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THE RE-BIRTH OF TENN. KAPPA AT UNIV. OF TENNESSEE.

[With his usual energy Bro. Bunting wrote up the following interesting account of Tenn. Kappa, and mailed it to our office in time for the last issue of THE RECORD, and immediately after the organization of the Chapter, but it was unintentionally overlooked by the Editor-in-Chief, who regrets exceedingly that our "new babe" should not have appeared in the previous issue in so peculiarly interesting an account as Bro. Bunting furnishes below. It was our fault, not his, but the welcome, interest and love goes out to Tenn. Kappa from this office with just as much warmth.—ED.-IN-CHF.]

After a vigorous correspondence and much anxiety for the result, the delegate from Tenn. Zeta shouldered his grip and boarded the train at Clarksville for the University of Tennessee, which is located in the beautiful city of Knoxville among the serrated hill-ranges of the Cumberland mountains. A day's stop over was made with the Vanderbilt chapter—and your correspondent was again made to feel the kindly hospitality and fraternal welcome which these brothers always give a pilgrim "Sig." The day following was spent in meeting the members at Chattanooga—which booming city is noted as the pioneer in the organizing of a grand Pan-Hellenic Association among the resident alumni "Greeks" of all different creeds and cognomens.

Knoxville was reached in the midst of a drenching rain, and as the cadets at the University are kept under pretty strict military discipline, it was impossible for them to welcome your delegate at the depot; but the interval between arrival and introduction to them the following morning only gave more time to become acquainted with the city boys and complete preliminaries for the initiation ceremony. Right here I wish to acknowledge my indebtedness for invaluable assistance to our brothers Robt. H. Simmons and

W. C. Saunders who are, by the way, worthy representatives of old sub-rosa Pi at Emory and Henry. These fraters were identified with this chapter three years ago when opposition from the faculty was heavy; but determination to live on the part of our chapter was stronger, and as usual S. A. E. prevailed against the folly of opposition. We are fortunate in having two such energetic members in the city. Bro. Simmons—only about nineteen years of age—is the most popular young man in the city. Bro. Saunders is from the “Old Dominion,” and by his intelligence and business integrity is rapidly gaining the esteem of his townsmen. Both are active affiliating members of the new chapter. Of course this is a great help to Kappa.

Friday morning a visit was paid to our brethren-elect at the University. This institution has an unexcelled location on the summit of a beautiful hill overlooking the city from the west. A handsome lawn slopes down from the buildings on all sides and a covering of cedars and pines adds much to its beauty.

Our men at the University proved more excellent than our most sanguine expectations. We knew them to be gentlemen, but their enthusiasm, fraternity judgment and unity of spirit truly surpassed understanding.

That night at seven o'clock we met in the building of the Knoxville Fire Insurance Company—in which business Bro. Simmons is engaged—and with the usual gravity of such a solemn ordeal the beauties of Sigma Alpha Epsilon were revealed to eight noble fellows in “gray and brass buttons.” As the words of our beautiful ritual fell upon the ears of our candidates—ushered in two by two—it was clearly seen in each visage that they caught the true spirit and reciprocated the love of our noble order. After the initiations, regular officers were elected. Bro. C. W. Allen, the prime mover in our organization, was elected E. A. of the Chapter, Bro. J. C. Shepherd, his “right bower,” was installed E. C. and correspondent of THE RECORD. After regular organization took place another impressive ceremony occurred; the presentation of the charter by Zeta's delegates in behalf of the fraternity to the fostering care of Tennessee Kappa.

Bro. Shepherd responded in a fervent manner, expressing the great satisfaction of the members at receiving it and their gratitude to Tennessee Zeta for her instrumentality in bringing about the organization. Then followed appropriate remarks from each one present—chiefly relating to their impression of the order and their predestined success. After a happy time spent informally the cadets were reminded by the clock that their leave of absence had expired and that fifteen minutes must find them “on the hill.” So after providing for the initiation on the following morning of two more charter members who were debarred the pleasure of meeting with us by military duties, the chapter adjourned and we parted amid general congratulations and hearty handshakes.

We are convinced that the fraternity has built wisely in making this addition. The University of Tennessee—under Dr. Dabney’s wise administration—is taking rapid strides forward; in fact has made marvelous progress during the past four years. Kappa is the sixth active chapter in Tennessee and we now feel that extension in our State must cease. We have unfurled the “purple and gold” over every available battlement worth the taking. Our future duty is to make local efforts and *grow strong*. But may it not be that Tennessee shall drop out of extension work. Being secure ourselves is the more reason for extending our influence abroad. Let us still be up and doing!

HARRY S. BUNTING, Tenn. Zeta.

FRATERNITY TO FRATERNITY.

HALL OF SOUTH CAROLINA PHI,
GREENVILLE, May, 1890.

We of Phi enjoy probably as much hearty congenial Pan-Hellenic feeling in our relationship, fraternity to fraternity, as any of our chapters, and from time to time we join with the chapters of the other fraternities at Furman in their banquets and other joyous occasions. Only recently at a banquet of Iota Chapter of Kappa Alpha, we were repre-

sented by Bro. L. M. Roper, who in responding to the toast of Sigma Alpha Epsilon spoke as follows:

"I am glad to have the honor of representing Sigma Alpha Epsilon in this brilliant assembly of Kappa Alpha's loyal sons, and in the presence of the fair daughters who wear to-night the beautiful badge of that order. We thank you, worthy Greeks, that you so strikingly manifest your fraternal feeling by inviting us to share with you the happy hours of this occasion. I can say of you in verse as was said of my own dear fraternity men, that—

'In many a worthy college,
Live bands of jolly boys,
Full of learning, wit and knowledge
Of this world and worldly joys.
All the damsels sing the praises,
Of this band of brothers gay,
All the world the song upraises
For the boys of old K. A.'

"Sigma Alpha Epsilon was founded at the University of Alabama in 1856. The idea of our fraternity was born in the heart of one of the most chivalrous sons of the South, Noble Leslie De Votie, of Alabama. He was a student at the University of Alabama, where he graduated with the first honors of his class in 1857. So unexceptionable his conduct and exalted his character, that Dr. Garland, who had assumed the presidency of the University, publicly praised him in the highest terms. Basil Manly, the former president, who had known him well during his entire stay at college, said: 'I have never seen or heard anything of De Votie during his college course that I could condemn.' Thus his character, while he lived, won for him the love and admiration of all who knew him, and as a garment of serene lustre it shrouds his memory while dead. His power is still felt. The wisdom and integrity of S. A. E.'s constitution, the moral strength and rectitude of her principles, the high standard of her membership are honorable and lasting monuments to the wisdom, forethought, and Christian character of her noble founder. The life and example of De Votie and his six devoted colleagues has left its impress upon the fraternity which they originated, and their

lofty spirits still animate and elevate their fondly cherished Order. Our fraternity was in its youth when the late war broke upon us. Here was a sore trial. Many of our gallant, patriotic Sigs fell on the battlefield. Our noble De Votie was drowned at Fort Morgan whither he had gone to serve his country as Chaplain in the Confederate army. Many of our chapters were entirely destroyed. But Phi Alpha was not born thus to die. "The same spirit which nerved the Confederate soldier to become a peaceful and industrious citizen amid the shattered hopes and fortunes of his country, also animated the ranks of S. A. E. Her sons rallied to her standard as the Confederates did to the South, and the work of reconstruction began. We have marched steadily onward and upward, and though of Southern origin, we are extending our arms and taking in the North and West. One of our number says: As much as I honor the brave who fell in the late war, I have no patience with sectional hatred or prejudice, and I think there is no way in which we can better show our cosmopolitan character than by carrying our banner northward. Let us indeed resolve to crown the miracles of our past with the spectacle of a Republic, compact, united, indissoluble in the bonds of love—loving from the Lakes to the Gulf." That is our spirit and we are doing our part toward bringing about the great desideratum. Already we grip our brothers from Michigan to Texas!

° In the abysmal deeps of battle
 Buried are all feuds for aye ;
 Friendship's bugle sounds reveille
 To the hosts of Blue and Gray.
 O'er the monumental archway,
 Spanning now the stripe-wrought tombs,
 May the olive branch forever
 Sway, while liberty illumines.
 So while toiling up life's hillslope
 Hand in hand, both Blue and Gray,
 March we on in mystic kinship,
 Bond of true fraternity.

While we cherish our individual Orders and strive for their highest success, yet there should be no unkind feelings existing between others and ourselves. Our purposes are

the same. We all strive for the cultivation of our morals, the improvement of our intellects and the promulgation of the social and brotherly relationship of our members."

IN ALPHA'S HALL.

AIR: "BULAH LAND"

A loyal band of brothers, we,
 Joined in our loved fraternity;
 And blest by friendship's holy light,
 Shall all our college days be bright.

CHORUS:—O, S. A. E., dear S. A. E.,
 Our vows we now renew to thee;
 As gathered here in Alpha's hall
 We join in rites so dear to all,
 And as we praise thy name in song
 Our bonds fraternal grow more strong.

Our mutual pledge we now renew,
 As brothers each to each be true,
 Each one the other's joys to share,
 Each one the other's burdens bear.

Prosper our Order, far and wide,
 In coming years no ills beide,
 Each coming day bring brighter dawn,
 For Sigma Alpha Epsilon.

H. H. C.

OUR S. A. E.

TUNE: "AMERICA."

My order 'tis of thee
 Thy sons from sea to sea,
 Shall proudly sing
 To thee this loyal song
 A chorus loud and long,
 They with true hearts and strong
 A tribute bring.

Sigma we love thy name,
 We love thy noble aim,
 Guides for our lives.
 We love thy joys untold

And dearer far than gold,
The truth thy symbols hold
The greatest prize.

O, diamond badge to thee,
Grand in thy dignity,
To thee we sing.
Long may our colors shine,
And with Phi Alpha twine.
An honor yours and mine
Let Sigma bring.

Iowa Sigma.

J. P. MORLEY.

NOBLE LESLIE DE VOTIE.

REV. DR. MANLY SPEAKS OF HIM.—DE VOTIE'S INTIMATE
FRIEND AND CLASS-MATE.—THE MINISTER WHO
PREACHED HIS FUNERAL SERMON.

OFFICE OF S. A. E. RECORD, GREENVILLE, S. C.

Rev. Chas. Manly, President Furman University,

MY DEAR SIR: I have recently understood from a friend, that you knew Leslie De Votie personally, and were at College with him, and that you preached his funeral sermon.

As you no doubt know De Votie was the founder of the Sigma Alpha Epsilon Fraternity, and you can imagine how every member of the Order would enjoy and appreciate a letter from your pen relative to your acquaintance with and knowledge of him, and of your College days, and finally of his death and your sermon on that sad occasion. As managing editor of the official journal of that Fraternity, I would be deeply gratified to receive such a communication from you, and your permission to publish the same in the next issue of the RECORD.

Very respectfully and truly,

JOHN G. CAPERS, Man'g Editor.

GREENVILLE, S. C., April 1890.

Mr. John G. Capers, Greenville, S. C.,

DEAR SIR: In response to your request for some facts relative to my friend, *Noble Leslie De Votie*, I submit the fol-

lowing brief sketch, of which you will make such use as you may think fit :

He was born in Tuscaloosa, Alabama, January 24, 1838, while his father, Rev. Jas. H. De Votie, D. D., was pastor of the Baptist Church in that place. His early years were spent in other parts of the State ; but in October, 1853, he entered the University of Alabama ; and it was then that my acquaintance with him began. In July 1856, he graduated with distinguished honors, in a large class, and having felt it to be his duty to devote his life to the ministry of the Gospel, he determined to prosecute his theological studies under the most favorable circumstances to give him the best preparation for his life work.

For reasons which then seemed decisive, we went together to the Princeton (N. J.) Theological Seminary, September 1856, and together completed our course in April, 1859. Within a few months after graduation in the Seminary, he became pastor of the Baptist Church in Selma, Ala., and continued in this relation with marked success and increasing influence up to the time of his sudden and much lamented death. This occurred at Fort Morgan, near Mobile, Ala., Feb. 12th, 1861, and came about as follows : Before the beginning of hostilities between the States, in that fateful year, a military company from Selma had been sent by the Governor of Alabama to take possession of Fort Morgan and to hold it subject to the orders of the State authorities. On the departure of this company, consisting of some of the most influential young men of the city of Selma, such was the esteem in which Mr. De Votie was held, that he was requested to accompany them as Chaplain. Without dissolving the pastoral relation, and with the cordial approval of the church, he went with them, with characteristic zeal and wisdom devoted himself to their religious interests, thereby securing the confidence and affection of every member of the company.

Early in the night of February 12th, he left the Fort to take a steamboat to Mobile ; but in some way—no one knows how—he lost his footing on the wharf, fell into the Bay and was drowned. Not till the next day was his body recovered,

being found on the beach not far away, whither it had been washed up by the waves.

Thus ended a life of rare promise, in which as a son, a friend, a citizen and a Christian minister, there had been strikingly illustrated some of the most excellent traits that ever adorn human character. I dare not speak of him as my heart would prompt, lest I should seem to indulge in excessive praise of one whose modesty was one of his most marked characteristics; but I may be allowed to say that of all the excellent men it has been my privilege to know, he was one of the purest and best.

A single incident in his college life showed the stuff of which he was made. Some members of his class having been guilty of serious disorder, for which they knew the penalty was suspension, endeavored to screen themselves by inducing all the other members of the class to refuse to exculpate themselves,—a measure not uncommonly resorted to in college discipline in those days. The issue of this decision on the part of the class would have been the suspension of every one of them. When the class met to discuss what they should do, De Votie met with them, but openly and *all alone* took the position that while he did not know who were the authors of the disorder, he could not consent that his course of study should be interrupted on their account, and that it was his purpose, if questioned by the faculty, to say that he knew nothing of the matter and to go on with his work. This stand, taken by the youngest member of the class, good-humoredly but firmly, saved the class from a “college rebellion,” led to terms of accommodation between the faculty and the offenders, and secured for him the confidence and good will of his class in the highest degree. Genial and gentle, he was at the same time immovable in regard to any matter of principle or duty.

Yours truly,

CHAS. MANLY.

"A GEORGIA BABE,"

KAPPA AT THE STATE SCHOOL OF TECHNOLOGY, ATLANTA,
STANDS ERECT AMONG HER PEERS.

On Friday afternoon in response to a telegram from Mr. George Freeman, I went down to Atlanta, having previously telegraphed Bros. Jones and Harrison to meet me there. Bro. Harrison for some reason could not come, but I met Bro. Jones the next morning and in connection with Bros. Wilmer Moore and Ben. Hill Thompson (from whom the committee were the recipients of many favors) we drove out to the Technological School. After seeing the men whom I had "spiked" we decided that it would be best to initiate the boys that afternoon, as we could then have several alumni present. Consequently that afternoon several of our alumni met in the Kimball House Reading Rooms, which Bros. M. and T. had secured, and we succeeded admirably in "unveiling the mysteries" to five as staunch and true men as it ever has been my good fortune to see "ride the goat." Yes, Georgia Tau started out admirably with her list of charter members, as follows: Bro. George Freeman, Savannah, Ga.; Bro. George Morrow, Atlanta, Ga.; Bro. Bridge, Atlanta, Ga.; Bro. Ed. Jackson, Albany, Ga.; Bro. Ed. Sheffield, Americus, Ga.

Since leaving Atlanta I have heard from the boys, and they report the acquisition of Bros. Davis, Harper and Pratt. I met these men and they also are men that will give the highest honor to the "Purple and Gold." They also report the probable addition of two or three more fine men.

Tau has only one rival, the A. T. O.'s, who have been there for some time, but I feel confident that she can successfully meet all opposition.

Let all the chapters write immediately and welcome into our midst our new sister.

The success of Tau is due in a large measure to the hard

working of Bro. George Freeman, a brother of Bros. Davis and Henry Freeman of Savannah. His is the ruling spirit.

Yours fraternally,

B. C. COLLIER.

MISSOURI ALPHA'S WALTZ,

UNIVERSITY OF MISSOURI, COLUMBIA.

It is no doubt well established that our boys of S. A. E. are fond of society, and dancing, but that their feet and heads should have come together sufficiently to prompt and perfect a *new* dance with original figures and music has only recently come to light, as Bros. Martin, Haydon and Moore have composed a dance which they call "Den Waltzer Des Triumphes," which is set to such sweet strains and composed of such varied figures that each of us can display agility, endurance and energy. So you see that for varied and cosmopolitan kicking our "Dance of Victory" can not be surpassed by even the Kurmis(?) itself. It partakes both of the "Boy-colorado-cow-dance," executed by Bro. Moore, and of the "Hip-tum aloo-gone-again" of Ole Missouri, executed by her five sons—Grace, Nickolas, Galloway, Haydon and Grace. It has also some specially unique figures—allegorical—among others a Mississippi yazoo bulldozing the "nigs," and a Tennessee "Rad." voting them. (These beautiful historical figures being respectively led off by Brothers Martin and Harrison.) All these high steppings are executed in perfect time to the tune, "Whose been here since I'se been gone," "Leather breeches, cotton stitches," "Money-musk," "Ole zip coon," "Buffalo gal," or some of the other sweet strains of our Waldtuefel, Mozart and Handel. Such is a brief description of Mo. Alpha's Waltz, her waltz of victory, and I leave to the imaginations (for half its beauties have not been told) of our brothers, whom we hold as connoisseurs in the terpsichorean art, if it isn't perfect. Such every loyal Sig. here deems it, at any rate, and we'll dance to no other! 'Cause why? 'Cause we can't, don't you know, for we are loyal Sigs.

Now, there is only one objection to the waltz, (but it is quite serious), and that is our lady friends don't seem to ap-

preciate it. They say, they have already learned the waltz step, but that the steps in ours are so entirely incommensurate with the old dance they will not even try to learn ours. And here is a quandary; for our boys likewise feel utterly incapable, after having indulged in our divine waltz, of guaging their steps to the common waltz. Hence we are sorely vexed how we shall make our lady friends enjoy the June banquet. Some have suggested a Hop. Well, our boys can *hop*, to be sure, but the girls can't, don't you see? So this momentous matter stands thus at present, and unless some compromise step is agreed on, as a hop-skip-and-a-jump step, we will simply have to give up the dancing part of the program. And although this will be a great deprivation to our friends, the young ladies, still we know their generous hearts, and therefore we labor, as those not without hope, of finding some other source of equal enjoyment and pleasure for them by June. Of the waltz substitute and its success we'll report hereafter in due time.

C. B. HARRISON

OUR CONVENTION, OUR CHAPTER HOUSES AND OUR RECORD.

JACKSON, TENN., May, 1890.

In this part of the country we most heartily approve of the plan to extend the benefits of our fraternity to Northern territory. Such a noble order should not be confined to our own Southland, but should make itself known and felt all over this broad land of ours. Especially in view of this, to us, the selection of Cincinnati as the next place for holding the Convention seems a wise choice. Our earnest wish is that all the chapters may be represented in that convention. It is true that we were not represented at Charlotte, but with the intermingling of the same old and true devotion with the new zeal and enthusiasm that has been transmitted into our chapter by the doubling of our membership, at present, we can see no valid excuse for not sending a delegate to Cincinnati.

We believe there lies before us at the S. W. B. University

a brilliant future. A chapter hall of our own we have never possessed; but a large endowment fund is now being raised for the S. W. B. University, and when that is accomplished and the advantages of the University increased thereby, through the united efforts of her members Eta will have a hall worthy of our order.

THE RECORD is eagerly read by all Sigs. When Christians need comfort and encouragement in their special work, they search the Bible; when writers feel the need of an incentive to greater accomplishments, they read the works of some favorite author; but when we, as fraternity men, need comfort and encouragement and incentives to greater accomplishments, we look to THE RECORD and there find what inspires us to grander and nobler achievements. We believe that the principles of the S. A. E. Fraternity, represented so admirably by THE RECORD, improves and interests every Sig. whether active or alumni.

H. S. MURDOCH.

LOYALTY TO OUR FRATERNITY.

In the midst of the college year, with its duties and pleasures, in many of which our fraternal relations play so important a part, we may well pause to consider the requirements of fraternity life and our individual responsibilities. We need no longer discuss the ideal fraternity man, or enumerate the various qualities we would wish our newly created brothers to possess. Having vowed their vows of loyalty, a certain number of men from the incoming class have been duly enrolled, and are of us and among us, for good or ill. Just here the question may arise: What is loyalty? What relations do we bear to that ideal community life, attainment to which is the goal of every real Greek-letter society? What attitude must we, by our vows, assume toward the fostering mother? Certainly those relations must extend to every phase of college life. In the ordinary study and recitation and the wholesome contest for priority, in the extraordinary seeking for glory in the prize examina-

tion or on the athletic field, in the advancement to positions of honor by students or professors, in the battling against college temptations—in all these the fraternity has important interests that must be considered by the loyal man. A selfish man cannot be a truly loyal man. And this fault of selfishness, when apparently subdued, may continually appear, hydra-like, with a new and more loathsome visage. Of course one's primary object in entering college is to obtain a good education; but it is an open question whether the broadest and best education is to be secured by exclusive attention to curriculum studies. The fraternity system, based on the soundest principles, seeks for social and moral, as well as mental, development, and a loyalty that aids in the attainments of such ends cannot but strengthen and improve the individual mind and character. It is selfishness, and cannot therefore be loyalty, to devote one's energies so completely to the mastery of the usual languages and sciences as to neglect other equally important duties of the college life. This type of student may, to be sure, dutifully attend all the meetings of his chapter, and perfunctorily perform such tasks as may be assigned him; but there is painfully lacking any deep sympathy with the work of the fraternity, any interest in the advancement of its standard.

On the other hand, it is selfishness, and not loyalty, to devote one's college years solely to the pursuit of athletic honors, disregarding and lowering the fraternity's standard of scholarship. Honors, whether scholastic or athletic, lend glory to our chapter's name; but the fraternity seeks general development and broadening of the mind, while such self-devotion to a single phase of the college life narrows the intellect and the sympathies. Again, it is selfishness, and not loyalty, neglecting the higher aims, the more wholesome ambitions, to live wholly in a social atmosphere, where the intellect shallows and the affections grow cold, and selfishness, lightly assumed, becomes a robe of Nessus that cannot be torn off, and slowly instills its poison of the soul. We must not be one-sided men, however strongly a single phase may appeal to our sympathies and desires.

Honestly striving to be loyal men, we cannot fail to tread

the broadest path and attain the highest reward in the most complete general development. This loyalty is not alone to the fraternity, it is loyalty to our Maker and to ourselves. Striving after the ideal fraternity life, in which each one should consider himself a determining factor, we must enter upon our chapter duties with an enthusiasm born of true affection. Not only by the performance of the allotted tasks, but by the spirit in which they are performed, must we judge our work. When we see a brother voluntarily endeavoring to render the chapter meetings and the chapter social life as attractive as possible, seeking recruits among the best of his fellow collegians, and working with a will to secure them, constantly spreading the good report of the order among his acquaintances, and still raising the moral and social tone of the local organization by precept and example, then we may look with a degree of confidence to the other phases of his college life. We may expect to find him entering into every manly sport with an enthusiasm and *abandon* that only the consciousness of duty well done can inspire; we may expect to find him pursuing, with equal vigor and enthusiasm, the studies that will serve and adorn his later years. Such is the well developed man that we should seek to emulate, looking upward and not downward, forward and not backward, and ever lending a hand to all that call, that we may hear at last the "Well done, good and faithful servant."—*Ex.—Delta U.*

THE FRATERNITY IN COLLEGE POLITICS.

Theoretically, a *fraternity* should have no part or lot in college *politics*. There is nothing fraternal in politics, and when a chapter enters the field of politics it does so, not because it is a fraternity but because it is composed of men and not angels. At present the discussing of this question is not so much to try to purify college politics as to better the chapters themselves, which by a free discussion may be led to see some of the errors of their ways if they are so far political as to prevent their progress which they are in

duty bound to make. So long as a college is in a normal state, it will have more or less of these "annexes," appurtenances and belongings that appear in every normal social body, and just so long as the fraternity man is in this college world he must be of it as well as in it, advancing the interests of its student body and aiding in maintaining the college organizations.

It may be laid down as a general rule, however vigorously certain elements may protest, that sooner or later the best men become fraternity men, and furthermore that among the best men of the several better chapters of an institution—best when compared man for man, along particular lines of excellence,—there is generally no great difference. Given this fact it is no cause for scandal that a large part of each chapter, believing its man to possess the advantage if there be any, should use all *honorable* and *dignified* means to secure his attaining the desired position. The standard of honorable and dignified means will vary with the fraternity and with the college. There is in the mind of the writer a certain State university where the customary thing was for the fraternities before every important election, to bargain for votes in the most outrageous fashion, even signing contracts to vote thus and so; but in other institutions such a thing is never for a moment thought of. Two things are essential to being honorable and dignified as personal factors in college politics a sincere and honest conviction that the person proposed is worthy of the place and best fitted for it, and the frank open avowal of that conviction and the reasons for it. So far and no farther may the individual members of a chapter safely enter college politics. Any further step is toward the temptation to attain the desired end by means at best questionable, and likely at any time to degenerate into methods worthy only of a New York "ward boss." There is a place for fraternity men in college politics, not because the chapter is, or should be in politics, but because the man is a man in the college world, and not because he is a fraternity man.—*D. T. D.*

EDITORIAL.

PAN HELLENISM.—S. A. E. believes in Pan-Hellenism, and that orders working for the same end, the social, moral and intellectual improvement of their members, should preserve pleasant and intimate relations with each other and should effect between themselves such an organization as will tend to bind the orders in closer friendship and afford fraternities in general and individually protection from the unjust attacks from outside parties and of each other.

One important duty that awaits the contemplated pan-hellenic system is the abolition of "pledging" by any fraternity in the compact, and the requirement that each matriculate, to become eligible to fraternity membership, shall pledge himself to neither join nor promise to join any fraternity within sixty days after entering college.

A SIGN OF OUR PROSPERITY.—One of the best signs of our Order's prosperity is the effort our chapters are making to secure permanent homes. No chapter can afford to be without at least a hall of its own, but the highest ideal of fraternity life can only be realized where all the fraters are gathered around the family hearth. Many chapters have already provided themselves with houses, either owned or rented, and now the gratifying news comes that Mich. Iota Beta, too, has secured a commodious house for her exclusive use the coming year, which means that S. A. E.'s permanency is assured at the U. and M.

CHAPTER LETTERS—What shall we do with the faithless chapter editors? We have scolded, we have plead, we have threatened to punish, but all in vain; some correspondents will not write. Suppose we were to change our tactics and reward the faithful by a remission of certain dues or a fixed recompense. Would it increase their number? Chapter letters should be brief and to the point. They are intended mainly as a news medium, and all discussions of fraternity

problems and utterances of loyalty and enthusiasm should be written as contributions to our editorial department where space will always be given them.

THE CRITIC.—The critic we have always with us. Oh, that the stand-off and look-on critic could have the responsibilities of the officers and their work suddenly thrust upon him, and that he might thereby see and feel how easy it is to say: Pitch in boys, hit him in the eye, and I'll stand off here and see it well done, bravo! and see and feel how difficult and unpleasant it is to *do the fighting* without help.

No editor escapes the critic, who carries his mouth full and continually throws such as this, "why don't you?" "if I were you," "why not adopt," "it seems to me," "have more of this, and less of that," &c. Many, many similar pleasantries so encouraging to the editor.

Stop this wild advice, and couple each suggestion with something from *your pen*, which will always receive our notice and space for publication.

THEIR LOYALTY.—President Warren in an address recently said: "The strength of every great educational institution is in the love and active loyalty of her *alumni*." We heartily wish that every alumni of S. A. E. could read and feel the truth of this sentiment, but almost every suggestion or article written for, and directed at our cold blooded alumni never reach their eyes, and is read by the active members and faithful few alumni. Surely some plan is necessary by which we can reach out, find and feel our members now in the world of work.

OPEN LETTERS PRO. AND CON.—On file in our office we find two letters from as many alumni, expressing a cold hearted, practical business position on the one hand, and a loyal spirit and true fraternity position on the other.

The first from an active member but a few years ago of one of our 'banner chapters', who, during his college course was loyal and enthusiastic, and won honors for himself and his order, and who was a vigorous Assistant Secretary of an Annual Convention some years since, reads as follows:

“DEAR BRO.: You shouldn't think it so strange that alumni members lose that enthusiasm which they have for S. A. E. during their college life, and I for one don't think we are to blame for not taking interest in chapter letters and chapter personals when we don't even know the members nor the localities from which they write. I used to think it strange when I was a student, but now I see that it is like hearing of men that I never expect to hear of again, and that is not so interesting when business gives the demands for inquiry, &c.

“I don't think you will think strange of these sentiments, which no doubt you have heard expressed often before, if not of that opinion yourself, but it is the truth, and while we are not always justified in speaking everything that is true I do think that this is in justice to myself and others who I have heard express themselves similarly. I do not care for THE RECORD, it is a choice of reading matter only, and the benefit is supposed to come to me!!!”

We can be truly thankful for the good and continued glory and success of S. A. E., that our alumni are not united in so narrow a space of thought and in so tight a grip of a one dollar annual subscription fee. Often on the contrary some of the oldest members of our fraternity write and ask to be placed on our list of subscribers to the official journal, not as “choice reading matter” to men in the world of work and life, but *as a means of keeping posted* on the life, growth and work of a fraternity at whose sacred shrine they had knelt and taken vows of, not temporary, but everlasting loyalty, support and love. Only last month we received a letter from an alumnus of 1868, and his letter expressed the only true position for a fellow fraternity man, whether he be one century or one quarter of a century of age. The letter came from Bro. M. D. Jones, 2717 Washington Ave. St. Louis, and read as follows:

“DEAR SIR AND BRO.: I wish to become actively identified with the S. A. E. Fraternity once more, and to that end, wish to subscribe to THE RECORD. Please write me of the price, &c. I became a member of the Sigs at the University of Miss., in 1868 I think it was, and regret

"deeply not resuming my place with the brothers since re-
turning to civil life. I hope we can soon organize an
"Alumnus Chapter in this City.

"I remain very sincerely and fraternally yours,

"M. D. JONES."

Comment is unnecessary, to us it is a most unnatural and unworthy feeling which prompts any Fraternity man to turn his back and shut his pocket and his heart to a fraternity which had shielded him in young manhood, protected and cared for him in trouble, shared with him his joys and sorrows and acted, through her members, as his guide and counsel during college days! The Mason, Knight of Pithias and many other similar and worthy organizations furnish in their way the nerve and life tonic for *men* in life, but if at death those orders' backs were turned on the loved ones left behind, the ingratitude and faithlessness would be no less than that of those who no longer needing an S. A. E. hand and heart, betray and crush vows, loyalty and duty—and not for benefit "supposed to come" now, but for all that was done when it was sorely needed.

"JAPS AND NIGGERS."—The following from the *Kappa Alpha Journal* raises an interesting question and one which will find supporters from all four of its sides. The question is simply this: Which is preferable—a "Preparatory Student", a "Professor", a "Jap" or a "Nigger". The *Journal* says:

"We are pleased to state that our last biennial convention severely disapproved of the custom of initiating "preparatory students," and forbade its continuance. The recent convention of Phi Delta Theta took similar action and hereafter, no preparatory student nor professor can be initiated into the mysteries of that order. It is well known that professors and preparatory students have many qualities in common, but the one constituting the bar to Phi Delta Theta is not named. Japs and colored friends are, however, under the present constitution, still eligible for membership."

MUD SLINGING.—Delta Tau Delta's *Rainbow* says that A. T. O. and S. A. E. "have granted charters (in the North) so indiscriminately, both as regards the *personnel* of the petitioners and the standing of the colleges that Southern fraternities are below par in the North."

S. A. E. deplures such a lack of courtesy and regard for veracity on the part of a "national fraternity." While we have never had the highest admiration for certain other fraternities a superior sense of courtesy has kept THE RECORD'S columns free of "mud slinging."

S. A. E. is for herself satisfied that no fraternity's extension into new territory has been attended by more caution than that of our own order into the North and West, and that no young man whose fathers, uncles and brothers fell clad in *Blue*, so warmly clasp the sons of the *Grey*, as our Northern and Western members, and no fraternity has chapters and no chapter men, more worthy the respect of esteem and admiration due to the ability, zeal and true manliness characteristic of the gentleman with his work *proudly on record*.

STATE ASSOCIATIONS.—THE RECORD would have every reader impressed with the great need of our order for State associations where S. A. E. is largely represented. Every State has an annual State Fair or an occasion on which a number of Sigs would find it convenient to meet, and we trust that the Sigs in the different States will begin to organize at once—positively at once.

THAT SONG BOOK.—That S. A. E. song book is very slow in materializing—from a lack of songs, we hear. This is a work in which every Sig. is interested, and to which every brother should contribute. THE RECORD feels constrained to again remind its timid readers that—

"Once there was a poet
That really didn't know it."

PROMINENT MEN.—We have in our ranks statesmen, scholars, soldiers and jurists, men of whom we should know more, and each chapter should see to it that its prominent members are given due attention in THE RECORD'S columns. Short chapter histories in connection with a cut of the college buildings or chapter house would prove an interesting feature.

ANNUAL CIRCULAR LETTERS.—The chapters of several well known fraternities issue each year for the benefit of their alumni members and the orders at large circular letters showing the condition of the chapters and the advancement they have made, and giving all the interesting local Greek news of the past session. Such a custom should be inaugurated in S. A. E. It would prove an effective means of keeping alive the enthusiasm of our alumni and stimulating the interest of our chapters in the welfare of each other.

INSTRUCTIONS FOR E. C.'S.—If THE RECORD's chapter editors would always, or even once in a while, heed the following second-hand instructions, their department in THE RECORD would become doubly interesting :

“Crowd the letter with information. Let it be a *resume* of the chapter's work for the year. Do not fill it full of bragadocio. Above all, do not ‘puff’ your chapter up to the skies. State facts—plain, cold, and telling facts. These are what the every day business man delights to read. What can delight an alumnus of a college fraternity more than to know that his chapter is strong in the manliness of men—both as scholars, athletes, and members of society? Let there, too, be news of every action in the chapter and its members, in which the alumnus would desire to participate and enjoy, were he still with S. A. E. in active relation. The alumnus should be made to feel that he knows the ‘boys,’ and that he can be proud of them from knowledge of their relations in college.” * * * *

THE average alumnus subscriber to THE RECORD seeks first the letter from his chapter, and are too often disappointed in finding lacking the very items they wish most; the number of active members, the names of recent initiates, the prospects of and other information concerning the chapter.

COLLEGE DAYS.—“Those college days, I ne'er shall see the like,” says Longfellow, and who can recall his student days and not repeat the sentence. But strange to say we prize college days not so much because they have been instrumental in preparing us for successful, useful lives as for their pleasant associations and friendships. As a recent writer puts it: “The social times a student has at college, his favorite literary society, his fraternity, all these are the

ties and the only ties that strongly connect him with his alma mater, when he has gone out in the world."

A non-frat man in speaking of a certain frat. at his school, and stating what a dissimilarity there was among its members, said: "And yet there is something that holds those fellows together that I can't understand." And so it is that the ties of fraternity are perhaps the strongest existing in student life and the least understood by those outside the chosen circle. Within are formed the most lasting, true, unselfish friendships of life, ties imperishable this side the grave.

"For in our little number,
There is a mystic band;
Which in sunshine or in shadow,
Joins us both in heart and hand.
Ne'er can this tie be broken,
So typical of good;
For dear as any sacred tie,
Is our noble brotherhood."

"Some love for sake of kindred,
And some for Hymen's bonds,
We love our noble brothers,
With a passion just as strong.
And tho' storms may rise about us,
Ever constant will we be;
For we're bound in lasting union,
In our dear Fraternity."

OMEGA'S CHAPTER HOUSE.—We take pleasure in presenting in this issue a Photo' of Omega's Chapter House, representing not only that beautiful little model of artistic beauty and design, but also brothers Guerry, Glass, Mitchell, McGlahan, Harris, Griffin, Preston, Elliott, Barrett and others, whose hearts and hands were so many years dedicated to the work of their beautiful little Chapter House and to the good and glory of their fraternity. The laying of the keystone of the Chapter House at Sewanee took place we all remember in October, 1886. We find the account of this joyous and also solemn occasion, which appeared in THE RECORD in 1886, very full and interesting, and while we will not reproduce it entirely we will again publish here a few of the most interesting extracts for the benefit of so

many of "our boys" who have never read it, having become knights of the Purple and Gold during the four years which have elapsed.

First we remember that little dedication poem significant of the burial of the hatchet in the keystone which read :

"When an Indian's war is over,
As a sign that strife shall cease,
They bury deep the "hatchet."
As a guarantee of peace ;
So here before our brothers,
In the keystone of our hall,
We bury deep the hatchet
As a sign of peace with all."

The description of the Hall and of the contents of the keystone box will bear repetition in part.

"The building is of beautiful sandstone, which is found in great abundance here. The entire length of the building is forty-five feet and contains two rooms. Front room, 13x12, and main room, which is designed to serve the purpose of the Chapter House proper, 18x31. The hall has a beautiful front on the street in the shape of an octagonal window. On left corner of the building there is a graceful turret on whose summit is displayed an S. A. E. 'billy-goat' as a weather vane. On right of building there is a small porch. The building is situated in close proximity to the University buildings and has a large lot connected with it. Our 'boys' take great interest in the lawn-tennis grounds and lovers' retreats. There is scarcely a moment in the day that you may not find some enthusiastic Sig loitering around with an air of ownership and feasting his eyes upon the wood and stone reality of what for so many years had been only a fond dream. One feature of the hall which is worth mentioning is an S. A. E. badge, cut upon the keystone, and which stands boldly out upon the front of the building.

LIST OF ARTICLES IN KEYSTONE BOX.

"One copy of S. A. E. Record ; one copy of S. A. E. Constitution ; S. A. E. colors ; one copy 'Cap and Gown' (1885 ; one silver hatchet, (burying the hatchet) ; one Confederate stamp ; one Confederate one dollar bill ; one Confederate \$100 bill ; one Confederate button ; one medal of Stonewall Jackson.

COINS,

"One cent 1817 ; one cent 1882 ; ten cents 1876 ; one cent 1880 ; twenty cents 1875 ; two cents 1865 ; two francs, issued by Charles X, 1827 ; one Chinese piece (date unknown) ; two cent Belgian coin ; one gold ring with bangle teapot attached ; one piece of the wall of the San Jose Mission, Texas ; shells first discovered by Bishop Elliott and found only under 'Green's View ; picture of Gen. E. Kirby Smith ; complete list of members and colors of Alpha Tau Omega, Sigma Alpha Epsilon, Kappa Sigma, Phi Delta Theta, Delta Tau Delta, Kappa Alpha and Psi Upsilon ; Invitations to Sigma Alpha Epsilon Convention of 1884 and 1885 ; picture of Noble Leslie DeVotie ; Sigma Alpha Epsilon stationery ; Invitation to ceremony of laying keystone of Omega's Chapter House ; Sigma Alpha Epsilon coat-of-arms ; bracelet of olive wood from Holy Land ; note of congratu-

lations from Delta Tau Delta to Sigma Alpha Epsilon on this occasion ; one catalogue of the University of the South ; one piece of silver ore from Chihuahua, Mexico ; one copy of grammar school 'Expositor' ; one miniature Chinese idol : one heart of Corelian stone."

Not only is it a pleasure to chronicle Omega's Chapter House, but to report that in each issue hereafter we expect to publish photo' and description of the chapter houses in the different portions of our Fraternity's boundaries, where year by year these pretty little permanent homes are being added to strengthen and unify our chapter and fraternity men.

A LETTER'S CONTENTS.—Bro. G. M. Harton, of Adrain, Mich., presents in a personal letter the following suggestions which by permission we publish here as worthy the careful attention of each Chapter Correspondent and Chapter Editor. He says :

"Without taking up too much space allow me to offer a pertinent suggestion in reference to correspondence, chapter to chapter, chapter to RECORD. There are many degrees of prosperity among our chapters ; the degree of each one being the effect incident to a certain cause or causes. Assume the cause of prosperity to be—as is often the case—the manner in which the regular chapter meetings are conducted, the kind of work done or pleasure indulged in, the enthusiasm existent. Is it not then of the highest importance that what has been so largely instrumental in bringing success to one chapter should be communicated to others in order that like success may follow? Should not the good news be told? Many a chapter has naturally, or perhaps it would be better to say unnaturally, buried itself because it did not know how to live ; did not have the knowledge requisite to the enjoyment of the advantages and blessings of true fraternity life. To a chapter on the verge of stagnation ; to a chapter hovering between life and death, you may be able to lend a succoring hand. Fraters, to what do you attribute your success mainly? What do you do in your meetings that would be of special interest to your fellow fraters at large? Do you have gymnastic exercise, games, mock trials? Tell us about it, tell in your correspondence, tell us through the columns of our RECORD, tell it anyway—*but tell it !!*"

WHAT IS THE WORK OF THE FUTURE?—(BY F. H. FOCHT.)
—In an article sent to THE RECORD for publication some time ago I said: "Sigma Alpha Epsilon must have a definite aim and purpose, an ambition or goal toward which she can direct her efforts in the future." No need comes to us with more force or presents its claim more imperatively than the one referred to. In fragmentary legends only do we gain an idea of the purposes and objects that led to the organization and establishment of our order. Probably the evils of corrupt college politics, coupled with the attractions of congenial fellowship, brought about our birth. From this small local organization has developed a new order of things. The fraternity has kept pace in the rapid march of development that has marked the last ten or fifteen years in the history of Greek Letter Societies. The aims and purposes that were of such vital interest in the years gone by, have ceased to exist, or been passed over.

The work that at one time seemed to our pioneers almost insurmountable, has been achieved or abandoned. The entire Greek world is agitated and alive to the discussion of the important question: What position will fraternities hold in the years to come? From the history of the past we can gather many landmarks to guide us in our search. We can see readily that they are to be recognized as an important feature in college life; that they are to exercise a by no means insignificant position in college politics and government; that they are to extend their borders until their membership shall contain the vast majority of the intelligent, strong, active college graduates; that as they become older and more firmly established their influence will extend more beyond the college walls and silently and almost unknowingly we will find them taking their place in the active work of life. These few indications we can readily see; but what lies beyond?

Portentious shadows play upon the bosoms of the future, but their translation is hidden. What great work will devolve upon fraternities to achieve? In this new order of things, what will be the individual work of Sigma Alpha Epsilon? Feeling as she does, the life and vitality of her

increasing strength, she stands waiting for some definite work to accomplish. A new aim has become necessary; without doubt extension deserves attention. As in the past, we must endeavor to extend the borders and influence of Sigma Alpha Epsilon. We must, as far as possible, introduce our order into every institution of the proper grade in the United States. Internal improvement, the reduction of chapter business to a better system; all these things have received their due attention, but beyond them higher, perhaps, in importance, the question still presents itself, *what shall be the work of Sigma Alpha Epsilon in the coming years?* Whatever the general work of fraternities, however high their aims, or exalted their efforts may be, *our* fraternity must have its separate mission to perform. As we glance around us at the various fraternities and search their works to try and find the objects that direct their efforts, we cannot help but notice a marked lack of purpose; an aimless drifting on the tide. Some are turning their whole attention to extension; others are zealously working at internal improvement; perfecting a faulty, unwritten law, or, perhaps, crying out against a poor government, but the greater majority are simply existing; they found an occasional chapter, perhaps if unusually active, drop one, but beyond this listless existence they accomplish nothing. Very few have constitutional provisions upon the important matters of college halls, or, if such an attempt is made, the severest criticism is at once invoked; and not one, as far as we can learn, has any great work to which the united efforts of the order is directed. The time was when a fraternity's whole attention was directed to the work of overcoming the unreasonable opposition of those who veiled their ignorance behind a mass of meaningless criticism. Little by little this work has been accomplished, and to-day, with but one or two exceptions, no institution of any importance exists which does not welcome fraternities to its midst. This work being accomplished, to what shall we now turn our attention? It is difficult to discuss this question in a practical manner. Every man has his ideal fraternity. An organization that shall meet every requirement of college life; which shall

advance the condition of college students everywhere; which shall be something to love, to cherish, to reverence; a society which, while it shall be devoted principally to students, will still go with a man through life; an influence which shall become a part of his existence, never to be forgotten or dispelled. Can this ideal be realized; can Sigma Alpha Epsilon become such a society as we have attempted to suggest? If she can, we have then a grand work before us.

In this undertaking we have no example to follow, for while we frankly admit that a few of our sister societies have virtues which are not yet ours, they fall far short of the ideal to which we would direct our efforts. In fraternity work, nothing is absolutely impossible. Is Sigma Alpha Epsilon side by side with the highest, strongest fraternities of to-day? If not, why? Is she compelled to acknowledge that some others stand above her in the critical grade of prominence? If so, it is her own fault. In five years, by careful, systematic work, by improving every opportunity, if none presents, making one, by unity of purpose and a firm determination on the part of every member, *our* fraternity will acknowledge no superior in the great constellation of Greek tribes. Let us have earnest, united, enthusiastic work, and our highest ideals will be realized.



LETTERS FROM THE CHAPTERS.

SOUTH CAROLINA PHI.

FURMAN UNIVERSITY, GREENVILLE.

Death has not invaded our immediate ranks and taken one who wore our badge and colors as a brother, but we are sad indeed, and our hearts go out to our Editor-in-Chief, who has just suffered the death of his young and lovely wife, and but a short month afterwards their bright little son.

Many of us remember that at the Convention of 1888, at Nashville, the wife of Bro. Capers was toasted at the Banquet, "The Bride of the Fraternity," and no groom was more happy than he. We feel sure that a hand and a heart will go round our fraternities boundaries, and thoughts of comfort and feelings of sympathy will go out from our brothers, who shared with him his joy and now condole in his sorrow.

At this season of the college year there is so much of examinations and so little of anything else, that the University portion of Phi Chapter must contribute quite an uninteresting letter.

We are working for our share of honors at Commencement and will chronicle them in our next, if honest, earnest effort proves faithful.

Our officers in the Literary Societies and Debaters, and *University Journal* editors are conducting themselves with great credit.

Our Banquet will be given this year on 7th of May on the summit of Paris Mountain, at Hotel Altamont, the most fashionable summer resort in upper Carolina.

Wishing all other brothers a happy Commencement and successful years, we close.

E. A. McDOWELL.

OHIO SIGMA.

MT. UNION COLLEGE, ALLIANCE.

Our success in the past year has been of such a character as to lead us to proclaim it to the "uttermost parts of the earth." Can you not pardon a self-commendatory feeling in us?

Eighteen members are in college at present. Bro. F. L. Taft, '89, has returned to pursue a post-graduate course; Bro. C. H. Danford, '89, will also return soon for the same purpose. Our latest initiate is Bro. Ed. T. Crawford, of Augusta, Ohio. Bro. F. C. Newcomb is in the book business in Illinois, and Bro. W. E. Patterson is teaching at his home.

Mt. Union College has seldom resorted to the "tutorage" system. Of late several of the students have been teaching classes—the regular professors being overworked with the large classes attending an increase in the number of students. Two of our boys hold such positions—Bros. F. L. Sage and L. E. York. A spirit of conservatism, until recently, pervaded this institution; athletic sports, with few exceptions, were interdicted. This is all changed; we belong to the Northern Ohio Collegiate Athletic Association, and have a winning base ball club in the field.

At the meeting of the State Oratorical Association a month or more since, Mt. Union College was admitted as a member. Ohio Sigma will now have it in her hands to win honors for herself and S. A. E. in another line than hitherto.

Departing from all precedent, the class of '90 organized early in March. The apportionment of honors has now been completed, and we tell our success. On the staff of our annual, *The Union*, we have Bros. C. F. Rogers as Associate Editor, and C. H. Bowman as Business Manager. Of class day speakers we have the following: Greek orator (first honor), Bro. H. C. Burger; English Classical orator, A. G. Pipher; French orator, Bro. C. H. Bowman; prophet, Bro. C. F. Rogers. Three of our men were honored by an election to the class presidency, but, one by one, they resigned.

The elections in the societies have not been held and the

fight is waxing bitter. We are sure of meeting with success in one society, hopeful in the other. Of commencement prizes we will get our share. In athletics our boys stand high—two being in the base ball nine, and Bro. E. B. Bently being captain of the foot ball eleven.

We have made some changes in our hall; three new pictures have been framed and now hang on our walls. One is a group of Iowa Sigma's boys, another, the Nashville Convention, and a third, our own. Other changes have been made until our hall is, in truth, "a thing of beauty."

The Delta Gamma gave us a highly enjoyable treat a few weeks since. Oranges and bananas and other "acceptables" filled the table in the center of the hall. Well did our chaplain pray that we might "be inspired, not only with brotherly love, but also with sisterly love." (Half a dozen Sigs have already caught the inspiration.)

Bro. J. B. Morgan, '90, has been compelled to leave college on account of sickness, and will be unable to complete his course this year. We seniors of '90 leave him as a legacy to the class of '91. Our loss is their gain.

With most earnest greetings to all loyal Sigs.

H. C. BURGER.

MICHIGAN IOTA BETA.

UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN, ANN ARBOR.

Iota Beta has more news of a pleasing nature for the brothers who read THE RECORD. Since our last letter two new candidates have been taken into our fold, thus increasing our numbers to fifteen. But our most important move since Iota Beta was established is the obtainment of a chapter house for next year. The fraters will remember that in our last letter to THE RECORD we mentioned the fact that we had a house in view, and we take great pleasure in saying that the house for which we have been working is at length engaged as a home for the Sigma Alpha Epsilon boys at the University of Michigan. It gives us especial pleasure from the fact that several other fraternities have made unsuccessful efforts towards this same house, and, as she ought

to everywhere, S. A. E. vanquished her opponents. The house is very conveniently located in one of the pleasantest parts of the city. (The address is 48 S. Fourth St.) It is plenty large enough to hold twelve boys, with room to spare for our Brothers who visit us. The rooms are all desirable, being divided into six suites, parlor, and dining-room. We look forward to a most delightful year spent in the exclusive companionship of our brother Sigs; and expect not alone increased pleasure, but power and honor as well, and thus additional glory to our beloved fraternity.

With this letter we bid good-bye for several months to the fraters at large. Let us all during the summer recuperate our energies and store up our enthusiasm, so that our return to college next fall will make the beginning of a year of prosperity unparalleled in the history of Sigdom and Greekdome. Let us be quick to improve every opportunity; for "The mill will never grind with the water that is past."

With best fraternal love and earnest wishes for the continued success of all our sister chapters.

F. E. WOOD.

TENNESSEE KAPPA.

UNIVERSITY OF TENNESSEE, KNOXVILLE.

Since our last letter to THE RECORD, Tennessee Kappa has lost one of its most honored members, as Bro. John E. Shepherd, on account of ill health, has been compelled to leave the University. We deeply lament the loss of our brother, as he was a live, energetic member and loved by all. Kappa extends to him her best wishes for his success in the new fields of labor.

We hoped to announce in this letter that several new names were added to our list by this time, but are sorry to say our number is one less than the original.

Our great trouble is getting a suitable time for holding our meetings. Being under military rules we have very few privileges to visit the city, Saturday being the only day during the week we are allowed to leave the campus and it

is very difficult to get the boys together then, most of them have work and some—very few—have extra duty to perform.

We are very anxious to obtain a chapter house at the University so we could meet at a time convenient to all.

There are two rivals in the field, Kappa Sigma and Phi Gamma Delta. The Kappa Sigmas are an older chapter here, but with bright prospects before us we hope soon to have the banner of superiority waving over us.

Our boys are beginning to feel the advantages derived from fraternity life and with a membership as enthusiastic as her present one, S. A. E. is bound to lead.

At present Fields' Day is the only topic of conversation. "Our Boys" are quite hopeful of success, and several have entered for prizes. Bro. E. E. Carter is President of the Athletic Association and also Captain of D (the will be prize company).

Bro. W. K. Anderson is Lieut. of B, and at present acting Captain. We boys think a great deal of them.

The last issue of THE RECORD was highly appreciated, and we proudly show it to our friends and rivals.

In closing Tennessee Kappa sends greetings to all "Sigs."

CHAS. W. ALLEN.

SOUTH CAROLINA LAMBDA.

STATE MILITARY ACADEMY, CHARLESTON.

We are sorry to be obliged to confess that we too needed ourselves awakened by the reminder of our active Editor-in-Chief to furnish our letter to THE RECORD. Excuses are cheap and promises are plentiful, but this time we will abstain from both, not because we can not give them but because they would be futile.

We again joyfully take advantage of the privilege of greeting our sister chapters through the medium of our beloved RECORD. Since our last communication much confusion has taken place in Cadet circles by the agitation over the annual pic nic. We append here an account of it, thinking that it may interest "the boys" as this is the first time that the frat and non-frat lines have been drawn with us.

For the past year or so, there has been more or less rivalry between the different fraternities, the non-frats remaining serenely quiet. But, at a late election in one of the literary societies, the latter elected every officer out of their own numbers. Time wore on and the Greeks, apprehending the same course in relation to the pic nic, united and elected, at the meeting for the purpose, a solid fraternity ticket. This exasperated the vanquished and they resorted to various means, all of which failed to weaken the pic nic materially. Finally they withdrew and made up a hop and sail for the same day. Thus ended this trouble, which carried no little unpleasantness.

The spirit of jealousy has completely disappeared now. This is shown by the *last* election of officers in the societies. In the Calleocean, brother Dwight was elected President; brother Blythe, Vice-President; and brother G. L. Dial, Recording Secretary. In the Polytechnic we also held our own.

There is one subject before our fraternity that merits our deepest consideration, viz: The action of the Convention in declaring Jews ineligible to membership into our order. Why was this done? Simply because they were Jews. We see no necessity for such a step, and no reason why a man possessing all the qualities so well known to Sigs should be rejected on these flimsy grounds of faith.

J. G. BECKWITH.

PENNSYLVANIA OMEGA.

ALLEGHANY COLLEGE, MEADVILLE.

The call for another letter finds us just fairly launched upon the labors of the spring term.

We met the final examinations of the winter term, equipped with an armor of preparation which the Prof.'s most pointed 'quiz' could not penetrate. The results are flattering and would certainly strike a vein of pride if any existed. We are perfectly willing to compare grades with any fraternity in college.

Time is bringing on the balmy days of spring. The games of that pleasant season are beginning to engage the

attention of all. The college athletic association is making preparations for a lovely season's work. The fraternities are organizing their various teams.

In our chapter the *Jew* question is exciting considerable interest. The pro's and con's both seem to possess good arguments. Yet when the question is stripped of its superfluous adipose and we penetrate to the dry bone of the constitutional fact, but one solution is possible. The General Convention took the proper course, a strict construction of the constitution is necessary. A fraternity is necessarily a conservative institution. A philanthropic feeling should have no influence in settling the matter. It is a question to be decided not by a broad whole-souled humanitarian feeling, but by general public estimation.

College is passing through a *parasang* of peace. All elections for the year have been settled, sore heads and rasped feelings are becoming healed.

A feature of the near future will be the Pan-Hellenic banquet. A grand old time is expected.

With these few words, betokening our prosperity and energy, we close.

JOHN A. GIBSON.

MICHIGAN ALPHA.

ADRIAN COLLEGE, ADRIAN, MICHIGAN.

Through some misunderstanding as to the date of publication of THE RECORD, Michigan Alpha has not been represented in the last two issues. But, although her signature has not been seen on our journal's interesting pages, she is by no means a dead chapter. A more profitable year to S. A. E. has never been spent at Adrian than the one now passing away. Each member seems inspired by that desire for the prosperity of the fraternity, and that love for his brothers which makes a college fraternity a success.

We take pleasure in announcing the initiation of brother Newton E. Swift, of New York, a member of the class of '90. After his graduation, brother Swift will start for Paris, where a splendid position has been offered him.

Our keph was lately favored with a visit from brothers

Cadwell, Cheney, Swift and King, of Ann Arbor. With them they brought life and zeal and I think they, as well as ourselves, received renewed inspiration from a joint session. Seated around our favorite banquet table we together enjoyed a lunch, after which our visiting fraters made some very interesting remarks. They all speak of Iota Beta's prosperity in glowing terms. Brother Cadwell, you will remember, is the founder of the chapter at Ann Arbor.

The writer recently had the pleasure of visiting our sister chapter at Delaware. If you think they are not a generous set of boys just drop in on them once and you will soon see your mistake.

A chapter of the Delta, Delta, Delta, (ladies) fraternity, has recently been founded here. This raises the number of frats to four, the one just mentioned, the Kappa, Kappa Gamma, the Alpha Tau Omega and the S. A. E.

With best wishes from Michigan Alpha.

WILL HUNTER.

VIRGINIA PI.

EMORY AND HENRY COLLEGE, EMORY.

We are arraying our gallant army of eleven, making preparations for another victorious attack upon the honors which await the deserving at our next commencement. Our march up to the present writing has been signalized by success, and as we are approaching the end of another year it might be well to retrospect our achievements.

Bros. C. B. Ames and H. Daunenbaum have reflected honor upon the fraternity by representing us in the following "high places": Each have occupied the president's chair in their respective Literary Societies, also in the gymnasium association. Were then placed on the editorial staff of our college paper, also debators on the semi-annual public debates.

Bros. J. H. Bowman and Julius Hardwick are the prime movers of the Athletic Association. The former is now president of that body, while the latter is captain of the base and foot ball clubs. The writer has just retired from the rostrum of the Hermesian Society.

We have had the misfortune to lose our highly esteemed Bro. T. W. Thrash, of Asheville, N. C., who left us some time since for his home. We learn since that he has connected himself with a prominent firm of that city.

We have lately initiated Bros. Thomas Stringfield, of Waynesville, N. C., and D. M. Sanders, of Chilhowee, Va. The energy and enthusiasm with which our brothers enter their new work gives us reason to believe that they will be of great value to us.

The repeated defeats of the "barbs" at the hands of the fraternity men has so angered them that they have formed themselves into a local fraternity, the object of which is to obtain "Justice" (?) We do not fear their coalition however, but hope to gain other laurels for our crown, since opposition stimulates us to redoubled efforts.

Our offices are occupied by the following brothers: H. Daunenbaum, E. A.; Julius Hardwick, E. D. A.; J. H. Bowman, E. T.; Roy Brown, Editor; H. B. Griffith, E. C.; J. S. French, E. R.

ROY BROWN.

OHIO ALPHA ALUMNUS.

ALLIANCE, O.

Bro. E. L. McMillen, '89, has just returned home from a few days' visit with the boys of Ohio Sigma and Ohio Alpha Alumnus. Bro. McMillen is devoting himself closely to newspaper work and is making a good record. The fraternity may well be proud of him.

It is stated that Bro. J. H. Fimple, '82, will resign his position, and will return to the practice of law at Carrollton, at which place Bro. N. C. DeFord, '86, has just been re-elected mayor without opposition. Bro. D. W. Waugh has been in the city for several weeks attending his father in his last illness. Bro. Waugh is a successful physician.

Bro. A. W. Carrier, '86, Superintendent of the Twinsburg Schools, has also visited us since our last letter. Bro. A. W. Carrier is one of the foremost teachers of Northern Ohio—a man of broad, sound mind.

Bro. W. S. Fritch, '86, now pastor of the M. E. Church at

Holyoke, Mass., has matriculated in Mt. Union College for the post-graduate course looking to Ph. D. Brother Fritch graduated from Drew Theological Seminary.

Bro. W. A. Carlisle, '86, is now in the employ of a large manufacturing establishment of Akron, O. Bro. Carlisle has made an excellent record on the road in the years past. Bro. T. G. Welsh, '88, is now teaching near his old home at Deersville, O.

We call attention to the honors that have already fallen to the lot of our Seniors of Ohio Sigma. Bros. Morgan and Sullivan not graduating, Bro. F. L. Sage is the only one of the five who has not received a high honor; he is a candidate for election to first honor in the Republican Society, and his success is assured. Gladly will these brothers be welcomed to the ranks of our noble alumni.

Our annual meeting will be held in the third week of July, and we are looking forward to a grand re-union of the charter members of Ohio Sigma—the present members of Ohio Alpha Alumnus—and the brothers who have since knelt at the sacred altar. The most interesting news has been told. And with a hearty expression of our best wishes to all our brothers, we desist.

JOHN H. FOCHT.

GEORGIA PSI.

MERCER UNIVERSITY, MACON.

As our correspondent is still quite ill, it again becomes my duty to communicate to THE RECORD the news of this institution. A number of our boys have suffered from the prevailing complaint, and we are correspondingly demoralized. Bro. Gunn is still confined to his room. Bro. Y. W. Jones has been very low. At one time we despaired of his life, but we hope that he is now on the road to recovery. The others have recovered sufficiently to resume their college duties.

Since our last letter, two of our boys—Jolly and Minor—have left college and taken charge of schools. We wish them unlimited success, and regret that they have left us.

Brothers Y. W. Jones and W. J. Durham were elected to

represent the Ciceronian in the public debate, which will take place at commencement.

Mercer is to have a new chapel as soon as the work can be done. Brick are now being hauled, and the management design to have the building completed at an early date.

A. M. DUGGAN.

GEORGIA BETA.

UNIVERSITY OF GEORGIA, ATHENS.

Beta is free again. The faculty has granted a petition from the fraternities under the ban and they are completely reinstated. The event was celebrated in a proper manner, by a serenade after meeting. We can now start in again though only for a short time, for it is within two months of commencement. Beta graduates several men who will be a loss, for none return. Yet we hope to be reinforced next year. The very best feeling exists between the fraternities. It seems as if the late storm had restored all to equilibrium. We are all very busy now, looking for finals, which come under a new system this year for the first time. We would like very much to hear from the other chapters now and take this opportunity of suggesting it.

B. C. COLLIER.

IOWA SIGMA.

SIMPSON COLLEGE, INDIANOLA.

Since our last letter to THE RECORD very little of general interest has taken place in the fraternity circles of Simpson. The term elections passed quietly bringing to our men a full share of the honors. The speakers for the medals in the June contests were elected earlier in the year. Brother Parker, upon whom we had confidently relied to win in one of the contests, has been called home by the death of his father, and will not return this term. However, we have one other speaker on the same contest who will stand a good chance of winning laurels for himself and for Sigma.

The Pan-Hellenic League, of which I spoke in my last letter, has come to naught. The Alpha Tau Omega Chap-

ter, after having been the prime mover in the organization, without giving any satisfactory reasons for its actions, withdrew. Though no open hostilities have been indulged in, this action has not tended to increase the friendship of the other Greeks toward that chapter.

At this season athletics are holding full sway, and in this line at least our College has nothing to fear from any other in the State. Indeed in the approaching State field day we are confident our athletes will win a due share of the prizes. A new athletic park is just being finished which undoubtedly will give still greater impetus to athletics.

Work has been recommenced on the new Ladies Boarding Hall, and it is expected now that the building will be finished by the opening of college next fall.

Of the internal work of our chapter there is nothing especially worthy of notice. We have been following out the aims of dear old Sigma and imbibing more and more of her spirit, her sentiment, and her enthusiasm. We are continually growing stronger in our devotion to the fraternity idea. As this term advances we are reminded that we are rapidly approaching our first mile-stone. We are making preparations and expect to celebrate the anniversary in a fitting manner. In reviewing one years' progress as a chapter we feel that we are to be congratulated, and as to the general fraternity its accomplishments may be the source of pride to every wearer of the purple and gold. Our recent addition which our chapter has made to its hall, and one in which we take considerable pride, is our library. It now numbers about seventy-five volumes, which we expect to greatly increase in the near future.

I began writing this letter without much to say, and as is usual in such cases, it has taken considerable space in which to express that letter, but I must not close without dropping a word of appreciation for THE RECORD. Brother Capers is surely keeping it abreast with the advancement of our order. It is truly an inspiration to read our journal, and our boys look forward to its coming with eagerness. May *Phi Alpha* continue to be its watchword.

J. P. MORLEY.

OHIO DELTA.

OHIO WESLEYAN UNIVERSITY, DELAWARE.

The spring term at Delaware has commenced and the wheels of the University are again in motion. The great "spring term."!! How much of meaning there is in those words to every college man. The term of all out-door sports for us of the North, the term of boat rides, promenades, frat pic nics, soft balmy air, "When the robins nest again," the "Clouds roll by" and "Oft in the stilly night," is upon us. In the Ohio Wesleyan the fall term is one term for hard work. The winter term for religion. We have then our great revival meetings whose good influences are felt throughout the entire year. Then great waves of religious excitement roll over and submerge us and much progress in our studies is rendered difficult. But in the spring we give ourselves over to sports. Just now the college is all stirred up over athletics. Every class and every frat has a base ball nine and lawn tennis club. Besides, we have our regular college teams. Base ball and foot ball are predominant, and the man who can pitch the most deceptive curves, or can make the best drop kicks, is the greatest man in college. Our boys all take an active interest in athletics. We have a base ball team that stands ready to play any "frat" nine in college, and we believe defeat them too. But that remains to be seen however. We have several twirlers of the pigskin, whose step-ladder curves float around and over the plate in a very deceiving manner. We have one man in the college foot ball team and several men in the base ball teams.

Since our last letter we have another sophomore to introduce to the readers of THE RECORD, brother H. C. Wright. We feel proud of our sophomore "quarto," and we have abundant reasons for doing so.

Brother H. C. Weaver is out of school this term, but he will be with us again next year.

We had "Our Hall" repapered and repainted last week, and we intend to make some other improvements before the term is out. We believe that a good hall is one of the

necessary requisites for a good chapter and aids much in stimulating frat interest and fraternal associations.

As this is our last chapter letter for the year we bid our brothers a fond adieu, wishing God speed to those who obtain their sheep-skin and step off into the "arena" of life, and hoping that all the others may be able to return next year.

C. R. BALL.

ALABAMA IOTA.

SOUTHERN UNIVERSITY, GREENSBORO.

It is somewhere stated that little legislation among the law-makers of a nation is an indication of prosperity and contentment in that nation, and your correspondent has come to believe that on about the same principle the less an S. A. E. has to write about to THE RECORD the more likely is it that his chapter is in a flourishing condition. That silent, effective work which admits of little comment is the kind most to be desired, while matters of noisy sensation are generally such as can well be dispensed with. Following this logical and philosophical mode of reasoning we can arrive at no other conclusion than that Iota is in a highly flourishing condition. For absolutely nothing has happened since my last communication out of the ordinary course of affairs and everything moves along in that uneventful routine so characteristic of prosperous republics and fraternities. When the spring fights opened up it was much feared that before articles of peace were signed some of our pugnacious Sigs would give way to excitement and unthinkingly destroy somebody, but up to date no such calamity has occurred. Then the base ball fever became epidemic, and there began to appear strong probability of various gentlemen totally disappointing the hopes of an expectant country, but so far all of our boys, with two or three exceptions, have preserved their intellects intact for future service in Church and State. Indeed, so profound is the calm which now prevails that it is not even disturbed by the opening breezes of the approaching commencement storm. The persecuted campus has not yet begun to resound with the annual ebullitions of the irrepressible sophomore, and the

lordly senior still holds himself in for his grand onslaught upon the unoffending night air. But this is but the calm which precedes a storm. The Belles-Lettres anniversarians, among them brother Lipscomb, will soon proceed to settle forever the question as to whether or not suffrage should be restricted to an educational basis. At an early date also the seniors will celebrate around their flourishing class tree and among the exercises your correspondent is to foretell the grand destiny which lies out before each of his class-mates. All these feeble flashes will ere long be succeeded by the thunders of commencement.

Brother T. L. Ripley is again with us and, after some sickness, hard at work.

Brother Street, now at home in Selma, pays us frequent visits.

Our weekly meetings are now very interesting and profitable.

W. W. BENSON.

MISSOURI ALPHA.

UNIVERSITY OF MO., COLUMBIA.

Your correspondent was away attending the Missouri intercollegiate oratorical contest when your card of notice came or it would have been answered sooner. Some two hundred of the University students attended "Mo. S. U.'s" representative to Kansas City, Mo. Alpha, sending a delegation of three: Brothers Moore, Todd and myself. The University obtained second honor, whereupon, accompanied by our University band we endeavored to let the good people of K. C. know that we were in town.

Brother Burnham (one of Mo. Alpha's old "E. C. T.") is now practicing law in K. C. with another ex-member of Mo. Alpha.

It is rumored that the Phi Delta Thetas have secretly initiated Divelbliss, the second honor man in the contest. It seems that he boards at the "Club," which is overwhelmingly anti-frat, and that he is afraid to acknowledge his colors while boarding there.

Mo. Alpha was somewhat divided on the suggested new

interpretation of a certain clause in the constitution, a majority however were for letting the constitution stand as before the last convention. Such an interpretation should have been made, if it all, before the charter was given to the Cincinnati Chapter.

Brother R. P. Ingrum (our "Bob"), one of our strongest workers of last year, is now in the Circuit Court Clerk's office of Cass county, and reading law.

Brother Will Haydon, a practicing lawyer of Las Vegas, New Mexico, it is said, will be in Columbia during commencement week. A sweet Kappa Kappa Gamma is to be one of the graduates, don't you know!

Brothers Luke Russell and Marlbut have been teaching all the year, but we expect them in also about commencement times.

I understand that the Zeta Phi's, a local fraternity here, organized by Prof. Root, a Psi Upsilon of Clinton, N. Y., is soon to be absorbed by Beta Theta Pi, notwithstanding some of this Kansas City Alumnus' kickings.

I believe this is about all the frat gossip afloat just now. I'll try and attend some of the Tennis courts ere my next letter is due. The chapter is flourishing and in a fine condition. Indications are that we will have a baker's dozen of members before school closes. We hope to hear of the successful establishment of the two other chapters recently voted on. We think they are good steps both East and West.

Mo. Alpha, the central chapter in the Union, sends greetings to each and all the chapters, and hopes her heart-throbs of love will be felt by all the chapters, whether they be far or near.

C. B. HARRISON, JR.

TENNESSEE LAMBDA.

CUMBERLAND UNIVERSITY, LEBANON, TENN.

"The enervating days have come, the laziest of the year,
Of base ball fiends, and turnip greens, and speeches, oh do hear."

The prevailing *ennui* overcomes your scribe here, or he might quote further. I sometimes quote, but I'm not a poet,

neither can I sing, or I would help N. C. Xi out of her difficulties with the "Song Book."

All is serene on this part of the Cumberland at present, but a livelier time is a-brewing. Seniors are only awaiting the arrival of May 1st, when they will assume their appointed places as lords of creation and rulers over the common herd. In the meantime Lambda pursues her wonted course, with twenty sons loyal and true. We lost three members by graduation in January, but initiated four new ones, Bros. G. H. Black, Z. J. Crider, J. P. Morgan and F. B. Davis, at the opening of the Spring term. All of them are good men and loyal S. A. E.'s. We also enrolled Bro. J. T. Dunn, of Miss. Gamma. He is here taking the law course, and is an enthusiastic fraternity man, and a valuable acquisition.

Our present roll will bear Bro. McCartney out in his statement, that the apathy which formerly prevailed in Lambda is fast disappearing—that it has, in fact, disappeared. We have in our membership eight "Laws," three "Theologs," and nine "Lits." Our chapter will be reduced by half, at least, at the end of this scholastic year, but those left in charge have the interests of S. A. E. at heart, and will see that she suffers not at the opening of the year '90-'91.

We congratulate the fraternities here on the harmony that prevails among them. No strife has embittered the past year, as has been the case at times in former years. None have labored harder toward this end than S. A. E.'s, and we felicitate ourselves upon the good results. No college honors are given for which to strive, and honors are pretty evenly distributed among the various fraternities in the college societies.

We sympathize with our Beta Theta Pi brethren in their internal dissensions, and condole with our brother Greeks of A. T. O., upon the indefinite postponement of that public meeting of the Philomethian Society which they heralded abroad in *The Palm*. There's a smile in that if you only knew all about it.

Lambda is looking forward to the S. A. E. State Convention which will meet in Nashville on the occasion of the

oratorical contest, which contest takes place there May 2nd. We have no representative in that contest, but we are going to listen and lend our aid to our S. A. E. brethren who will participate, and we have no doubt but that ere this is in print the medal will adorn the breast of one of S. A. E.'s sons.

Lambda says amen to the spirit of extension which is abroad in S. A. E. circles. Let the good work go on, and may more chapters be represented at Cincinnati than ever before. Westward and Northward let us go while developing the resources of our native heath until the banner of "Purple and Gold" shall wave o'er all this broad land of ours.

Long live S. A. E., and as long flourish THE RECORD.
Vale! RUFUS V. BOWDEN.

MISSISSIPPI GAMMA.

UNIVERSITY MISSISSIPPI, OXFORD.

It is again my pleasant duty to write you, although the monotony of things around the University is against it. Gamma moveth on toward her destined end—the great pride of our Mississippi boys and alumni. Almost every week I have letters from some of the fellows inquiring of their first love. To all such let me say, she is just as lovely as on the night you first chanced to meet her.

On last Saturday night our regular exercises were postponed, that we might "do up" Mr. McCrory, which we proceeded to in the most artistic manner. Bro. McCrory is a noble young man and one whom we can fearlessly commend to all Sigdom. He will be first honor of a fine class.

Next Saturday night will be the most attractive event of the session with us. Will have a miniature banquet, at which we will have the alumni present and a general reunion and a glorious time is anticipated. Although the writer will join a pleasure party of young men of the faculty and students and young ladies and gentlemen of the city, on that morning, yet all Sigs will return in time to enter into Gamma's festivities.

Our boys seem to have their mind bent on having a home. The good work was begun last fall, but being somewhat defeated in our first endeavors it has been rather lagging since, but I beg to say right here, it is my firm conviction that *Miss Gamma will have a home.* The Delta Psi's have the only chapter house on the campus, and it is nearing completion. We do not look upon them with envy and jealousy, but admire the courage of the young men who with pride watch the culmination of their hopes.

Bro. Capers, give us another RECORD like unto the last. It moveth among us, imparting life even by its touch.

J. W. PROVINE.

VIRGINIA OMICRON.

UNIVERSITY OF VA.

Much to our regret, our chapter has not been represented in THE RECORD since the first issue of the year, but we are neither dead nor asleep. When the December number was being made up our chapter editor was absent in a distant Western State, called home by a very sad errand, and last time the failure was due to a mistake for which no one in particular was answerable. We hope this is a sufficient apology to our sister chapters for the seeming delinquency and that all will understand that Omicron does not willfully neglect her duties. We write this because we think it due the fraternity, for in general nothing is more calculated to create in the minds of our "workers" an unfavorable impression than the failure of a chapter to be represented in our official journal, and justly so.

We have cause to congratulate ourselves on the prosperity of the year which is drawing to a close. Our numbers have scored well in every phase of University life, and nowhere have they appeared to better advantage than in the class room.

In December we had an annual banquet, and though the writer was denied the privilege of taking a part in that festive occasion his heart was with the boys, and he learned with no small degree of satisfaction from those who were there that it was a marked success. The menu was some-

thing calculated to make glad the heart of a hungry, ill fed student, the speakers were all eloquent, and the spirit of true fraternity was our guest. As the "Patron Goddess" S. A. E. hovered near the banquet hall no doubt her shining face bore tokens of strong approval at sight of so much good cheer and the sound of such hearty laughter. Jose Macias was toast master. H. L. Morgan responded to "Sigma Alpha Epsilon," Gessner Williams to "Chapter Omicron," R. H. Wood, one of Charlottesville's rising attorneys, to "Our Alumni," while F. H. Wash in response to "Our Goats" and F. L. Sanders to "The Success of the Occasion" closed the evening in glorious style. Such treats come only once a year—more's the pity—but the barbarian has never dreamed how great are the privileges which the true Greek enjoys.

In the recent election in the Jefferson Literary Society, brother Province was made final Vice-President and brother Gessner Williams given a place on the "final committee." Brother Elmore Moorman, another member of the same society is one of the editors of the *University Magazine*.

Three weeks ago the Moot Court was organized and our modest, unassuming, genial, inimitable Frank Sanders, was the choice of the law class for Clerk, the highest office held by a student. The counsel on both sides in the first case tried were Sigs, and perhaps never in the history of the University did two young "limbs of the law" make their debut with more trepidation. Your correspondent was one of them and is of course unwilling to disclose the errors committed, while modesty forbids any remarks looking in the other direction. Begging pardon for its apparent boastfulness we will say that we have nothing in the nature of misfortune or reverses to chronicle.

When the last RECORD, having laid aside its sombre robes, all bedecked in the colors so dear to our hearts was placed in the hands of the members, a smile which spoke volumes could be seen on the honest, manly face of each. The minutes of our Convention and report of last year's successful work constituted another sweet morsel which was appreciated to the fullest extent.

These sunny April days, whispering words of promise about the joys of the summer holidays, tend decidedly more to make the student seek the bewitching society of Virginia's fair daughters and spend the precious hours in the light of their eyes, than to sit all day in gloomy bachelor quarters gathering words of wisdom from dry and uninteresting text books or "notes" the key to whose mysteries is possessed only by the man who penned them. So the long home stretch for those terrible finals is a toilsome one but not unfitting an age like this "when every hour must sweat her sixty minutes."

Dear readers, pardon the length of this effusion and attribute all to enthusiasm. Wishing each individual member of every sister chapter success in all the contest which come at this season and unmeasured fun for the period of rest soon to follow, we bid you farewell until Omicron greets you again next fall.

PRESTON C. WEST.

TENNESSEE ETA.

S. W. B. UNIVERSITY, JACKSON.

Some time has elapsed since Eta's last communication to THE RECORD, but we would inform the brethren that we are "up and well-doing" and on the alert for anything that may transpire for the building up and extension of Sigdom. We most heartily join in expressing our approval of the plan to extend the benefits of our fraternity to Northern territory.

Not long since the two Literary Societies had a joint contest. Each society put forth two of its best speakers, and of the four representatives, three are members of our fraternity. The society which had two S. A. E. men as representatives was victorious in the contest. One of our number, brother Dugger, wields the gavel over the Apollonian society with becoming grace and dignity, while the Calliopean society is honored with brother Powell as a presiding officer of much ability.

Our chapter is preparing to have a grand re-union in June, with the intention of arousing a still greater interest in our order. Of course we shall have a banquet,

and with the words of admonition and cheer from the gallant Knights, and with the smiling approval of the fair maidens that will be with us on that occasion, we shall be stimulated and prepared for the great work that lies before us.

H. S. MURDOCH.

SOUTH CAROLINA DELTA.

S. C. UNIVERSITY, COLUMBIA.

(UNITE OUR CHIEF OFFICES)

We congratulate our Editor-in-Chief on the attractiveness of the March No. of THE RECORD; and it is but due its contributors as well as editor to observe that its external appearance was an index to the reading matter.

The comments of Bro. "W. H. W.", of Augusta, were read with interest. There can be no question as to the expediency of uniting the offices of E. S. A. and editor of RECORD with this qualification, that we procure the entire time of the substituted officer. The "similarity in the duties of the respective officers" seems to argue more towards the practicability of uniting them. The difficulty does not lie in obtaining an officer, but in remunerating him. This question will doubtless be one of moment at the next Convention, then let us be concerned in it now that the delegates may be fully instructed as to it.

Chapter Delta will lose four men this term by graduation, leaving only eight to begin operations next fall, but they are worthy members and will do good work. Bro. F. C. Withers, of the junior class, was recently elected to the Presidency of the Euphradian Society—the highest honor conferred by that society. Delta has also furnished one of four Presidents to the Clariosophic Society this term.

Why is it that in one of the best issues of THE RECORD we find only twenty-two Chapter Letters? I think it is neither imprudent nor unjust to say to many of these delinquent ones that they have no valid excuse. Does not, indeed, the fact that some chapters have a letter in every RECORD vouchsafe me the above allegation?

Wishing good fortune to all, we close.

R. H. HENDERSON.

GEORGIA TAU.

STATE TECHNOLOGICAL INSTITUTE, ATLANTA.

We have nine fine men in every sense of the word, and all are enthused with the opportunities for good results which are before us. Our roll is composed of the following men: J. W. Bridge, Atlanta, Ga.; R. W. Davis, Covington, Ga.; W. M. Draper, Atlanta, Ga.; George Freeman, Savannah, Ga.; W. R. Harper, Americus, Ga.; E. F. Jackson, Albany, Ga.; G. H. Morrow, Atlanta, Ga.; G. L. Pratt, Decatur, Ga.; E. D. Sheffield, Americus, Ga.

Bros. Bridge, Freeman, Jackson, Morrow and Pratt are of the class of '92, while Bros. Davis, Draper, Harper and Sheffield belong to '93.

Our average height is 5ft. 7 inches; average weight is 130 pounds; average age is about 17½.

There is at present only one other chapter in the Institute, that of the A. T. O.'s, which was established in the fall of '88, and has about 26 men. Two of the Faculty are A. T. O.'s, and up to the time of our establishment there was not an S. A. E. in school.

One of our men, Bro. Davis, led the class of '93 for the past half year, while Bros. Harper and Draper were very little behind him.

We have one man, Bro. Bridge, on the College ball team.

There are several chapters from whom we have as yet received no letter. We should like to hear from them.

With greetings to all our brethren, we close.

GEORGE FREEMAN.

NORTH CAROLINA XI.

UNIVERSITY OF N. C., CHAPEL HILL.

North Carolina XI is in her usual flourishing condition. We are about to close this year with thirteen men, two of whom graduate at Commencement.

The Greeks in this College have an "Annual" under publication, which will be out before the 1st of June. Brother Bellamy represents us on the staff of editors, and it is useless to say will do us credit.

We have no particular news to write, and can only assure you that we are wide awake to the interest of S. A. E.

W. F. SHAFFNER.

KENTUCKY IOTA.

BETHEL COLLEGE, RUSSELLVILLE, KY.

The postal lies before me notifying me that it is time for me to send in my letter. I hardly know what to write except that we are plodding along. We recently enjoyed a visit from Bro. A. J. Smith. He gave our boys some wholesome advice and told us a great deal respecting the fraternity that we did not know before, and I think enthused the boys generally.

We are now having our hall fixed up and expect to be in it soon.

We have a song prepared by our poet-laureate, Bro. Givens, who bids fair to write his name high on the scroll of fame, and can write more love poetry in two hours than any common girl can assimilate in two weeks. Well, as I started to say, this brother has written us a song which contains some noble sentiments of S. A. E. brotherhood, and it has been set to music by Prof. John Damm, late of Germany, whom we are glad to have received as an honorary member.

We are looking forward with great pleasure to the commencement, not only because we can lay aside Greek roots and Latin verbs, and talk to our best girls for a whole week, but the pleasant expectations of seeing the "old folks at home."

E. T. MOBBERLY.

NORTH CAROLINA THETA.

DAVIDSON COLLEGE, N. C.

Once more Theta takes great pleasure in sending greetings to her sister chapters and heralding to them the unbounded success of fourteen true and loyal brothers in classes, literary societies and social circles.

No chapter in our honored order could have felt prouder and more gratified at the last issue of THE RECORD than ours. Its reading matter was excellent and its binding a splendid index of our greatness, all of the chapter letters were of a good class and showed plainly that old S. A. E. was ranking with any fraternity in the land. Truly does Bro. Capers deserve thousands of compliments for surmounting

so many difficult obstacles and placing before us a journal of genuine merit. Experiments show us that a fraternity is almost nihil unless its official organ ranks high. Many fraternities owe their progress and success principally to their journal and a greater number their defeats, ill success and finally their dethronement to their poor organs. Therefore brothers let us strive to make our beloved RECORD greater and greater, let us be prompt with the main part of our journal—the Chapter Letters—and endeavor to make them highly interesting, let us send in more articles concerning fraternity problems, the advancement of the order, the prospects for new chapters and the history of some of our older chapters. It seems to me that THE RECORD can attain a higher position; therefore let us be up and doing. Our boys are struck with the number and quality of the letters we receive, this is a splendid sign, and we sincerely hope that letters may continue to arrive and always contain their present enthusiasm.

Since our last letter the mystic door has been opened, and Bro. W. R. Minter, of Union, S. C., is enjoying the pleasures and privileges of S. A. E. Our new brother will gracefully act as a marshal during the commencement exercises.

At a recent election for representative to the North Carolina Inter-Collegiate Oratorical contest, Bro. B. C. Clark was elected to represent the Philanthropic Society. This brother will certainly do himself justice. Bro. Clark will hold the gavel over the meeting, and Bro. W. A. Gillon will act as Secretary. In the literary societies our men occupy some of the highest positions, and are by no means found wanting in their class standing.

Two of our good men graduate this year, and will certainly be missed. To these brothers Theta owes her present prosperity, for to them and another belong the honor of rescuing her from a very perilous position when she had only three men and placing her on a solid foundation. We will also lose one of our freshmen and a med., but we are glad to say that both of these we hope augment other chapters.

Very pleasant rivalry exists between ourselves, K. A. and

Beta Theta Pi, our two opponents. We still outnumber our rivals, our number being 14, Beta Theta Pi 13 and K. A. 9.

Theta hopes to meet with similar success next year, as we now have several good men in view, all of them being recommended by brothers living in the city with them. Few of our far off brothers know that we live only twenty miles from the Theta Alumnus boys. In these brothers we find splendid friends, and certainly owe them many debts of gratitude for the number of kind attentions that are shown our boys whenever we visit Charlotte. It is hard for college boys to appreciate what an Alumnus Chapter is unless they be thrown in contact with its members.

Notwithstanding the fact that our next Convention is in the dim future, our men are looking forward to it with much enthusiasm, and some of us hope to be present. We are glad that it is to be in our "northern extension" section, and long for the 24th of December, that we may clasp the hands of our noble brothers of the cold region and exclaim to them "now united forever."

Hoping that old S. A. E. may reap many victories during the next coliegiate year.

RUSSELL BELLAMY.



MARRIAGES.

WHELESS—FISHBACK.—Mr. Joseph Sydney Wheless to Miss Bertha Fishback, Fort Smith, Arkansas.

JOHNSON—CLARK.—Mr. Harvey Johnson (Ga. Beta) to Miss Maude Clark, Wednesday evening, April 23rd, at St. Phillip's Church, Atlanta, Georgia.

AMERINE—BROWN—Crowned with lilies of the valley under a floral design of a four-leaf clover stood Miss Zadie Brown last evening.

Radiant and handsome, she was admired by a large circle of loving relatives and friends and ere many moments elapsed the many surrounding her congratulated her and called her Mrs. Edward P. Amerine.

This handsome bride, Miss Zadie, was the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Warren D. Brown, of the Brown Printing Company. The happy groom whom fortune has thus favored was Mr. E. P. Amerine, of the firm of E. P. Amerine & Co.

Both bride and groom are well known in this city and are counted among the favored few whom society compliments by terming popular. The Presbyterian Church was handsomely decorated, in fact a perfect bower of loveliness. Everywhere was handsome cut flowers, an immense bank of palms, ferns and smilax, and they were twined with skillful hands that showed taste in every feature of the decorations.

At 8:30 o'clock the merry strains of Mendelssohn's Wedding March were heard. Mr. E. L. Merriam at the organ had a most excellent orchestra of twelve instruments present, and as the music welled up louder and grander the wedding party entered the church in the following order:

The flower girls, Misses Mary Blue and Annie Rousseau.

The ushers, Messrs. Louis B. Farley, James H. McTyeire, Victor J. Erhart, Charles N. Holt, J. Walter Warren, Dr. J. R. Jordan, Jimmie H. Green and R. C. Fariss, Jr.

Mr. Jas. A. Beall, best man.
 Mr. W. H. Ruth with Miss Lida Elsberry
 Mr. E. O. Bolling with Miss Marie Faunce.
 Mr. J. H. Faunce with Miss Maynie Tanner.
 Mr. Arthur Elsberry with Miss Lucy Warren.
 Mr. W. B. Stratford with Miss Maggie Bell.
 Mr. E. E. Stratford with Miss Minnie Johnston.
 Mr. J. P. Bullock with Miss Mary Elmore.
 Mr. B. H. Brown, brother of the bride, with Miss Mamie Amerine, sister of the groom.

Miss Effie Brown, sister of the bride, as maid of honor. Then the groom and bride.

The music rose and fell in a sweet, subdued strain; then all eyes were centered upon the bridal couple, and in his most impressive manner Rev. Dr. Burkhead asked those questions and received those replies that have been spoken for ages past.

The ceremony over, the party returned to the residence of the bride's parents, while "The Priest's March," from Athalia, was resounding throughout the entire building.

The toilets of the bridal party were indeed elegant.

The bride was dressed in white armure silk, en train, with lilies of the valley and duchess lace. Her ornaments were diamonds.

Miss Effie Brown, Maid of Honor, wore white faille silk, her ornaments being ferns and diamonds.

Miss Amerine, green silk, lilies of the valley and diamonds.

Miss Elmore, white silk, with lace, ornaments, pearls.

Miss Minnie Johnson, (of Tuscumbia) green silk, white lace and ribbons.

Miss Maggie Bell, white China silk.

Miss Warren, green silk with white silk lace and diamonds.

Miss Tanner, white silk and diamonds.

Miss Faunce, green silk, white lace and ribbon.

Miss Elsberry, white China silk and pearls.

Each young lady carried a bouquet of Mareschal Neil roses, furnished by the groom, while the bride's bouquet was of lovely Lamarque roses.

THE RECEPTION.

The reception tendered the happy couple was indeed an event of the season, the large parlors were thronged with the elite of the city, and all the professions were well represented.

Refreshments were served in the rooms adjoining, and heavily laden tables, with courteous host and hostess, made the occasion a most enjoyable one.

THE PRESENTS.

The presents were costly and numerous. Exceeding good taste was certainly displayed, and the tables filled with articles of use as well as beauty attested this fact.

Among the many presents was a handsome Knabe upright piano, given by the parents of the bride to the newly wedded couple.

During the evening a large number of telegrams were received from friends at a distance, extending to them best wishes and loving remembrances.

The Elite Club, of which Mr. Amerine is President, will give a banquet on Friday evening, complimentary to him and his bride.—*Montgomery (Ala.) Advertiser, March 6th.*

 PERSONAL NOTES.

—Bro. H. C. Burger, of Ohio Sigma, is Editor-in-Chief of the Mt. Union *Dynamo*, a paper devoted to the interests of the college.

—Several times recently I have heard that efforts were being made to induce Judge A. J. Crovatt, S. A. E., to be a candidate for the State Senate. Yesterday I investigated the matter. I discovered that it was true that Judge Crovatt had been asked to be a candidate, but that he had refused because he would not antagonize Hon. T. W. Land.—*Cor. Brunswick (Ga.) Times.*

INITIATES OF 1889-'90 FOR OHIO SIGMA.—S. F. Kallenbaugh, McKeesport, Pa.; D. M. King, Smyrna, O.; W. E. Patterson, Bethesda, O.; S. J. Christley, '89, Moniteau, Pa.; F. C. Newcomb, Middlefield, O.; M. B. Excell, Cleveland, O.; F. H. Ewing, Alliance, O.; J. A. Sullivan, '90, Peterboro, N. Y.; R. G. Walker, Minerva, O.

Initiates of 1890—H. A. Ernst, North Lima, O.; E. T. Crawford, Augusta, O.

—Several of the “Senior Addresses” at Mt. Union College, Alliance, Ohio, were delivered by members of Sigma Alpha Epsilon. Bro. Frank L. Sage, Lewiston, N. Y., had for his subject, “Chariots of Thought”; Bro. Charles H. Bowman, Springboro, subject: “Music and its Influences”; Bro. Hiram C. Burger, New Lisbon, subject: “Servants of Men”; Bro. Chas. F. Rodgers, Salem, piano performance, Sonata No. 12, Mozart; Bro. Alvah G. Pipher, Edinburgh, subject, “Fame, Immortal.”

—Bro. G. P. Neel, Greenwood, S. C., says: “I notice with pleasure the improvements you are making on each issue of THE RECORD. The great improvement in the Chapter’s reports will be hailed with delight by every reader of our journal. The buoyant hopes, enthusiastic anticipations and active work of each chapter cannot fail to have a wholesome effect upon the whole fraternity. Can’t you give us a monthly, and a statistical table with each issue? I can furnish No.s 3 and 4 of Vol. V. of RECORD.”

—Bro. Claudius Dockery writes us again from the office of the Consulate General of the United States at Rio de Janeiro, Brazil, and says: “I read the last RECORD with much interest and assure you that Sigma Alpha Epsilon has just cause to feel proud of its organ. I am indeed glad to know the late Convention was such a success. Our Charlotte boys are Sigs of the right type and know how to “do up” matters on occasions of that kind, and you found, I have no doubt, the cause alive in North Carolina. I regret very much my inability to be present at the Cincinnati Convention, but it is impossible. I hope to meet you around the festive board of some future Convention—after Xi prepares the Song Book—and then we can sing of the beauties of S. A. E.”

MICH. ALPHA.—Harry Lowrie, who during the two years he has been on the Detroit *Evening News* has had several promotions, has now been raised to the prominent position of Editor of State Department. As frater Lowrie is only

at the age when many young men graduate, his high position is a good index of his character and ability.

Stanley M. Rinehart, '88, one of our charter members, and at present in Hahneman Medical College, recently carried away the highest honor in the gift of the students, being placed at the head of the *Institute*, the only paper published there.

Frank Kinney, another chapter member here but who graduated at Ann Arbor, is in the law school at Cincinnati, his old home.

Will Lowrie, one of our shining lights last year and a good Greek root extractor and all round trimmer of Latin supine stems, becoming tired of life on his father's paper at Elgin, Ill., has tackled a new bicycle. At last accounts the "bike" was ahead and Bill was header yet.

Prof. J. F. McCulloch, our President, but at present at Clark University on a year's leave of absence, writes encouraging letters back to his fraters about his work there.

COMMENTS AND CLIPPINGS.

—Sixteen young ladies in Brighton have formed a whist club, and meet weekly for practice. It is said that the neighbors can hear them play whist three streets away.—*Tit-Bits*.

—*The South Atlantic*, of Augusta, Ga., is a bright and interesting, illustrated Magazine, giving in each number graphic descriptions of Southern progress and development, and it also contains much reading matter on other live subjects. It is printed on fine book paper, well bound, and contains forty large pages. It is published by the South Atlantic Company, for the price of one dollar a year.

—In a small town in Cornwall a dissenting minister closed his sermon the other day with these words: "Moreover brethren I would be pleased to have the young man who is

now standing outside the door come in and make certain whether she is here or not. That would be a great deal better than opening the door half an inch and exposing the people in the last row of seats to a draught.—*The Referee*.

—Western under-graduate—Don't you abominate college discipline? So unnecessarily severe, you know.

Eastern under-graduate—Yes, beastly! What are some of your rules?

Western under-graduate—Let me see. I can't remember but two of them just now. One is that no student shall burn the college buildings, and the other is that under no provocation shall a student shoot a professor.—*Burlington Free Press*.

—Two Western editors quarrelled. One referred to the other's early career. "As for our contemporary," he wrote, "what can we expect from a man who was five years ago peddling around with a mule, and an ill-conditioned beast, at that?" His rival did not deny it. "Our contemporary," he wrote in his next number, "says that five years ago we were peddling around with a mule, and an ill-conditioned beast at that. He is quite right. We were so occupied. But we are surprised to find that the mule has such a good memory."—*London Tit-Bits*.

—The Alpha Upsilon Chapter of the Chi Psi Fraternity, of Furman University, has been honored for the last few days with a visit from one of the fraternity's most prominent representatives, Frederick A. Pike, of St. Paul, Minnesota. Mr. Pike is on a tour of the Chi Psi Chapters in the South, and came here from Oxford, Mississippi. He will, after leaving Greenville, visit the Chi Psi's at the State University and at Wofford, these four chapters at Oxford, Greenville, Columbia and Spartanburg being the only branches of the fraternity in this section. The Chi Psi's at Furman did the honors for their distinguished guest, giving him an opportunity of seeing the many attractions of the city and suburbs.

—*The Spirit of the South* published at New Orleans, La. announces that in about three weeks it will establish a Whist Department under the editorship of N. B. Trist, Esq., the originator of the "American Leads" and the highest authority on the game in the United States if not in the world. Mr. Trist will begin at the beginning and explain the game in its elementary principles, gradually increasing the scope of his lessons until they embrace the whole subject of the science of whist. His articles will be elaborately illustrated by means of card type, showing all the hands around the board and how to play each in their turn. Mr. Trist will also conduct a correspondence column in which he will answer questions as to knotty points in the game, occurring in actual play.

—We note with pleasure that our Chapters respond in this issue of THE RECORD with unusual promptness, and comparatively few Chapters remain silent.

We acknowledge receipt of the following "*Exchanges*:"

The Shield, of Theta Delta Chi, 142 pages, 16 Chapter Letters.

The Scroll, Phi Delta Theta, 100 pages, 46 Chapter Letters.

The Journal, Kappa Alpha, 60 pages, 23 Chapter Letters.

The Shield, Phi Kappa Psi, 58 pages, 21 Chapter Letters.

The Rainbow, Delta Tau Delta, 64 pages, 30 Chapter Letters.

The Palm, Alpha Tau Omega, 72 pages, 20 Chapter Letters.

The Quarterly, Delta Epsilon, 83 pages, 15 Chapter Letters.

The Beta Theta Pi, 50 pages, 12 Chapter Letters.

The Journal, Kappa Alpha Theta, 28 pages, 15 Chapter Letters.

The Quarterly, Delta Kappa Epsilon, 85 pages, 20 Chapter Letters.

The Delta of Sigma Nu, 30 pages, 13 Chapter Letters.

The Quarterly, Phi Gamma Delta, 84 pages, 26 Chapter Letters.

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ON EXAMINATIONS—AFTER WORDSWORTH.

The simple youth
Of ordinary kind,
'Tis very difficult to tell
The workings of his mind,
And what he knows of any thing
Is very hard to find.

I met a boy, a sturdy boy,
Of twelve years old, he said,
(He might have been twelve months or so
To judge him by his head).
"Come here," I said, "my little boy,
And be examined."

The child obeyed, and did not quail,
Nor did his visage change.
The questions that I put him were
Of very varied range,
And all the answers that I got
Were very, very strange.

"I now will question you to find
Your education's aims
Of all your work, Divinity
Must have the prior claims.
Now tell me if you can, my lad,
The twelve apostle's names."

"Their names," he answered—Do not scoff;
I merely state the facts—
"Their names," the boy went boldly on,
"Were Matthew, Mark, Luke and John;
The rest were known as Acts"

"Nay, that will hardly do, my boy."
He blushed and sucked his thumb.
"More creditably you may fare
In Roman History; compare
Pompey and Cæsar—come!"

He paused awhile as if in thought;
At length he answered thus—
"Pompey and Cæsar—Pompejor,
Pompessimus, Cæsarior
And Cæsarissimus."

"Explain why summer's days are long,
While winter's earlier fly."
He answered not, but hung his head,
And five times to the boy I said,
"Why, Pighead, tell me why?"

Until at last the lad began,
Attempting not to cry—
"I think I see the way it acts,
For heat expands, and cold contracts,
And that's the reason why."

"Take this equation now," I said,
"And find what x may be."
"Sir, what is x?" "That you must try
To find. I might have called it y,
or a, or b, or c."

"Nay, do not cry." For still he wept.
Unheeding my command.
"Had it been only x," he said,
"I would have tried my hand.
To hunt the blooming alphabet
Is more than I can stand.

So there I left him, mournfully,
Yet feeling rather glad
That I was not a pedagogue;
For if I always had
A hundred more such boys as that,
I should go staring mad.

—BRIGHTON COLLEGE JOURNAL.



 ADDITIONAL CHAPTER LETTERS.

OHIO EPSILON.

TENN. OMEGA.

TENN. ZETA.

[The May issue of THE RECORD was ready for binding when the three following letters reached our office, ten or fifteen days later than other letters from the Chapters; but by a special effort we have made room for them, and although they are out of their Department in THE RECORD, their contents are just as interesting. This office takes great pride in classifying the contents of each issue of THE RECORD, and therefore feels this explanation necessary. Ohio Epsilon comes forward in an interesting letter, and we would rather have ordered an extra edition than lose her greeting. The "Convention obstacle" having been removed by the Chapters, we see a great future for our Chapter at the University of Cincinnati.

ED-IN-CHF.]

OHIO EPSILON.

UNIVERSITY OF CINCINNATI, CINCINNATI.

With timidity and trepidation we make our initial bow in the columns of THE RECORD to our sister Chapters. Like the amateur we are a trifle agitated, our tongue cleaves to the roof of our mouth and our voice hesitates to respond to our call to speak out and acquit ourselves creditably in our debut before the assembly of S. A. E. Chapters in all their brilliancy. But thanks to fraternal sympathy we recover our wonted equanimity, which at the most is saying but little, and proceed to give an account of ourselves. We are seven! What traditions cluster 'round this number, the favorite in history and in literature. Here, too, a happy number, for I scarcely think it is possible anywhere to find a band of men so mated and well-matched, so congenial and fraternal, so welded together by choice, nature and S. A. E., as are the seven brothers of Ohio Epsilon. Six of us worshipers at the shrine of Science, the seventh a disciple in the school of Philosophy, we began our fraternity existence as kindred laborers in a common cause, and that cause the glory and renown of Sigma Alpha Epsilon.

Our rumored entrance into the Greek world excited much comment among its denizens in this latitude and many were the attempts to extract the secret from us and many the arguments in our presence as to whether the goat was a

billy or a nanny and the decision left to us, who, poor mortals, were satisfied to know it was a goat and cared not to question its sex. Our actual entrance into the aforesaid Greek world was marked by a banquet tendered us on the night of Jan. 2, '90, by the here existing Chapter of Sigma Chi, assisted by Beta Theta Pi. We were ably represented by Bros. Rubinstein and Bailey and spent a pleasant evening in occupations appropriate to the event, which demonstrated the wealth of harmony prevalent among the Greek societies here and was the occasion of much good will and favors for all and special kindnesses to us. In truth, the compliments then paid the new fraternity departed from their usual nature in being sincere, for a very young society, Ohio Epsilon has certainly more than her share of honors and offices in the local institutions of the University. Bro. Heinrichsdorfs leads as President of the Athletic Association and also Treasurer of the "McMicken Review." Bro. Rubinstein follows as one of its editors, and last and not least, myself as its President and Manager. Bro. Weil is Captain of the base ball team, while three of our men represent their classes in the Executive Committee.

Our prospects for the future are bright indeed. A new life is being infused into the University, and the students feel it throbbing in their veins. Our next year's session promises to eclipse all others in the activities aroused and maintained, and we are alive and alert, ready at the first to put in our oar and pull away for dear life, for the University and the fraternity. We have our ideas as to the advancement of the University and the desideratum in the social life of its students not forgetting ourselves (how could we), and we are maturing plans for the development of these ideas, but we reserve our speculations except to say we are hopeful.

We heartily wish to co-operate with our brothers in their efforts to create a song-book, and will try and coax our poets and musicians (we have a Cubinstein) to court the muses again, as I fear their spring effusions won't answer.

We are gratified by the rapid progress of our order in the North and its advancing prosperity in the South.

May she grow apace with our glorious country until like her, her colors too shall blaze from the Atlantic to the Pacific, and from the Gulf to the Great Lakes, until like her, her glory shall be as stainless as it is grand, until like her, midst all her greatness, she may never forget the secret of her success and ever cling to the guardian angels, freedom, liberality and justice.

J. B. STRAUSS.

TENNESSEE OMEGA.

UNIVERSITY OF THE SOUTH, SEWANEE, TENN.

Greeting from Omega to her sister chapters. Her prospects for the ensuing year are unusually bright. She has received into her fold but two new men this term, one, Bro. Farson, who comes to us from Mississippi Gamma, the other our latest initiate, Bro. R. M. Kirby Smith, son of our esteemed charter-member, Gen. E. Kirby Smith, whose interest in Omega and her men has always been so kindly and strenuous. These additions give us now the round number of eighteen men.

Our delegates, Bros. Barnweil and Higgins, brought back most glowing accounts of the Convention, with unmingled praises of the hospitality of the good people of Charlotte, and the excellence of their wines.

We are glad that the "Hebrew question" has been finally laid in its grave, for it has been a source of much perturbation, especially to the younger members of this chapter, who are prone to think, in their boundless enthusiasm, that the life or death of S. A. E. depends upon their right decision.

We will lose several of our best men in the ensuing August, but we expect them to go out from Omega with their hands full of laurels. We will have several degree men besides many other minor honors.

Bro. Paul Gadsden represented us at Nashville in the Inter-Collegiate Oratorical contest, a few days since, and though he did not win we will not offer sympathy to one whose effort was so universally and deservedly admired.

And now Omega wishes once more to assure her sisters

of her unfailing interest and loyalty, and to disclaim any of that self-centralism which is so ruinous to a fraternity and so inimical to the effectiveness of an individual chapter.

E. H. ROWELL.

TENNESSEE ZETA.

SOUTHWESTERN PRESBYTERIAN UNIVERSITY, CLARKSVILLE.

Our boys have just returned tired, but happy, from an excursion to the Oratorical contest at Nashville, where we had a regular big jubilee. The contest occurred May 2d. Mr. Black, of Sewanee, a Delta Tau Delta, carrying off the honors. We were happily entertained at Chapter Nu's hall after the speaking, and for two hours longer the representatives of the six Tennessee chapters mingled here in fraternal glee, exchanging welcomes, compliments and jokes; praising each other and themselves; and eulogizing, finally, the generous virtues of those absent—and the "spread", which was managed by Bro. Campbell—chapter Nu's "all around man." It is at these meetings every year that our boys of the different chapters get so well acquainted and we regard it one of the most potent factors imaginable for the general development of chapters and the electrification of their members. The fourth annual meeting of State Association convened next day. It was the first time we have had a full delegation present. Bro. Powell bearing Eta's message from Jackson, and Bro. Anderson in brass buttons coming from Knoxville as the pledge of Kappa's security. Chapters living isolated lives will never know true success until they form a State Association. Two of our young Alumni, J. N. Craig, of Atlanta, and W. M. Bunting, of Florence, Ala., were with us for a few days, attending also the contest.

We look to Commencement for our next happy re-union. Two fine men have been admitted to our ranks, making eleven initiations for us this collegiate year: F. R. Graves, Americus, Ga., and C. F. Gholson, Holly Springs, Miss. Bro. Graves is Business Manager of the *S. W. P. U. Journal*. So, S. A. E. has five men on the staff now.

The Washington Irving and Stewart Societies gave a concert recently which was quite a financial success, and by critics was declared the most enjoyable one ever produced here by local talent.

Bro. Morris Gordon was married to Miss Nannie Merriwether of this county some weeks ago, and is now the happiest Sig in the realm. His bride is a beautiful, talented and sensible young lady

We have three A. B. graduates for Commencement, Haden, Mecklin and Sisson; one degree medal speaker, Mecklin; one society medal speaker, Sisson; and two Commencement play speakers by compliment of the Faculty, Haden and Sisson. Our representation on the speaking contests is not as strong as usual; but what we have is good, and for academic medals our chances are better than usual. The new catalogues of the University are out and on the roll of students appear the names of nineteen S. A. E's. We will have a good representation to return in the fall, and we can but hope for a repetition of the past year's success at "spiking" and recruiting.

Bro. A. J. Smith, one of S. A. E's veteran "war-horses," favored us with a visit recently in the interest of the *Cosmopolitan Magazine*. He made many friends among our boys.

Bro. P. C. West, now at the U. of Va., will likely establish Ark. Alpha Omega as soon as vacation comes as the "A. I. U." has the winter vacation system. The other chapters granted charters are moving slowly, or not at all, at present. We hope to secure them yet.

H. S. BUNTING.



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Proclamation to the Chapters.

One-half of the Chapters having, within the time limited by the Constitution, notified the Supreme Council of their non-concurrence in that portion of the proceedings of the Convention of 1889, relating to Jews, I hereby notify all Chapters that the portion of the proceedings referred to is stricken from the minutes and declared null and void.

THOS. S. MELL, E. S. A.

Athens, Ga., May 5th, 1890.



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George G. Frey, Kansas City, Mo.....Class 1892

Percy Canfield Barney, Chillicothe, Mo..... " 1892

Initiates of 1889:

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Wm. Odon Grace, Chillicothe, Mo..... " 1891

Joseph Luke Russell, California, Mo..... " 1892

Harris L. Moore, Pueblo, Colorado..... " 1892

Charles H. Grace, Chillicothe, Mo..... " 1893

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Benj. E. Todd, Columbia, Mo..... " 1895

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J. A. Sullivan, Peterboro, N. Y.....	“ 1890
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LeGrand Guerry, Van Buren, Arkansas.

Initiate of 1890: Landon Cabell Read, Marietta, Georgia.