Resolved*, That we extend to the bereaved family our heartfelt sympathy in their great grief; and be it further

*Resolved*, That a copy of these resolutions be sent to the bereaved family and that they be published in the SHIELD AND DIAMOND and inscribed in the minutes of Alpha Iota chapter.

FRANK T. SCOTT,  
L. C. KIRKLAND,  
S. E. WILLIAMSON,  
B. F. FOSTER,

Committee.

# Editorial

## **The Future of the American College Fraternity.**

Attention is called to an article in this issue entitled "The Future of the American College Fraternity, Judged by Its Progress in the Past," by Brother Henry N. Eversole, Alpha Nu. While Brother Eversole doesn't speculate much on the future, he opens up a big question that is worthy of much consideration, and we hope that in future issues of this magazine we may have other discussions of this important subject. Fraternity men must not overlook the fact that they will be maligned in the future, as they have been in the past, and are being at the present time, but this should not deter us from making our future glorious. Let people talk. You cannot keep them from doing so; but remember that those who talk the most do the least. Talk is cheap: deeds count. If fraternity men shape their actions according to the laws of God and man, no one can justly complain of the fraternity system.



**A Defense of Fraternities.** When it is considered that the fraternity system is being attacked on all sides, not only by those who ought to know whether it exercises a good or bad influence on the college student, but also (and perhaps with more bitterness) by those who have little opportunity of knowing the benefits and ideals of fraternity, not themselves being fraternity men, it is very refreshing to read the defense of fraternities by Provost Edgar F. Smith, of the University of Pennsylvania, reproduced in this issue. No doubt some fraternity men do not always conduct themselves as they should, but can it be truthfully said that it is because of some inherent fault in the fraternity system? Fraternity men, as a rule, are better students and better representatives of a college than non-frats, even though the percentage of fraternity men is generally considerably smaller than that of the non-frats. The fraternity system has been in existence for almost a hun-



dred years. It would seem that it has stood the test of time. While some chapters have been legislated out of existence, that can generally be explained by examining the personnel of the legislators. The fraternity system is inherently good; it only remains for the different fraternities to see that it continues so.



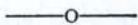
**The Song  
Number; Again.**

In the June issue we extended an invitation to all Pi's to send in frat songs for the proposed song book. We have had but few songs as yet. Where are the bards? Perhaps, like Mutt and Jeff, taking a vacation. Winter time is now coming, the season of work, and we call upon those of you who can write poetry to do so and not wait for the spring time to tune your fancy. In this connection we note that the Kappa Psi fraternity intends making the October, 1911, issue of *The Mask* a song number, the ultimate object being to publish a song book. This project was launched in the April issue of *The Mask*, and by October it is expected that Kappa Psi will have enough songs to fill an issue. Get busy, you Pi's, and send in your songs!



**The New  
Publishers.**

This issue is from the press of the Appeal Publishing Company, of Atlanta, Ga., with whom a contract has been made for the publication of volume XXI. The change of publishers was not made by reason of any dissatisfaction with the work done by George Banta Publishing Co., but because of the fact that it will be much more convenient to both editor and manager, who live in Atlanta, to have the magazine published here.



**Protect  
the Badge.**

When a man joins an organization it is to be supposed that he is proud of it. Almost every college boy is ambitious to become a members of a Greek Letter fraternity. When he has become a member he usually wears some emblem of the order, which he values highly. When a fraternity allows a man to wear its badge it is an indication

to the world that it has confidence in that man's integrity and honor. Every member of a fraternity contributes to or takes away from the standing of his fraternity. Every ill advised act on his part causes his fraternity to be lowered in the estimation of others. What then must a man think when he sees displayed for sale a number of frat pins in the window of a pawn shop? Any one, of any race, can buy a frat pin from a pawn shop, and in most states wear it free from any legal liability. But aside from the fact that the pin might be worn by one not entitled to wear it, which is bad enough, it is far worse to have the pin seen in a pawn shop, and to know that some member has so far forfeited his loyalty to his fraternity to raise a paltry sum in cash as to part with what should be one of his most valued possessions, and about which should linger hallowed memories of college days and true and loyal brothers. Protect the emblem, brothers, at whatever cost, and don't let it find its way to a pawn shop through your own initiative.



**To the New Members.** You have become a member of a Greek Letter fraternity—an honorable institution of our American college life, and one that has stood the test of time for a number of years. As such, it is your duty, and as well you are in honor bound, to so conduct yourself as to reflect nothing but credit upon yourself, your college and your fraternity. This you can do in a number of ways; be a gentleman always; do not be clannish to the extent of snobbishness; mix freely with the college men around you, and by your actions try to lead them to be better college men, and truer types of manhood; do not be slovenly in your habits, for nothing so discredits a fraternity man as a slouchy and an unneat appearance; let your scholarship be of the highest order, and in keeping with the talent God has given you; take an interest in the college activities, both social and athletic, and be a good representative of your college in whatever you undertake. Keep in mind those high ideals on which the very life of your fra-



ternity is based, and live up to them in all your actions But—  
 “This above all,—to thine own self be true;  
 And it must follow, as the night the day,  
 Thou can’st not then be false to any man.”



**The New Scholastic Year.** Reports from all the colleges are to the effect, that large enrollments are the rule. This may or may not mean that frats are to have a banner year. In any event, we cannot be too careful when it comes to pledging men. The fraternity is founded on certain inalienable principles which, in the selection of new brothers, cannot be repudiated nor laid aside. It is necessary, of course, to be careful in pledging, for those who are initiated are for the good or the bad of the frat. To us there seems no middle course. A man who takes no interest in his frat after he leaves college is, in our opinion, a poor frat man. Any man with ordinary intelligence can contribute to the magazine once in a while. He can prove himself a good frat man in a number of ways; and it is necessary in choosing new men that we choose those who will reflect only credit on the fraternity as a whole and on themselves in particular. What we want is men—men who will be a credit to the Greek Letter system.



**To the Chapter Correspondents.** The chapter correspondents will confer a great favor upon the editor if they will observe a few suggestions with reference to the chapter letters. Always head the letter with the name of the chapter, then under that let the name of the college appear, thus—

### ALPHA

University of Virginia.

Then let the letter follow. Sign your name at the end of the letter, but don't add anything else. It is taken for granted that the one signing the letter is the chapter correspondent, and you don't have to say so in writing. Always use the typewriter whenever possible. Spell out all names so we can tell who

you are talking about. Give the full name and home address of every initiate. Don't write the letters on note paper, but use paper large enough for the printer to find. Above all, if you can't write the letter on the typewriter, take a little more time with the pen and write it so it can be read. This constitutes merely the mechanical construction of the letter, and it seems that it should be easy enough to conform to the suggestions given above.



# 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

The opening of the college year finds Alpha chapter strong in the return to the university of ten old men and the purpose of these men to secure four or five initiates with which to perpetuate and weld into a stronger union the ties of the fraternity. The solidity of the chapter is greater than it has been in many years, and only those men have been "passed" who are certain to prove agreeable affiliates. Two men have been pledged already, and we do not see how two more, who have bids from us under consideration, can fail to realize the advantages that we offer. In matters of this kind vanity is pardonable.

The house that the fraternity takes for this year is in every respect more desirable than any quarters we have ever had. It is in the heart of college, easy of access to the "corner" where the lighter hours of older students are idled away, and at the same time is in a quiet part of the university, in the midst of some of the other twenty-three general fraternities. The possession of a well-furnished house that we can call home can not fail to be of advantage to us in our relation to other fraternities. The outlook for a prosperous year is excellent.

We were very glad to have with us the night of September 23, four brothers of the Hampden-Sidney team which played Virginia that afternoon. Brother Mitchell Neff, who heads a position in the legal department of the Southern Railway at Washington, was present, and several members of the faculty

came over to help us to entertain the prospectives. Social Note: The party broke up at a late hour.

The sentiment of the university is divided at the threshold of the year between an interest in the football team and the hope that the registration, which is larger than ever before, will continue to grow. An attendance of 875 seems assured, exceeding last year's enrollment by 150. The cosmopolitan character of the attendance was remarked upon by President Alderman at the reception to new students. More than half the enrollment is from outside Virginia, all except two states in the Union being represented, besides several foreign countries.

Football prospects do not loom very favorable on the horizon. With only four old men back, Coach Yancey must rely upon new material almost entirely. A trio of prep school stars from Lawrenceville give promise of making positions, and several who were banned last year by the one-year rule are eligible this fall.

In closing, we wish to congratulate the editors of the convention number of the SHIELD AND DIAMOND, which was the best ever gotten out, in our opinion. We wish all sister chapters a pleasant and profitable year.

ROBERT B. ALBERTSON.

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## BETA

### DAVIDSON COLLEGE

Davidson is now well launched upon another year's work. Refreshed both in mind and body, thirteen of last year's men have returned to take upon themselves the pleasant task of strengthening our chapter that is already large. This is probably the largest number of men Beta has ever returned. We thought at the opening of college we were going to have fourteen men to begin this year with, but we later learned that Bro. Whitlock of the 1911 class would not take his post-graduate work with us as we thought, but he is going to Oberlin



to get his A. M. We wish very much that he could be with us, for he is a very strong man and we will feel his loss keenly. However, we have been delighted to have him with us since college opened. Beta lost three other men, who were also strong men, tried and found true Pi Kappa Alphas. They were Brothers Scott, Hill and Morris. These men we feel sure will take a high rank amongst the men of the world.

Since school has opened we have been paid short visits by Bros. Scott and Hill; on one occasion they brought along some mighty fine ladies whom we were all very much delighted to see. We hope they will do this often. We were delighted also to have Brother Wade Williford with us for a few days. Those of us who returned this year are: C. S. Mattison, M. E. Mattison, D. E. Brown, W. W. Boswell, J. N. Van Devanter, Jr., G. D. Williford, F. E. Nigels, E. M. Vereen, J. E. Johnston, J. R. McGregor, S. J. Lanier, W. H. Cowles and H. R. Boswell.

The Freshman class numbers about a hundred men, and there seems to be a great deal of frat material among them; and Beta expects to land her share when the time comes. Indeed the prospects seem brighter than they have been in many years and with good rushing Beta ought to get any man she wants. All the brothers are working for the good of the fraternity with a hearty will, and much good will no doubt result from their strenuous efforts. Let us keep up the fine work and make Beta even stronger than it has ever been before. But we can not lie down on the job, we must be constantly on the lookout and always on the jump, or some other crowd will get ahead of us. To accomplish the most good, we must all pull together, we must each do his share of the work and not leave it all for one or two men to do.

Football holds the center of the athletic stage at present. Our prospects seem good for another winning team this year, and we all hope for a better one, if such be possible. There are about fifty men out for practice every day, and our efficient coach, Dr. E. W. Holladay should be able to put out a winning team. Beta is expected to be represented on the

'varsity by Brother Van Devanter, who was a sub last year. On the scrubs Brother Williford will represent us. Brother Boswell, who is manager of the team, has arranged to have our first game here on the 30th of September, with Catawba.

At a recent chapter meeting the writer was elected to be Beta's representative on the Pan-Hellenic council this year.

To any Pi's who may happen here, we extend a hearty welcome, and ask that you look us up, for we will be very glad to see you. We are always glad to meet any wearer of the Shield and Diamond.

Beta wishes each of her sister chapters a most pleasant and profitable year.

H. R. BOSWELL.

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### GAMMA

At the opening of the session the outlook for Gamma was not encouraging. Brothers Wilcox, Deierhoi, Gartwright, and English were all who returned of last year's large chapter. We take pleasure now in introducing to the fraternity Brothers H. G. Parker, W. L. Parker, playing end on the 'varsity, and E. B. Thomas, last year's varsity quarterback and editor-in-chief of the Literary Magazine for this session. Several other strong men have been pledged, and the prospects for more zealous workers in the interest of  $\Pi \kappa \Lambda$  are excellent.

Gamma has just moved into its new home, a modern house, well located, and invite all brothers to pay us a visit there.

At the end of last session we led a movement among the fraternities here to put an end to the custom of taking in preparatory students. The movement failed among the other fraternities, but Gamma made a ruling to this effect. Since then faculty action has ended this unfortunate custom, and we feel proud of our attitude in this matter.

In athletics we are making a very creditable showing. Brother E. L. Wright has been elected secretary and treasurer of the Athletic association, Brother Wilcox is managing the



football team, while Brothers Parker and Thomas will doubtless be in the line-up next Saturday against Georgetown.

Altogether the indications are for a prosperous year, and we trust it may be such, not only for Gamma but for every chapter throughout the country.

FRED ENGLISH.

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## ZETA

### UNIVERSITY OF TENNESSEE

The school year 1911-12 opened on September 11th. The freshman class this year is the largest in the history of the University of Tennessee, and as hazing in any form is not tolerated by the faculty, the "fish" have taken the "hill."

At the first meeting of the chapter ten members answered to roll call. Faculty ruling has allowed a first year man to be rushed and pledged at any time, but can not be taken in as an active member until after the first term examinations; and then he is not allowed to join if he fails in more than two studies. Zeta has lost no time in rushing the new men and at present have six men pledged and many on the list for consideration. We are located in Humes Hall and have every convenience that we could wish. By being on the "hill" we can get better acquainted with the new men and see more of them.

The talk of the place now is Tennessee prospects for a good football team. There are about fifty candidates on the field and from such a squad, Tennessee expects to have a good team, as a very hard schedule has been arranged. Brother Branch is captain of the team and will be found at quarters, while Brother Tompkins is out and working hard for his old position at fullback.

All Pi's will be glad to learn of Brother Moore's marriage to Miss Cohch, of Tate Springs, Tenn., and is now comfortably situated in a bungalow in Park City, a suburb of Knoxville.

Brother Lowry, of last year's graduating class, has accepted

a responsible position as teacher of English in the Knoxville High School.

At present the students have not settled down to work very well, as the Appalachian Exposition is in full blast.

Zeta wishes each chapter of Pi Kappa Alpha a successful year.

E. R. WHITE.

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## ETA

### TULANE UNIVERSITY

At the beginning of the session of 1911-12, Eta has fifteen men who will return to Tulane. They are:

C. J. Ellis, of Rayville, La.; C. K. Townsend, of Arkadelphia, Ark.; L. B. Leitch, of Canton, Miss.; W. K. Smith, of Malvern, Ark.; T. J. McHugh, of Baton Rouge, La.; A. T. Johnson, of Shreveport, La.; J. N. Wilson, of New Orleans, La.; A. C. Ball, of New Orleans, La.; S. W. Proven-sall, of New Orleans, La.; B. H. Palmer, of Lake City, Fla.; H. G. Hungate, of Amite, La.; J. W. Butts, of Helena, Ark.; F. C. Luckett, of Kosciusko, Miss.; G. F. McLeod, Moss Point, Miss.; J. H. Fortson, Homer, La. Those who will not return are: Brothers Agee, Menefee, Sharpton, Field, Weiss and Coats. Brother Agee has decided to attend Vanderbilt University, but we hope to have him back with us again next year. Brother Menefee, who finished the law course here last spring, is practicing with Brother Wade, in New Orleans. Brother Shorpton is at present at his home in South Carolina and we do not know just what he intends to do this fall. Brother Field graduated in medicine last spring and is now practicing at his home in Cartersville, Miss. Brother Weiss graduated from the dental department and is now practicing in this city. Brother Coats has decided to sell safes for his father during the coming year. He should do well at this new trade, for he is a great talker.

Although we will feel the loss of these men very much, still we will have a strong chapter. Besides the fifteen men



who will return, we have two others pledged, and have three more under consideration, whom we will likely pledge later on. So with these twenty men Eta should be able to promote the interests of Pi Kappa Alpha to a great extent.

Brother Walter L. Berry, Chi and Eta, is now practicing law in Memphis, Tenn., and is one of the connig lawyers of that city. He has his offices in the Memphis Trust building.

Wishing every Pi success for the coming year.

J. H. FORTSON.

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## IOTA

### HAMPDEN-SIDNEY COLLEGE

The one hundred and thirty-seventh session of Hampden-Sidney opened under very favorable auspices, a large majority of the old men being back, together with the usual number of freshmen.

Iota was quite fortunate in losing only two of her number, Brothers Crockett and St. Clair. Brother Crockett is now editing the leading paper in Wytheville, Va., while Brother St. Clair is studying surgery at Columbia.

Our new quarters are quite an improvement over last year's, as we now have a chapter house under lease instead of the old style chapter room. We are thus able to join more firmly in the brotherly bond and entertain prospectives in a far more pleasant manner.

We were fortunate in having with us at the opening of college, Brothers Blanton, Haller, Brown, Gilmore and Painter, who helped us materially in the campaign for new men. Our initiates thus far are three in number and we take great pleasure in introducing and recommending to the whole Fraternity William Ridgwell, Norfolk, Va.; Brownly Hodges, Norfolk, Va., and Temple Painter, Pulaski, Va. We have several prospective in view and hope to be able to report favorably on them in our next letter.

Brothers Blanton, Saunders, Atkinson and Walker are regulars on the football team, while Brothers Lake and Hodges

are promising candidates for berths. Iota's prospects for men on the other teams are also bright, at least two being assured in basketball.

Brother Corke, as editor-in-chief of the Magazine, reports favorably concerning that side of our college life.

Brothers Walker, Blanton, Saunders and Atkinson, who are just back from Charlottesville, where they played the University, are very much pleased with the treatment accorded them by Alpha chapter.

CHARLES M. WALKER.

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### KAPPA

Kappa Chapter is looking forward to the most successful year of her existence. We regret to lose some of our strongest men. Francis goes to Washington and Lee for a law course and D. J. Howard will be at Ann Arbor for the same work. Gaines is practicing law at Frankfort and West and Williams are at home this year. However, the six returning, Spink, Robert Howard, Monroe, Thomas, Borders and Stone, are all hard at work and filled with high hopes.

One man has already been pledged and a number are being looked over.

Four men are in our house over the college and we are expecting the other rooms to be filled soon. Our halls are nicely furnished and we are enjoying some of the real benefits of fraternity fellowship. Best of all we are able to begin the new year with our finances in capital order.

We are choosing men with the very best interests of the fraternity at heart, and are going to pledge only the best. In our next letter we hope to have a number to introduce to the brotherhood.

Kappa extends good wishes to all her sister chapters at this most critical time of the year.

KARL BORDERS.



## OMICRON

## RICHMOND COLLEGE

After a very short, but very happy vacation, the dormitories are filling up with students, both new and old, and once more the many duties and pleasures of the collegiate year are upon us. The enrollment bids fair to outstrip that of all former years, although the strict enforcement of the entrance requirements has kept some away. New dormitories have been provided to take the place of Ryland Hall, which was destroyed by fire last year, and the prospect for a happy and prosperous session is indeed bright.

Counting mere numbers, we do not come back as strong as some other chapters, but with six men to begin with, and the new brothers that we hope to introduce in the near future, we will try to take care of Omicron's interests. The men of last year's chapter who did not return are: Brother R. W. Taylor, who has accepted a position with the Planters' National Bank here in Richmond, Brother W. V. Lefew, who is likewise in business in Richmond; Brother A. P. Wright, of Louisiana; Brother C. H. Gresham, of Tappahannock, Va., and Brother F. E. O'Neill, of Crozet, Va. Those returning are: Beale, Harwood, O'Neill, J. B. Duval, J. P. Snead and R. C. Duval, Jr. Of course it is still early in the rushing season and we expect to add to this number before our next letter.

Football is the all-absorbing topic on the campus now, and the student-body turns out every afternoon to watch the practice and try to estimate the chances for a winning team. Nine of last year's "letter" men are back on the field and with these, and the abundance of new material, Coach Honaker expects to end the season with a goodly string of victories to our credit. "Honny," as he was known at his alma mater, played quarterback for Virginia last year, and we who have seen his work on the latter team, feel that he is the very man to teach us the finer points of the game, and help us win the

coveted cup. Omicron is represented on the football field by Brothers O'Neill, Beale and Duval.

We are looking eagerly for the first issue of the SHIELD AND DIAMOND, for we feel out of touch with our sister chapters until we learn from the magazine what they are doing and what their prospects are for the new year. Of course we are sorry to lose Brother Riddick as editor of our publication, but let us all give Brother Underwood our support and aid and help him to make our magazine the very best in the field today.

Omicron extends greetings to the reassembled chapters and wishes them a most successful and happy year.

R. C. DUVAL, JR.

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## PI

### WASHINGTON AND LEE UNIVERSITY

Pi chapter sends greetings to the sister chapters and wishes for them a prosperous year.

Washington and Lee has had an auspicious opening and bids fair to surpass her record of attendance set last year. A number of old men failed to return, but the roll call shows the following to be present:

J. L. Curry, Staunton, Va.  
P. P. Gibson, Gordonsville, Va.  
T. B. Harrison, Amherst, Va.  
P. B. Lantz, Blackville, West Va.  
S. O. Laughlin, Jr., Wheeling, West Va.  
P. A. Laughlin, Wheeling, West Va.  
W. N. Mann, Jr., Richmond, Va.  
D. C. Mooman, Roanoke, Va.  
F. P. Webster, Lexington, Va.  
C. E. Williams, Woodstock, Va.

In addition to these we are glad to welcome the following transfers:

K. J. Francis, from Kappa.



J. T. Rothrock, Jr., from Theta.  
G. A. Wilson, Jr., from Iota.  
H. S. Yokum, from Alpha Zeta.

We are glad to introduce to the fraternity at large the following initiates:

P. B. Earwood, Beckley, West Va.  
G. B. Campbell, Bedford City, Va.  
K. C. Whittle, Martinsville, Va.  
W. C. Coulbourne, Walker's Ford, Va.

This gives us a goodly number and we are anticipating one of the most successful years in our history.

The student body is very much stirred up over the threatened resignation of our president, Dr. Denny, who has been offered the presidency of the University of Alabama. His work for Washington and Lee cannot be over-estimated and if he should decide that he is needed in other fields he will leave with the love and esteem of the entire student body.

Football prospects were never brighter and we expect to have a team of which we will be proud. Pi will be represented on the team by Mooman, captain, and Francis. The hearts of the squad are now set on winning the V. P. I. game on October 28th.

J. T. ROTHROCK, JR.

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## TAU

### UNIVERSITY OF NORTH CAROLINA

After having spent a very pleasant vacation at their respective homes, the following members have returned for the session of 1911-1912: J. B. Boushall, Jr., W. W. Falkener, T. S. Royster, J. H. Royster, L. L. Shamberger, J. D. Phillips, also W. C. Coughenour, Jr., of the class of 1908, who is taking the course in law.

Brother R. L. Hunter is the only member who did not return. He is working with the Hunter Drug Co., in Norfolk, Va.

We take pleasure in introducing to the fraternity at large Brothers Thomas Covington, Jr., of Laurenberg, N. C., Jesse Sheperd Pell, of Spartanburg, S. C., Harry Hannah, of Siler City, N. C., Norman St. George Vann, of Charlotte, N. C., and Watson Louis Daniel, of Winston, N. C. They are all good men and we feel sure the fraternity will be benefited by their annexation.

On the night of initiation we were very glal to have with us Brother Winborne, Cowper, Snider and Bush, all old Tau men; Warlick, Hurley and Parsons, of Alpha Alpha, and Holding and Steadman, of Alpha Epsilon. It is always a pleasure to have the brothers come in, especially is this so at the time of initiating.

We had the pleasure of entering our new chapter house at the opening of the session. It was almost too good to be true—a new house and five good men at the same time. We have been hampered for a long time on account of a very unattractive home, but feel that there's nothing to hold us back now, as we have the prettiest house on the hill. We hope to be able to have a picture of our home in a current issue of the SHIELD AND DIAMOND.

Tau sends greetings to her sister chapters and hopes that all will make this the banner year in their history.

J. D. PHILLIPS.

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## UPSILON

### ALABAMA POLYTECHNIC INSTITUTE

Initiates—Shelley Winfried Harris, Birmingham, Ala.; William Duncan Maclay, Moss Point, Miss.; George Washington Owen, Pensacola, Fla.

Upsilon chapter takes great pleasure in introducing to the fraternity the above named men and we feel that in them we have three men worthy to wear the Shield and Diamond.

Transfers—John Sidney Cook, Pushmatha, Ala., from Alpha Pi.



Upsilon extends greetings to her sister chapters and wishes for them a successful year.

After three months of vacation the Alabama Polytechnic Institute opened on September 6th.

In calling the roll at the first meeting we, with regrets, struck off the names of those who graduated last year. The chapter feels that its present activity and life is largely due to the influence of these men who are now out in the business world. We returned the following men this year:

Avery, P. S., Pensacola, Fla.  
Anderson, W., Pensacola, Fla.  
Anderson, J. W., Newbern, Ala.  
Allen, E. S., Birmingham, Ala.  
Andrews, B. H., Lafayette, Ala.  
Dixey, H. P., New Orleans, La.  
Davis, J. F., Oak Grove, Ala.  
Grady, H. W., Stroud, Ala.  
Ellis, W. C., Griffin, Ga.  
Hanlin, H. C., Sheffield, Ala.  
Major, E. A., Birmingham, Ala.  
Murdock, D. N., Birmingham, Ala.  
McEniry, E. P., Bessemer, Ala.  
Newell, J. K., Dadeville, Ala.  
Thomas, W. H., Picayune, Miss.  
Robertson, T. O., Dalton, Ga.

This year's attendance promises to be a record-breaking one. The number of matriculates is already over the 750 mark. The new men look exceptionally good, and there is a great deal of good material.

Football is now the topic of the lay. As we have nine of last year's men back on the team the prospects for an excellent team are exceptionally good. We will be represented on the team by Brothers Davis and Newell. A squad of fifty men may be seen daily practicing under the directions of Coach Donahue.

Upsilon gave an informal dance in honor of her new men

on September 15th. The affair was a most delightful one. Our hall was artistically decorated in the colors of the fraternity and with pennants of the college of sister chapters. Brother Avery was especially interested in the feminine contingent from Opelika. Brother Y. Shackleford was present at the dance and remained for several days.

In closing, I want to urge every brother, all over the land, to join in all cooperative movements for the uplifting of the fraternity. Let's get busy and make this the greatest year in the history of Pi Kappa Alpha.

T. O. ROBERTSON.

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## PSI

### THE NORTH GEORGIA AGRICULTURAL COLLEGE

The North Georgia Agricultural College opened its doors for the session of 1911-12 on September 6th, with a large number of new students from which we hope to get the pick of the frat material.

Psi has only five members returned this year, but we already have had one initiation and are busy looking over the prospects among the new material. The old men returned are R. W. Harris, Dalton, Ga.; J. D. Pilcher, Augusta, Ga.; J. A. Gibbs, Bostwick, Ga.; H. G. Huie, Riverdale, Ga., and F. E. Miller, Hinesville, Ga.

It gives me great pleasure to introduce to the fraternity Foster Perry King, Spring Place, Ga.

In the recent promotions made in the military department Brother Harris was made captain of one of the companies, and as his company has won out in the competitive drill for the past three years we feel that with his popularity and military knowledge this will be another winning year. Brothers Pilcher and Huie were also promoted to sergeants, while Brother King was promoted from a private to sergeant-major.

Although there are only a few of us here we are doing our best to make this a big year for Psi and feel that we will get good results.



The only social affair of the season so far was the reception given by our co-eds in honor of the new students. The spacious club room was tastefully decorated and the affair was voted a grand success.

Psi extends to all chapters best wishes for a successful year.

F. E. MILLER.

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## OMEGA

With ten old men returned and five pledges, Omega enters the scholastic year of 1911-12 with buoyant hopes. Those returned are: H. W. Walker, C. C. Croft, P. H. Croft, Wm. Collins, Nelson L. Kimbrough, Thomas D. Howard, William M. Lane, F. D. Cain, R. P. Hughes, and Gaston L. Pool. We feel that in the five pledges we have secured the cream of the three hundred and more new students this year. However, there are yet some good men and we are confident of more pledges before the season ends.

Omega this year has a beautiful home at 340 South Broadway, and to Pis everywhere we desire to say that the latch-string continually beats welcome on the door-case. Eight men now occupy the house, and there will be others later. On last Friday evening an informal dance was given at the home of Omega Chapter, attended by about fifty visitors, of which the Lexington papers said in part:

## PI KAPPA ALPHA DANCE.

"One of the delightful occasions of last week was the informal dance the Pi Kappa Alpha fraternity gave Friday evening for their friends. They have just gotten settled in their attractive new chapter house on South Broadway, and the event was a sort of house warming and one of a series of those pleasant little affairs to be given during the fall and winter. The house is most attractively furnished and for the occasion was decorated with plants and a quantity of flowers carrying out their colors crimson and gold. An orchestra furnished the

music and during the evening ices, cakes and frappe were served."

With so many old men back, with our handsome and commodious home, and considering the high character of our pledges, Omega is confident of the most successful year in her history.

GASTON L. POOL.

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## ALPHA ALPHA

### TRINITY COLLEGE

With the majestic tones of her mammoth new bell booming a welcome to the two hundred and fifty incoming freshmen Trinity College stepped across the threshold of the year 1911-12 with brilliant prospects for the most successful collegiate year in her long record of educational leadership. In all departments, between six and seven hundred students are enrolled, and the Greater Trinity bids fair to become worthy of Brother Bob Gantt's characterization of her as "the intellectual mecca of the South."

Along with Trinity's phenomenal growth, Alpha Alpha, too, can boast of much encouraging enlargement. Already four pledges have been secured, and those who have the best interests of the chapter at heart feel that never before has she faced a year's fraternal work with more optimistic prospects of thorough-going success. The names of those who are again active members of Alpha Alpha are as follows:

- J. A. Lee, Monroe, N. C.
- G. S. Lee, Monroe, N. C.
- L. M. Kitchin, Scotland Neck, N. C.
- R. M. Gantt, Belwood, N. C.
- L. B. Hurley, Newbern, N. C.
- W. H. Parsons, Covington, N. C.
- Eli Warlick, Newton, N. C.
- F. H. Bryan, Washington, N. C.
- L. M. McCullen, Rockingham, N. C.
- Andrew Warlick, Newton, N. C.



Those who failed to return to Trinity this year are:

B. S. Hurley, Troy, N. C.

S. J. Gantt, Belwood, N. C.

J. M. Howard, University of Virginia, Charlottesville Va.

J. H. Dillard, Spartanburg, S. C.

A. W. Horton, Spartanburg, S. C.

All loyal friends of Alpha Alpha will rejoice to learn that Brother Bob Gantt, who, during the past season earned an enviable reputation as a twirler on the staff of the Baltimore Orioles, has returned to Trinity in order to further improve his already extensive knowledge of the law. Although "Big Bob" has been an influential resident at Trinity since 1900, the passing of the years finds his gigantic figure more firmly entrenched in the affections of all true Trinity sons as the years flit by. The old campus would not be the same without him.

In closing, Alpha Alpha drinks to the health of the entire fraternity.

ANDREW WARLICK.

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## ALPHA DELTA

### GEORGIA SCHOOL OF TECHNOLOGY

Why should we speak of heavy hearts, made so by leaving sweethearts and summer behind, only to get down to the grind again? We have all heard that before, or perhaps experienced it.

Why speak of football prospects? The newspapers will tell you more than we or anybody else ever knew about them. Why fill this precious space with well-wishing for a prosperous year? Suppose we cancel all that off with each other and tell the real story of our lives.

In a cottage by the cobblestones of East North avenue the goat of Alpha Delta reigns supreme. After a long rest during the summer the worthy animal was called into service re-

cently and showed the joys of fraternal initiatory ceremonies to:

Edgar Irving Fuller, Atlanta, Ga.

Guy Algood Kenimer, Atlanta, Ga.

Edward Sinclair Ford, Shreveport, La.

He will soon be called upon to do likewise with some other innocent pledges.

Bro. S. A. Grogan is transferrel from Alpha Omicron.

We were favored with a visit from Bro. Joe McKinzie, of Montezuma, Ga., during the rushing season. It is always a pleasure to have the old boys around at that time, and any other time.

Alpha Delta was very glad to hear of the appointment of Brother McClellan, of Atlanta, as chief of this district.

Wishing well for all Pi Kappa Alpha, Alpha Delta will toil on.

S. A. GROGAN.

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## ALPHA EPSILON

### NORTH CAROLINA A. AND M. COLLEGE

The prospects for the year seem especially encouraging. When college opened on September 8th, nine of Alpha Epsilon's old men were back, each ready to give the other a hearty handshake and a warm welcome. With the fine spirit now existing in the chapter no doubt each member will strive hard to make this a banner year for Alpha Epsilon.

The enrollment here this year is much larger than it has been any previous year. The freshman class is especially large in size and contains much good fraternity material. Already we have several promising men in view, and we are hoping that February 1st will find several good men added to our chapter, which will be a credit to the fraternity.

Several improvements have been made on the campus during our absence this summer. Wings have been added to one



of the dormitories, which alone adds much. Besides this two other buildings are under construction, and soon a new \$50,000 Y. M. C. A. building will be started.

The prospect for a winning football team this year is particularly pleasing. Fifty men are now out on the squad, each battling for a position on the 'varsity. From the present outlook it appears as if the team will be as strong, if not stronger, than last year's. Everyone is now looking forward with interest to our first game with the U. S. Ship Franklin. Alpha Epsilon at present is not represented on the football team. However, Brother N. S. Lachicotte holds the position of assistant manager.

During the month we have been honored with a visit from Brothers Kitchen, of Alpha Alpha, and Boushall, of Tau.

The following old men are back: Brothers C. A. Stedman, W. A. Holding, H. R. Holding, N. S. Lachicotte, J. Griffith, F. Crawford, H. B. Norris, H. B. Briggs and R. W. Howell.

Alpha Epsilon sends her best wishes to all sister chapters and wishes for them a most successful year.

R. W. HOWELL.

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## ALPHA ZETA

### ARKANSAS UNIVERSITY

It is with pleasure that Alpha Zeta looks forward to the coming year, both for herself and the whole fraternity. The glowing report made by Brother Goughan following his return from the convention led us to believe that Pi Kappa Alpha is due to enjoy a decidedly progressive year. As for Alpha Zeta she is in a better position than ever before to represent Pi Kappa Alpha in a creditable manner.

We have now been in our new chapter house one week and a more delightful bunch of fellows cannot be found. It is only repeating what has been told us time after time when we say that ours is the best chapter house at Arkansas. As yet we have not completely furnished it but within another week we hope to have every piece of furniture in its place.

We have furnished the entire downstairs with old mission furniture.

The rushing season is on and Alpha Zeta is doing her share. Every man in the chapter is landing some good licks and our superior record at Arkansas for scholarship and our new chapter house is lending us no little prestige. Our care in the past years in maintaining a high per cent. of graduates is serving as one of our strongest drawing cards.

We have only nine men back but we are well represented in all college activities. Those back are: Arthur Heagler, Harvey McHenry, F. W. Files, Wilsey Hunter, Ray Purcell, J. E. Goughan, W. C. Miles, Dan Estes and LeRoy Highfill.

It is with much pride that we point to Brother Estes as captain of Arkansas' 1911 football team and conceded the best tackle ever produced at Arkansas. The career of Brother Estes on the gridiron has been remarkable. He made the team in his freshman year and at that time there were more candidates for the team than for years and he alone was the only new man to be given a position. Last year he was a star receiving special mention in every game and this year he is expected to lead a winning team through the hardest season for years. Arkansas' prospects are not so bright as they might be. There are barely enough men on the squad to make two elevens. But there are some mighty good looking members of last year's scrub team who will be worth considering. At least seven of the old men will be back. The greatest handicap will be in the late start Arkansas is getting in training and the scrub team will be so weak that they will not give the regulars much consistent training in the scrimmages.

Class work opens Monday, September 25th. We have been so busy getting the house opened and looking after new men that few of us will be ready to classify by that time but we will lose little time in getting to work, as we pride ourselves on the standard of scholarship maintained. We will await anxiously the arrival of the next SHIELD AND DIAMOND to see



what others are doing. We take as much pleasure in the success of our sister chapters as in ourselves and new chapters accepted bring joy to us.

LEROY HIGHFILL.

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## ALPHA ETA

### UNIVERSITY OF FLORIDA

As the University does not begin its session until September 27th, some days after this chapter letter is due, there is but little that can be said.

During the summer a handsome hall has been erected on the campus in which to house the College of Engineering. A dining hall and a gymnasium will shortly be begun, and two new buildings—one for the College of Agriculture, the other for the department of Ancient and Modern languages and History—are to be erected by the beginning of the next school year. The campus and older buildings have been put in the best of condition, and a comparatively large sum of money is available for additions to library and laboratories. The physical condition of the University is excellent.

The faculty will show but few changes. The new men come well recommended.

The prospects for a large attendance of students are good; our opening week will show a number enrolled nearly or quite as large as the total registration for last year. Among the new men we are told are a goodly number worthy of fraternity membership.

The football squad has been on the grounds for about three weeks. Among the number is Brother L. E. Tenney, who made such a good record last year. His place on the team is practically secure.

Brother Christian, B. S. '11, passed through Gainesville recently. He has been quite unwell, but is now steadily recuperating.

During the summer your correspondent had the pleasure of passing several hours in Baltimore with Brother Riley, of Alpha

Eta. He was making an extended trip for pleasure, intending to go as far north as Maine and perhaps Canada. In Norfolk your correspondent saw Brother R. W. Hughes, Gamma and Alpha, and Brother R. W. Marks, Alpha—both of whom are prominent members of the bar. C. L. CROW.

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## ALPHA IOTA

### MILLSAPS COLLEGE

We opened the year domiciled in a great, big, roomy house, and have already begun to feel at home in our new quarters. We were fortunate enough to secure a house that is very convenient to the college buildings—in fact, it is only “six skips from chapel,” and is within easy reach of two car lines to the city. The house is a two-story affair with eight rooms, and is fitted up with all the conveniences. We have experienced some difficulty in furnishing the reception rooms, but it now looks like we shall have things fitted up in creditable shape.

At first our prospects looked pretty slim, because, I suppose, we are accustomed to quite a crowd. Several men decided at the last moment to return. One of our old fellows is coming back and one “yearling” got lonesome for the bunch again.

The preparatory department has been separated from the college, and has its own school in Founders’ hall. Brother S. G. Noble is head master, and there is a good deal of confidence placed in his ability to succeed in this venture.

Millsaps has begun with the largest enrollment in its history. Better conditions are prevailing all round, and the future looks bright with the helm in the hands of a capable and very earnest president.

The first smoker comes in a few days from the present writing. There is a promising lot of new men, and Alpha Iota will come in for her share. Our roll is as follows:

W. M. Colmer.	J. B. Kirkland.	S. B. Lampton.
B. F. Foster.	H. T. Lassiter.	T. W. Lewis, Jr.
F. T. Scott.		

T. W. LEWIS, JR.



## ALPHA KAPPA

## MISSOURI SCHOOL OF MINES

H. T. Mann.	D. H. Radcliffe.
E. H. Broughton.	H. C. Halsey.
R. C. Knickerbocker.	J. N. Schmidt.
F. C. Moses.	

Alpha Kappa has started the school year 1911-12 with the seven above named old men in their places. We had expected three or four more of the old men back with us again this year, but owing to various causes they have been unable to be with us this year. We are expecting at least two of them back at Christmas time, Brothers Knappenberger and Hubbard.

The School of Mines opened the 12th of September with an enrollment of about two hundred men, fifty of whom are new ones. The freshmen class this year is particularly strong and we are in hopes of being up to our usual number before the next letter to the SHIELD AND DIAMOND becomes due. We have already a line on several very promising men and we promise to introduce some new brothers in our next letter.

Football is the most talked of topic on the campus at the present time. Coach Dennie has had the squad out since the day school opened and it is gradually rounding into shape. He has been a little disappointed, because of the failure of several of his last year men who expected to be in the line this year, having not shown up as yet. The school at large feels very confident though as the new men who are out are a very husky looking bunch. We hope to defeat instead of tying the score when we play our greatest rivals, Missouri University.

Brother Randolph, who graduated last year, has accepted a fellowship at the University of Illinois, where he expects to take another degree. Brother Beach, another one of the last year seniors, has a position in Old Mexico. Brother Pudeaw, the third of the last year class, is working for the Missouri Geological Survey in northern Missouri. We expect him to be back with us in about a month.

During the summer Alpha Kappa has had some work done on her house, and at the present time she is located in the roomiest, prettiest and best equipped fraternity house in Rolla. She will be very glad to welcome any Pis who may be in this part of the country.

Alpha Kappa wishes every chapter and alumni chapter the most successful year in  $\Pi K A$  history.

FREDERICK G. MOSES.

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### ALPHA LAMBDA

#### GEORGETOWN COLLEGE

We introduce as recent initiates John William Glass, of Georgetown, Ky., and Isaac Christian Smith, of Campbellsburg, Ky.

Alpha Lambda has again returned very few men, but in securing two of the very best men in school we feel that another good year is before us.

Brother Herndon is now identified with Omega chapter in Lexington, while Brother Kenney has entered the University of Georgia. Bro. Howard Smith is in business in Owenton, Ky.

The football team is showing up quite well for the first of the season. Brother Isaac Smith is certain of position at full-back, and Howard and Switzer are in the running. Brother Glass, undoubtedly the best man on the gridiron, is unluckily disqualified by non-attendance last year.

It will be a case of brother against brother next Thursday when the varsity, with three of our men, line up against a picked local team on which Brothers Glass and Moreland are to play.

The writer was agreeably surprised during the vacation to meet at his home town in Illinois a brother from Alpha Delta Henry Cust, who is one of the finest ever—as all Pi Kaps are. This good luck enforced immeasurably the wide spread influence of our brotherhood, even far from any active chapter as the place of meeting was.



We have not yet succeeded in obtaining a chapter house, but issue a cordial greeting and invitation to all Pis when in the region of the blue grass.

J. ROBERT HOWARD.

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## ALPHA MU

### UNIVERSITY OF GEORGIA

Alpha Mu returned only three men this year, but these men are all hard workers, and are already prepared to introduce to the fraternity four men of whom we are extremely proud.

These men are: Arthur Leon De La Perriere, Hoschton, Ga.; Clarence Homer De La Perriere, Hoschton, Ga.; Harry J. Vaughan, Atlanta, Ga.; and Julian Gordon Liddell, Atlanta, Ga.

We also have another good man pledged who will be initiated Saturday night. We have several others in view, and from all present indications, Alpha Mu's prospects certainly look rosy this year.

At present we are occupying rooms in the Southern Mutual building, but expect to secure a chapter house very shortly.

The football prospects at Georgia are very good. For the past week forty candidates has been the average attendance at practice. The majority of last year's eleven are back, and it is thought that with the aid of some fine new material, Georgia will put out a team much better than last year's.

Wishing success and prosperity to all of our sister chapters,

A. V. CALLAWAY.

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## ALPHA NU

### UNIVERSITY OF MISSOURI

The University of Missouri began its 1911-12 session on September 18th, last, and Alpha Nu chapter of Pi Kappa

Alpha returned sixteen of the old men and began to do business at the old stand. The following men returned:

Francis Abel Benham, Bonne Terre, Mo.

Kenneth Craddock Sears, La Plata, Mo.

Lewis Edwin Joel Browne, Jr., Lewistown, Mo.

John Marcus McCoy, Dundee, Ill.

Wilson Batten Heller, 116 North 33d St., Omaha, Neb.

Stephen Lee Potter, Marshall, Mo.

Clinton French Moss, 3415 Virginia Ave., Kansas City, Mo.

William Speer Thompson, Princeton, Mo.

George Winston Gladding, 6012 Watermain St., St. Louis.

Philip Sydney Savage, 5586 Vernon Ave., St. Louis.

Clarence Plat LeMire, Martinsville, Mo.

Albert Richard Waters, Carthage, Mo.

Thomas Butler Ellis, 115 Madison St., Jefferson City, Mo.

Arthur Simpson Udstad, 910 Clark Ave., St. Charles, Mo.

Roy Sigler, Charleston, Mo.

Lester Bermond, 102 South 17th St., St. Joseph, Mo.

Daniel Webster Boone Kurtz, Jr., Md., Columbia, Mo.

Dr. Lawson Gentry Lowrey, one of the charter members of Alpha Nu, is now an instructor in anatomy in the School of Medicine in the University of Missouri. Though not in reality an active member, he will always be there when the roll is called and have his shoulder to the wheel. We are very proud to have Dr. Lowrey with us again, as he is a man with many good ideas and is always alive to the interests of Alpha Nu.

Alpha Nu is again fortunate in having Brother Sears with us, after being out the greater part of last year. He was chosen to act as S. M. C.—enough said.

We desire to announce to the brothers that Messrs. Dale Campbell Bermond, St. Joseph, Mo., and a brother of Lester and Walter R. Jackson, of Kansas City, have been initiated into Alpha Nu chapter. Mr. Henry F. Fist, of Muskogee, Okla., is a pledge. We hope to announce about five more pledges in the near future.

In this connection it might be well to state that the University of Missouri has a rule that no one can be taken into



a fraternity until he has made twenty-four hours' credit, which means a freshman rule. The pledges can't be initiated until next fall.

Alpha Nu is very fortunate this year in returning so many men. There were only three other fraternities here that returned more men than we, and most of them are complaining of the rule. Some only returned from eight to ten men, and with large houses to keep up the expense is great. As a result they have from ten to sixteen men pledged and have initiated some out of the sophomore class.

Athletics.—We have three men out for football this year—Brothers LeMire, an "M" man, and Savage and Gladding. Brother Gladding is trying out for quarterback and was used as a substitute in the last two games. LeMire has been playing end thus far, but his regular place is halfback.

Missouri should have a strong team this year. There are about sixty men for the team and apparently plenty of good men. We played Rolla (Missouri School of Mines) on the 7th and defeated them by a score of 15 to 0. Brother Knickerbocker, of Alpha Kappa, is captain of the Miners. Brother Schmidt also played on the team.

We also have with us again this year Brother Lester Bermond, who has been called the "speed demon" in track. The work of LeMire, Gladding, Savage and Bermond will give us fair representation on the athletic field.

We have a very good orchestra this year, composed of Brothers Waters, Dale and Lester Bermond, and with Brothers McCoy and Browne at the piano we have plenty of music.

Brothers Newton Dale and Henry N. Eversole came over to the game and paid us a visit. Brother Eversole called a meeting of the board of trustees while in town and steps were taken to have each man of the chapter sign up notes accruing during the next five years—one, two, three, four and five, respectively—for the purpose of getting a chapter house. We hope to have one started next year, costing about eighteen

thousand dollars. Most of the fraternities here own their own chapter houses, and it is our aim to build one that will show up with any of them.

Several of the boys brought some very handsome presents to the chapter this year and our house is a pretty cozy one now.

Alpha Nu is especially interested to know that Brother Bryne has been appointed District Chief and hope that he will be able to do some work on expansion in the west and northwest this year. We are looking forward to his visit.

Wishing all the chapters a most successful year in the interest of Pi Kappa Alpha,

FRANCIS A. BENHAM.

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## ALPHA XI

### UNIVERSITY OF CINCINNATI

Summer is almost gone. Only a few more days and we will all be back again at school, working away at our various studies. It will be hard to get to college work again, but it will be pleasant to see our brother Pis and to get down to fraternity work with a new spirit and vim.

During the summer many of our brothers have been absent from town and those who remained have been variously occupied making it difficult to hold meetings and carry on fraternity work. For this reason news is somewhat scarce. Nevertheless, we have worked hard to get together now and then and have really accomplished much considering the odds. Our efforts have been almost wholly concentrated on arranging matters so that we can open a chapter house in the fall. At the present time we have rented three rooms and furnished them anew in order to carry on the work of October. By November, at latest, we are sure to have a pleasant time for ourselves within a convenient distance of the university.

We have at this early date received the pledges of four of the incoming students, whom by the time you hear from us again we hope to introduce as brother Pis.



We hope that all our brothers have had a pleasant vacation and wish them success during the coming year.

JAMES P. ANDREW.

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## ALPHA OMICRON

### SOUTHWESTERN UNIVERSITY

Southwestern opened September 21st with a large enrollment which is growing larger every day. The freshman class is the largest in the history of the university, and there is lots of good fraternity material here.

Alpha Omicron wishes to introduce Brother Harold John Gregory, of Uvalde, Texas. He is a freshman academic man and an enthusiastic Pi Kappa Alpha. We have several good men in view who will strengthen our chapter in many ways.

Football is the chief topic of conversation at present in Texas and we hope to turn out a winning team at S. U. Alpha Omicron will be represented on the team by Brother Mickle at tackle, and Brother Waggoner at guard. Brother Gregory is showing up well in the scrub line and may win his letter.

Pi Kappa Alpha is situated in the finest chapter house of all the fraternities in S. U., and is considered by the faculty and students to be one of the best in school. We intend to give a party soon and also a reception on the anniversary of our installation. The following is a list of the members who returned:

- G. B. Marsh, San Marcos, Texas.
- C. M. Montgomery, San Marcos, Texas.
- E. H. Jones, Celeste, Texas.
- O. O. Mickle, Fort Worth, Texas.
- M. T. Waggoner, Wichita Falls, Texas.

C. M. MONTGOMERY.

# Alumni News

## ALPHA

The following from the *Columbia State*, with reference to Brother Underwood, of Alpha, chairman of the Ways and Means Committee and Democratic leader in the lower house of Congress, will be of interest to Pis in general:

"Alabama," say the *Richmond Times-Dispatch*, "will cast its twenty-two votes in the next Democratic convention for Oscar W. Underwood for President," which program the *Times-Dispatch* commends in language extolling Mr. Underwood to the vaulted skies.

Everybody praises Underwood. What is the secret of his popularity and influence? That we shall not discuss, but the test of his character was when he stood by his tariff reform principles at a time that pressure was exerted by the immense influence of the steel, iron and coal interests of the Birmingham district to make him swerve from them. He did not compromise; he stood firm, and his people saw and knew the manliness and dependableness of him and supported him.

Had Oscar W. Underwood allowed his Democracy to be corrupted because some of his constituents were tainted with protection sentiment, he would be rated in Congress today as a politician of the second or third class, and not as a statesman of the first class.—*Columbia State*.

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Geo. B. Shepherd, who represented Alpha at the last convention, especially at the smoker when the "ladies" were present, sailed on September 16th, on the Red Star line from Philadelphia, for Antwerp, Belgium. He will study art there in the Government Academy for two years or more.

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Announcement of the marriage of Wade H. Meadows to Miss Ella McLendon Simmons, daughter of Senator and Mrs. F. M. Simmons, of Newbern, N. C., on August 24th, 1911, has been received. The best wishes of the fraternity are extended to Brother Meadows and his bride.



## BETA

The fraternity will learn with pleasure that Brother Parks Lafferty was united in marriage to Miss Pearl Boger on August 30th, 1911. The groom's best man was Brother R. H. Lafferty, a prominent physician of Charlotte, N. C.

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## THETA

John Frierson is a prominent attorney of Columbus, Miss.

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## PSI

Earle J. Carpenter was married to Miss Nell Griffin, of Atlanta, Ga., on July 25th, 1911.

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## TAU

Bro. G. Spears Reynolds was united in marriage to Mrs. M. H. Cooper on July 24th, 1911. Those who were present at the Knoxville convention will remember the genial and jovial Brother Reynolds who invited the convention to Asheville, and will join in wishing him a long and happy married life.

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## ALPHA EPSILON AND TAU

Ronald B. Wilson is one of the owner and publishers of the *Sylvan Valley News*, at Brevard, N. C.

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## UPSILON

Leonard P. Hall is in the real estate business at 1133 Broadway, New York City.

S. L. Greene is with the government engineering corps which is constructing the locks near Tuscaloosa, Ala.

## CHI

John W. Dady is with the Tongue River Indian agency, at Lamedeer, Montana.

Taudy A. Bryson has been awarded the MacDonald prize at the Rennselaer Polytechnic Institute, Troy, N. Y. This prize consists of the income from two thousand dollars, and is awarded annually to the student who, on graduating, presents the best thesis involving a design for an engineering work or an investigation of a process or natural product, or of especial interest to engineers. The subject of Bryson's thesis was "A Study of the Stresses in Flat Plates."

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## ALPHA ALPHA

Mark C. Ross is traveling through North and South Carolina, representing a meat and provision firm.

G. S. Lee is in the livery business with his father, at Monroe, N. C.

A new law firm is that of Langston and Allen, of Goldsboro, the members being John D. Langston, a loyal alumnus of Alpha Alpha chapter at Trinity, and Matt Allen, a Trinity Kappa Sigma. The state papers are predicting a successful and prosperous future for these two bright young men.

Bro. John A. Park and his associates have bought the Raleigh *Times*, a leading newspaper of Raleigh, N. C. Brother Park is an experienced man in the newspaper field, and no one doubts that he will make a success of his new enterprise.

The arrival of Master Julian G. Frazier, Jr., at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Julian G. Frazier, 103 South Boylan Ave., yesterday morning, caused Mr. Frazier to be the recipient of congratulations.

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## ALPHA DELTA

G. C. Thompson is state manager for Florida for the Cary Safe company.



## ALPHA EPSILON.

The engagement of William A. Buys, Alpha Epsilon, to Miss Hazel Miot Olds, of Belhaven, N. C., was announced last month at a reception given at the home of Miss Olds. Brother Buys graduated at A. & M. College in 1906, and is now employed by the Interstate Cooperage company of Belhaven, N. C., as chief surveyor and draughtsman.

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Brother T. K. Bruner and Miss Anne Louise Hamilton were married in Durham, N. C., on July 15th, 1911. Brother Bruner is assistant manager of the Francis Cotton Mills at Biscoe, N. C.

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## ALPHA ALPHA.

Brother H. C. Kibe, '09, recently resigned his position as superintendent of the Newburg Mining and Drilling company, and is now general representative of the International Harvester company with headquarters at his home town, Davenport, Iowa.

Brother Harmon E. Minor, '10, of the firm of Buten and Minor, mining and civil engineers, of Canon City, Colo., was recently appointed city engineer for Canon City.

Brother O. A. Randolph, '11, is at the University of Illinois this year where he was so fortunate as to secure a fellowship in physics.

Quite a number of the Alpha Kappa alumni have left the ranks of the "Bachelor Pis" and become benedicts since the last issue of the SHIELD AND DIAMOND. Those who have fallen victims to the charms of the fair sex are: Brothers McTighe, one of the charter members; Siegmund, Vogt and Randolph. It is rumored that before the next issue of the SHIELD AND DIAMOND there may be several more names to add to the foregoing list.

Brother Mann, instructor in metallurgy at the Missouri School of Mines, has had the honor to be appointed in charge

of the School of Mines' exhibit at the State Fair at Sedalia, Mo.

Brother Ira L. Wright, '07, has recently resigned his position with the Savannah Copper company and expects to leave for old Mexico in a short time.

Brother James A. Taggart, one of the charter members, recently accepted a position as chief chemist for a large smelter at Virginia City, Nev.

Brother T. S. Dunn, '09, has left Batesville, Texas, where he has been associated in business with Brother Peeso, and is on his way to Lethbridge, Alberta, Canada, to accept a position with the Chinook Coal company.

Brother A. J. Seltzer, '07, who formerly was professor of chemistry at the Nebraska Wesleyan University, has decided to give up teaching and has moved to Canada, where he has purchased a large tract of land and expects to go into farming on a large scale.

Brother Harvey E. Smith, '10, is now located at West Franklin, Ill., as resident engineer for the Dering Coal company.

J. T. Tieman expects to enter Yale this fall.

W. R. Knappenberger is mining in the Cobalt, Ontario, silver district.

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#### ALPHA LAMBDA

Claude Robinson is the seventh of our number to join the ranks of the benedicts.

H. J. Howard is with Howard and Casey company, in Mt. Vernon, Ill. He was a member of last year's graduating class at Yale.

Wm. Dawson is back in Frankfort, Ky.



# Exchanges

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We take pleasure in acknowledging the receipt of the following exchanges that have appeared since our last issue:

April: *The Phi Gamma Delta*, *Kappa Alpha Journal*.

May: *The Key* of Kappa Kappa Gamma, *The Sigma Chi Quarterly*, *The Sigma Phi Epsilon Journal*, *To Dragma* of Alpha Omicron Pi..

June: *Alpha Phi Quarterly*, *The Caduceus* of Kappa Sigma, *Delta Chi Quarterly*.

July: *The Caduceus* of Kappa Sigma, *The Eleusis* of Chi Omega.



One of the sure signs of the times among the Greeks is the consensus of determination to raise the standard of chapter life. The conviction seems to grow that even merely social organizations must build upon more solid foundations than social exclusiveness (if the contradiction in terms be allowed) and live for a higher aim than social luxury. It is generally conceded that the abuses of fraternity life are remediable while its uses are worthy and capable of development. There is remarkable agreement, too, as to the failings of fraternities and their causes. The too early pledging of freshmen or high school pledgings thus taking them altogether out of the more

democratic surroundings of the dormitory through the intoxicating adulations of the "rush" into an artificial social luxuriousness found in too many chapter houses, together with the distractions from serious work that social privilege will surely bring to the unbalanced, form the core of the trouble.

The report of the regents of the university of Wisconsin suggest all this in the new regulations of fraternities proposed. They are:

"1. That the pledging of high school students by the fraternities be discontinued.

"2. That no freshman be permitted to lodge or board in a fraternity house.

"3. That no student be initiated into a fraternity until the beginning of the sophomore year.

"4. That no student be initiated into a fraternity while on probation."

However, the regents' report suggests not only fraternity defects and the remedies necessary but recognizes fully the respects in which the fraternities "have shown themselves to possess a right spirit and a beneficial influence." An example is the "acceptance by the fraternities of the new regulations above mentioned and their agreement to cooperate with the university authorities in putting the same in force." The report then adds the following:

One of the greatest benefits connected with membership in a fraternity is the opportunity for making friends. A student joining a fraternity is necessarily thrown into intimate relations with the other members of the chapter. These include not only a group from his own class, but also a group from each of the other classes in college and a group from each entering class during the period that the student remains in the university. He also has the opportunity of making friends among the members of this fraternity in other colleges, as well as among the alumni of his own chapter. In a less direct way membership in a fraternity furnishes an introduction to members of other fraternities, due to a natural community of interests. It is found that a larger proportion of fraternity men than non-fraternity members remain in college for the full course. This is partially to be accounted for by the more agreeable surroundings of the fraternity men, and partially by the fact of easy financial circumstances. From the standpoint of making friends—and this is considered by many to be one of the most valuable features of university life—the fraternity man has the advantage over non-fraternity men. It is to be regretted that all students of the university have not this advantage. . . .



If the general charge is in any way justified that the fraternities are undemocratic as organizations in the university, this is not true among themselves. As has already been seen, in the fraternities there are poor students as well as those who are well-to-do, about one-fourth of the membership among the men being at least partly self-supporting. Once admitted into the fraternity, it is the general testimony that all are treated in the same way. That is, there is within the fraternity itself no lack of democracy.

One of the strong points of the fraternities is that the alumni continue to have an interest in these organizations. From the alumni come in large measure the funds from which the fraternity houses are built. Almost without exception the influence of the alumni is felt upon the fraternity group and is always in the right direction. The alumni of a chapter are anxious that that chapter shall be in good repute in the university as to scholarship, morality, and good influence.

It is undoubtedly true that in the past three or four years the fraternities have very greatly improved in scholarship, and in the adoption of reasonable house rules concerning both their personal conduct and quiet hours. A number of fraternities have adopted rules which are wholly satisfactory in these respects. Some of the fraternities have also placed the work of freshmen under the supervision of the upper classmen in the fraternity, and a serious effort is made to keep up the scholarship of the members. Seven chapters send out letters of inquiry to instructors each semester asking for standings, opinion, etc., of the lower classmen, especially the freshmen. It is certain that under the leadership of the better group the other fraternities that have been less prompt to seize their opportunities will be obliged to follow.

The various improvements made by the fraternities in the management of their affairs during the past few years and their assent to the further proposal for improvement along the lines mentioned have led the regents to the belief that still further improvements will be made. If this is not done voluntarily the authorities will necessarily make regulations to accomplish this until the fraternities have relieved themselves of all the objectionable features.

It is the belief of the regents that the fraternities, even as they exist, have done much more good than harm in the university and that with the improvements proposed and others to be made in the future they may be made to become still more useful.

The eagerness with which the fraternities would not only justify their existence, but develop into a positive force towards the high aims of the institutions in which they live is shown by their own various proposals for betterment. For instance, Phi Gamma Delta would deal thus dractically with the question of scholarship. We quote from their publication of April:

In handling inside the chapter the problem of scholarship, it is absolutely necessary that the work within the organization be well systematized. A committee on scholarship is essential. The methods to be employed by this committee vary somewhat with the rules of the different colleges, but generally such a committee can secure from a college authorities a confidential statement of the standing of every man in the

chapter. The delinquents can then be reached according to the peculiar needs of each man. The committee should have full power to discipline these members at the same time that it is charged with the responsibility of aiding them. If the sole difficulty is a tendency to dissipate time and energy in other activities or in actual vice, the committee should have the power to prohibit these indulgences, and a failure to obey the orders of the committee should be punished with the severest penalties the chapter can inflict. On the other hand, if the difficulty is an inability to master the difficulties of the curriculum, the committee should provide efficient coaches from among the upper classmen to help the unfortunate brother over the rough places.

Further, the committee should keep a careful record of the grades received by the men. We have before us the copy of a record card used very successfully in one of the chapters. The horizontal columns show the names of the members of the chapter, while the vertical columns contain the various subjects taught. Opposite each man's name is his grade in each subject taken during that term. Such a card shows at a glance the standing of each man and enables the committee as well as the officers of the chapter to know not only what is the present scholastic condition of the chapter, but what has been its past history. Such a record, furthermore, is of value in showing which particular subjects are the most rigorous, and therefore, which subjects require the greatest care on the part of the students.

But perhaps the most significant illustration of the modern recognition by the fraternities of the great fact that the basis of social pleasure is character and ability is found in the series of articles in the Delta Tau Delta *Rainbow* on "College Men and Social Evils." These articles are written by Dr. Frank Weiland, A. M., who speaks both as a technical expert and as a warm hearted humanist. A few quotations will show plainly enough what he is driving at: "\* \* \* A night of cheap beer, the accompaniment of soft music from a mechanical piano, a fling at the red light district, and a long time to repent of it."

"I know that you are saying to yourselves, you that have escaped lightly or absolutely, that I am making a gallery play, that I am taking advantage of my knowledge of an interesting topic to write a dramatic article in order that I may frighten my young fraternity brothers into propriety. You assume that your elders must preach, and on the topic on which they are the best informed. Guess again, you husky football heroes to whom conquests come very easily, you leaders of the college Germans, in the limelight of one brief period. I have



only told you some of the incidents that attend the earning of my daily bread."

"Are these two talks that I have given you proper topics for a college fraternity journal? Why not? \* \* \* Our *Rainbow* would have little excuse for existence if it were a journal for gossip only. \* \* \* But a fraternity journal should be educative also. If we assume responsibility for our undergraduates we should leave nothing undone that will help them fight their battles and aid them in winning out. If this letter will make even one Delt stop and think, I shall be justified in having thus overstepped conventionalities."

That Dr. Weiland is justified by other fraternities than Delta Tau Delta is shown by many favorable comments on his articles and by the entire reprint of one of the papers in the *Journal of Sigma Phi Epsilon*. In other words the fraternities which point to brotherhood as the ample justification of their existence are recognizing a call to a wider sphere of action in helping and uplifting those whom we call brothers and thus in sending into the busy world men best equipped to labor for the brotherhood of man.

At a Delta Phi banquet in Boston, Mr. Eliot G. Parkhurst gets off at the expense of Mr. Dooley, a clever burlesque on the fraternity rush. We quote from the *Kappa Alpha Journal*:

Rushin' consists av loud noises made be a fiddel and pianny, punctuated at irregular intervals wid food, advice, and th' front row at a musical comedy, all free, but with intherest payable at 110 per cent th' minit ye'r pligded. 'Tis a combinashun of sillin' a loife inshurance polisy and makin' a campane spache.

"'In honorin' youse wid a bid to jine our unparalleled c'lection of impolluted young men," says the bist bluffer in the chowd, havin' previously braced himself wid two Bromo Seltzers, thrown his cigaroot out of the windy, and carefully removed the pitchers of Miss Fluffy Souffle and Anna Held from the walls, 'we only wish to stan' upon our pravius record of high achievement. Durin' th' past yeer we hav had foor min that passed all their coorses, two mimbbers of the Union, three min whom the Deen has called 'undesirable citizens,' a substitute on the second wather polo tame, and foorth assistant secretary av th' Yacht Cloob. Wid such a reputashun, we have no nade to dilate upon the weakeness av any other fraternity. And we hav' a particular aversion to throwin' mud at the Alpha Dits. We pray fer bricks. We shall, therefore, take the noble attichood of sayin' nothin' agenst them, ixipt that they arre a pack of the most onprincipled, weak-kneed, dhrunken and disreputable blaggards yit remaining on the payroll of the Standard Ile company. As fr' our infloouce on yr' morals, fear not, Clarince. We

won't touch them, fr' ye'll carefully pack them away in coold sthorage fr' th' nixt four yeers an' thin whin ye graduate they'll be as good as new. We incourage all our min to partake copiosly av the gushin' culture of Coortney Langdon (a local barkeep) an' we niver had a man yit who lift collidge widout havin' the broadenin' appreciation ingindered to be a photographic sthudy av the Tower on th' Exchange Place Fire Station ilegantly prisinted be Pop Bland. We've turned out sich athletes as Shan Clark and Stump Jones. N'r do we niglict the litery aspicts av yir moind as ye can aisly percave be radin' 'Whin the Hill Comes Up to Meet You,' be Prof. Grose, or listenin' to th' Chesterfieldian outbursts av our post-prandial orators. I, myself, am so will plased wid this fraternity that tho' I've been here four years and there are sivintiin ithers . . . this is the only wan I've iver jined. In conclusion, I bid ye welcome to our noble galaxy and offer ye th' roight hand iv a lovin' brotherr."

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The *Kappa Alpha Journal* makes a good thing of the collected records and pictures of the K. A. athletes of the past season. It is an attractive feature of their April number.

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### DONT'S FOR CORRESPONDENTS.

Don't "send greetings to sister chapters." Your letter is a greeting.

Don't tell the fraternity about the campus in springtime. Every campus has its quota of "budding trees, green grass and singing robins."

Don't say, "We beg to introduce Brother Smith to the fraternity at large." He needs no introduction.

Don't say, "Smith journeyed across the burning sands of Malta Land and is now a fullfledged wearer of the glittering pin of old Alpha Tau Omega." If you say, "John Smith was initiated on June 1st," the fraternity will know what you mean.

Don't say that "Brother Smith resigned from the chapter." He never resigns. He may leave, die or be expelled—but he never resigns.

Don't say, "Brother So and So." We are all brothers—and *Palm* space is valuable.

Don't say, "Smith is captain of the football team." Tell us *which* Smith. Give his first or Christian name if he has one.

Don't write, "In college affairs our brothers are holding the high standard that has always characterized Alpha Tau Omega." It isn't necessary. The fraternity knows that—otherwise your charter would have been withdrawn.

Don't send "best wishes to sister chapters." Use the Western Union service if you must do it. Nobody ever reads it in the *Palm*.

Don't say, "Three jolly good fellows have recently riddin' 'Old Billy.' To start with, it isn't true. Besides, why not say "initiated"?

Don't say, "We have the finest chapter in the institution." Somebody may deny it. If you must say it, be sure your *Palm* taxes are paid in full.

Don't say, "On the 16th;" there are twelve dates of that number in a year.—*A. T. O. Palm*, as quoted in the *Kappa Alpha Journal*.



That there is still some improvement possible for the chapter correspondent is seen from his English as she wrote:

Everyone enjoyed themselves to the utmost, and are still congratulating —, —, and — on their good work as the committee on preparations. The old chapter room is rapidly being transformed into a pool room, and when completed there will be no unfinished place there, excepting the up-stairs bed room, which is now in a semi-unfinished condition.

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To the point there is this from *Delta Chi Quarterly*:

We take pleasure in announcing that the chapter letter prize has been awarded to Brother Gore of the University of Washington. While there were several other correspondents whose work was of a very high standard, Brother Gore's approached nearest in spirit and content what we consider the ideal chapter letter. Furthermore, he was one of the few who had their letters in on time.

For this coming year, beginning with the next number and ending with the June number, we have decided to give as a prize to the best chapter correspondent a solid gold Delta Chi key, with an appropriate leather fob. In awarding this prize the *Quarterly* will consider not only the chapter letters, but also the alumni notes sent in, as well as the correspondents' promptness. Chapter letters should not exceed one and one-half pages of printed type, and alumni notes should be as full as possible. We trust every "E" will do his level best to make the ultimate selection of the winner as difficult as possible.

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According to *Alpha Tau Omega Palm* of March, Mr. Luke Lea, United States Senator from Tennessee, owes his election to being an A. T. O. After ten ballots had been taken, his friends succeeded in pledging him the support of the Republicans on condition that he would represent the anti-Patterson wing. This, however, would not quite give him a majority. But a young lawyer from Shelby county, recently from Vanderbilt, and an enthusiastic A. T. O., hearing that Mr. Lea would become a candidate on the following Monday, changed his vote on that day from one wing to the other, carrying with him two other of his own county votes and electing Mr. Lea.—*Phi Gamma Delta*.

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For several years the question of abolishing fraternities at the University of Mississippi has been agitated by the non-fraternity faction. In January, 1910, a bill was introduced in the state legislature for this purpose, but, after much wrangling on both sides, the bill failed to pass. At a meeting of the trustees in September, 1910, a resolution

to the same effect was presented, and the board adopted it with the proviso that no new members may be initiated later than June 1, 1911, and that the charters of all fraternities shall be surrendered June 1, 1913. Efforts are being made by the active chapters in cooperation with the alumni of the state to secure a revocation of this enactment.—*Sigma Chi Quarterly*.

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### PERSEVERENTIA OMNIA VINCIT.

Says the *Sigma Chi Quarterly* for May:

An interesting incident in the career of Henry Clay Duncan, Lambda, 1868, whose death is recorded on another page of this issue, is being told. At one time, just after the war, he is declared to have been the only Sigma Chi member in Indiana University, and in order to keep the chapter alive, he is reported to have carried the charter around in his pocket and refused to give it up when it was demanded by the Grand Council. When the Civil War broke out, Sigma Chi had a strong chapter at Indiana University. Most of the members enlisted and it practically broke up the chapter. Duncan enlisted and served under Colonel John W. Foster, and when he returned to Indiana he found that he and another student were the only members. The other boy left and Duncan remained. The national officers heard of this and sent for the charter. Duncan refused to give it up. They sent a man to get it. Duncan again refused to relinquish it, put it in his pocket, and carried it there, and as he was big, husky, and determined, the man left Bloomington without the charter. Duncan then proceeded to reorganize the chapter. He selected two men, initiated them, and the three worked together. Before they left college they had built up a strong chapter and it has always remained strong since.

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Michigan has not only adopted but is vigorously enforcing a non-hazing policy. The result is that the old customs have been stamped out and the new ones have not had time yet to become firmly established.—*Alpha Phi Quarterly*.

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An attractive feature of the *June Delta Chi Quarterly* is the printing in connection with each chapter letter a small half-tone of its house. Some of these houses are not yet owned and one is only the neat interior of a "frat room," but all look good.

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One of the youngest chapters of Delta Chi, "and that one in Texas," has sent forth an annual all its own! The publication is described as—

"A handsome paper of twelve pages, containing half-tones of the present active members, their autograph signatures, and a short history



of past classes as well as the present." Delta Chi adds, "The chapter annual, or 'newspaper,' as it is now coming to be known, is a splendid idea and well worth the serious consideration of every chapter in the fraternity. We know of no better way by which a chapter can maintain the interest of its alumni, and commend the Tex.-Delt Syllabus as well worthy of the emulation of every chapter in our organization."

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In its June *Caduceus*, Kappa Sigma gives the group photograph of each active chapter. A good idea to have a photo of all one's fraters. Fine looking fellows, too.

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The college without fraternities is not much more attractive than Plato's republic.

But the social is only one phase. The fraternity is an active, working organization, not merely a social club. Prominence in college is one of its aims and to achieve this are its efforts directed. Its conception of what constitutes prominence is often distorted and sometimes entirely wrong, for it usually places too great a value upon social and athletic accomplishments to the neglect of the scholarly, but so long as it does not carry its false estimate too far, this fraternity interest is a positive influence for good. The fraternity makes close contact with college life in the friendly rivalry of the various chapters in an institution to secure the most prominent honors and offices which come as a result of hard and consistent work. Its slogan often is, "Make good for the college, for the fraternity, and for yourself." With these incentives, with the encouragement and support of his mates, many a man has gone ahead and "made good" when he would otherwise have been content with inactivity and oblivion.—*Kappa Sigma Caduceus*.

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## OFFICIAL COMMUNICATION

### ANNOUNCEMENT NO. 1.

Headquarters of the Fraternity.

WHEREAS, Certain charges as to conduct inconsistent with the principles of the Pi Kappa Alpha Fraternity have been preferred against Bland Allen Pugh, of Webb City, Missouri, a former member of Alpha Nu chapter, which charges have been substantiated by evidence before the said chapter; and

WHEREAS, The said Alpha Nu chapter has expelled from membership therein the said Bland Allen Pugh, in accordance with Article XII, Section 60, of the Constitution of the Fraternity;

NOW, THEREFORE, The Supreme Council does hereby confirm the action of the said Alpha Nu chapter in the expulsion of the aforesaid Bland Allen Pugh, and does order that he be no longer recognized as a member of the Fraternity.

Given under our hands and the Great Seal of the Fraternity, this 1st day of September, A. D. 1911.

J. GORDON HUGHES,  
Grand Princeps.

P. TULANE ATKINSON,  
Grand Secretary.

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## THE PI KAPPA ALPHA FRATERNITY .

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Founded at University of Virginia, March 1, 1868.

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COLORS—Garnet and Old Gold.

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## ACTIVE CHAPTERS.

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Alpha.....	University of Virginia.....University, Va.
Beta.....	Davidson College.....Davidson, N. C.
Gamma.....	William and Mary College.....Williamsburg, Va.
Delta.....	Southern University.....Greensboro, Ala.
Zeta.....	University of Tennessee.....Knoxville, Tenn.
Eta.....	Tulane University.....New Orleans, La.
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Iota.....	Hampden-Sidney College.....Hampden-Sidney, Va.
Kappa.....	Transylvania University.....Lexington, Va.
Omicron.....	Richmond College.....Richmond, Va.
Pi.....	Washington and Lee University.....Lexington, Va.
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Psi.....	North Georgia Agricultural College.....Dahlonega, Ga.
Omega.....	State University.....Lexington, Ky.
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Alpha-Gamma.....	Louisiana State University.....Baton Rouge, La.
Alpha-Delta.....	Georgia School of Technolog.....Atlanta, Ga.
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Alpha-Zeta.....	University of Arkansas.....Fayetteville, Ark.
Alpha-Eta.....	University of State of Florida.....Gainesville, Fla.
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Alpha-Lambda.....	Georgetown College.....Georgetown, Ky.
Alpha-Mu.....	University of Georgia.....Athens, Ga.
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Alumnus Delta.....	Charleston, S. C. ....	
Alumnus Epsilon.....	Norfolk, Va. ....	H. B. G. Galt
Alumnus Zeta.....	Dillon, S. C. ....	
Alumnus Eta.....	New Orleans, La. ....	Dr. Robert A. Strong
Alumnus Theta.....	Dallas, Texas. ....	
Alumnus Iota.....	Knoxville, Tenn. ....	
Alumnus Kappa.....	Charlottesville, Va. ....	
Alumnus Lambda.....	Opelika, Ala. ....	
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Alumnus Omicron.....	Spartanburg, S. C. ....	B. W. Isom
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Alumnus Rho.....	Lexington, Ky. ....	L. P. Gooding
Alumnus Sigma.....	Raleigh, N. C. ....	Julian G. Frasier
Alumnus Tau.....	Salisbury, N. C. ....	Preston Buford
Alumnus Upsilon.....	Charlotte, N. C. ....	A. J. Beall
Alumnus Phi.....	Hattiesburg, Miss. ....	F. F. Flynt
Alumnus Chi.....	Muskogee, Okla. ....	Giles A. Pennick
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Alumnus Omega.....	Nashville, Tenn. ....	



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Silent Chapters: Epsilon, Phi, Alpha-Theta. Alumni chapters in above states.

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Active Chapters: Beta, Tau, Alpha-Alpha, Alpha-Epsilon.

Silent Chapters: Lambda, Mu, Nu, Xi. Alumni chapters in above states.

#### DISTRICT No. 3.—Georgia and Florida.

Chief: J. S. McClelland, Jr., Alpha-Mu, Temple Court Bldg., Atlanta, Ga.

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Active Chapters: Zeta, Theta, Upsilon, Alpha-Pi.

Silent Chapters: Rho, Sigma, Chi. Alumni chapters in above states.

#### DISTRICT No. 6.—Kentucky and Ohio.

Chief: John U. Field, Kappa, Versailles, Kentucky.

Active Chapters: Kappa, Omega, Alpha-Lambda, Alpha-Xi. Alumni chapters in above states.

#### DISTRICT No. 7.—Missouri and Arkansas.

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Active Chapters: Alpha-Zeta, Alpha-Kappa, Alpha-Nu. Alumni chapters in above states.

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Chief: Harris W. Garrow, Jr., Pi, Houston, Texas.

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