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The Massachusetts Institute of Technology is a scientific school, or college of industrial science, in which are taught the sciences and their applications to useful arts, through a very wide range. The studies, exercises, and experiments carried on in the school are grouped in thirteen four-year courses as follows: I, Civil Engineering; II, Mechanical Engineering; III, Mining Engineering; IV, Architecture; V, Chemistry; VI, Electrical Engineering; VII, Biology; VIII, Physics; IX, General Studies; X, Chemical Engineering; XI, Sanitary Engineering; XII, Geology; XIII, Naval Architecture.

The Institute was chartered in 1861, and was opened to students in 1865. Its founder and first president was Dr. William Barton Rogers, formerly professor in the University of Virginia and director of the Geological Survey of that state, who died in 1882. At the time of his death, he was president of the National Academy of Sciences.

While the applications of the sciences to the useful arts are extensively taught in the Institute of Technology, the primary purpose of the school is education. Not only are mere knacks and devices and technical methods constantly subordinated to the acquisition of principles, but these principles are studied with the predominant purpose of expanding and developing the mind, of exercising the powers and of training the faculties of the pupil. What the Institute aims to do is to graduate those who are, first, well-educated men in all which

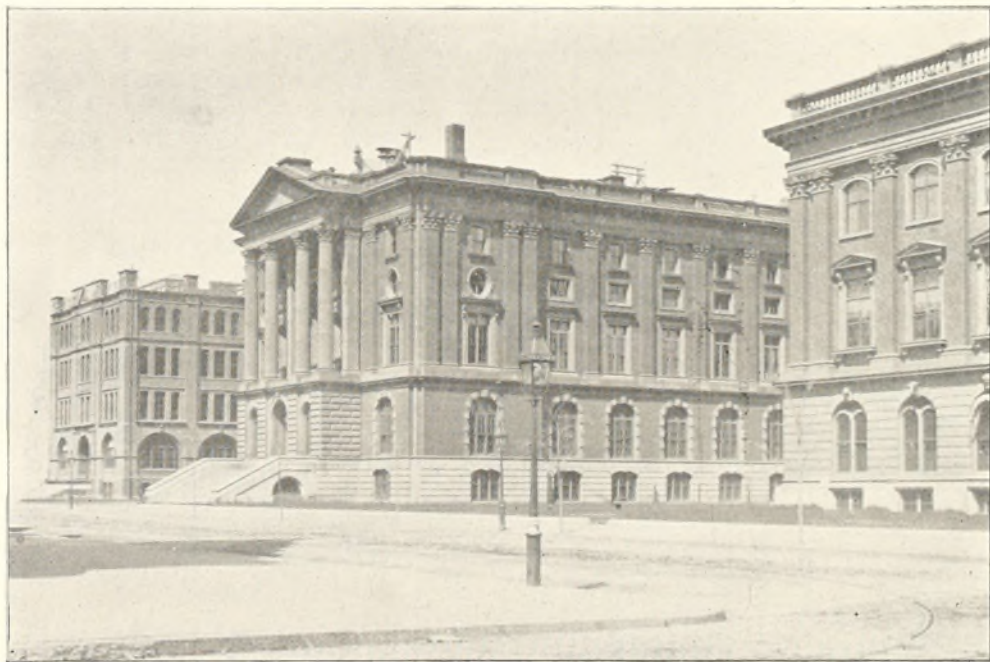
that term implies, and who, secondly, have studied the problems of some one technical profession, have mastered the scientific principles relating thereto, and have had a certain amount of practice in the applications of those principles to such problems.

The Institute is the largest scientific and technical school in the United States, and one of the largest in the world. It has about twelve hundred students and over one hundred and fifty instructors. This great body of students comes from thirty-nine states and two territories of the Union, and from seventeen foreign countries.

The buildings occupied by the Institute are six in number. The two buildings first constructed, known severally as the Rogers and the Walker buildings, are situated upon Boylston street, one of the great thoroughfares of Boston, upon land conceded by the Commonwealth of Massachusetts. The Rogers building, completed in 1865 and named in honor of William Barton Rogers, is 90x165 feet on the ground. Its interior structure is somewhat irregular, owing to the introduction of Huntington Hall; but it contains substantially four stories and a basement. It comprises a hall seating nine hundred persons, used for public gatherings and commencement exercises, as well as for the lectures of the Lowell Institute; it also contains numerous lecture rooms, recitation rooms, and drawing rooms in the upper stories, while on the first floor are found the departments of Biology and Geology, with the president's and secretary's offices, and, in the basement, the John Cummings laboratory of Mining Engineering and Metallurgy.

The Walker building, on the same square, at the corner of Clarendon street, built in 1883, has almost precisely the same dimensions on the ground as the Rogers building, and contains four stories and a basement.

The department of Chemistry occupies, with the Kidder laboratory and with its recitation and lecture rooms, the two upper stories of the building, together with a laboratory for



Rogers Building, Massachusetts Institute of Technology.

Industrial Chemistry in the basement. The department of Physics occupies the remainder of the basement, the entire first floor, and all the second floor not taken by six recitation rooms for Modern Languages and Mathematics.

In addition to the Rogers and the Walker buildings, above described, two more of the principal structures of the Institute are situated upon Trinity Place, distant about six hundred feet from the main Institute square. Of these, the Engineering building, erected in 1889, is 52x148 feet, and contains five stories and a basement. The basement and first story are occupied by the engineering laboratories, the four upper floors being the drawing, recitation and lecture rooms of the Mechanical and Civil Engineering departments.

Adjoining the Engineering building is the Architectural building, erected in 1892. This is 58x68 feet, and, like the Engineering building contains five stories and a basement, the floors of the two buildings having the same level in each case, with communication by doorways.

In addition to the four buildings mentioned, the Institute has at the foot of Garrison street a series of shops, which, with the boiler house and chimney cover over 24,000 square feet of ground.

The last of the buildings to be mentioned is the gymnasium, 160x50 feet, for athletic and military exercises, besides bath and toilet rooms and a due amount of gymnastic apparatus. The Institute maintains no dormitories; its students find homes in the city, or in the beautiful suburban towns and cities of the Boston Basin.

The Massachusetts Institute of Technology is unfortunately still an unendowed institution, in the sense that its receipts from invested property constitute but a very small part of the means required to carry on the service of the school. First and last, about a million and a half dollars have been given or bequeathed to the school, some part of which it has been absolutely necessary to use for current maintenance. Of the

amount mentioned, the state of Massachusetts gave \$200,000, one-half of which was free of conditions, the other half being for the support of free scholarships. The Institute receives one-third of the national grants to the state of Massachusetts under the United States Acts of 1862 and 1890, amounting at present to about \$12,000 a year.

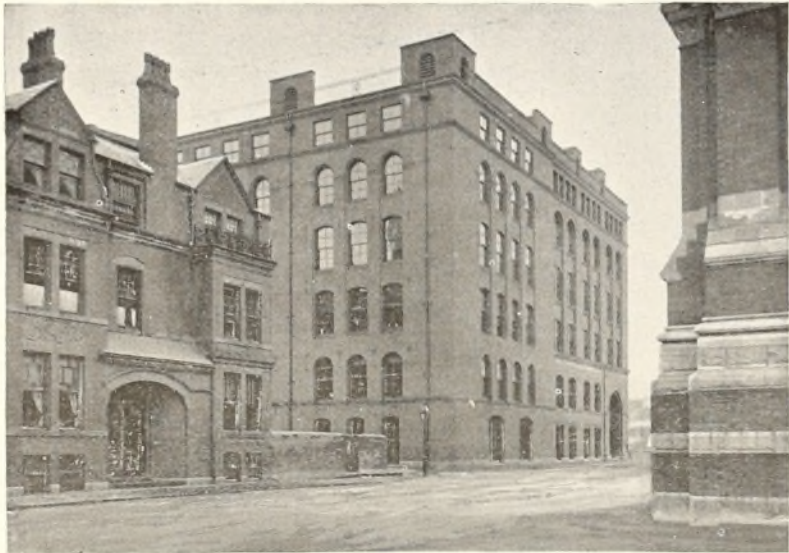
A. W. DRAKE.

FRATERNITIES AT THE INSTITUTE.

We will not here discuss the fraternity question, but merely call attention to the office and status of the fraternities at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology.

College men realize to-day more fully than ever before, the benefit and the value to be derived from fraternity life. Tech men, from the nature of the Institute, need more opportunity than other college men of coming in closer contact with their fellow students and of knowing them more fully than through mere recitation-room acquaintance. The desire for closer bonds than those of casual acquaintance long since gave rise to the establishment of Greek-letter fraternities.

The steady increase in the number of fraternity men is obvious from a glance at the last few numbers of *Technique*, the college annual. According to the first number of the annual, published in 1885, there were at the Institute but three fraternities, with a total membership of thirty-eight. The last number shows eight fraternities, with a total membership of one hundred and seventy three; or seventeen per cent of all the students. The three fraternities in 1885 were Sigma Chi, Theta Xi, and Alpha Tau Omega. The latter became extinct in 1886. Phi Gamma Delta and Theta Delta Chi formerly maintained chapters here, but are now quiescent. Chi Phi and Delta Tau Delta have had periods of inactivity, though both are now in good order.



Engineering and Architectural Building, Massachusetts Institute of Technology.



Walker Building, Massachusetts Institute of Technology.

The fraternities now represented at Tech are Sigma Chi, established in 1882; Theta Xi, established in 1885; Delta Psi, established in 1887; Chi Phi, established in 1890; Delta Kappa Epsilon, established in 1890; Delta Upsilon, established in 1894; Phi Beta Epsilon (local at Tech) founded in 1890; Sigma Alpha Epsilon, Massachusetts Iota-Tau chapter, established in 1891, and Delta Tau Delta, established in 1894. Beside these there are several local societies both social and fraternal. Most important among these are the Chemical Society (K. 2 S.), Hammer and Tongs, Exeter Club and K. O. S., also the society containing the young lady students of the Institute, and known as the Eta Sigma Mu. Professional societies are the Civil Engineering, Electrical Engineering, Architectural, Biological and Geological societies. Of the regular fraternities, Phi Beta Epsilon, Delta Kappa Epsilon, Delta Upsilon and Chi Phi occupy chapter houses and Sigma Alpha Epsilon expects to occupy one this fall. Sigma Chi occupied one until recently, when it was given up.

The foregoing facts seem to substantiate the claims that fraternity feeling, and its next in kin, college spirit, are in the ascendency at Tech, and that the near future is likely to see a large increase in the number of fraternities, and in their membership.

H. N. DAWES, '93,

Chelsea, Massachusetts.

W. C. BRACKETT, '95.

BROKEN FRIENDSHIPS.

Under the above title, an article recently appeared in *The Chicago Record*, and among other things contained the following:

“It is about the time of the year now when the college boys come home bubbling over with enthusiasm about their Greek letter secret societies. Fresh from school, they actually believe that the friendships made in their school fraternities are going to follow them through life and serve as a

powerful adjunct to success. Poor chaps! The years undeceive them bitterly. One of the hard things in this human life of ours is that if a man grows at all he is bound to grow away from friendships."

How very pathetic and gloomy for our young college graduates to think that friendships, which amounted even to close brotherhoods, should be destined to wither away so soon. Can we believe that the writer of this article actually meant what he said? As members of Greek letter fraternities, we should not get the idea that because we are Greeks that fact alone is going to give us success. No, we do not believe any such absurdity. But we do believe, and know from the experience of those of the fraternity older and wiser than we, "that the friendships made in our school fraternities are going to follow us through life," while how much they "serve as a powerful adjunct to success" depends upon the use made of such friendships. It is a well-known fact that our regard for a person at our introduction to him is much intensified on learning that he, also, belongs to a college fraternity. It is only necessary to look about us and see with what eagerness men become members of the brotherhoods of Masons, Odd Fellows and the like. Do men join these brotherhoods merely for the beneficial results? If that were the main reason they could have their organizations without rituals, signs and passwords. There is something more important. They "serve as powerful adjuncts to success" in life. But what brotherhood ever even approached the close ties of a college fraternity? There is no institution that so nearly reaches the intimacy of the family circle as an active chapter of a Greek letter fraternity, and that can dispute the sacred ties of the home circle. Do we ever grow away from the friendships of our own family? He who does has not the spark of humanity in him, for he who loves not his own family cannot love his neighbor as himself. We are told that "one of the hard things in this human life of ours is that if a man grows at all he is bound to

grow away from friendships." Had the writer said "acquaintances" instead of "friendships" it would be an easy matter to agree with him ; but friendships of the fraternity, like those of the family circle, become more dear as time passes, and we cannot but expect and believe that the friendships made in our school fraternities are going to follow us through life.

Toledo, Ohio.

W. N. ZURFLUH.

DEAR OLD S A E.

Tune—GLORIANNA.

She's the queen of our devotion,
 True to her are we:
 Guiding star on life's broad ocean,
 Dear old S. A. E ;
 Time may smite us, death may blight us
 Dark our sorrows be,
 But thy bonds shall still unite us,
 Dear old S. A. E.

Darkly hung the clouds above thee,
 In the days gone by;
 But a few were left who loved thee,
 Would not let thee die;
 Proudly now extend thy pinion
 Over land and sea;
 Loyal hearts are thy dominion,
 Dear old S. A. E.

Torn by fate's unkindly finger
 From thy portal dear,
 'Round thee still our mem'ries linger,
 Still thy name revere;
 Keep thy gallant banner floating,
 Spread thy colors free;
 We will give thee love undying,
 Dear old S. A. E.

Indiana Alpha.

W. C. VAIL

THE UNIVERSITY OF ARKANSAS.

Beautifully located among the spurs of the Ozark mountains, is the quiet little city of Fayetteville, the home of the Arkansas State University. In 1871, the Arkansas state legislature, availing itself of the liberal land grant offered by the United States government, passed a bill founding the University of Arkansas. After an exciting contest, Fayetteville was selected as a suitable location for the institution. In its infancy, the school was conducted in a frame building just in the rear of the present main structure. In 1874, one of the largest brick buildings to be seen anywhere in the South was completed, and the corps of professors changed their headquarters to the present building.

From the towers of the main building, which is seated upon a hill one half mile west of the town, can be seen the beautiful hills and verdant valleys of the surrounding country. Besides the main building, there is also a substantial four story, brick structure used as a dormitory by the boys, accommodating one hundred students. Last year the new laboratory, a handsome and commodious building, was erected just south of the college proper. The other buildings are the machine shop, wood shop, foundry and forge, and an experimental station.

The development of the University, from such an humble beginning and in such a short time, is almost incredible. The University is a state school and has always received appropriations from the legislature. It is, in fact, the pride of Arkansas, and the crowning glory of her grand work in the educational line. Every facility is offered to the student who wishes to gain an education, and twenty-one courses of study are offered. The departments of liberal arts and science are very well equipped and the professors are efficient, courteous gentlemen. Everything is done that the student may enter upon his life-work well fitted for his chosen profession. The



ARKANSAS STATE UNIVERSITY, FAYETTEVILLE.

course in liberal arts is equal to that of many universities far more extensively known. In addition to this, the engineering department commends itself to all careful observers, being second to that of no university in the south-west. In addition to the courses offered by the University at Fayetteville, there is a medical department in Little Rock; and Judge Goar, dean of the law faculty, at Little Rock, offers to the young men of Arkansas efficient training in this line. The good results accomplished in the University are plainly to be seen. Many of her graduates hold important positions, and some of the brightest legal lights of our state have first learned to face an audience in the society halls of this institution. At least fifteen members of the last legislature were old University students, and every year our representation at Little Rock increases. Among the prominent graduates may be mentioned Hon. E. B. Kinsworthy, $\Sigma A E$, democratic nominee for attorney general; Hon. Daniel Hon, $\Sigma A E$; Hon. Carroll D. Wood, associate justice of the state supreme court, and many others who fill positions of trust and honor in our state.

We have three literary societies, the Philomathean, the Mathetian and the Garland. All of these societies are in a prosperous condition, and they are potent factors in our college work.

Arkansas Alpha-Upsilon.

JAMES DEKALB HEAD.

ARKANSAS ALPHA-UPSILON.

The correspondence between the writer and Mr. George Herbert Bunting, which led to the installation of a chapter here, began in the latter part of May. This correspondence was sustained without intermission until the 8th of July, when Mr. Bunting arrived here with the avowed purpose of founding the chapter.

In the meantime, a band of loyal brothers, small at first, but gaining in number day by day, had pledged themselves to

cast their fortunes with the Sigma Alpha Epsilon Fraternity. It was thought best by those concerned to keep matters as quiet as possible until the installation, so all the work was done *sub rosa*.

After three years of deliberation and consideration, Sigma Alpha Epsilon has entered Arkansas, and from now on her power will be felt. Everything was ripe for the entrance. This is a co-educational institution and the enrollment for a year exceeds six hundred students. The field was clear and the material bountiful.

For various reasons the board of trustees, of which Hon. E. B. Kinsworthy, a loyal Sig, is a member, changed vacation from summer to winter, making the scholastic year from the first of March to the first of December. Although this, to a certain extent, throws us out of touch with the college world, it will neither lessen our zeal nor throw a damper upon our enthusiasm.

Arkansas Alpha-Upsilon will prove a great benefit to the Fraternity, and too much credit can not be given to Mr. Bunting for the part he played in her establishment. A host of loyal Sigs throughout the state will renew their allegiance to the fraternity which was so dear to them in their college days. Situated as we are, with the state of Arkansas as our patron, we are well fitted to uphold the royal purple and old gold in this section of the country. Measures have been taken for the establishment next December of a state association.

In 1882, *A T Q* planted her Arkansas Alpha Chi chapter in the University, but only to die a natural death in the same year. *K Σ* maintains a chapter here, and there is a friendly spirit of rivalry existing between us, each chapter vying with the other in gaining good, strong men. Kappa Sigma has been here for some three years, but it closed its house last year entirely—it is supposed for the purpose of recreation. This year, however, new spirit has been infused into the old



ARKANSAS ALPHA-UPSILON, ARKANSAS STATE UNIVERSITY

Barnett.
Fishback.

Bell.
Moberly.

Rightor.
Asn.

Watson.

Gates
Adams.

G. H. Bunting.

Boyd.
Head.

Beavers

Mock.

Irvin.
Pittman.

Nicholls.

body and the chapter has now fourteen men on its roll. Some of our men were hotly rushed by our rivals.

Mr. Bunting arrived here on the 8th of July, and spent Monday following in making the acquaintance of the candidates. Before the dawn of morn on the 10th, sixteen men were installed into the mysteries of Sigma Alpha Epsilon; one of our charter members, John Milton Kelso, being prevented by sickness from being present, was duly initiated on the following Saturday night. Mr. Bunting remained with us until Saturday, the 14th, when he was called away to Kansas City, Missouri. His visit was thoroughly enjoyed, and during his stay with us he made many lasting friends. To him, and him alone, is due the credit for founding the chapter at the University of Arkansas.

The following is a complete list of our charter members:

- '94, James DeKalb Head, Richmond, Arkansas.
- '94, Louis Russel Ash, Fayetteville, Arkansas.
- '94, Richard Baxter Irvin, Fayetteville, Arkansas.
- '94, Edward Lee Mock, Prairie Grove, Arkansas.
- '94, John Carr Bell, Pontotoc, Mississippi.
- '94, Robert Tuttle Pittman, Fayetteville, Arkansas.
- '95, William Ewing Boyd, Cooper, Texas.
- '95, Jubal Early Beavers, Charleston, Arkansas.
- '95, Carl Price Barnett, Fayetteville, Arkansas.
- '96, Elbert Lycurgus Watson, Newport, Arkansas.
- '96, Edgar Earl Mobberly, Illawara, Louisiana.
- '96, Charles Dunbar Adams, Fort Smith, Arkansas.
- '96, John Milton Kelso, Jr, Magnolia, Arkansas.
- '97, Oscar Gates, Fayetteville, Arkansas.
- '97, William Meade Fishback, Jr., Fort Smith, Arkansas.
- '97, Henry Haskell Rightor, Helena, Arkansas.
- '97, George Nicholls, Helena, Arkansas.

Arkansas Alpha-Upsilon has begun her existence under the most favorable circumstances and all her members are filled with the true idea of fraternity life and work.

University of Arkansas.

JAMES DEKALB HEAD.

OHIO STATE CONVENTION.

Delaware, Ohio, May 4-5, 1894.

The third and most successful meeting of the Ohio State Association was held at Delaware under the auspices of Ohio Delta. The visitors began to arrive on Thursday and by Friday afternoon the following were present: W. R. Fruit and C. H. Taylor of Ohio Sigma; F. Romer Peters and A. K. Nippert of Ohio Epsilon; C. M. Lott, D. H. Foster, F. M. Foster, V. R. Covell, F. E. Kester, W. N. Zurfluh, H. H. Galleher, E. G. Swartzell, W. A. Snow, W. J. McAllen, R. E. Manley, E. W. Stulls and K. D. Swartzell, of Ohio Theta. The first regular meeting was called to order by President Bell in the rooms of the local chapter, Friday evening. Telegrams and letters of regret from several chapters and prominent alumni, and a rousing letter, full of good points, from H. H. Cowan, were read. Preliminary business of importance, pertaining to a more complete organization and to the administration for the past year, was transacted.

At about 10:30 p. m., the meeting adjourned and the guests and local chapter repaired to the Donavin to enjoy the banquet prepared for the occasion.

The tables were arranged in the form of a Latin cross and beautifully decorated with flowers. At each plate was a bouquet of roses. After the first course, the brothers warmed up and fraternity enthusiasm ran high. Jokes, fraternity songs, class, college and fraternity yells, an excellent menu, and genial fellowship combined to put all in a jovial mood. After the feasting, the symposiarch, S. W. Bell, announced the following toasts:

State Conventions, - - - A. H. HARROP

“For enlightened liberality; for the love that regards neither riches nor poverty; for the honor that knows no limits but the grave; for the loyalty that knows no home save the human heart, give me the convention of a college fraternity, and especially of Sigma Alpha Epsilon.”

Our Standard, - - - V. R. COVELL

“When times are young, when times are old,

Who bears the name of S A E

Without, within, a man must be.”

Σ A E “Sisters,” - - - ALFRED K. NIPPERT

“Woman, that fair and fond deceiver,

How prone are striplings to believe her.”

Σ A E in the Fraternity World, - C. H. TAYLOR

“We have an honorable past, an enviable present, and a glorious future.”

Toasts were also offered to each of the chapters, to which the delegates responded with impromptu speeches, telling of the good work and enthusiastic chapters all over the state. It was nearly 2 a. m. before the last “Phi Alpha Allicazee” had ceased to resound through the deserted streets.

Saturday, two sessions were held, a short one in the morning, and a longer one in the afternoon. A programme had been carefully made out by the officers of the association before the convention met embracing a number of subjects of general interest and the delegates from the different chapters were requested to prepare papers on the topics assigned them. It was due largely to this plan, that the best results of the convention were attained, for in this way each subject was treated in a more comprehensive, thorough manner, than would have been possible in an informal discussion.

The first paper was read by W. N. Zurfluh on the “Chapter House Problem,” most of his facts being drawn from actual experiences in Ohio Theta. F. Romer Peters next discussed “Chapter Methods” in an excellent paper which he was unanimously requested to send to *The Hustler* for publication. The importance of “Chapter Visitation,” by D. H. Foster, was the next subject and was presented in a strong and convincing way. “Extension Past and Future” was ably treated by C. H. Taylor. “The Most Successful Methods in Rushing” was the suggestive subject assigned to W. R. Fruit; and

C. J. Lowry next presented his views on the "Relation of Pledged Men to the Fraternity." All of the papers were carefully written, many of them embodying the experience of years of fraternity work. A vigorous, and often spirited, discussion of the points brought forth followed each paper. Many new ideas and valuable suggestions for future work were received. A paper on "Our Financial Policy" by A. M. Austin closed the list. Committees were appointed to embody the sentiments of the convention on several important questions in the form of resolutions to be presented to the fraternity at large. The advisability of having a summer encampment of Ohio Sigs at some favorable point was debated. Plans were presented and adopted to publish a state association bulletin to contain matters of purely local interest. F. Romer Peters was unanimously elected Editor-in-Chief. The following officers were elected for the ensuing year: President, George H. Kress, of Epsilon; Vice-president, D. H. Foster, of Theta; Secretary, C. P. Miller, of Sigma, and treasurer, C. C. Berlin, of Delta.

As usual the climax was reserved to the last. By courtesy of the faculty about fifty of the fairest of Ohio's fair ones were permitted to tender the visiting brothers a reception at Monnett Hall. This is deemed a rare privilege even by those accustomed to the classic shades of Delaware and at 8 p. m. nearly forty-five Sig gallants including the local chapter and alumni made their appearance and from that time there was no lack of merriment. The brightly lighted halls, beautiful faces and $\Sigma A E$ colors everywhere made a picture that will linger in the memory of many a Sig as the Mecca of his dreams. But time had wings, and all too soon the hour of departure came. Assembled again in the hall, the farewell speeches were made, the songs sung and yells given; and when we clasped hands in the mystic circle, all felt that the third state convention had been a source of real fraternity strength and genuine enthusiasm. Verily, let the state associations increase.

ALBERT M. AUSTIN.

MAJOR E. B. MURRAY.

The Anderson Intelligencer of July 11th contains a three-column account of the life, death, and burial of Edward Bobo Murray, South Carolina Phi, '71. This has been condensed so as to bring it within proper limits for publication in THE RECORD.

On the afternoon of July 7th, Major E. B. Murray, accompanied by his daughter and several other young ladies, went bathing in a pond near his residence. Major Murray spent some time in teaching some of the young ladies how to swim, who, when they had tired, went on shore. Turning around, they saw Major Murray struggling in the water about forty feet from them. At this time, he had hold of a boat, but as it was nearly full of water, he turned it loose and swam away. When asked why he did not come ashore, he merely smiled and shook his head. Twice he had almost sunk, when his daughter sprang in, swam to him, and seized him by the hair; her hold was insecure, and she seized him by the breast of his shirt. She held on and was carried under with the body, but her father made no attempt to grasp her. As they came to the surface, one of the other young ladies had come up with the boat, and Major Murray caught hold of it, but immediately loosed his hold, as though, in spite of death, he would endanger the life of no one else. A second time he sank, and this time to the bottom, his daughter desperately holding on: but she was strangling and drowning herself, and had to release her hold. As she arose, the other lady caught her and took her in the boat. As soon as she caught her breath, she attempted to dive for her father, but not understanding how was unable to reach the body with her hands, though once she succeeded in doing so with her feet. In the meantime, one of the other young ladies had summoned help, but twenty minutes elapsed before the body was brought to the

surface. Every effort was then made to restore the life that had gone, but it was too late.

Edward Babo Murray was born in Newberry County on February 5th, 1854. While he was very young, his father, Rev. J. Scott Murray, moved from Newberry to Anderson, where he and his family have since lived. He enjoyed the advantage of being the son of educated parents. He began his education very early in life, and being studious and very attentive he made rapid progress. He was never willing to leave a lesson until he understood it, and consequently his progress was genuine. At the opening of the session of 1869-70 of Furman University, Mr. Murray entered that institution, although he was only fifteen years old. Every lesson was a duty with him, and he stood at the head of his class. As a recognition of his merit, he was elected anniversary essayist and session orator for the session of 1869-70. These duties he discharged with distinction and honor.

Mr. Murray attended the University of Virginia during the session of 1870-71. In this institution, he did not relax his former energy and application ; consequently his health began to fail while he was a student of the University, and he was for this reason forced to leave school. He did not, however, leave off study and the accumulation of knowledge.

In 1872, he entered the law office of his father and began the study of law. In this, as in school, he was unwilling to leave any study until he comprehended it. At the age of nineteen, he passed a very creditable examination in law, and received an order admitting him to the bar upon attaining his majority.

After his admission to the bar, he entered into partnership with his father, under the firm name of Murray and Murray. He gradually rose in his profession to that prominence that few lawyers attain. Those who opposed him in court will remember with what ability and skill he managed his cases. He truly represented his client. So much so that his practice was

not confined to Anderson County. He has repeatedly been in the United States Court, and was for several years past in almost every case of great importance in this and adjoining counties.

Early in life Mr. Murray began to take an interest in politics. Even while at the University of Virginia, he watched the drift of political affairs. During 1873 and 1874, he studied closely the condition of his State, which was then in the hands and under the control of carpet-baggers and negroes, and was ever willing to make a sacrifice of his individual interests for the good of his native State. Consequently, he took an active part in the politics, both of the State and County, from his return from college.

During the struggle of 1876, so memorable to most of our people, Mr. Murray was an energetic and active factor. He devoted all his powers to the Hampton campaign, traveling day and night when necessary to attend meetings and plead for the cause of right. Whenever and wherever he felt that he could serve his State, he never failed to go, and whatever duty prompted, he did with his whole heart.

In 1878, he was elected a member of the State Legislature. His services as a representative were so able and satisfactory to his constituency that he was re-elected in 1880, and again re-elected in 1882.

In 1886, Major Murray was elected senator from this County which position he held until 1890. In 1890, he was a candidate for Congress from this district, but was defeated by Hon. George Johnston.

Major Murray was for many years connected with journalism in this County. In 1875 his connection with journalism began, as one of the editors and proprietors of *The Anderson Conservator*. Later this paper was consolidated with *The Anderson Intelligencer*, and Major Murray was one of the editors of *The Intelligencer* for several years, until he sold out his interest and devoted his whole time to his profession and pol-

itics. As a journalist Major Murray had few superiors, and his views were received with decided consideration.

In 1866, he joined the Anderson Baptist Church, of which until his death he was a consistent member. For several years prior to his death, he had taken an active interest in church work. He was one of the teachers in the Sunday School, having a class of young and middle aged men. His work in the Sunday School showed study and preparation. In 1891, he was chosen and ordained one of the deacons of the First Baptist Church of this place. He kept informed as to the work and progress of the Baptist denomination, and was ever ready in that, as in other fields, to speak out whenever duty demanded it.

He was a strong advocate of higher education, and was repeatedly invited to deliver addresses on commencement occasions. He was at the time of his death a trustee of Furman University, the Greenville Female College, and a member of the board of visitors of Converse College.

On July 10th, 1876, Major Murray married Miss Eva Sloan, of Pendleton, who proved to be a real helpmate for him. He leaves a devoted wife and six children—two daughters and four sons—and his aged mother, who has made her home with him since the death of her husband, the late Judge Murray. They have the sympathy of our entire community in their bereavement.

THOU ART GONE.

In Memory of Brother E. B. Murray, South Carolina Phi, '71.

Thou art gone, thou art gone, from the sorrows of life
 To the mansions above where there cometh no strife;
 Thou hast heard the blest summons to regions of light,
 Which the conqueror hears at the close of the fight;
 There is peace with thy soul—peace to us yet unknown;
 Thou art gone, thou art gone, thou art gone.

Thou art gone, thou art gone, leaving sad hearts below,
 Who loved thee for virtues thou ever didst show:
 Ever friendly and manly, we mourn thee to-day:
 Ever true, ever brave in the thick of the fray.
 Thou hast entered thy rest, while we still struggle on;
 Thou art gone, thou art gone, thou art gone.

Thou art gone, thou art gone, to receive the reward
 Of those who are faithful in wielding the sword:
 Thy body succumbed to the anguish and pain;
 Thy soul now with Jesus forever shall reign;
 May we all meet thee there, in the morning's glad dawn !
 Thou art gone, thou art gone, thou art gone.

Boston University

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SOUTH CAROLINA MU.

South Carolina Mu is no more. After passing through adverse waters, and having contended against many obstacles, she at last yielded to high-handed tyranny.

The faculty of Erskine college, supported by the trustees, placed stringent restrictions on fraternities at the beginning of the term just closed. We complied with these regulations, keeping our word faithfully to the letter. In acquiescing to the narrow-minded policy of the faculty, we thought that further trouble would be averted. But this was the beginning of the war on Greek-letter fraternities. The Kappa Alphas did not have the manhood to denounce the action of the faculty. They agreed with the faculty in everything, and used their influence in a secret way to have us placed in a false light. Apparently they were our best friends, but at heart they were our bitterest enemies. They degraded themselves into barbarism, becoming at once bosom friends of their former enemies. With the combined forces of the faculty, the Kappa Alphas, and the Barbs arrayed against us, the battle was begun. Attack after attack was made, but each time we stood up bravely for the cause that is so dear to our hearts, and suc-

cessfully warded off each blow. We tried to show the faculty that they were in the wrong, but they were so obstinate that they would listen neither to facts nor to reason. It was their avowed intention to remove fraternities from Erskine college, and they have done it at a sacrifice to the college. They preferred charges against us that were utterly false and without foundation, and saddest of all, there was begotten by all of our enemies a prejudice that was born in misrepresentation, bred in misunderstanding, and fostered in bitterness and hate. But we desist from further writing, for our pen will be dipped in malice when we record the unjust acts perpetrated by the present faculty of the institution.

We have had our share of college honors, and our men stood well in their classes. Brother J. H. Moore was senior orator at the annual celebration of the Euphemian society, and also represented that society on commencement day. Brother J. B. Wallace, '95, was president of the Philomathean society at its semi-annual celebration. Brother R. B. Caldwell, '95, was junior debater at the annual celebration of the Euphemian society, and chief marshal commencement day. Brother W. A. Blakely, '95, was junior debater at both the semi-annual and annual celebration of the same society, while Brother D. S. Edwards, '95, was junior orator; Brother A. B. Sherard, '96, was chief marshal at the annual celebration, and Brother E. B. Phillips, '97, was chief marshal at the semi-annual celebration, Brother P. K. Brice, '97, was marshal commencement day, and Brother P. B. Marion, '97, was marshal at the annual celebration of the Philomathean society.

The following members were represented on the staff of the college magazine : Brother J. H. Moore, editor; Brother R. B. Caldwell, '95, Brother A. B. Sherard, '96, and Brother P. B. Marion, '97, class contributors. Brother W. A. Blakely won essayist medal and your correspondent the debaters' medal.

Only one or two of our members will return to Erskine

this fall, being compelled either by parents or by guardians to do so. The others will enter some other college as they will not sacrifice their education on account of the disturbance at Erskine. We lose only one by graduation—Brother J. H. Moore.

Although we have had to go through the fiery furnace, yet our loyalty to *Σ Α Ε* is not changed. We sincerely trust that the other chapters have had a pleasanter year than we. May they ever prosper.

A. BEATY SHERARD.

Moffettsville, South Carolina.

SIGS IN PUBLIC LIFE.

Upon asking a man to join our Fraternity, we are invariably met with the question, "Who are your alumni and what have they done for the country?" Some modification of this question is also frequently asked by despondent friends, as well as hostile critics. The following list, compiled from the Fifth Catalogue of the Sigma Alpha Epsilon Fraternity, is intended as a partial answer to such questions and for the encouragement of all our members:

CABINET OFFICERS.

CHAPTER.

Miss. Gamma, L. Q. C. Lamar, Interior.
Ky. Chi, John G. Carlisle, Treasury.

UNITED STATES SENATORS.

Miss. Gamma, L. Q. C. Lamar, Mississippi.
Ky. Chi, John G. Carlisle, Kentucky.

REPRESENTATIVES IN CONGRESS.

Ga. Delta, William P. Price, Georgia.
Ky. Chi, John G. Carlisle, Kentucky.

Miss. Gamma, L. Q. C. Lamar, Mississippi.
 Ohio Sigma, Wm. McKinley, Jr., Ohio.
 Ala. Mu, '58, Newton N. Clements, Alabama.
 W. City Rho, '59, Wm. A. Harris, Kansas.
 W. City Rho, '60, Wm. L. Wilson, West Virginia.
 Va. Omicron, '61, John W. Lawson, Virginia.
 Va. Omicron, '65, Joseph C. Hutcheson, Texas.
 Ga. Beta, '67, Henry Jackson, Georgia.
 Va. Omicron, '67, T. H. B. Brownie, Virginia.
 Ga. Psi, '76, Thomas E. Watson, Georgia.

GOVERNORS, ETC.

Ohio Sigma, Wm. McKinley, Jr., Governor of Ohio.
 Ky. Chi, John G. Carlisle, Lieutenant Governor of Kentucky.
 Ala. Mu, '60, Vernon H. Vaughn, Governor of Utah.
 Va. Sigma, '70, W. H. Washington, Attorney General of Tennessee.

STATE SENATORS.

Ga. Delta, Wier Boyd, Georgia.
 Ky. Chi, John G. Carlisle, Kentucky.
 Tenn. Zeta, Charles H. Smith, Georgia.
 W. City Rho, '60, Daniel D. Johnson, West Virginia.
 Tenn. Lambda, '60, Thomas L. Dodd, Tennessee.
 Va. Omicron, '61, John W. Lawson, Virginia.
 Ga. Pi, '61, Geo. P. Harrison, Alabama.
 Ky. Chi, '61, James R. Binford, Kentucky.
 Tenn. Nu, '61, Duncan S. Cage, Louisiana.
 Tex. Theta, '62, John M. Henderson, Texas.
 Va. Upsilon, '63, Henry C Townes, Tennessee.
 Ga. Beta, '68, Chas. S. DuBose, Georgia.
 Ga. Beta, '68, Samuel F. Wilson, Tennessee.
 Miss. Gamma, '68, Hiram Cassidy, Mississippi.
 Ala. Beta-Beta, '70, Pope L. Moseley, Alabama.
 Ga. Beta, '70, Wm. S. McCarty, Georgia.

Tenn. Lambda, '70, Ernest L. Bullock, Tennessee.
 Va. Sigma, '71, James B. Stubbs, Texas.
 Tenn. Nu, '71, Hampden Story, Louisiana.
 S. C. Phi, '71, Edward B. Murray, South Carolina.
 Va. Omicron, '75, Edmund W. Hubard, Virginia.
 Ga. Psi, '75, Linton A. Dean, Georgia.
 Ga. Psi, '75, Elisha P. S. Denmark, Georgia.
 Ga. Psi, '75, Edward H. Cabaniss, Alabama.
 Ga. Beta, '86, William E. Wooten, Georgia.
 Va. Sigma, '86, Henry D. Flood, Virginia.
 Tenn. Lambda, '87, Edgar B. Kinsworthy, Arkansas.

STATE REPRESENTATIVES.

Ga. Delta, Wier Boyd, Georgia.
 Ga. Delta, John B. Estes, Georgia.
 Ga. Delta, Wm. P. Price, South Carolina and Georgia.
 Ga. Epsilon, John M. McKleroy, Alabama.
 Ky. Chi, John G. Carlisle, Kentucky.
 Miss. Gamma, L. Q. C. Lamar, Georgia.
 Tenn. Zeta, Arthur H. Munford, Tennessee.
 Ala. Mu, '57, Thomas C. Cook, Texas.
 Ga. Pi, '57, Joel R. Griffin, Georgia.
 Tenn. Nu, '57, Benj. R. Wilson, Alabama and Florida.
 Ala. Mu, '58, Newton N. Clements, Alabama.
 N. C. Xi, '58, Louis Hilliard, North Carolina.
 Va. Omicron, '58, Geo. W. Hudspeth, Louisiana.
 Tenn. Lambda-Omega, '59, Wise A. Cooper, Tennessee.
 Va. Kappa, '59, Wm. R. Taliafero, Virginia.
 W. City Rho, '60, Daniel D. Johnson, West Virginia.
 Ga. Eta, '60, Edward F. Hoge, Georgia.
 Va. Omicron, '61, John W. Lawson, Virginia.
 Va. Omicron, '61, Cabell B. Richardson, Mississippi.
 Va. Upsilon, '61, Wm. W. Wood, Virginia.
 Ky. Chi, '61, James R. Binford, Kentucky.
 Tenn. Nu, '61, Duncan S. Cage, Louisiana.

- Ga. Eta, '62, Malcolm A. Smith, Alabama.
Tenn. Nu, '62, Patrick Henry, Mississippi.
Ga. Eta, '65, Thomas H. Whitaker, Georgia.
Miss. Gamma, '66, Edwin Wendel, Tennessee.
Ga. Beta, '67, Allen Fort, Georgia.
Miss. Gamma, '67, Charles B. Howry, Mississippi.
Ga. Beta, '68, Albert H. Cox, Georgia.
Ga. Beta, '68, Charles S. DuBose, Georgia.
Ga. Beta, '68, Davenport Jackson, Georgia.
Ga. Beta, '68, Samuel F. Wilson, Tennessee.
Miss. Gamma, '68, Walter Acker, Texas.
Ga. Beta, '69, Jesse W. Walters, Georgia.
Tenn. Eta, '69, John W. C. Gardner, Arkansas.
Tenn. Lambda, '69, Bradley T. Kimbrough, Mississippi.
Ga. Beta, '70, Joel T. Olive, Georgia.
Ala. Beta-Beta, '70, Benj. J. Skinner, Alabama.
Va. Sigma, '70, Sidney D. McCormick, Missouri.
Va. Sigma, '70, Murray F. Smith, Mississippi.
Tenn. Lambda, '70, James Oldham, Tennessee.
Ga. Beta, '71, A. Azmon Murphy, Georgia.
Ga. Beta, '71, Edgar G. Simmons, Georgia.
La. Epsilon, '71, Martin L. Pipes, Oregon.
S. C. Phi, '71, Edward B. Murray, South Carolina.
Ga. Beta, '72, Cicero A. Turner, Georgia.
Tenn. Eta, '72, Hugh C. Anderson, Tennessee.
Ga. Beta, '74, Charles Z. McCord, Georgia.
Ky. Chi, '74, Stephen W. Blount, Texas.
Va. Omicron, '75, Edmund W. Hubbard, Virginia.
Ga. Beta, '75, Wm. H. Fleming, Georgia.
Ga. Beta, '76, Robert E. Mitchell, Georgia.
Ga. Psi, '76, Thomas E. Watson, Georgia.
N. C. Rho-Rho, '76, Albert W. Gilchrist, Florida.
Ga. Beta, '77, Wm. Y. Atkinson, Georgia.
Tenn. Nu, '77, Achibald Yell, California.
Ga. Psi, '78, Wm. H. Felton, Jr., Georgia.

- Ga. Psi, '78, Wm. R. Mustin, Georgia.
 Ga. Beta, '79, Richard B. Russell, Georgia.
 Ala. Iota, '80, Newton L. G. Whitfield, Alabama.
 Ga. Beta, '80, Oliver H. B. Bloodworth, Georgia.
 Ga. Beta, '81, George R. Brown, Georgia.
 S. C. Upsilon, '81, Kirby S. Tupper, South Carolina.
 Ohio Sigma, '82, John H. Fimple, Ohio.
 Ga. Delta, '83, Newton A. Fricks, Georgia.
 Ky. Chi, '84, Jerry C. South, Arkansas.
 Va. Sigma, '85, Stewart W. Walker, West Virginia.
 Tenn. Lambda, '85, Robinson McMillan, Tennessee.
 Va. Sigma, '86, Henry D. Flood, Virginia.
 Ga. Beta '86, Wm. E. Wooten, Georgia.
 Ala. Iota, '87, Thomas E. Knight, Alabama.
 S. C. Lambda, '87, Francis H. Weston, South Carolina.
 Tenn. Lambda, '87, Wm. B. Hale, Tennessee.
 Miss. Theta, '88, Joseph E. Ferral, Mississippi.
 S. C. Gamma, '88, Daniel C. Roper, South Carolina.
 Tenn. Lambda, '88, Sidney J. Everett, Tennessee.

JUDGES.

- Ga. Delta, John B. Estes, Superior Court, Northeastern Circuit of Georgia.
 Miss. Gamma, L. Q. C. Lamar, Supreme Court of United States.
 Tenn. Zeta, Arthur H. Munford, Tenth Circuit, Tennessee.
 Va. Omicron, '57, George C. Orgain, Lunenburg county, Virginia.
 N. C. Xi, '58, Louis Hillard, Supreme Court of North Carolina.
 Va. Omicron, '58, George W. Hudspeth, Thirteenth Judicial District of Louisiana.
 Va. Omicron, '58, Daniel G. Wright, Supreme Court of Baltimore, Maryland.
 Va. Kappa, '59, Wm. R. Taliafero, Orange county, Virginia.

Va. Omicron, '59, Samuel C. Young, Ninth Judicial District of Louisiana.

Ky. Iota, '61, John T. Pendleton, Atlanta (Ga.) City Court.

Ga. Pi, '62, Archibald C. McKinley, Baldwin county, Georgia.

Ga. Beta, '67, Allen Fort, Superior Court, Southwestern Circuit of Georgia.

Va. Omicron, '67, John G. Dew, King and Queens county, Virginia.

Ga. Beta, '68, Samuel F. Wilson, Superior Court of Tennessee.

Miss. Gamma, '68, Walter Acker, Court of Appeals, Texas.

Tenn. Lambda, '68, Orlando S. Galbreath, La Plato county, Colorado.

Ga. Beta, '69, Augustin C. Howze, Probate Court of Perry county, Alabama.

Ga. Beta, '69, Howard Van Epps, Atlanta (Ga.) City Court

Ky. Chi, '69, D. A. McGonagill, McCracken county, Kentucky.

Tenn. Eta, '69, John A. Harrison, Circuit Court, St. Louis, Missouri.

Tenn. Eta, '69, Levi S. Woods, Eleventh Judicial District of Tennessee.

Va. Sigma, '69, Wm. M. Rogers, Third Judicial District of Mississippi.

La. Epsilon, '71, Martin L. Pipes, Circuit Court, Second District of Oregon.

La. Epsilon, '71, Edgar W. Sutherlin, Court of Appeals, First Circuit of Louisiana.

Ohio Sigma, '71, Jacob P. Fawcett, Probate Court of Stark county, Ohio.

Tenn. Lambda, '74, John J. Mitchell, Probate Court, Lauderdale County, Alabama.

Va. Omicron, '77, Thomas M. Scruggs, Memphis (Tennessee), Criminal Court.

Ga. Beta, '79, Benj. J. Edwards, Walton county, Georgia.

Tenn. Lambda, '85, Daniel Hon, Probate Court, Seatt county, Arkansas.

Ohio Sigma, '86, U. C. DeFord, Probate Court, Carroll county, Ohio.

SUMMARY.

Cabinet Officers, 2.

United States Senators, 2.

Members of Congress, 12.

Governors, etc, 4.

State Senators, 27.

State Representatives, 76.

Judges, 30.

Chelsea, Massachusetts.

HOWARD P. NASH.

NOTE.—After the coming elections our list of state officers will be increased as follows:

Ga. Beta, '77, W. Y. Atkinson, Governor of Georgia.

Tenn. Lambda, '87, E. B. Kinsworthy, Attorney General of Arkansas.

Both men being Democrats, and both states being Democratic, their election is a practical certainty.—EDITOR.

 AMONG THE ANNUALS.

It has been with much pleasure that we have seen our chapters sending in their college annuals for review. With this issue, we institute a department which we trust will be a feature of the October issue of every year. It has been impossible to get annuals from all the colleges where we have

chapters, although we have succeeded in getting a fair representation. Hereafter, it will doubtless be the desire of every chapter to send in its annual for review in this department. It should be made the duty of the correspondent to send it at the expense of the chapter. Let us urge this upon our chapters, so that we may have a complete representation sent in next commencement.

The Technique is the first annual on our table, and, we may also add, the best. It is prepared and published by the Junior class at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology. A fine portrait of President Francis A. Walker is given as the frontispiece, and as to the portraits, sketches and engravings which follow—their name is legion. Coming from a school of Technology, they are original, and especially fine. A few of the engravings are from the hand of Brother H. W. Dyer, and no less than thirty-five are credited to Brother Frank Bird Masters. The young ladies whom he has pictured are *ne plus ultra*. In form and feature, they are superb. So lifelike are they, that one can imagine himself in their very presence; and so lovely, that the veriest cynic would bask in their smiles. The accompanying ode to a girl "On Tremont Street" may not inappropriately be selected from *The Technique* as a tribute to the portraits of the girls whom Brother Master's hand has sketched:

"Why do I gaze on those eyes so brown
That look at me coyly and then glance down?
Because they're owned by a maiden sweet,
Of manner enchanting, in figure *petite*
It does my heart good just to see the dear girl:
To *know* her, indeed, would make my head whirl:
You chide me, and yet I'm sure, if you could,
You'd do just the same—of course you would."

The seven fraternities, ΣX , $\Delta \Psi$, $X \Phi$, $\Delta K E$, $\Delta \lambda$, and $\Sigma A E$ have fine engravings, as has the local fraternity, $\Phi B E$. Not quite one-sixth of the twelve hundred students belong to

these orders. Eleven other fraternities have representatives there, although they do not maintain chapters. $\mathcal{J} T \mathcal{A}$ re-established late in the year, and presumably too late to get representation in *The Technique*.

More energy was shown by Massachusetts Delta of $\Sigma A E$. Most of *The Aftermath* of the Worcester Polytechnic Institute was in print before the Tech Co-operative Society was merged into $\Sigma A E$, consequently the former appellation is used with one exception. The new chapter showed the true fraternity spirit, in getting an unnumbered page inserted with a roll of our chapters and a list of the local members. A fine engraving was also secured from Dreka, with the letter \mathcal{A} engraved beneath it, and although coming in at the eleventh hour, $\Sigma A E$ has due representation. *The Aftermath* is published by the Senior class, and we notice that Brother Harry L. Cobb is assistant editor, while Brother Eugene B. Whipple is the artist. Brother Whipple has not the eye for female beauty that Brother Masters has, but the work is worthy of high praise. The designs are all well executed. $\Phi I \mathcal{A}$ has a large chapter at Worcester, and has a fine engraving. The frontispiece is a portrait of Dr. Levi L. Conant, professor of mathematics. There are many local orders with appropriate sketches and plates. Class portraits add to the value of the issue, and the athletic teams are not forgotten. It contains an abundance of grinds, both poetry and prose, but they are only of local interest. *The Aftermath* is an excellent production and speaks well for the Institute. By the way, we congratulate the Institute on the election of its new president, Dr. T. C. Mendenhall. We expect to see it take giant strides under his guidance.

La Vie, published by the Junior class of the Pennsylvania State College, is a less pretentious volume than *The Technique*, but ranks next to it in our judgment. It is especially

fine in its engravings, of which there are a large number. Brother H. L. Wishart is an associate editor, and Brother T. R. Cummins is the artist. We wish we could group together the work of Brothers Masters, Whipple and Cummins, and let the whole Fraternity admire it. Brother Cummins is an artist of no little skill, and his work is fine, especially the engraving introducing the fraternities. The frontispiece is a portrait of Professor Josiah Jackson, lately deceased. Portraits are given of all the professors and instructors. Quite a number of views of the campus and buildings are given. The different classes and literary societies have excellent engravings, as have the different fraternities, $\Phi \Gamma \Delta$, $B \Theta \Pi$, $\Phi K \Sigma$, ΣX , $K \Sigma$, $\Sigma A E$ and $\Theta N E$. There are pictures of the athletic teams, glee club and orchestra. Local organizations abound. There is some excellent literary work in this annual, which we regret space will not permit us to quote. Perhaps the finest is a poem entitled "The Moon." We quote the last stanza:

"The dewy morn, let others love
Or bask them in the noontide ray—
There's not an hour but has its charm,
From dawning light to dying day:
But, Oh, be mine a fairer boon,
That silent moon."

The Zodiac comes from Emory College, Oxford, Georgia. It is only in its second volume, and is but a newcomer in the field of college annuals. It is published by "the students," and not by a particular class. The frontispiece is a portrait of Dr. Morgan Callaway, Vice-President, and professor of English. *The Zodiac* contains twenty-one full page half-tone portraits, and they are excellent, too. It differs from the annuals already reviewed, in that the fraternities have half-tone portraits instead of engravings. The classes alone have the latter and even the non-fraternity men, who seem to have an organization, have a full page portrait.

Among the editors, we notice a pleasant looking man wearing our badge, and learn that he is Brother R. C. Cleckler. The fraternities, $X \Phi$, $K A$, $\Phi \Delta \theta$, ΣN , $\Delta T \Delta$, $A T \Omega$, and $\Sigma A E$, all appear in good condition. We reproduce the picture of Georgia Epsilon in this issue. There are several excellent poems; but "An Old Song" touches us the most deeply. What a depth of feeling is aroused by the introductory stanza!

"Soft as the tinkle of cow-bells at twilight,
 Sweet as the South's breath o'er roses' bank blowing,
 Thrilling as maiden's first kiss to her lover,
 Comes an old song through my memory flowing.
 So through the sunshine, and so through the tears,
 So through the shadows, and so through the fears,
 Mother's old song drifts on through the years."

The Pandora is published by the fraternities at the University of Georgia. The frontispiece is a group of the Board of Editors, and Brother Noel McH. Moore is one of the two editors-in-chief. The idea of having two editors-in-chief strikes us as peculiar, but they have gotten up an excellent publication. The volume is dedicated to the memory of Major Charles Morris, a former professor, whose portrait is also given. Following the picture of one of the buildings, are the illustrations representative of the different classes. These illustrations are decidedly original, and have much humor in them. Following *The Zodiac*, the fraternities are represented by half-tone portraits. $\Sigma A E$ is first in order of establishment, and is followed by $X \Phi$, $K A$, $\Phi \Delta \theta$, $A T \Omega$, $\Delta T \Delta$, ΣN and $X \Psi$. $\Sigma A E$ also heads the list in number of members, having twenty-four, and is closely followed by $X \Phi$ with twenty, and $K A$ with eighteen. A great deal of space is allotted to athletics, and the football team is pictured to our view. The book abounds with statistics, and, like *The Aftermath*, is full of matters of merely local interest.

The Unonian, of Mt. Union College, published by the Senior class, comes to us with a paper cover, and making no pretensions to artistic excellence, as have the preceding annuals. *The Unonian* preserves an individuality all its own, which it holds from year to year; no matter who edits it, it comes out with few deviations from the even tenor of its way. The title, printed on the white cover in *royal purple*, commends it to all Sigs at once. Brother W. J. Stevenson is editor-in-chief, Brother C. H. Miller, business manager, and Brother B. L. Porter, artist. The Sigs control it. Some of the drawings are very suggestive and in keeping with the happy-go-lucky tone of the publication. Among the various half-tone portraits are groups of the faculty and Seniors, athletic teams and social organizations. $\Sigma A E$ and ΣN have portraits of their chapters, but $A T Q$ and $\Delta \Gamma$ have merely rosters of their members. $A T Q$ frequently withdraws into herself when she cannot run things her own way. For the first time in years, class day exercises were dispensed with, and an address was delivered by President Reed, of Dickinson College. The volume contains nothing but matters of local interest, and is completely filled with "grinds" from beginning to end. The editor has well sustained the character of *The Unonian*. A new ladies' society has been instituted at Mt. Union College, which will make an excellent chapter for some sorority.

The University of Cincinnati has sent out its first annual in *The Cincinnati*, and the Senior class is responsible for its appearance. Brother Raymond Ratliff is editor-in-chief, and Brother Alfred K. Nippert is both associate editor and business manager. There are portraits of the faculty, of the graduating class, of the glee clubs and athletic teams, of the $\Delta \Delta \Delta$ fraternity and of another ladies' society, evidently a local, and a full page portrait of Dean Sproull. The three men's fraternities, ΣX , $\Sigma A E$ and $B \theta \Pi$ have contented themselves with

engravings, but they are excellent. There are class engravings, original sketches and designs innumerable. There is a carefully prepared record of events throughout the year, which we do not deem exactly trust-worthy. Nevertheless, it all goes to make an excellent issue, and we trust the second volume will be as interesting. The contents are largely of local interest, but we find an excellent poem or two. Few of the annuals have made any attempt at literary excellence, and *The Cincinnati* is of this number. It contains a biography of Charles McMicken, the founder of the University, and portraits of all the members of the faculty. The University has had an excellent year, no less than 929 students being in attendance in the different departments.

The Debris comes from Purdue University, where it is published by the Senior class. The frontispiece is a plate containing nine pictures of the grounds and buildings. *The Debris* is noteworthy for containing a great deal of work in photogravure, little of which appears in the preceding annuals, except *The Cincinnati*. Some of the classes have engravings as well as photogravure portraits. Last January, a fire destroyed the engineering laboratory, which had been dedicated only four days previously. Nine photogravures are grouped on one page, one showing the completed structure, and the other eight showing it at different stages of the conflagration. Besides the building and machinery, the Columbian exhibit was also destroyed. Following the story of the fire and the article on "Purdue at the Fair," come the fraternities. *T B H*, the honorary fraternity, *Σ X, K Σ, Σ N, Φ Δ Θ*, and *Σ A E* all have fine photogravure portraits of their members. Of course there are local societies with sketches and the musicians and athletes have portraits as well. *The Debris* compares most favorably with the *The Technique* and *La Vie*. "On the College Car" is truthful as well as poetic.

“Outside the car, the mud and snow :
 Within, a crowd of churlish men,
 Who fume and swear because the slow
 And noisy wheels are stopped; and then
 Sweet Phyllis enters there. We swear
 No more; her gentleness and grace
 Dispel the gloom ; the very air
 Itself seems brightened by her face.”

Blue and Gold is the monthly magazine of Bethel College, in Kentucky, but the commencement edition approaches the proportions of an annual, and we are pleased to notice it here. Brothers J. R. Grogan and R. F. McCuddy are on the staff of editors. The frontispiece is a picture of one of the buildings, and here and there throughout the issue, are inserted pictures of the various buildings and of the grounds. The base ball and foot ball teams and the senior class have full page half-tone portraits. $\kappa \Sigma$ with five men, $\phi \Gamma \Delta$ with nineteen, ΣN with twelve, and $\Sigma A E$ with eleven, comprise the fraternities, and have half-tone portraits. $\kappa \Sigma$ is a recent arrival at Russellville. It is stated in the history that this fraternity was “founded as Kerjaith Selphir at the University of Bologna, Italy, in the year 1400.” There is also a fine portrait of John Phelps Fruit, Professor of English and Psychology at Bethel College.

The Atlantis of Central University, is likewise a monthly magazine, and its commencement edition equals *The Blue and Gold*. Half a dozen views of the buildings and grounds are given, and half-tone portraits of the commissioned officers, base ball and foot ball teams. A portrait is also given of Miss Letcher, the first lady to obtain a degree from the University—Bachelor of Letters *magna cum laude*. The fraternities have no engravings or portraits and are represented only through individual men. A rather unique article is headed “Representative Men,” and at random, five men are chosen

whose portraits and sketches are given. First of the five is Brother John H. Chandler, of whom the highest words of praise are spoken. Of the other four men, one is a non-frat, while ΣN , $\Phi \Lambda \theta$ and $\Lambda K E$ each have a representative. Among the five medalists whose portraits are given, we find Brother Howe O. Cecil, who "is a prize declaimer, a prize athlete, and a good student." Good for Kentucky Kappa !

But the largest and best commencement edition of a college magazine is *The Clarion*, of Franklin College, Indiana. In fact, if it were published in board covers, it would equal several annuals which we have already noticed. Brothers W. C. Vail and J. M. Batterton are on the editorial staff. There is an excellent full page portrait of President W. F. Stott. A history of the college is a leading article in the issue, and is illustrated by numerous cuts of old and new buildings, and by portraits of early graduates and of classes of recent years. We must not forget to mention the portraits of Gen. T. J. Morgan and Congressman Holman, graduates of Franklin, and members of $\Phi \Lambda \theta$. One might well term this an historical issue. The fraternities, $\Pi B \Phi$, $\Phi \Lambda \theta$ and $\Sigma A E$ have half-tone portraits, as have the athletic teams, board of editors and several societies. We reproduce the picture of Indiana Alpha in this issue. The volume also contains portraits of the members of the faculty. *The Clarion* contains its share of college fun, and the entire sixty-four pages are as readable as any production which has come to our table.

OLLA PODRIDA.

On Saturday before commencement at the University of Michigan, two $\Sigma A E$ men in Chicago packed their telescopes and boarded the train for Ann Arbor. They were Edward C. Nichols, '89, one of the fathers of Michigan Iota-Beta chapter, and George Parkhurst Cheney, '91, the first regular initiate. Each frater recalled with pride his connection with the University of Michigan and for no reason stronger than having been instrumental in founding $\Sigma A E$ at the collegiate Mecca of the Northwest.

The night following, another pair met at the same depot for the same destination—Harold Ulmer Wallace, Indiana Beta, '93, and Harry S. Bunting, Tennessee Zeta, '91. This detachment was making a first visit to the boys of Iota-Beta. Arrival at Ann Arbor followed about sunrise. Without instructions or knowledge of the village, the two went out to find the $\Sigma A E$ lodge before its occupants should be awake. Up a long hill that is mounted with a classic grove they took their course. The pride of Michigan occupies that eminence. Thence down the same street into a beautiful, verdant park the pair wandered. They believed that a Sig could hunt out such an industrious nest of fraters as booming Iota-Beta without any assistance. Past the university athletic grounds the Sigs walked until at the door of an aristocratic mansion they paused and knocked. Somehow the place had a home-like air about it and the strangers felt little fear of having intruded on the wrong people.

Wallace pushed the button thrice. A great St. Bernard had meanwhile sauntered up to the visitors. He whiffed the right countersign and then wagged his tail, holding up his right paw at the same time for a brotherly shake.

Instantly there was a clatter of hoofs, a sound as though calling to arms and other earthquake demonstrations within. A bold look by Bunting showed that it was only R. W. E.

Hayes, the foot-ball center rush, coming down stairs. His gown was immaculate and his nether limbs were nude. Hayes was not fully awake when he started to the summons but he had put slumber aside before reaching the door. It was a meeting of old friends. Iota-Beta chapter and the earlier arrivals were dragged from their beds, and introductions, varied with the reunion of former friendships, quickly followed.

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The day was a happy one for visitors and visited. Not to speak of the pleasures of meeting men you know and others you have known of, there was the pride of the Ann Arbor fellows in showing the good work they have done, and the gratification of the alumni at seeing what $\Sigma A E$ continues to accomplish. It was a just pride on both sides, for the record of $\Sigma A E$ at the University of Michigan has been one of unparalleled success. Few of our own chapters perhaps, confronting like odds, have ever achieved such growth, in so short a time. It is a matter for doubt if any rival fraternity has planted a chapter within five years that can line up with Michigan Iota-Beta, and the challenge is true beyond question at the University of Michigan. $\Sigma A E$ has reached the stage of successful competition there with the old-line chapters of Ann Arbor— $A J \Phi$, $\Psi \Upsilon$ and $A K E$.

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The handsome new lodge of Iota-Beta is situated in the coming fashionable residence district of the village. It is about a ten minutes' walk from the college campus. In design the house is a commodious three-story and basement structure, with an inviting front porch and side drive way. The basement and first story walls are built of artistic unhewn boulders that offer a new study in geology at every glance. The rooms in the house are either built with an alcove or bay window, or else they occur in suites. The staircase is broad and colonial, while the hallway forms a sitting room that in times of receptions is thrown open, with the parlor and dancing

floor, into one vast room. There is no handsomer house in Ann Arbor for receptions, and the house I am told, with its ten boudoirs or suites, will accommodate more men comfortably than any chapter house in the United States, excepting one, perhaps, at Cornell. In the rear is the lawn for tennis courts and beyond the stables where dwells the goat. A fringe of trees near the property adds beauty to the landscape.

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Sigdom may well know the programme of guests for but two days with any $\Sigma A E$ chapter. There were talks personal and talks general. Reminiscences effusive and scraps of history from the conventions. Questions of policy were discussed and plans were formed for coming work. The fraternity publications received large attention. When the boys had all come to know each other thoroughly the elements were apt to resolve themselves into executive sessions for furthering some particular enterprise. There were W. W. Bowles, editor of *The College Wrinkle*, and Norman Flowers, the chapter correspondent, and Harry Bunting, who had long counsels on the editorial situation. The development of **THE RECORD** and of our secret quarterly magazine, *The Hustler*, received attention. Wallace, who is an assistant engineer on the Illinois Central, and Hayes put their mathematics together to invent deviltry for backing up initiations. Before parting, it was whispered, they had formed the model of a flume by which the neophytes can "shoot the chutes" out the rear third-story window. The viaduct, it is rumored, was to lead across lots into a neighboring lake. The manager of the house, showed his books and explained his methods to Cheney and Nichols. And "Pud" Newman had a scheme for establishing summer headquarters for $\Sigma A E$ at Geneva Lake. Others piloted the visitors around the premises, into a neighboring cherry orchard, and up the college campus. Among the home curiosities is the chapter poll-parrot which can give all the fraternity yells and Iota-Beta's whistles. Poll's latest novelty is a medley of telephone

bells with the plaintive beating of the Angora kid which the chapter has been raising. The boys until lately owned two St. Bernards for mascots, but one died.

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In the evenings music was the programme. The chapter's musicians are artists of a high order. Then came the chapter meeting before parting. It was like the good old days for the alumni present. Every fellow in turn made his talk, each effort carrying its own peculiar interest.

There were valedictories from the graduates who were making their last addresses to the assembled chapter; there were speeches of live interest from the younger members, each pledging increased zeal and devotion to *Σ A E*, and words of feeling were spoken by the visiting alumni. It was a solemn hour—yet fifty minutes of it were filled with gaiety and humor and with punctuations of uproarious laughter.

They are rare, good fellows—they of Iota-Beta, and the latch string hangs low for visiting brothers.

FREE LANCE.

EDITORIAL.

WHAT OF THE NEW YEAR?

Just as we enter upon another school year, we attempt to pierce the veil of the future and to see what the year has in store for $\Sigma A E$. It is not to be doubted that the last few years have been the brightest in our history, and each succeeding one has been brighter than its predecessor. In many respects, the *last* scholastic year was better than any that preceded. This year will be remembered, not by the establishment of a large number of chapters, but rather by our internal development. A wonderful enthusiasm has been felt among our members; all have worked to place our fraternity on a higher plane. Petty differences have, for the most part, vanished, and all have worked for the common good. And while we cannot boast of rapid extension, we *can* boast of a Fraternity more closely bound together in every way. Truly, the year has been a prosperous one.

What of the year to come? First, as regards enthusiasm throughout the order, and the determination to secure the best men of the entering classes, we have never seen anything like it in $\Sigma A E$ circles. Throughout the length and breadth of our land the spirit of $\Sigma A E$ pervades every loyal son. Many men are already pledged, and ere this issue comes to your hands, you will be on the watch for other good men. And you can get them. $\Sigma A E$ stands higher to-day than ever before, and with a due amount of work, even our weakest chapters can secure their quota of initiates. Get good men, but good men only.

Then, two or three applications are in from prominent institutions, and our roll will doubtless be increased before another issue reaches you. We are no longer eager to

extend our boundaries as we were a few years ago. Yet when a body of fine students from a leading institution is knocking at our door, we will scarcely refuse to open it to them.

Internal development will be carried on more successfully in the future than in the past. Of all the chapters on our roll, few are to be classed as weak. Our fraternity will not let these discouraged chapters go unstrengthened. More alumni associations are being formed to aid the chapters in their vicinity. Our laws and ritual are being revised, and will be completed soon. The song book is being enlarged by the addition of a song now and then, and in every line of work there is unprecedented activity. All this augurs well. We are not a whit too enthusiastic when we say that the signs of the times indicate a year full of victories and triumphs. A year, hitherto unequalled in the history of $\Sigma A E$. What can you do to help us achieve our victory? *Forward all along the line.*

A DEATH AND A BIRTH.

It used to be the custom in $\Sigma A E$ to chronicle more deaths than births. We congratulate ourselves that a brighter day has dawned. The last few years have witnessed but two or three deaths, and they were caused by the hostility of faculties, and not by inherent decay. It is strange that a few faculties persevere in their determination to crowd fraternities from their schools. In the good time coming, we expect better things of those who instruct the collegians of America.

Just about a year ago, Mississippi Theta succumbed to the opposition of the faculty. As our members will recall, early last fall the faculty at Erskine College placed fraternities under the ban. South Carolina Mu of $\Sigma A E$ manfully obeyed the decrees of her superiors, refrained from initiations and meetings during the year, and sustained only nominal relations to the Fraternity. She hoped for the rescinding of the decrees,

but in vain. Commencement time showed that all hopes were unfounded. Mu made a gallant fight, but the faculty and trustees were too powerful, and she sleeps in an honorable grave. We rejoice that her members are going elsewhere, and will probably attend schools where they can again enjoy their relations to the Fraternity. We mourn the loss of South Carolina Mu. "After life's fitful fever she sleeps well."

Yet, as if to fill the vacant place in our group of Southern chapters, comes Arkansas Alpha-Upsilon, at the State University. Some years ago measures were taken to enter Arkansas, but for some reasons all negotiations were broken off. Nothing further was done in the matter until last May, when George H. Bunting became aware of an opening in the institution, and at once began a correspondence which has resulted in the formation of the chapter. The new chapter is full of enthusiasm, and we doubt not that the members will prove themselves worthy of $\Sigma A E$. Seventeen men became charter members, and with only one rival in a well-attended school, they will keep the ranks full, and win new honors for $\Sigma A E$. In the correspondence which we have had with the new chapter, we find that the men are courteous, energetic, and full of loyalty. The group is pictured in this issue of THE RECORD, and the honors which our new men have taken attest their worth. We welcome Arkansas Alpha-Upsilon into the brotherhood of Sigma Alpha Epsilon. To most of our chapters, this issue of THE RECORD will carry the first news of her establishment. Few of the chapter letters in this issue, as a consequence, bespeak her a welcome. In behalf of the uninformed chapters, in behalf of the officers and in behalf of the editorial staff of THE RECORD, we bid Arkansas Alpha Upsilon a hearty welcome.

THE NEW CONSTITUTION.

In the next number of *The Hustler* will appear the new "Rules and Regulations for the Government of the Sigma

Alpha Epsilon Fraternity," as they will be reported to the next convention by the committee on Constitution and Laws. To many, this adoption will seem like a resolution, so far-reaching are the changes incorporated in them, but the time has come for just such a revolution. Our Fraternity now stands third in the number of her chapters and well toward the head in the number of her members. We have reached a point in our history where we should and must give careful attention to our system of government with a view to making the most compact organization possible. The "Rules and Regulations" have been drafted with this idea constantly in mind. Briefly outlined, the government of the fraternity is vested in chapters, province conventions, and a national convention. The province and national conventions are to meet in alternate years and the government of each of these bodies is to be vested in itself, subject to the control of superior bodies. All the other changes are the direct outcome of this division and will be sufficiently clear when the "Rules" appear in print. It is believed that by the adoption and proper enforcement of these "Rules and Regulations" our Fraternity will soon be second to none in the list of American college fraternities.

H.P. Nash

CHAPTER LETTERS.

The average chapter letter is subjected to severe and not infrequently, to just criticism. Human nature crops out in these communications, more than in any other part of the fraternity magazine. The correspondent is apt to pervert the truth to place his chapter in a good light before the world. Sometimes the writer is despondent, and more frequently he is too optimistic. Perhaps no magazine is wholly free from these defects in chapter letters. The letters in THE RECORD have been criticized as entirely too laudatory, and in looking into the matter, we cannot deny that the accusation is just

Still we do not stand out as an exception: other magazines reveal the same defects. It is well, therefore, for us to look into the causes.

Whenever there are two or more strong rivals in an institution, it is especially noticeable that the whole truth is not always recorded. The deep rivalry which exists sometimes so embitters the correspondent, that if he cannot truthfully say anything to the discredit of his rivals, he invents something, or magnifies an irregularity a thousand fold. To illustrate, a certain correspondent in *The Palm* of *A T Q*, says that the college magazine, under the control of Brother ———, is in marked contrast to that published by his *Σ A E* predecessor. It happens that we saw the magazine referred to, under the management of both *Σ A E* and *A T Q*, and the only material difference which we remember was this, that *A T Q* under *A T Q* management had more space for personals than had *Σ A E*, while during *Σ A E* management as much was given to one as to the other. Of course that was in "marked contrast"; but the correspondent should have specified. After all, we question whether it would not be better to leave such an expression as the one referred to for a third party to utter. It would bear on its face a greater appearance of truth. Nothing is to be gained by such a perversion of the truth and it can, in nine cases out of ten, be traced back to this spirit of rivalry. One of our friends from the Centennial state has an interesting note on this subject in his chapter letter in this issue, while our exchange editor has a word to say on the same subject. Cases of this nature are rare, but still far too frequent. How much more manly it would be, to be as fair to one's rival as to himself, and to let some third party make comparisons such as we have referred to.

Conservatism is an excellent thing in a chapter, and yet, the conservative man may take too pessimistic a view of matters. He may not be able to see that under new conditions new developments must occur. He may be the exact opposite

of the man who perverts the truth: and if he is, everything that is said against his chapter is taken for granted, and he gets the impression that every thing is going to destruction: consequently he paints a very incorrect picture in his chapter letters.

Enthusiasm may oftentimes be identified with optimism. The enthusiastic man can always write his letter in the most hopeful vein. In that very enthusiasm he is apt not carefully to look over the ground before he makes his statements. Another cause we see in this fact, that the correspondent sometimes finds little to chronicle of interest at large, and to fill up space, lauds his chapter to the skies, and fails to prove his assertions by an appeal to the facts. Generalities are indulged in where particulars alone should be given. All correspondents should give the news of the chapter, then of rivals, then of the school. If the letter is not as long as you desire, speak briefly on some general topic; but they should never forget that their duty is to represent their chapters, and their chapters are never represented when a rival is maligned or attacked in a fraternity journal, in which there can be no reply made. We caution all correspondents to THE RECORD to hold as their motto in speaking of others the golden rule: "Whatsoever ye would that men should do unto you, do ye even so to them."

SHALL WE FOSTER DISLOYALTY?

In an editorial in the March RECORD we spoke in no uncertain tones the sentiment of *Σ A E* in regard to the practice generally termed "lifting." When that editorial was written, one or two of our chapters were contemplating the initiation of men who were members of other fraternities which had no chapters at the schools which they were attending. Happily, wiser counsel prevailed, and the scheme was not carried out.

We feel free now, to reiterate all we said in that editorial, and to come out still stronger.

It was said that under certain conditions fraternity men might honorably be received into another fraternity. We still believe that those "certain conditions" can exist. It was said that a fraternity man attending college where there was no chapter of his fraternity and no opportunity to establish one, might be justified in joining another fraternity. In a broad view this may be right; but when we get down to the *moral tone* in the matter, no man has the right to enter a rival fraternity. If he has taken the oath to be true to one fraternity, he is a man unworthy membership in that fraternity, if he violates his oath. His adherence to his new fraternity would be as uncertain as his devotion to his old.

There are two cases in which men of one fraternity may join another fraternity without disgracing themselves and the fraternity they join. The one is where a local chapter or a general fraternity is absorbed into another fraternity. All the members, active and alumni, have the inherent right to enter the fraternity which has absorbed the parent organization. The other is where an honorable dismissal, such as Phi Kappa Psi gives, is secured before the candidate joins the second fraternity. Only under the conditions cited above do we consider it honorable to join another fraternity.

And yet in Sigma Alpha Epsilon we would exclude even the man who comes with an honorable dismissal. The initiation of such a man cannot but foster the spirit of disloyalty. The man who has renounced his loyalty to one order cannot bring much loyalty to the other. Nor can the men who initiate him be inspired with loyalty to their own order. It may be regarded as an evidence of excellence or good-fellowship in one chapter, when a member of a rival fraternity joins it. In the very moment of triumph, seeds of disloyalty are sown in the hearts of those who initiate a rival fraternity man.

Disloyalty can never foster loyalty ; it can only multiply after its kind. Loyalty can be instilled into the new men only by the utmost fidelity to *right*, not by putting, as it were, a premium on disloyalty in other fraternities. No chapter can play at this hazardous game, without nursing in its bosom a serpent whose poisonous fang may cause its death. Wherever Sigma Alpha Epsilon has suffered from disloyalty, the causes are not difficult to trace. In nine cases out of ten, we could doubtless find disloyalty to $\Sigma A E$ brought about by disloyalty to some rival order.

The question now recurs to us, Shall we foster disloyalty in our own men by lifting members of rival orders? No! Shall we foster it by initiating men who present honorable dismissals? No! There is field sufficient to engage our time and talent among the barbarians in colleges where we have chapters or desire to establish others, or in local societies that ought to be in the fold of a larger order. There is no limit to be placed upon the opportunities to build up $\Sigma A E$. In our temple of fame there must be no stone of dishonor. To place as a chief stone a local chapter or fraternity, is not dishonor—it is honorable acquisition. So to use a disgruntled chapter of a rival fraternity, or the brightest men who have already sworn allegiance at some rival altar, is perfidy supreme. From this time forth, Sigma Alpha Epsilon will stand on this platform.

EXCHANGE COMMENTS.

Chester N. Amcs.

From the distraction of a now busy life, we are recalled by notice of the fact that another scholastic year is about to begin and that with it come certain duties which have chanced to prolong themselves beyond college days. The stack of exchanges has been growing steadily and has now assumed a look that is quite ominous. But that is only in appearance and we know that in reality the pages of the journals sparkle with bright thoughts that form a pleasing contrast to the leading features of any other distinctive branch of journalism and carry one back to college life and thought.

The Rainbow of Delta Tau Delta for April is graced by two beautiful little poems by a contributor at Tufts College. The exchange editor protests that fraternity journalism is going to the bow-wows and the editor, in noticing additions to the chapter roll, uses the following language, which bears us back, in thought, to the days of John the Baptist:

“Welcome, Beta Tau; welcome, Beta Upsilon! Brethren, ye that have ears to hear, listen to the voice from Nebraska and Illinois! It is not a cry from the wilderness, but from a hot-bed of civilization and culture; from a region where has been raised a new altar, and where a new divinity reigns. Nebraska and Illinois both have found the golden basket pendent from the heavenly bow. A new covenant has been formed; a new era begun. Verily the children of *The Rainbow* are fast increasing. But let them come even as twins.”

We like the spirit of the following which is from the February number of *The Phi Kappa Sigma Quarterly*:

“An exchange department seems to be a necessary adjunct to a well-regulated fraternity periodical. Like many things we wot something of in this life, such an adjunct may be overdone, or even underdone, and so lose much of its possible value; but it has certain manifest advantages, on the other hand, which make it worth our while to bow pleasantly to it and say, Walk in and have something! Where, for instance, can we better quote *les bons mots* gleaned from our worthy Grecian contemporaries, than in an exchange department? Or what place more appropriate wherein to fling about us the *largesse* of our praise upon the style and form of said contemporaries, patting them most patronizingly on the back from our own lofty eminence? Surely these be rare good reasons for creating a new niche in the building, and for placing in it a cunningly devised statue of exchange with a cornucopia of praise in one hand, while the other brandishes the fasces of scornful criticism.”

If *The Shield* of Theta Delta Chi is noticed more frequently in this department than any other journal, it is for the reason that we find more in it of general interest to all fraternity men. The March number devoted sixty-nine pages to Dartmouth college, a subject of great interest to any college man, whether he be a Theta Delt or not. In the editorial department of the same issue, Brother Holmes says: "We submit this number to the candid consideration of all Theta Deltas, as well as outsiders, as the finest sample of fraternity Journalism ever published." And after a careful examination of the 170 pages which go to make up the number, we gracefully admit that it is the best of all the exchanges that have come under our observation.

From the June issue we clip the following from an editorial comment on the resignation of C. L. Van Cleve, the successful editor of the Φ κ Ψ *Shield*.

"The Greek press is the victim of constantly recurring fluctuation due to editorial changes. As a natural sequence the journals do not hold their relative positions continuously. The past five years have been a time of paramount success in fraternity journalism, and it is not probable that the exalted position attained can be securely maintained for any length of time. * * * The only reward for the Greek editor seems to be the contemplation of his own work, and a realization of the fact that he may have been able to attract the attention of his fraternity and instill into the minds of the younger brothers loftier and better ideas."

The Crown of Phi Theta Psi is very much improved, and seems to have developed the true spirit of fraternity journalism. The last issue contains fifty-four pages of well edited matter and is confined more closely to subjects that really pertain to Greek life than some former issues have been. Commenting on the affair at the university of North Carolina, the editor says:

"We see by the University of North Carolina correspondent of the *Beta Theta Pi* that the non-fraternity men of the University have organized for the purpose of abolishing fraternities there, and have prepared a lengthy and exhaustive petition which will be brought before the trustees at their June meeting, and if necessary, before the Governor. The Fraternity men are not inactive and their side of the case will be well presented. The advantages of fraternities have been too frequently set forth to need repetition here. Bright, lovable, congenial fellows will always run together, call it cliquing or what you will. There is a natural bond of fellowship between them. If fraternities are abolished local clubs and societies will take their place. The men who decline to join fraternities because opposed to them on principle are few. Eligible, worthy men in large colleges sometimes fail to receive invitations to join fraternities, but such cases are rare. The bulk of the so-called anti-frats is composed of men who, from their stupidity, boorishness or lack of the qualities of good fellowship are never asked to join fraternities, and whose petty natures, in their pique and envy, urge them to destroy that which they can neither appreciate nor enjoy."

The Anchora of Delta Gamma is always very interesting reading and is among the most prized of our exchanges. The fair editor is mistaken in thinking that a recent review of ours was for the purpose of showing up the faults of the magazine. We simply took exception to the ideas expressed in a contributed article, and even in that we were not very positive. *The Anchora* is very precious to us, and we cannot endure the thought that we are considered to have criticised it. It is dangerous to praise, however, in the light of the following:

"*Anchora* always is filled with remorse when she contrasts her own acerbity with the amiability of the exchanges, but consoles herself with the reflection that neither she nor they mean everything they say. As *The Anchora* undoubtedly thinks better of the work of her fellow editors than her criticisms might lead one to infer and as it would be impossible for any editor to think as well of the exchanges as her rivals claim to do, perhaps on the general average she might come up to the standard of editorial charity."

Anent the rushing question, the following is very much in point:

"One point in this connection in which fraternity girls are apt to be seriously at fault, is the treatment of girls who, after having been vigorously 'rushed' by the fraternity in question, have finally decided to join another. It is generally the case that some one or two members of the less forward fraternity, have particularly exerted themselves in bestowing attention upon the newcomer, and have become fairly well acquainted with her during the process. But not infrequently these very girls, when they find their efforts are useless, withdraw into the stronghold of their own fraternity and suddenly drop into a mere bowing acquaintance with her for whom only last week they could not sufficiently show their affection and admiration. Their sudden change of attitude is both insulting to the girl who has been rushed, and degrading to the rusher. If they found real enjoyment and advantage in each other's society during the 'rushing' period, there is no reason why they should not continue to find it afterward, even though one be a Delta Gamma and one a Kappa. If they did not find enjoyment and advantage in their intimacy, it was worse than a farce."

The theme of the following editorial from *The Delta Kappa Epsilon Quarterly* will never grow old. But if the Seniors make themselves responsible for the other members of the chapter, who will dare to be responsible for the Seniors? *The Quarterly* says:

"In view of the careless indifference of our chapter correspondents we respectfully ask the Senior class of the respective colleges to investigate this subject and assume a personal responsibility in the matter. You will greatly oblige the Council and the editorial management if you will take steps at the beginning of the fall term to have some intelligent, rational being elected to the office of correspondent. He need not be versed in history, or dyed in literary lore, nor skilled in epistolary versatility. Even spelling, which the great mass of correspondents absolutely ignore, we do not insist upon. Our proofreaders are intelligent and patient. With a few bare facts we can manufacture a very passa-

ble letter, but we do hesitate to manufacture those facts. Choose, then, a man who knows a fact or two, and see that he sends them, no matter if his chirography resembles the figures limned by an Aztec warrior upon his anatomy in the hour of polemic disturbances: no matter if, in his eager economy, he writes on both sides of the paper, even though requested a dozen times not to do so. Frugality we acknowledge to be a virtue, even though we deplore and deprecate the thriftiness that will not be lavish with a 10-cent pad of writing paper. Select, then, some fairly rational creature. Let him write with a pencil, if he will, and carry his MSS. a week in his pocket, till the pages resemble a cartoon of the French impressionistic school we will not cavil. Only let him write a chapter letter, even though all he says be an excuse for his poor pen and thin ink. He may develop, and some day he may actually write a letter that contains an idea. In your investigation of the question you may chance to find a man now and then who knows how to write a letter. Let not the discovery startle you. Such men there must be, and it is a great thought to realize that some day you may find one. We, the editors, will have more joy over one Deke that writeth than over those that kick sundry and divers goals in the autumn tournaments."

Amid the disappointments and vicissitudes of this uncertain pilgrimage which we call life, it is consoling to know that there is one thing that never fails. As the years move in slow and solemn procession on their way to eternity, bearing their burden of blighted promises and hopes that are unfulfilled, it is a comfort to feel that, whatever may betide, we may expect six times a year, to receive *Beta Theta Pi* and with it the usual complaints of "Father Wooglin" against those who have questioned his antiquity, stolen his rose or otherwise assailed the dignity that hedges around that exceedingly complacent order.

The longest one of the sixteen chapter letters in the May issue of that magazine is devoted to the discussion of a little unpleasantness that occurred at the University of Denver between the chapters of $\Sigma A E$ and $B \theta \Pi$. The gist of the matter seems to be that the Sigs challenged the Betas to a game of foot ball which was not played, presumably because $B \theta \Pi$ succeeded in "lifting" a man pledged to $\Sigma A E$. The Sigs then expressed themselves as to the "contemptible lifting tactics" of the other fraternity and insinuated that when it came to a question of relative merit, $B \theta \Pi$ was not as good a fraternity as it might be. This statement, the writer says, was promptly blistered by an application of "American College Fraternities" by which the Sigs were much discomfited.

That is right. The Sigs did well to be discomfited by the application of such an authority. If William Raimond Baird, M. E., LL B. cannot prove that *Beta Theta Pi* is the great and only fraternity and that "dorg" is the only healthy diet, it would be vain for any other man to try. We truly are

rejoiced that our brothers at Denver received the "application" meekly and bore patiently the scab it doubtless raised. If, however, we may be allowed to express an opinion we would say with all due respect for Mr. Baird that, while we would confidently accept his judgment as to the status of organizations in which he has no interest, when it comes to a question of the relative merit of Beta Theta Pi, and some rival fraternity, he really must pardon us if we prefer the opinion of judges somewhat less closely affiliated with one of the parties to the suit.

We find much of interest in *The Delta Upsilon Magazine*. The March number is devoted largely to articles on Swarthmore college which *J Y* has recently entered. The illustrations of the buildings are very excellent. In the April number is an article entitled "Fraternities vs Local Societies at Harvard" from which we clip extensively:

* * * To my knowledge only three societies, Theta Delta Chi, Sigma Alpha Epsilon and Delta Upsilon, numbering among them about 100 members out of an undergraduate population of over 1,600, really represent in Harvard the element of social life, which is most prominent in the majority of American colleges. More than this, the Hasty Pudding and the Institute of 1770, the Harvard clubs of widest influence and reputation, were never connected even in name with any fraternity.

On the other hand, not even the most enthusiastic member of Theta Delta Chi, Sigma Alpha Epsilon or Delta Upsilon can claim for his society a very wide influence in college affairs. These clubs give much pleasure and profit to their members, and contain excellent men; but this does not keep them from being, as societies, inconspicuous as compared with the group of clubs of which the Institute is the outer circle."

The author then proceeds to discuss the causes of this peculiar development at Harvard. He finds them in the facts that life at Harvard is in certain respects absolutely democratic, that society ties are weakened by the custom of membership in more than one society and that Harvard societies have become almost exclusively social clubs. Farther on in his discussion he says:

So far I have tried to show why fraternities have not a wide influence at Harvard. Is there then any reason for their existence there? Do they serve any useful purpose? Without inconsistency and without hesitation, I may answer both these questions emphatically in the affirmative. There is narrowness at Harvard as elsewhere. Students of an old and great university are apt in their righteous pride over the glories of their own alma mater to refuse due consideration to the claims of other colleges, to ignore practically their existence. To this feeling the spirit of every college fraternity is opposed, and in counteracting it, it may do good service."

In an article on "rushing" there are two paragraphs of general interest:

"The financial standing of the local chapter: whether it is conducted on a business basis; whether it owns a chapter home; if so, what advantages does it offer; is it a burden financially, or does it give conveniences and comforts above the ordinary and at moderate rates—all these questions ought to be considered before a man decides what fraternity in his college is the desirable one, and every such question, answered as chapters of Delta Upsilon can answer it, cannot miss being a potent argument for the standing and ability of the chapter.

However strong a liking a desirable man may have for the fraternity at large, it is the chapter of his own college with which he is most intimately acquainted. The facts relating to that chapter, if presented in an able manner, appeal to him more directly than arguments relative to Delta Upsilon as a great fraternity of college men."

There is much more in the same number as well as in the May issue which we should like to appropriate but must be reserved for another review.

The University Review is another of our irregular exchanges. It is, however, fully appreciated when it does come. The last number received by us is crowded with news, notes and comments from every important college in the country, and from many foreign universities, a correct record of all intercollegiate games, well selected literary matter, departments devoted to chess and whist, and interesting articles on many subjects, from some of which we would like to quote. But we pass all by until we come to a little poem on the last page which few will fail to appreciate. With it we close this long review

"*Longum Iter Est Per Præcepta,
Brevit Et Efficax Per Exempla.*"—SENECA.

She had asked me
Would I help her
With her Latin,
'Twas so hard!
Would I help her
Conjugate that
Mean irregular
Old word
Disc. She just
Kept forgetting
The subjunctive
All the while!
Pretty lips so
Near, so tempting,
Tended strongly
To beguile:
Thought I'd teach her
By example.
Didicissem?
I should smile!

Syracuse, '95.

J. W. S.

How swiftly the hours pass! The pile of exchanges is not exhausted, but the night and the writer are. Yet the task of review is a pleasant one, for the journals have come to seem like old friends which, though we differ from them on certain subjects, we yet cordially esteem. The question has sometimes occurred to us, especially since leaving college: "Is the American College fraternity system worth the vital energy expended in maintaining it?" We have never answered it save in the affirmative. After the truths and principles of revealed religion, there is no sentiment in humanity nobler than that of true friendship between man and man. And association for social, literary or political purposes is no more to be compared to the true fraternity idea than is the feeble light by which we have traced these weak lines through the night to be likened to the rosy dawn now mantling at the window.

CHAPTER LETTERS.

BETA UPSILON, BOSTON UNIVERSITY.

On the 30th of April we observed the second anniversary of our birth by an appropriate spread, and the initiation of Roland Henry Sherman, of Lawrence, Massachusetts. Mr. Sherman is quite an athlete, being captain of the 'Varsity foot ball eleven and a member of the Law school nine. We take pleasure in introducing him to the Fraternity.

Honors have not wholly escaped us, although we make no effort to attain them. Mr. Carroll has held a faculty appointment as leader of a seminary section in law. Mr. Mageni's, in the oratorical contest to determine the two speakers to represent the Law School at commencement, was awarded third place, narrowly missing second. Mr. Lloyd graduated *cum laude*, and Mr. Crafer, *magna cum laude*.

Nine men graduated with the class of '94, whom we shall greatly miss. Mr. Foutch had fully decided to attend the Yale Divinity School next year, and Mr. Post has already gone to Brooklyn, New York, where he is assistant pastor to Dr. Banks, of Hanson Place Church—the largest in Methodism. This will leave us but a small chapter at the opening of the year, but with several affiliates and prospective new men, we do not fear the future. Howard P. Nash, our Province President, will be in the Law School next year, and will be of great value to the chapter. Several new affiliates are expected from Ohio Delta.

Mr. Roberts is pastor of the Congregational Church at Tiverton, Rhode Island, and Mr. Hill is pastor of the Methodist Church at Berkely, Massachusetts. Messrs. Moore and Crafer were recently admitted to the practice of law in this State. The former has opened up an office in the city, and Mr. Long, who will graduate next year, most likely, has an office in the same room. Messrs. Mack and Magenis, both of North Adams, are practicing law in their native city.

We are pleased to welcome to our midst George R. Grose, of Ohio Delta. Mr. Grose is pastor of the Methodist Church at Rural Valley, near Worcester, and will be in the School of Theology next year. We are also glad to welcome Arkansas Alpha-Upsilon. Long may she prosper.

Fraternally yours, E. M. HILL.

MASSACHUSETTS IOTA-TAU, MASSACHUSETTS INSTITUTE OF
TECHNOLOGY.

Everything has been so very quiet during the past few months that our letter this time must treat of the future rather than of the past. But first let me introduce Mr. Vance Craig-miles Osmont, '96, of San Francisco, California, and Mr. William Deering Staples, '97, of Portland, Maine, who were initiated last May. Mr. Osmont will not be with us next year, as he goes to Leland Stanford, Jr., University, where he will make a most excellent man for California Alpha.

Besides Mr. Osmont, we lose two other men this year, Messrs. Floyd Frazier and Silas A. Savage. This will leave us with twenty men, all of whom are ready and anxious for fraternity work. This of course is a very bright outlook for the next year and one which we are bound to improve upon. Massachusetts Iota-Tau expects to occupy a house for the first time this fall, and then everything will be in first-class shape.

Since the last issue of THE RECORD, *The Technique*, our college annual, has appeared once more. Frank Bird Masters was at the head of the artistic staff and his work, over half of the total number of engravings, has reflected great credit on himself and has brought considerable distinction to the chapter. On the next *Technique* we have two men, Robert Johnston on the board of editors, and Harry W. Dyer on the artistic staff.

There has been but one change in the fraternities at Tech this year. In May we welcomed a new chapter of Delta Tau Delta to our ranks. The new chapter has the best wishes of Massachusetts Iota-Tau, and, we think of all the other Tech chapters.

With best wishes for all $\Sigma A E$, I am

Yours fraternally,

ALBERT W DRAKE.

MASSACHUSETTS GAMMA, HARVARD UNIVERSITY.

With June, ended Massachusetts Gamma's second college year. We shall lose a large number from our chapter through graduation and other causes, and of our chapter of twenty-eight, probably only seventeen will return to the University in the fall. One of our greatest losses will be that of H. P. Nash, who has been one of the leading spirits since the beginning of the chapter. Our loss, however, will be Beta-

Upsilon's gain, for he will enter the Boston University Law School in October.

We graduated eight men this year, seven from the College and one from the Law School. That our men did well in scholarship, can be seen from the following list of commencement honors: Arnold, A. B., *magna cum laude*, commencement part, honorable mention in French and History; Buckminster, A. B., *summa cum laude*, commencement part, highest honors in Political Science, honorable mention in History and Political Economy (twice); Gron, A. B.; Pelo, A. B.; Starck, A. B. *magna cum laude*, commencement part, honorable mention in Greek and Latin; Stetson, A. B., *cum laude*, commencement part; Stevens, A. B., *cum laude*, commencement part, honorable mention in English Composition; Tatman, LL. B. Besides these active members of our chapter, Dent, of Missouri Alpha received the degree of A. B., and Marbut, of the same chapter, received an A. M. Neither of these men had affiliated with us.

Of those graduated, Arnold, Buckminster, Gron, Starck and Stetson will probably return to the University for further study. Tatman has been appointed a Justice of the Peace and will hang out his law shingle in Worcester. Stevens, who has already had considerable experience as a journalist, is now on *The Boston Transcript*. Pelo has accepted a position as teacher at the academy in Belleville, New York. Dent is to study mathematics at Cambridge University, England. Our Danish brother, Gron, hopes to secure the appointment of Danish consul at Boston for the next year.

We have four men already pledged to be initiated when College opens and have as many more anxious to come in, so there is no reason why we should not keep our ranks full during the coming year. One of our pledged men is among the best known and most popular men in the college, a member of the Mott Haven Athletic team for the last three years, and several of the other fraternities have tried hard for him. Another is secretary of the Wendell-Phillips Club, our largest debating society, of which E. S Page, one of the charter members of this chapter, is now president.

We have entirely outgrown our rooms at Brattle Square and shall move into larger and better ones in the fall. Our relations with the Boston and Worcester chapters are very close and we have had frequent visits, especially from the members of Delta.

We tried hard to get a good enough baseball team to play

against Iota-Tau, but were badly beaten. Still, having won the football game, we were satisfied and are ready to meet them again.

Other fraternities at Harvard are fairly active and it is rumored that a chapter of $K \Sigma$ may be started here in the fall.

The University has met this month with a great loss in the death of Josiah Parsons Cooke, for the past forty-five years at the head of the chemical department. Professor Cooke was known to all Harvard men and was universally beloved and respected.

Fraternally, EDWARD MELLUS.

MASSACHUSETTS DELTA, WORCESTER POLYTECHNIC
INSTITUTE.

Of the sixteen brothers presented in the cut in the last RECORD, seven were graduated last June. Two of these, however, C. M. Allen and H. L. Cobb, are back for a post-graduate course. We have already captured several of the entering class, and all seems well except the lack of material among the sophomores.

The chapter held its own in the graduating class, notwithstanding the strong anti-fraternity feeling prevalent among the seniors at election time. E. R. Whipple was president of the class, and H. N. Smith was one of the class day speakers. Among the different Institute associations and among the editors of *The W. P. I.* there are quite a number of "sigs". G. W. Heald '94, was leader of the Glee club for the past season. G. C. Gordon '95, managed the ball team through the most successful season ever enjoyed by an Institute team.

The chapter continued the custom formed by the Tech Co-operative Society before the installation at Auburndale, and held its annual banquet at the Commonwealth Hotel, at which all had an excellent time. It was very pleasant to have Mr. Tatman, of Massachusetts Gamma, present as our guest.

The current year will, without doubt, bring great changes to us at the Institute. The trustees are using the one hundred thousand dollars appropriated by the state to erect a large mechanical laboratory and power house. Arrangements are also being made for practical experiments in hydraulics. The first of October will bring to us our new president, Dr. T. C. Mendenhall. He needs no introduction to any college man. If he is as successful here as he has been elsewhere, the future

of our Institute will indeed be bright, and the "Worcester Tech" will be known all over the country.

In a growing college the Chapter cannot help being successful, and indeed our prospects for this year are all that could be asked. We may seem somewhat enthusiastic, but it is the usual fault of young bodies, and surely the name of Sigma Alpha Epsilon is a sufficient excuse for our hopefulness. We extend our hearty thanks for the many kind greetings sent us by the different chapters since our entrance into Sigdom.

Yours fraternally,

CHARLES A. HARRINGTON.

CONNECTICUT ALPHA, TRINITY COLLEGE.

Of the twelve men who, during the past year, have comprised the chapter roll of Connecticut Alpha, ten will be with us in the fall. By the departure of the class of '94, we have lost one man, Nathan Tolles Pratt, who, as valedictorian, was the worthy representative of $\Sigma A E$ at our last commencement. Under his guidance and advice we have spent a most prosperous year in the furtherance of the interests of $\Sigma A E$, and the possession by him of so many of the qualities of the real man has made him more than dear to us, and we can hardly express the regret which is ours now that he has left us. In the fall, he will probably be found in the General Theological Seminary in New York city. John Francis Forward, '96, will be away from us for a year, but we shall be greatly rejoiced to give him a hearty welcome on his return in '95.

It is safe to say that $\Sigma A E$ at Trinity during the past year has considerably strengthened the position which she held at its beginning, and which was a very good one. In all the departments of college life she is well and prominently represented, and, although not as old as most of her rivals, she has demonstrated on more than one occasion that she is quite able to take care of herself.

Aside from the customary programme of commencement week, which includes the senior dramatics, class-day exercises, reception and dance, numerous alumni reunions, and generally ending with the president's reception, which immediately follows the alumni dinner on commencement day, there was a feature which was rather unusual. The day following class-day was one long to be remembered by the friends of Trinity; it was, as one paper said, "a day of immense significance to

the state and the city, as well as to the college." The occasion was the presentation to the college of an immense American flag, by the National Guard of Connecticut, which was then, for the first time, unfurled from the top of a splendid flag-staff, 125 feet above ground. Preceding the ceremonies, there was a brilliant military display. The bright uniforms of marshals, aids and staff, the gorgeous red of the Foot Guard and the Continental blue of the Putnam Phalanx, in fine contrast to the simple uniform of the National Guard and the citizens dress of the old soldiers, produced a remarkably spectacular effect.

The military parade was met at the edge of the campus by the college procession, consisting of the corporation with the president, the faculty, the alumni, the undergraduates in sequence of classes, all clad in the historic cap and gown. The poet of the day was Richard Burton, Ph. D., of the class of '83, and his "Song of the Flag," set to music by Dudley Buck, '59, was sung by a splendid chorus of 250 voices, supplemented by the famous "Colt's Military band," with the renowned composer as conductor. Hundreds of alumni were present, the Honorable William Hammersley, LL. D., Col. W. S. Cogswell, Col. Jacob L. Green, Gen. Hawley, and others, having conspicuous parts in the programme. The affair was appropriately closed with the singing of "America" by the chorus and people, after which the great audience dispersed. Among the minor events of the same day, was the initiation of George E. Hamlin and the writer, both of '95, into the local chapter of Phi Beta Kappa.

But now for the present—with ten old men back, and two new men already secured, our outlook for the coming year is, certainly, very bright.

Sincerely, SYDNEY K. EVANS.

NEW YORK ALPHA, CORNELL UNIVERSITY.

As we look back over the year, New York Alpha has every reason to be proud of her work. In each field of fraternity work we have met with more than average success. Notwithstanding that we have been what is called, in fraternity parlance, *conservative*, our men have won honors for us in athletics, and in literary competitions. In fact, this very conservativeness, or modesty, as it might be termed, has been the cause, so we learn, of our receiving more consideration in joint fraternity matters than some of our more windy rivals.

At the opening of the last college year, our members numbered only eight and the prospect was far from bright; but that little band of eight rented and furnished a commodious, and well situated house, and raised *Σ A E* to a position to which she had never before attained at Cornell. In the matter of initiations, perhaps more than anywhere else, have we shown our conservativeness. We have seen men whom we had rejected, taken up and rushed into other fraternities. Men who had refused other invitations have been attracted by the pure fraternal feeling prevailing among our members, our utter lack of snobbishness and the homelike appearance of our house, and have readily pledged themselves to us.

The new year will find us established in a new house, better suited to our tastes. We regret to say that only seven of our old members expect to return, but we shall lead three candidates through the mysterious labyrinths of Sigdom on our first night of meeting. Indeed, if matters shape themselves as we have reason to hope, we shall introduce at least six initiates in our next letter to THE RECORD.

Fraternally,

JOHN MILTON STODDARD.

PENNSYLVANIA OMEGA, ALLEGHENY COLLEGE.

The past year has not been one of marked prosperity for us, owing to the lack of numbers, but her prospects for the future are very bright. We lost no one by graduation last spring, and expect to enter upon our fall work with nine men—all good and loyal Sigs, brim full of enthusiasm aroused at our banquet commencement week, which was a decided success. We do not hesitate to say that we will get our full share of the one hundred new students expected in the fall.

Old Allegheny is entering upon a new lease of life under the efficient management of Dr. Crawford, her new president. Dr. E. B. Lease, Ph. D., a graduate of the Ohio Wesleyan University, and of Johns Hopkins, has been elected to the chair of Latin for the coming year.

The new chair of History and Political Economy has not yet been filled. Our able professor of French and German is spending the summer in Italy, engaged in the study of Italian, and our professor of Greek has been granted leave of absence for a year, which time he will spend in Greece in the study of his favorite language. The curriculum has been materially changed and added to, and now compares favorably with that

of any college in the land. Such improvements cannot fail to result in an increased attendance at college, which in its turn will strengthen the fraternities.

We are on comparatively friendly terms with all our rivals— $\Phi K \Psi$, $\Phi \Gamma \Delta$, $\Delta T \Delta$, and $\Phi \Delta \Theta$. In the appointment of honors for the ensuing year, we secured our share though not those places justly due us. On *The Campus*, Mr. Latshaw is Exchange Editor, and Mr. Brison is at the head of the locals, while Mr. Frits is secretary of the board of control. In addition to these places we will have three positions on *The Kaldron*, including editor-in-chief. The '94 *Kaldron*, with Mr. Latshaw as editor-in-chief, was a success in every respect.

Omega has not taken a very prominent part in athletics during the past year, but was represented on the football team by Mr. Allen, and on the baseball team by Mr. Robbins, who played second base.

I now introduce into the Sig world for the first time, our initiates of the year just finished. They are Messrs. J. D. Brison, of Pittsburg, Pennsylvania; F. N. Frits, of Fredonia, Pennsylvania; Oren Higby, of Meadville, Pennsylvania, and C. B. Allen, of Wattsburg, Pennsylvania.

Brother Paul M. North struck the nail on the head in his article on "Chapter Correspondence" in the last RECORD. By all means let us see to it that hereafter chapter correspondence shall not be the much-abused thing it has been thus far. Pennsylvania Omega would be pleased to receive at least *one* letter from *every chapter* during the coming year, and promises to write at least once to each of his sister chapters. With best wishes for the success of Sigs everywhere, I am

Yours fraternally,

OWEN HIGBY.

PENNSYLVANIA SIGMA PHI, DICKINSON COLLEGE.

We finished the college year of '93-'94 with considerable credit. Of the five Sigs who graduated, two were admitted to Phi Beta Kappa, and also were commencement speakers. Hunt was awarded highest honors in the Freshmen class, and Evans highest honors in the Sophomore.

The coming year will open with little of unusual interest in Fraternity circles. Each of the six fraternities, as well as the local organization known as Alpha Zeta Phi, will begin the year with fair prospects. With the class of '94 has gone out the bone and sinew of one or two of the chapters, but the

class of '98 promises to be large, and will thus afford ample material from which the thinned ranks may be filled. Pennsylvania Sigma Phi's hopes are bright. At least ten Sigs will return to college, which, with our usual number from the Freshmen class, will give us a fair degree of strength.

The new year promises to bring increased success to this college of more than a century's existence. President Reed has been earnestly at work during the summer vacation, and though the results of his labors may not be immediate, yet he has been building on firm foundations. At the June commencement, much enthusiasm for the college was stirred up by the many Alumni who returned to pay their homage to their *Alma Mater*. Prominent among these was one of the three survivors of the class of '44. On Baccalaureate Sunday Governor Pattison was present and delivered an appropriate address. The kind words of Gen. D. H. Hastings on commencement day were highly appreciated.

Fraternally,

G. W. MITCHELL.

PENNSYLVANIA ALPHA-ZETA, PENNSYLVANIA STATE COLLEGE.

On June 13th, there closed for us, we think, a very pleasant and profitable year. Pennsylvania Alpha-Zeta is becoming more and more recognized as one of *the* fraternities of State College.

Within the year, we have had visits from our Province president, Brother L. J. Doolittle, Brother Singer of Pennsylvania Sigma-Phi and D. G. Latshaw, of Pennsylvania Omega.

At commencement we gave a very enjoyable hop which was much appreciated by those in attendance. We lose only one man by graduation this year, Brother W. A. Silliman. Brothers Breneman and Rebhun both return as instructors in civil engineering and chemistry, respectively. We are delighted to have them remain with us.

At the commencement exercises, we were represented in the inter-society contest by Brothers Rebhun and Silliman. This fall we will return fifteen strong, and expect to do good work during the coming year. Brother J. J. B. Wall will not be with us, as he intends to enter the University of Pennsylvania. Hoping that the success of $\Sigma A E$ in the coming year will be greater even than during the last, I am

Yours fraternally,

J. M. MCKIBBIN.

PENNSYLVANIA DELTA, GETTYSBURG COLLEGE.

The opening of the college year of '94-'95 finds us sadly depleted in numbers. Out of seven active men who constituted last year's chapter only two have returned. But there is plenty of good material on which to build up the chapter anew. One man is already pledged and several more are likely to join soon. Although we have had a hard time of it, ever since our reorganization, to keep above water, yet our members are more than ever determined that she shall not go down again.

Owing to the fact that we had no members in the graduating class, we stood no chances, at commencement, of capturing any honors. But beyond that, taking into consideration our size as compared with the other frats, we have had more class officers, and athletic officials, than any other two. The president of the Sophomore class was a Sig, also the vice-president and secretary of the Freshmen class. We are represented on this year's *Spectrum* staff by two men, while the Musical Organization also has two. We held the prize in Athletics last spring, the highest individual record in base-ball also falling to one of our men. These facts, coupled with others of a similar nature, tend to make $\Sigma A E$ popular here, although our small numbers do not give the prestige that some of the other frats hold.

The usual rush for new men constituted the work of the frats during the past week, but few men have yet been taken in. The number of students is somewhat less than last year, owing to the large graduating class. Last commencement was the best one in the history of Gettysburg college; the attendance and general interest being greater than of any previous year. The banquets, balls and receptions were unusually brilliant, while the graduating exercises showed a marked improvement.

Looking forward to a glorious convention at Washington,
I remain,

Yours fraternally,

R. N. STAHL.

 PENNSYLVANIA ZETA, BUCKNELL UNIVERSITY.

Pennsylvania Zeta closed the first year of her existence with twelve active members and three pledged men. We feel very much gratified when we reflect upon our success. We commenced the year with but five men, but they were of the right kind and it is principally owing to their strenuous efforts and devotion to $\Sigma A E$ that we are in our present flourishing

condition. Since the last issue of THE RECORD we have initiated one new man and pledged another. Our latest initiate is J. B. Martin, son of Prof. Martin, formerly principal of Bucknell Academy. He promises to be a valuable addition to our number.

On the evening of June 19th, we held our first Symposium. It was a very enjoyable affair, and around it will cluster some of the most pleasant reminiscences of our first year of chapter life. We had with us Brother Silliman of Pennsylvania Alpha-Zeta and Brother Lewis, one of our charter members, who was prevented from returning to college last year on account of business cares. After enjoying a splendid collation we were favored with speeches by Brothers Silliman and Lewis, also by responses to toasts given by various members of our chapter. We left the Cameron House, where the banquet was held, about 2:30 a. m., and then proceeded to serenade the various $\Sigma A E$ girls in the town and Institute. After performing this very enjoyable task, we returned to the Hill with our minds and hearts surcharged with enthusiasm for $\Sigma A E$.

We have lost no men by graduation this year and consequently will begin our next year's existence with a full equipment of men. It is therefore with bright anticipation of future victories that we look forward to what the future may have in store for us.

Fraternally, W. H. PARKER.

VIRGINIA OMICRON, UNIVERSITY OF VIRGINIA.

The scholastic year at the University of Virginia closed the 15th of June. This day terminated what is known to us as the finals and corresponds to the commencement of other institutions.

Finals, or commencement, call it as you prefer, the sensations and thoughts of the students are the same. To the superficial observer, the day would seem to reflect nothing but joyousness, but to one who looks below the surface, how differently it appears. How vividly memory recalls the past and what different thoughts surge through different minds, caused by the same event! This day is one of joy and self-congratulation to the conscientious worker, one of sorrow and mortification to the student who has failed to take advantage of his opportunities.

With Virginia Omicron the day was not one of gloom, ex-

cept perchance the meloncholy caused by the loss of two worthy brothers whom we lose by graduation. I refer to Dr. Seale Harris, formerly of Georgia Beta, '93, and Dr. J. W. Price, a transfer from Mississippi Gamma, '91. By this loss there remains to us only four members. During the year we initiated Messrs George Douglas Ramsay, of Atlanta, Georgia, and C. L. Shine, of Tallahassee, Florida.

All Sigs from other colleges expecting to attend the University of Virginia the coming session are earnestly requested to make known their arrival, as it is desired to put the chapter on a firm basis as early in the session as possible.

Fraternally, F. E. SHINE.

VIRGINIA SIGMA, WASHINGTON AND LEE UNIVERSITY.

It has been a long time since $\Sigma A E$ has heard from Virginia Sigma through the pages of THE RECORD. It is a feature of our chapter life of which we are not exactly proud. Carelessness is about our only reason for not writing regularly. But if the Fraternity will pardon us for our lethargy, we will promise to do better in the future, and what is more, we will fulfill that promise.

During the last year $\Sigma A E$ initiated two men, Charles H. Phinizy, of Athens, Georgia, and John L. Young, of Shreveport, Louisiana. Our membership has never been large, but we have had a chapter of choice spirits and expect to attain better growth next year. Four or five of our number will return in the fall so there is no danger of $\Sigma A E$ falling behind at Washington and Lee. Our next letter will doubtless tell of increased prosperity.

Theta Nu Epsilon made its debut here in a german given on the 27th of April. It is impossible at this writing to give the personnel of the new chapter, or tell when it was established. None of the fraternities here are very strong. ΣN is the largest with eleven men, $\Phi \theta \Psi$ has ten, while $\Phi K \Psi$, $\Sigma A E$, $A T \Omega$, $\Phi \Gamma \Delta$, $\Phi \Delta \theta$, ΣX and $K \Sigma$ have four or more. $\Pi K \Delta$ is the lowest in the list having but three members.

Fraternally yours, ROBERT A. BAKER.

VIRGINIA PI, EMORY AND HENRY COLLEGE.

It has been so long since a letter has appeared in THE RECORD from Virginia Pi that such a thing may seem an ob-

ject of curiosity. But, while our chapter may seem dead as far as letter writing is concerned, it is most assuredly not dead when it comes to matters of work.

We began last year with very gloomy prospects, having only three men, and a very stubborn faculty, to deal with. But we saw good material in school and straightway went to work on it. Before school closed, we had increased our number to ten loyal Sigs.

In the meantime a chapter of that "conservative" Kappa Alpha fraternity was organized here, and we hear that they had something to say in their journal about our chapter. One of our brothers seeing this, wrote for an explanation as to why we had allowed them to get those good (?) men. In regard to this matter, let me say that the members of Virginia Pi know just about how exclusive our fraternity ought to be, and they act accordingly. Whenever we see a man who is worthy to wear the purple and gold, we straightway look after him; but there are some men whom we do not want under any circumstances.

We are sorry to have lost three of our men by graduation, but one will return for further work. This gives us eight men at the opening of next year, and we intend to do some good work.

Very truly * * * *

SOUTH CAROLINA DELTA, SOUTH CAROLINA COLLEGE.

As we leave the college at the close of another session, we desire to give an account of ourselves since the last RECORD was published. It is true no great event has happened in our history but still there are a few things that it may be well to speak of.

The pan-Hellenic league was organized this term, and the following officers were elected: President, H. L. Spahr, $\chi\phi$; Secretary, J. L. Davis, ΣN ; and Treasurer, E. W. Wilson, $\Sigma A E$. $\Sigma A E$ was represented on all three of the committees which were appointed to arrange for the annual german and held the chairmanship of two of them. It was decided to invite an alumnus to lead the german and Brother John G. Capers was selected. He was ably assisted by Mr. A. P. Wright, $\phi\lambda\theta$. The affair was a brilliant one and was the social event of the season. There were no colors more prominent than the purple and the gold, for $\Sigma A E$ had as many representatives as the rest of the fraternities put together. We had the pleasure of having with us on that occasion Mr. D. H. Dwight,

of Winnsboro, South Carolina. He is an alumnus of South Carolina Lambda.

Our alumni have been winning honors for themselves. The college has conferred the degree of Doctor of Divinity upon our Brother, Rev. J. A. Rice. Dr. Rice was recently elected President of the Columbia Female College, which is one of the largest and best equipped female colleges in this section. Dr. Rice preached the baccalaureate sermon before the graduating class of our college. Mr. G. H. Moffett, of Charleston, South Carolina, delivered the annual address before the alumni association of the college. It was enjoyed by a large audience and brought forth great applause. Dr. Rice and Mr. Moffett are two true Sigs.

During commencement we had the pleasure of meeting Mr. Minter, of North Carolina Theta, and Mr. Beckwith, of South Carolina Lambda. As we stated in the last RECORD, the prospects for next session are bright and we hope to get some good men for *Σ A E*.

Fraternally, H. N. EDMUNDS.

NORTH CAROLINA THETA, DAVIDSON COLLEGE.

As nothing but a long vacation has elapsed since our last chapter letter there is nothing much of general fraternity news to write to THE RECORD. Our commencement in June found us with seventeen active members, four of whom will sever their connection with the college after this year. Douglas goes to Gastonia, North Carolina; Williams to Columbia College; Farr to John Hopkins University; Tennent to Asheville, North Carolina, and Schenck to Greensboro, North Carolina.

The prospects for Davidson College at the fall opening are brighter than ever before. The general business depression all over the country during the past year has prevented a great many young men from entering colleges, especially in the south, but with the recent renewal of activity and life in business circles we hope to increase our college roll by at least one-third, and I think that the Chapter's outlook for a goodly share of available material is very flattering. We have an enthusiastic and energetic set of workers among the undergraduates, and several older and experienced heads to pilot Theta during the next collegiate year.

The "anti-fraternity" movement which was agitated in our college during the spring session caused some little anxiety at first. The non-fraternity men petitioned the trustees to



NORTH CAROLINA XI. UNIVERSITY OF NORTH CAROLINA, CHAPEL HILL.

F. M. London, '97. F. R. Harty, '96. J. H. Andrews, '97. W. R. Kenan, Jr., '94. J. L. Patterson, '95. H. T. Sharp, '96. J. F. Shaffner, Jr., '96.
 F. F. Babnson, '96. H. H. Atkinson, '94. Claudius Dockery, Law. Dr. J. H. London, '90. A. Andrews, Jr., Law. R. VanLandingham, '96.
 W. B. Lemly, '96. M. Schenck, '97. W. H. Green, Jr., '97. H. G. Connor, Jr., '97.

relieve all of the fraternities represented at Davidson College of their charters and to prohibit the further initiation of new men into the Greek-letter societies, their charges against the fraternities being based on the old stereotyped and threadbare arguments that they had created "an artificial distinction in social circles," and that the non-frats were "snubbed," the literary societies broken up, the honors all stolen by the fraternities and the general interest and enthusiasm in college work greatly decreased.

The scheme for the abolition of these ruinous, unphilanthropic and undemocratic institutions was diligently pursued by the non-fraternity element from January until June, and engendered a great deal of harsh feeling at one time among the students. The matter was finally put into the hands of the College Executive Committee who will report their action next commencement; and while we can not tell what the result will be, we have every assurance that the fraternities will be allowed all the privileges heretofore enjoyed. This barbaric upheaval has not been limited to our college alone but has been rather general through the southern colleges. The spirit in which the whole movement originated is entirely a selfish one, and cannot in the long run injure the fraternity system. We hope soon to see the matter settled as it ought to be and to enjoy the same happy relations which have existed throughout the student body.

The following honors fell to the lot of $\Sigma A E$ this year: Farr was Salutatorian of '94; Tennent won first honor in the Medical School and stood second before the State Board of Examiners; Martin was the junior representative in the Annual Oratorical Contest; Matthews and McGilvary were elected editors of *The Davidson Monthly*, with Dodge as one of the business managers of the same.

Yours in $\Sigma A E$, JOHN RICHARDSON SCHENCK.

NORTH CAROLINA XI, UNIVERSITY OF NORTH CAROLINA.

In our last letter, in mentioning J. L. Patterson, '95, as a member of the $A \theta \Phi$ (honorary) society, we inadvertently omitted Claudius Dockery, '87, now in the law department, who is also a member of the society, having graduated second in his class.

Commencement has come and gone and among our honors were H. H. Atkinson, '94, orator of the senior class; F. R. Harty, '96, commencement ball manager, and J. L. Patterson,

'95, one of the assistant marshals for commencement. It was a treat to have with us during commencement quite a gathering of alumni, G. O. Cable, of Michigan Alpha; R. L. Tate, of North Carolina Theta; M. Mc H. Hull, of Georgia Beta, and seven of our old alumni. Brother Hull is a nephew of Mrs. Hoke Smith, whose husband, the Secretary of the Interior, delivered the annual address here on commencement day.

Early in the spring the Freshmen class had an election of officers, and the lines being drawn between fraternity and non-fraternity men, it resulted in a victory for the fraternities, but has since precipitated a fight which has been expected for the past three or four years, and now the non-fraternity men have appealed to the trustees and the people of the state to abolish fraternities here. They are running a weekly paper, advocating their views and have threatened to carry the matter to the legislature to legislate the fraternities out of the state. Both sides appeared before the trustees, who decided to have a committee, composed of two fraternity men, two non-fraternity men and the fifth trustee not to be an alumnus of the University, this committee to report at the February meeting of the trustees. In the meantime they asked the non-fraternity men not to attack the fraternities in their paper, and the fraternities not to initiate men until the matter be settled. The outcome of the fight will be awaited with interest all over the entire state, as this is the second fight on this subject, the first being in 1885 when the trustees repealed the anti-fraternity laws which were then in force and recognized three sub rosa chapters and allowed several others to enter.

Our base-ball season closed the middle of May and we won ten out of fourteen, losing only to Yale, Vermont, LaFayette and Virginia and winning from all the above except Yale, and besides these, two games from LeHigh, two from Richmond college and several others. We are at last taking our stand in athletics and great credit is due our base-ball manager, Brother W. R. Kenan Jr., '94, for arranging our schedule of the past spring.

The attack on the University by the denominational colleges has practically ceased, so that Wake Forest college, a Baptist institution, is the only one attacking and its president has prepared a forty-five page pamphlet, opposing all state aid to higher education, which the trustees of Wake Forest have had printed and are now distributing in large numbers.

The University now begins its one-hundredth session, and

although its course is by no means an easy one for success, yet indications point to fully as large an enrollment as the past year, and its centennial commencement next June will witness a large gathering of her sons from all over the South.

With the prosperity of the University you can rest assured that we will, as a chapter, do our duty and keep aloft the banner of *Σ A E*.
A. B. ANDREWS, JR.

SOUTH CAROLINA PHI, FURMAN UNIVERSITY.

Although South Carolina Phi is temporarily disbanded and her men are at their several homes for the summer months, interest in the fraternity has not by any means died down. Her men are constantly keeping each other posted concerning matters which pertain to the welfare of the chapter.

We closed one of our most successful years in June and are anxious and striving to do as well in the coming year. Our energies are being put forth to that end and we have every assurance that our efforts will not be in vain.

We lost three good men by graduation: Messrs. Cheatham, Stewart and Alderman and one or two others will not return. While their faces will be missed in our hall and their places be hard to fill, we are glad that there is a goodly number of earnest workers still left who are willing to take up the work where it has been dropped and carry it on zealously. Nor do we expect to do it alone, for our prospects for new men have not been better in several years.

We believe that nothing is more helpful to a chapter than for its members to keep up a steady correspondence during the months of vacation, so that when they return in the fall they are thoroughly posted and ready for work.

Our finances are in good shape and we shall begin in September with no debt hanging over us. We intend to make a hard pull and hope there will be a spurring up all along the line.
Fraternally, O. J. BROCK.

SOUTH CAROLINA GAMMA, WOFFORD COLLEGE.

Our record for the past year is one of which no chapter need be ashamed. Although we returned only seven men and were besides without a single "Senator," we were all the more zealous and worked together, it seems, to a better advantage. I can say without hesitation that our initiates for

last year stand in the very front rank, and, considering the great competition we had, this speaks well. Seven fraternities are at Wofford—which is comparatively a small institution—and consequently good material is in great demand. And when I say that Gamma initiated seven good men, failed not to have a letter in every number of *THE RECORD*, got on the honor roll, moved into nicer quarters and sent a delegate to the annual convention, my first assertion will be granted. Our chapter feels strong because it is strong.

I am free to say that we have advanced much along the line of general fraternity work. Of honors we have our share and we won them, too, upon fair and square grounds. Indeed, it is a principle of our chapter often enjoined, that we carry off honors by merit and not by wirepulling. I believe I can say, not only that *Σ Α Ε* but that nearly all the Greeks at Wofford have done away with that dishonorable practice.

The best of feeling exists between all the fraternities at our college, also the “nons” and fraternity men are on good terms. The fact is, the “nons” are in the minority and know it would be useless “to show fight”; but, anyway, they are a peaceable set and seem to recognize true worth, though it be found among the Greeks. Some of our honors for last year were: J. J. Wolfe, Sophomore orator; Adlai E. Holler, Sophomore orator and marshal; John Puerifoy, president of his class and marshal; William Coleman, Junior Debator, and Porter Hollis, Anniversary Orator from the Preston society. John B. Humbert and Wm. W. Nickels were prominent in athletics.

The writer has had the pleasure of meeting and associating with a number of Sigs during the summer, among whom were Robert L. Douglas, North Carolina Theta; J. W. Means, South Carolina Delta, and W. P. Greene, South Carolina Mu.

At least thirteen of our men will return this fall, and with this force we hope to sweep the field. Already we have one man pledged and our eyes on another.

Yours in bonds, JOHN PORTER HOLLIS.

GEORGIA BETA, UNIVERSITY OF GEORGIA.

Georgia Beta is holding up her record at the University of Georgia, and has added many honors to her already glorious crown. Our members have been prominent socially and intellectually, as well as on the field. Perhaps it will be best for

me to give a list of the honors which have crowned the efforts of our enthusiastic members: Brother Butler graduated with First Honor in the engineering course and N. McH. Moore with Fourth Honor in course in Liberal Arts; Moore was also editor-in-chief of *The Pandora*, our college annual. S. L. Olive and D. C. Barrow, 3rd, were associate editors on *The Red and Black*, a weekly; Olive was also President of Demosthenian Literary Society, and Ryalls, Vice President; Ryalls was also Sophomore speaker, winning first medal. Hill-mer was Treasurer of the Sophomore class, and Cothran, President of Freshman class.

We had three men in the Glee Club, Mell being President, and three men in the Thaliens, a dramatic club connected with the University. W. A. Wilkins, H. H. Steiner and D. C. Barrow were members of Executive Committee of the Cottillion Club.

Butler was Captain of Company B; Wilkins, First Lieutenant Company A; Barrow, Fourth Sergeant Company B; Dancy, Corporal Company B.

In Athletics, we certainly carried off our share of honors. Butler was Captain of 'Varsity foot-ball team, and D. C. Barrow, substitute. We had nine men of the various class foot-ball teams, Steiner being Manager of Freshmen team. We contributed Davis, catcher, Upson, 1st base, Butler, left-field to the 'Varsity base-ball team. With Mell, Captain of the Law team, and Davis, Captain of Freshmen team, we had six men on the class base-ball teams. On field day, Butler won, in throwing the base ball; he was also a member of the Executive Committee of Athletic Association.

We lose this year by graduation really only three men, Mell and Sterling, law, and D. C. Barrow. Moore and Butler will return next year, having received the only two fellowships given, and Upson will probably take law. Several of our men who left college during the year will return next fall, so we shall begin the year of '94-'95 with eighteen men.

Allow me to introduce to Sigdom, Clifford M. Walker, of Monroe, Georgia, and Richard Baxter, of Sparta, Georgia, who were initiated last commencement. Brother Walker will enter Sophomore and Brother Baxter the Freshmen class. With no more initiations, Beta will have as many and as good men as any chapter in college,—an independent position, which enables us, as always, to select only the very best men entering school.

Our future is indeed a bright one. We shall endeavor to

surpass in the year '94-'95 the glories of the year just passed. Since our last letter was lost in the mails, and consequently never published, now do we proudly welcome Massachusetts Delta. May unbounded prosperity be hers.

Fraternally, R. BURTON DAVIS.

GEORGIA PSI, MERCER UNIVERSITY.

Georgia Psi has just closed a very successful year. While from outside appearance it would seem that we have not accomplished much, a comparison with the other fraternities here will show that we have not been idle.

At the beginning of last term, we were a little hampered by some of our boys not being able to get back at the very beginning of the term, as they were occupying positions which they could not leave before the 1st of October, our school opening the middle of September. Those that did get back in time, however, were zealous workers and went to work with a vim. On account of the stringency of the times, good material was very scarce, and the competition, therefore, exceedingly lively, but of a friendly nature. We have five very active rivals: Kappa Alpha, Alpha Tau Omega, Phi Delta Theta, Sigma Nu and Kappa Sigma. We succeeded in spiking three good men for $\Sigma A E$. One or two of our competitors got four and the balance two apiece. Our chapter while reported as having eleven active men, really had twelve. J. C. Morcock was in the law class and had to attend lectures on our meeting nights, hence could not meet with us, but was with us in spirit and always ready to lend a helping hand. There was only one other chapter here having a larger number, Kapp Alpha, with thirteen, the others ranging from six to ten. We lose heavily by graduation this year, sending out seven men—Brothers Allen, Bagwell, Brinson, Holland, George Johns, William Johns, and Morcock.

Of the honors, we took our full share: F. O. Brinson was Anniversarian in Phi Delta literary society, being elected over his opponent in one of the most exciting "campaigns" known here in years. Ezekiel Holland was Champion Debator from Ciceronian Society and also a Senior Speaker. J. S. Bagwell was a Senior Speaker and also a counsel in the public moot-court of the law class; and J. C. Morcock took second honor in the same. Brother Smith nobly held up $\Sigma A E$ among the Sophomore speakers; and J. M. Strickland showed what an $\Sigma A E$ can do as a Junior Orator.



GEORGIA EPSILON, EMORY COLLEGE, OXFORD.

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| R. C. Cleckler, | E. R. Hines, | J. C. McTae, | W. T. Johnson, | Gordon Everett, | I. T. Irvin, Jr. |
| G. D. Lowe, | S. O. Vickers, | T. S. Hawes, | S. B. Rumph, | W. T. Bivings, | D. B. Barrett, |
| | | W. D. Thomson, | J. A. Stewart, | | |

While our ranks are now greatly thinned by graduation, we have an earnest little band still left, and what they lack in numbers they make up in zeal, and will come back with the determination to keep old Psi in the very front rank here.

Fraternally, J. W. CABANISS, JR.

GEORGIA EPSILON, EMORY COLLEGE.

Georgia Epsilon, after a most enjoyable commencement, has disbanded for three months, and her members have repaired to their several homes, some to return no more to her cheerful hall, while most of them, after a pleasant vacation, will return with renewed energy and accustomed enthusiasm carrying with it no thought save crowning success for Sigma Alpha Epsilon.

The college year just closed has been the most successful one in our history. September 20th, 1893, found us back at college with nine old men and an invincible determination to make Georgia Epsilon one of the brightest stars of our beloved fraternity. At first our prospects seemed a little gloomy but that did not last long. A few weeks later we, as a reward for our labor, added five promising young men to our band, who since, not only fulfilled our every expectation, but distinguished themselves in every department of college life.

Emory College has been widely advertised and no doubt greatly benefited by *The Zodiac*, an annual published by her students. The first volume made its appearance in 1893. Because of lack of experience in this line, our first volume was not exactly up to the standard of excellence but, notwithstanding the difficulties encountered, it showed many evidences of merit and a promise of being better next time. We resolved to profit by experience gained and make *The Zodiac*, Volume II, second to no annual in the south. All who have seen it say we have certainly been successful, and the book speaks for itself. There are six other fraternities— $\chi \Phi$, $K \Lambda$, $\Phi \Delta \Theta$, $\Lambda T \Delta$, $A T \Omega$ and ΣN —represented here; all of which are in a prosperous condition and are very well represented in *The Zodiac*. Georgia Epsilon always comes in for her share of everything good that comes along and was ably represented on the editorial staff by R. C. Cleckler. Nearly every one of its pages are brightened by the names of seven of our men.

We graduated two men this year and three will not come back, making us a little diminished in numbers but with no

abatement of zeal. We hope in the December RECORD to give a glowing account of work done and to present many new Sigs to you all. With best wishes, I am,

Yours fraternally, S. O. WICKERS.

GEORGIA PHI, GEORGIA SCHOOL OF TECHNOLOGY.

It is with genuine satisfaction that I report Georgia Phi as having just experienced the most prosperous year in her history. The past session has been successful in every respect, far beyond our expectations. We commenced the year with only four men, and we shall have three times this number with which to resume work in September. We initiated, during the scholastic year, twelve fine men, and have two already pledged for fall. Since our last letter to THE RECORD we have initiated Thomas Perrin Thompson, of Atlanta, Georgia.

On the night of June 16 Colonel Z. D. Harrison entertained our chapter, together with a few of the Atlanta alumni, about twenty-five in number, with a dinner at his beautiful country home, "Fernbank," near the city. During the evening, a *Lionet* was initiated, and the occasion will long be remembered by all those who were present. Colonel Harrison is a distinguished Georgian and the father of our honored brother, G. Hendree Harrison.

The officers for the college magazine, *The Georgia Tech*, were elected at the close of the term for the ensuing year, and out of seven places on the paper, we captured three. G. Hendree Harrison was made business manager, T. Perrin Thompson local editor and Carlos P. Lynes exchange editor.

Of the class officers during the past year, we had the president and historian of the Senior class, the historian of the Junior class and the vice president of the middle class. As to class honors, we stand well at the head. We had third honor in Senior class, third and fourth in the Junior, first and second in the Middle and second and third in the Apprentice class. This is no mean showing and I can safely say that all our men will do better during the session of '94-'95. We were represented four strong on the 'Varsity eleven, and have men on all the class teams, both foot-ball and base-ball.

Our boys have been favored recently with visits from the following: Messrs. Colvin, Draper and Davis, of Georgia Beta; Messrs. Cheers and Johnston, of Alabama Alpha-Mu; and Mr. W. D. Thompson, Georgia Epsilon, '95. We have also been visited by several of our most prominent alumni. Georgia

Phi always extends a hearty grip to any $\Sigma A E$ who comes our way, and the farther one journeys, the warmer will be his welcome.

We lose two men by graduation and two others who are going to take post graduate work at other institutions. We have been greatly assisted during the year by that most faithful worker, George H. Bunting, to whom we are under lasting obligations for his services in many ways. We are also indebted to Professor M. W. McRae, who holds the Adjutant's chair of Physics.

Our prospects for the coming year are very bright indeed. We can safely say that we will make our next year's work as good, if not better, than that of any previous year. We welcome Arkansas Alpha-Upsilon to our midst, and wish her a prosperous career.

Yours in $\Sigma A E$. J. ADGER STEWART.

MICHIGAN IOTA-BETA, UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN.

Did you ever watch a successful and well-to-do gardener thinning a bed? Here he finds a deformed plant and there one of an undesirable species. Only the choicest seeds were planted yet by some oversight these few culls have grown. They seem to be strong and full of life but he knows they can only injure the growth of the other plants. So whenever he finds such a one he pulls it up by the roots and throws it away. He once thought well of it and cared for it. Now he sees not only its worthlessness but the danger to come from its growth with the other plants. These rejected plants take root and uncared for become dwarfed and worthless. Any person may have them for the taking. Less careful gardeners pick up the best of these culls and transplant them to their own gardens, where they live and bear foliage but have not sufficient vitality to produce good fruit. Every passer-by is disgusted with their appearance and with the shiftlessness of a gardner who would be satisfied with such plants. The successful gardner plants new seeds in the places where the culls grow and thus by carefully planting and tending, a uniform and valuable crop is produced.

To a close observer a similar process has been going on within the ranks of Michigan Iota-Beta. During April and May of the last school year a careful examination of the thirty members was made. Six undesirable men were found and expelled. Two of them have been received into another fra-

ternity and the other four are waiting for an invitation. Michigan Iota-Beta has selected some new and desirable men to fill the vacant places. The members and pledged men are congenial and enthusiastic. There is every promise that the coming year will be the most successful one in the chapter's history.

Fraternally Yours, ARTHUR J. TUTTLE.

MICHIGAN ALPHA, ADRIAN COLLEGE.

As we look over the past year, we see no especially notable achievements nor any notable failures. The year has been one of pleasant work and a good degree of prosperity and, as we separated to go to our homes, we felt that the associations of dear old $\Sigma A E$ had been one of the most important factors in our college life.

We had no regular members of the Senior class and so no speakers on Commencement day, but C. H. Hubbell and your correspondent, both of '93, received diplomas in courses different from what they had completed before. Mr. Hubbell expects to enter the Pittsburgh Conference of the Methodist Protestant Church, and the writer will do post-graduate work at the University of Michigan.

The honors taken from time to time during the year have been chronicled in the pages of THE RECORD and show that we have not fallen behind in that respect. At the oratorical contest between the Literary Societies held during Commencement week the prize was won by Ernest Evans, '95, and the gold medal given on Field day for the best all-round athlete was taken by Will Grassman, '97. We had no one in a position to compete for the English Literature prize and so, for the first time in the history of the college, it was taken by a member of $A T Q$.

We lose from our faculty this year Prof. Wilbert Ferguson, who has accepted the chair of Greek at the Illinois Wesleyan University. Every student in the institution is sorry to see him go, as he is a most thorough teacher and very popular among the students. Prof. J. D. H. Cornelius has been elected professor of Latin, and Rev. Dr. Jennings, professor of Greek. As we predicted at the beginning of the year, the college is prospering greatly under the efficient administration of Pres. Thomas. A \$15,000 building is being erected this summer to be occupied principally by the music department. A portion of the back campus has been set apart for the use

of the Athletic Association, and what will be the best college athletic field in the state is being prepared at a cost of \$1,000. Various other improvements are being projected and will come in the near future.

All of our old members are expected to return except Will Grassman, who has taken a position with the Lake Shore Railroad. We hope that hereafter we shall have a larger number of students from which to make our selections and so be able to make the standard even higher than it has been.

Fraternally, E. C. LANE.

OHIO SIGMA, MT. UNION COLLEGE.

Since the issue of the last RECORD, our chapter has undergone many changes. G. M. Fowles, C. H. Taylor, W. J. Stevenson and C. H. Miller graduated in July and, of course, leave the chapter. Many of our undergraduates are out, teaching and others, who have been out of school for a time, are with us once again.

Since our last letter, we have initiated nine men, whom I herewith introduce to Sigdom. They are: Charles E. Essick, Frank E. Shaw, B. S. Mercer, W. S. Gledhill, N. W. Stroup, J. E. L. Little, George E. Brennehan, F. E. Schmiedel and Walter J. Teeters. Mr. Essick will be principal of the Minerva, Ohio, schools during the coming year.

The year just closed was not prolific in honors. Instead of the usual class-day exercises, an address was delivered by President Reed, of Dickinson college. Of such honors as were given, our boys had their share. G. M. Fowles was class president; W. J. Stevenson, editor-in-chief of our annual, *The Union*, and C. H. Miller, business manager. C. H. Taylor received first honor (oration) from the Republican Literary Society, while N. W. Stroup was editor of the society contest periodical—a much sought position. On the staff of *The Dynamo*, our college paper, L. S. Wilkinson will represent our chapter.

It is usually a fact that our chapter here is very small at the beginning of the fall term, but this year this is not the case. We start with eleven active members. This is a goodly number, in fact, as many as we would care for, if the other fraternities would not swell their chapter rolls quite so much. Besides our active members we have a number of resident alumni, among whom I mention Professor Theo Armstrong, who has a fine stock farm near Mt. Union, and Superintendent J. E.

Morris, whose efficient work in the public schools has made him exceedingly popular here and elsewhere. We also have two ward principals, Messrs. P. H. Taylor and H. C. Koehler.

During the summer term we have added two beautifully framed chapter group pictures to the decorations of our hall. Several of our lady friends, among whom are Misses Lewis and Kingsbury, have given us original artistic paintings. They certainly have the thanks of the chapter. Our banquet, in July, was one of the best we have ever had. Eighteen couples of more congenial Greeks never met to spend an evening in social mirth.

The fall term at Mt. Union college seems to bespeak success to the institution. The barbs look as if they would furnish good fraternity men. With the material from which to select and the position we already have, there are no reasons why our chapter should not prosper.

Fraternally Yours, H. C. KOEHLER.

OHIO DELTA, OHIO WESLEYAN UNIVERSITY.

Last year was the fiftieth of the Ohio Wesleyan University's existence, and appropriate exercises were held during commencement week to commemorate the successful completion of the first half-century. Prominent men from different parts of the state were present, among them being Ex-Secretary Foster and Governor McKinley, whose loyalty to $\Sigma A E$ was displayed by the jeweled pin he wore.

Among the specially interesting articles presented was a history of the University from its establishment, in 1844, to 1894, by Professor W. G. Williams, LL. D. For such a work Professor Williams is exceptionally fitted, as he has been a teacher in the University since its opening. After fifty years of labor his sound physique and vigorous mind keep him still in his prime, while his ability as a teacher and his profound learning, especially in the Greek language, have made him one of the foremost scholars of the country. The venerable Dr. L. D. McCabe has also been closely identified with the life of the University for fifty years, and is respected and loved by all who know him. He was president of the institution for fifteen years, and is now Vice President. The outlook for another prosperous year is bright, and it is thought the attendance will not be materially less than last year, notwithstanding the "hard times."

The history of the Ohio Delta has also been one of interest.



OHIO DELTA, OHIO WESLEYAN UNIVERSITY.

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Hard, earnest work has brought her to the front rank of the fraternities here and there we mean she shall stay. Experience has taught us that a little carelessness may easily lead to a general "backslide" from which the chapter can recover only with great difficulty. On the other hand eternal vigilance is the price of a fraternity's prosperity. This we shall try to supply for our chapter. Six of our nineteen Sigs were in the class of '94, among whom was A. M. Austin, our Eminent Supreme Treasurer, who is known wherever there is an active Sig. With thirteen left, all of whom are expected back in the fall, we expect to do some good work.

Among the happenings of last term was the State Convention, of which a report is given in another part of THE RECORD. It was highly profitable, and convinced the fortunate ones who were present that state associations are of inestimable value to the progress of the Fraternity. Besides creating enthusiasm, the convention was of great benefit for the discussion of various questions.

Our annual picnic was held this year at Magnetic Springs. The whole chapter, including one of our pledged men, participated and enjoyed a day's outing with twenty of Monnett Hall's fair ones. Like Christmas these picnics come but once a year, but they would be none the less enjoyable if they came oftener. As a souvenir of the picnic the ladies presented to the chapter a fine chair for the use of our Eminent Archon. We have initiated no men since our last letter, but I take this opportunity to introduce to Sigs everywhere Mr. Harry S. Cox, of Richmond, Indiana, whose initiation should have been announced before, but which by mistake was omitted. Three of our pledged men will be admitted to the college this fall, and we shall then make them members of $\Sigma A E$.

Ohio Delta heartily welcomes Arkansas Alpha-Upsilon. Such a chapter is always welcome, and I hope that we may soon have occasion to greet others.

Fraternally, STURGES S. DUNHAM.

OHIO EPSILON, UNIVERSITY OF CINCINNATI.

In earlier reports were given the honors which our chapter had taken during the scholastic year of '93-'94. The delivery of the "Farewell" by C. M. Smith at the commencement exercises of '94, however, was not mentioned. $\Sigma A E$ is now a recognized factor at the University of Cincinnati,

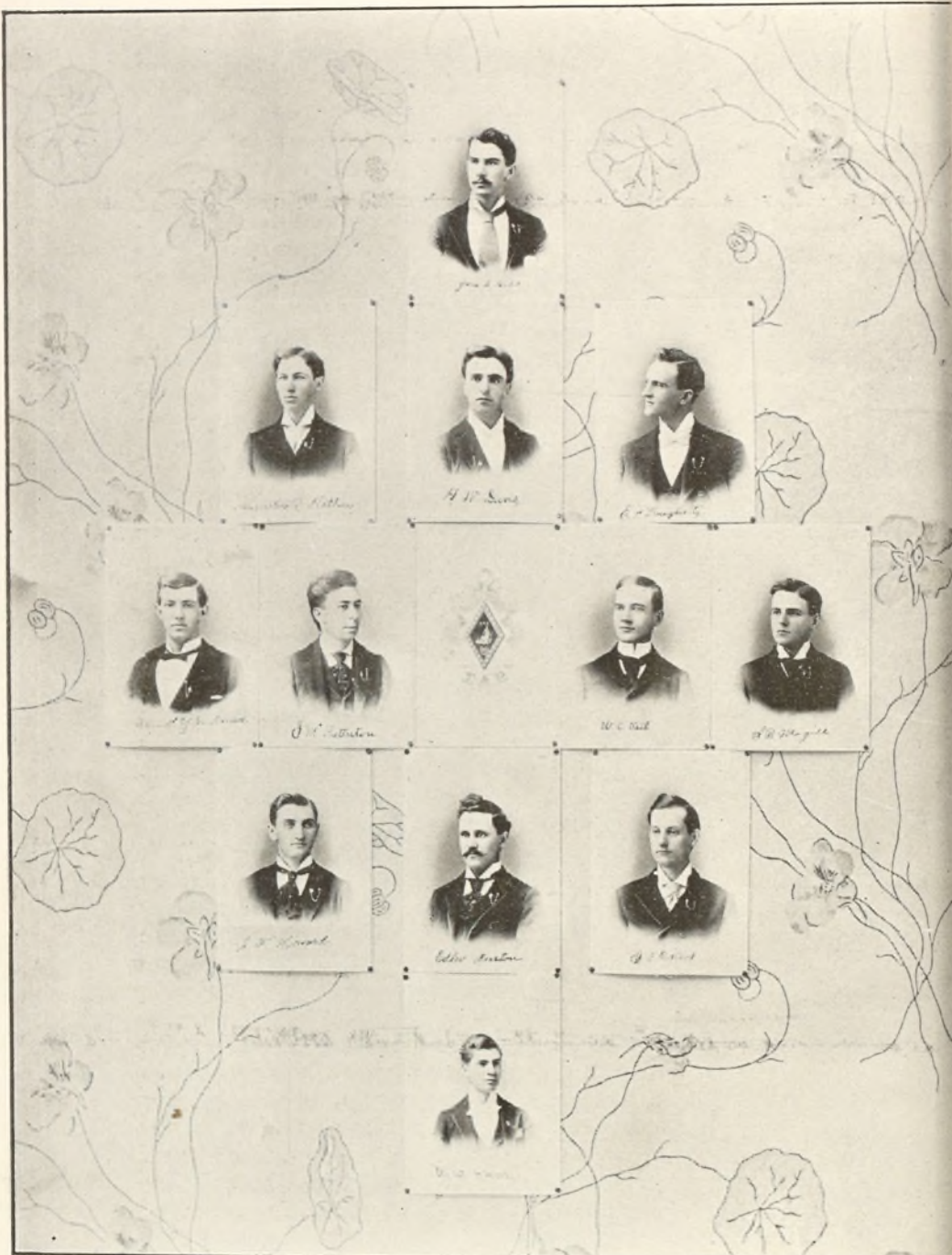
with a standing second to none. The honors which it has taken during the last few years have been many and varied, but what pleases us most is the knowledge that it has been an important aid in reviving college spirit at our University.

Owing to some unexpected withdrawals, we will probably have back at the beginning of next year but one senior, four juniors and five sophomores. Several of our '97 men may go to polytechnic schools. In the examinations for admission, in June, there were fifty-seven matriculates, indicating that the class of '98 will be over a hundred strong, as the heaviest registration always takes place in the September examinations. We are on the track of some of the best fellows who will come to the 'Varsity and our rivals seem to be hankering for the same men. We are satisfied, however, feeling that our chances are every whit as good as theirs.

The University will remove to its new home at Burnet Woods Park, one of the handsomest in the country, as soon as the main building is completed, the work being pushed as rapidly as possible. Our institution has labored under disadvantages for many years, among which has been a most unfortunate site, but in its new home we hope to see it flourish until it becomes the leading institution of the Ohio Valley. We base our hopes not only upon the greater interest taken in it by Cincinnatians and the annual increase in the number of students, but also upon the excellent field open to a high-class institution. Although it has been somewhat of a local institution, its standard has always been high, because, drawing its funds from its endowment, and an annual tax levy, it has been in no way dependent on tuition for support.

In order to become better acquainted with some of the new men who will enter the University, several suppers and picnics have been given, at which they were present. In June, three elections were held. F. R. Peters and L. D. Oliver were elected editors on *The McMicken Review*, and Brother Peters will be elected editor-in-chief. M. C. Hartzell has been elected one of the two co-managers of the '95 *Cincinnati*, our annual. In the Glee Club elections, A. K. Nippert was elected president and manager.

In conclusion, we would urge upon all the chapters to do their utmost to have $\Sigma A E$ take a big step forward during '94-'95, not only in the extension of our fraternity into a few of the more desirable schools but also in a broad internal growth, and it can be done in no better way than by faithful application to our tenets. Fraternaly, GEO. H. KRESS.



James D. Smith



Walter H. Kelley



H. W. Smith



E. W. Douglas



W. H. Smith



J. H. Johnston



W. C. Smith



W. H. Smith



J. H. Smith



Edwin Smith



J. H. Smith



W. H. Smith

OHIO THETA, OHIO STATE UNIVERSITY.

The school year closing in June left Ohio Theta in a good and prosperous condition. We opened in the Fall with thirteen men and after a hard struggle with our nine rivals, secured five new recruits, two of whom I take pleasure in presenting for the first time; Arthur Nutt, '96, of Worcester, Massachusetts, and Stanley Ford, '97, of Columbus, Ohio.

We had six men to take bachelor's degrees in June. Brothers E. W. Stull, Rush E. Manley, A. S. Pearl, F. M. Foster, and W. N. Zurfluh, E. E., and W. J. McAllen, C. E. K. D. Swartzell, '93, received a master's degree, also the scholarship in mathematics, with an excellent prospect of being made an assistant before the year closes.

The State Convention was held at Delaware last May, and I wish to acknowledge the generous and hospitable entertainment we received while the guests of Ohio Delta. There is something enticing about fraternity conventions and with such hosts as the Delaware boys they will not lose any of their charm. Anyone who has tasted the pleasures of a convention will find each successive meeting more seductive.

We wish our sister chapter a successful year and ask all drifting Sigs to tie up at the corner of Niel and Ninth avenues.

Fraternally, DUDLEY E. FOSTER.

INDIANA ALPHA, FRANKLIN COLLEGE.

Since our last letter, the prospect for the continued success of our chapter has brightened, and as we look upon the record of our work in the past year, we are greatly encouraged to renew our efforts in behalf of $\Sigma A E$, and enter the new year with hearts loyal to our order and with the determination to hold high the banner of Sigma Alpha Epsilon.

At the close of the last college year we bade adieu to three of our loyal brothers—Vail, Batterton and Davis, who, though they have gone from college to fill responsible positions, will ever remain loyal Sigs. While we regret to lose such members, we are proud that the stars of the college are included in our circle. Brothers Batterman and Davis were charter members of our chapter and Brother Vail the first initiate. Among the honors conferred upon our graduates during the year were the memberships of *The Clarion* staff, given to Brothers Vail and Batterton: Brother Davis carried off many

honors in athletics at the Field Day exercises. He received the honor of second best all-round athlete.

In the early part of the spring term we made known the mysteries to our fourth candidate for the year, C. Y. Andrews. Mr. Andrews was brought up from the preparatory department in the way he should go, and we trust that throughout his whole life he will not depart from it, but ever remain loyal in his obligations to Sigdom. On the evening of May 16th, we entertained a number of our friends in the parlors of the Merchant's Hotel. There were present at this reception the Faculty and representatives of the organizations in Franklin College. The atmosphere was perfectly congenial and the evening was pleasantly spent. The other social events of the season were given by Phi Delta Theta, Pi Beta Phi, and non-frats.

When the time shall have come for our next letter, we hope to have words of more importance to send out to the world of Sigs. While we have had marked success, we are not yet satisfied and shall ever aim to reach the topmost round.

Fraternally, S. B. MAGILL.

INDIANA BETA, PURDUE UNIVERSITY.

Indiana Beta is enjoying a very pleasant summer, both as a chapter and individually, and, possibly were it not for the reunion of fraternal ties, and the resumption of the interesting and enjoyable chapter work, most of us would almost regret the closing of the summer and the opening of the college, which with us, is on the 12th of September.

The heat of the past summer has been instrumental in warming up Sig enthusiasm in our men, and has doubtless had the same effect upon sister chapters; so we look toward the second milestone of our journey with greater hope and stronger determinations than ever before, and are confident that the year '93-'94 will be outshone by the results of '94-'95.

Our last letter dealt with the work of the past year and as nothing has been done, of course, during summer in the way of chapter work, our thoughts are all directed to the coming year. Some of our number, we understand, will not return to work with us and their absence is a matter of deep regret, but there is consolation in the fact they are still Sigs and "their works do follow them."

It cannot be accurately stated at present just who will be

absent and what their addresses will be, but H. O. Allen will be in Springfield, Massachusetts, and in him we will lose a hard worker. Brothers Crowder and Crane will not return to Purdue to continue their work, but will be stationed elsewhere. Aside from these, all expect to return and although we are somewhat weakened by their loss, the weakness will be only temporary.

One or two pledged men will don the purple and gold on their return. It might be added that some others will become Sigs also during the year. Our plans for next year are various and involve reaching *toward* some ideals. Although not promising to reach them in one year, we *will* sometime in the near future. Last year we directed much attention to initiations, and we beg leave to urge upon sister chapters the importance of that function of the fraternity life. It is, we have found, the largest factor in the strength and interest taken in chapter work by the members.

We wish to congratulate the management upon the last issue of *The Hustler*. As a means of accomplishing its objects, it fulfilled all in that issue. We also took much interest in the last RECORD, and are proud of it. It is not too early to think of the convention and we hope to see it a "hustler." Although Washington is a long distance we expect to be represented. We cannot afford to miss that part of the work.

We take this means of welcoming the new chapter, Arkansas Alpha Upsilon. We received notice of it only a few days ago and it was a very pleasant surprise. To all the chapters Indiana Beta sends her wishes for the most prosperous year of their life.

Yours fraternally, H. R. SAFFORD.

KENTUCKY KAPPA, CENTRAL UNIVERSITY.

Our work last year was crowned by great success. Although at the beginning of the year we had only four men, one of whom died within the year, yet commencement found eleven loyal, congenial brothers holding high the banner of $\Sigma A E$ at Central University. Nor was this number without its share of honors. Bissett easily captured the chemistry medal and was a close second for the highest average medal. He received certificates of distinguished proficiency in all his classes. Chandler won the Physiology medal and certificates of proficiency in all his classes. McKibben and Nourse received the Bachelor of Arts degree. We are very sorry to lose them for they were two of our finest men and most earnest workers.

In the declamatory contest, in which there were ten speakers, we were represented by three excellent men,—Cecil, Alexander and Black. Cecil won first medal by a unanimous vote of the judges, while all agree that if there had been a second medal given Alexander would have received it. Central University easily won the majority of points over the leading colleges in the State. Three men held up *Σ A E*. Cecil won the mile race, and walked under the wire. He was also a close second in the half-mile race. Bryant was in the 100-yards and quarter-mile dashes, and Nourse was on the relay team which won second place. Bryant was also star player on the 'Varsity base-ball team. Chandler is vice-president, and Alexander corresponding secretary of the Young Men's Christian Association. Cecil and Chandler were traveling in the summer in the interest of the University. Cecil attended the Open Amateur championship games given by the Louisville Athletic Association, July 14th. He easily won the gold watch given in the mile race and the second prize in the half-mile race.

It seems that I have done nothing but enumerate the honors we have taken, but we are proud of our work last year, and feel that Kentucky Kappa is now established on a firm and lasting footing, and will be able, in the future, to maintain the reputation she made in '93-'94. We expect about nine of our old men to return in the fall and think we can hold our own as well or better than we have heretofore.

With best wishes to our sister chapters, I am

Yours Fraternaly, JOHN H. CHANDLER.

KENTUCKY IOTA, BETHEL COLLEGE.

I suppose that there are changes which occur in all our colleges from the time of one issue of THE RECORD to another. So it is, at least with us, and especially at this time. The most important of these is the establishment of a chapter of Kappa Sigma, which occurred in May. This makes it necessary that four rivals live, and closer work will have to be done by each.

The first of June was field day, and of the twenty events, Bethel was victorious in fifteen against two other colleges. Sigma Nu won two; Phi Gamma Delta, two; the non frats the remainder. The base ball team was very successful, not losing a game during the season. On the team were four who are members of Sigma Nu; two of Sigma Alpha Epsilon, and one of the Phi Gamma Delta.



KENTUCKY IOTA. BETHEL COLLEGE, RUSSELLVILLE.

H. E. Potter. T. E. Conger. J. R. Grogan. J. T. Martin. J. E. Snider. J. C. Williamson.
E. Sandidge. R. F. McCuddy. F. W. Wittenbraker. D. H. Breedlove. G. F. Sory.

Of the Commencement honors, one was awarded to Sigma Nu, one to Sigma Alpha Epsilon, the rest to Phi Gamma Delta and non-frats. We have had the congratulations of fraternity men and others, which gives us a great deal of encouragement. Our meetings were more regular than those of any previous year, and more interesting.

The Eminent Archon has been especially instrumental in making them interesting by lectures delivered in an impressive manner.

By the 6th of September, we expect to be in school again with a full membership and shall exert all our strength to put $\Sigma A E$ in the front rank.

Yours Fraternally, J. R. GROGAN.

TENNESSEE ZETA, SOUTH-WESTERN PRESBYTERIAN
UNIVERSITY.

Our career here at South-Western Presbyterian University throughout the past year has been prosperous. At the beginning of the school year, seven old men stood beneath our banner. At its close, our number had increased to fourteen, all of them as loyal men as ever took upon themselves the vows of ΦA . T. O. Dederick and R. A. Webb, two of the college faculty, greeted us daily, always showing themselves to be brothers.

There are four other Greek-letter societies represented in the University,— $K A$, $K E$, $A T Q$ and $\Pi K A$. Our relations with our rivals, as also with the non-fraternity men, are of the pleasantest nature. Peace, harmony and good-will uninteruptedly prevail, a condition of things much to be desired. Throughout all the year we have shown ourselves wide awake. On field day Stacker held up Zeta's record in athletics, winning three of the ten medals offered, and proving himself the best all-around athlete in college. $K E$ won two medals and $K A$, one; the rest went to the bars.

In the college glee club we were represented by T. O. Dederick, Newton and Taylor. There are fourteen members in the glee club; of these, three are members of $\Sigma A E$, two of $\Pi K A$, one of $A T Q$, one of $K E$ and one of $K A$. Dederick is also president and leader of the college orchestra. On the staff of *The S. W. P. U. Journal* appeared the name of Alexander, as local editor from Washington Irving Literary Society. Lyon has been elected next year's business manager of *The Journal* from Stewart Literary Society.

McCallie, Stacker, Lyon and Tims were four of the best players on the University eleven last year. Nor in social life does the badge of $\Sigma A E$ glisten less than the badge of any other fraternity. We are strictly in everything of a social nature in college life. One of the most enjoyable entertainments of the year was the royal reception given to the boys and girls of our chapter at the home of Mrs. J. A. Lyon, the mother of Brother Lyon; needless to say it was a splendid time to all. Mrs. Lyon has won the lasting affection and regard of Tennessee Zeta chapter of $\Sigma A E$.

Nor have our $\Sigma A E$ girls forgotten us. Many a time has the table in our hall groaned with the abundance of good things sent us by our sisters. Without girl friends no college society can be perfection, and our boys appreciate the fact. We have had visits throughout the year from Brothers Sisson, Graves, Mecklin and Flood, all staunch sons of Zeta. Their visits helped us. May they come again. Rev. Edward Mack (N. C Theta), of St. Louis, preached the sermon before the Young Men's Christian Association, at commencement. Although it has been long since Brother Mack was a college student, yet he assures us that he is still an $\Sigma A E$ *in toto*.

Our prospects for the coming year are bright. As none of our members graduated this year, we expect at least twelve or thirteen old men to return.

Yours in $\Sigma A E$, H. C. ALEXANDER.

TENNESSEE LAMBDA, CUMBERLAND UNIVERSITY.

The eminent correspondent who was elected at the end of last term failed to come back to school, and only last night was the vacancy filled. Though many of our men have left their mother chapter and are now battling with the waves of the tempestuous ocean of life, yet at the opening of the school we have eight old men tried and true, namely: R. F. White, J. F. Sanders, Will K. Finney, William Caruthers, W. F. Stovall, Herman C. West, J. T. Blair and R. L. Kimbrough. There is a bright outlook for $\Sigma A E$ here and by perseverance our banners will wave victoriously over those of the other fraternities, as has always been the case heretofore.

Tennessee Lambda feels proud to acknowledge Mr. Sam Drake, of Lebanon, Tennessee, as an addition to the list of her members. Mr. J. H. Haines, of Buffalo Gap, Texas, a former member of our chapter has entered the law depart-

ment of Cumberland University and is welcomed with open hands and warm hearts.

The "spiking" committees are hard at work and we hope in our next communication to be able to give the names of some more new members. There is a great deal of material in school.

With best wishes for the prosperity of $\Sigma A E$, I am

Fraternally, HERMAN C. WEST.

TENNESSEE NU, VANDERBILT UNIVERSITY.

As the scholastic term draws nigh we begin to make our plans for another year of hard work, which is sure to be associated with fraternity pleasures. Last year only four out of eighteen members returned, as eight graduated the year previous and for various reasons the others were absent. However our usual transfer members increased the number somewhat. Although we were smaller in number than usual at the beginning of the session, our rivals soon became aware that we were wide awake and as a result of our labors we feel proud to introduce two new members, Carlos C. VanLeer and Kennard T. McConnico, both of Nashville.

For the ensuing year we bid fair to have eight or ten to begin with. And besides this we have our eyes on a few excellent men who intend to enter the University and we have good reasons for thinking that $\Sigma A E$ will be their choice. We regret very much the loss of Brother R. W. Clawson who was the "Old Patriarch" of the chapter, having lived in the mysteries of Sigdom at Vanderbilt for the past six years. For the past two years he was Graduate Fellow and assistant in Physics. Having finished the post-graduate course he received the degree of Master of Science and left the classic halls of his Alma Mater with the highest respect and love of both professors and students.

Our College Glee, Banjo, Mandolin and Guitar club was a decided success the past year; in fact, it has become about the leading organization among the students with the exception, of course, of the Athletic association, and is composed perhaps of the most enthusiastic students in the University. $\Sigma A E$ had more men in this club than any other of the eleven rival fraternities. We also had a musical organization among ourselves known as the "Sigma Alpha Epsilon Sextette" which afforded us a great amount of amusement and pleasure.

In this Brother S. Taylor Sevier deserves especially to be mentioned for the energy, originality and gifted talent that he displayed. The engraved group of our Sextette appeared in the College Annual and will be reproduced in the next number of THE RECORD. Brother Dook has been elected Vice President of the College Glee club for the ensuing year, and the members of our Sextette will likely resume their membership in the Glee club next year.

Brother Dook made a most excellent editor for our College Annual. Of the two Scholarships awarded in the Junior Law Class, Brother VanLeer was the fortunate winner of one. R. W. Clawson was again local editor of our weekly, "*The Hustler*" and M. J. Anderson was President of the Freshman Class.

Our members, as well as every one connected with the university were shocked and grieved on May 5th to learn of the untimely death of our dear brother, Cooper Milner, who for reasons scarcely plausible was led, no doubt, in an unconscious moment, to do the irrational act of taking his own life by jumping from the Cumberland River bridge. During the short time he was with us we became very much attached to him, not so much for his finer qualities and accomplishments, but for his own individual self. He was exceptionally brilliant and stood at the top of his class in electrical engineering. During the winter his health was impaired and he was obliged to lay aside his college duties which preyed heavily upon his ambitious nature, so much so that it led him to do the deed. He was a member of the Episcopal church and a good Christian boy, with a bright future, being only nineteen years of age.

With best wishes to all that know the significance of ΦA

I am, yours fraternally,

MILTON J. ANDERSON.

TENNESSEE ETA, SOUTHWESTERN BAPTIST UNIVERSITY.

Eta's history for 1893-4 has been made. The year was marked by no sudden changes or misfortunes. The session closed with the chapter numbering twenty-six men. We were represented by four of them in the graduating class: Messrs. S. J. White, John A. Tyson, F. M. Patton and Charles W. Daniel. It was a matter of serious regret that Brother White was sick on commencement day and was unable to deliver his oration in the Senior Oratorical contest.

The commencement was a grand success. Rarely have

we been honored with the presence of so many distinguished visitors. Dr. John A. Broodus, of Louisville, Kentucky, preached the annual sermon and Dr. P. S. Henson of Chicago, delivered the literary address. Both the sermon and the address were master productions and were enthusiastically received by all who were so fortunate as to hear them.

$\Sigma A E$ boys were successful in two of the oratorical contests. In our contests on Field day in May, our boys proved to be the "invincibles." They carried off nearly every prize, and the training for the sports was not what it might have been. We will be strongly represented at the opening term in September, and do not expect any difficulties with our rivals. We all left school in the best of humor and intend to keep good natured next year. In fact we find that it is a good thing to bring sister fraternities under obligations to us by doing them a kindness occasionally, and thus all goes well.

We extend a hearty welcome to our recently organized chapter in Arkansas.

Sincerely, CHARLES W. DANIEL.

TENNESSEE OMEGA, UNIVERSITY OF THE SOUTH.

As the college year has just closed, and we are about to enter upon another year's work, it seems fitting that we should give a *resume* of our work during the past year, and also say something about our prospects for the coming year—inasmuch as our vacation comes in winter, we have little or no cessation of work during the summer months. Lent term closed August 1st, and Trinity term began August 2nd. We have initiated three men during Lent term, and received one affiliate; so that our number of men this term was not small. While we lose some men by graduation and transference, yet we will have two new affiliates, and, as the year advances, probably several initiates. Our men are thoroughly enthusiastic, and desirous of adding many worthy members to our fraternity ere the year closes. With plenty of hard work, we believe our chapter can achieve many brilliant successes; and we are determined to do our duty as loyal sons of $\Sigma A E$.

During the past year, if we have not come in contact with the general fraternity, we have not been dead. However, we desire to come more in touch with all our chapters, not only through THE RECORD, but by frequent letters to the various chapters. We here invite, nay, request, all our chapters to

write us often. The progress of a fraternity is linked, more or less, with the progress of the college at which it is located; and, as the prospects for the University, this year, are bright, we have sanguine hopes for the fraternity. Already, quite a number of new men have entered the University, and in them we expect to find material for the increase of our chapter. We have done good work this year, not only in the class room, but in the athletic field. R. S. Rust won the broad-jump; J. A. Selden raised the record for the 440-yards dash, and A. G. Blacklock did good work both on the foot-ball and base-ball teams. He has been elected captain of the 'Varsity foot-ball team for this season; F. L. Coyle has been manager of the foot-ball team and president of the Athletic Association, but since he is to leave the University, he resigned his positions. The initiates for this year are: Malcolm R. Clark, of Pontotoc, Mississippi; Thomas Pasteur Noe, of Beaufort, North Carolina; John A. Selden, of Sewanee, Tennessee. Our affiliate is, George Renean Ran (Mississippi Theta) of Pontotoc, Mississippi; Claud C. Higgins, '90, has also been here studying medicine. We lose from the School of Theology, F. L. Coyle, M. A., of New Orleans; from the School of Law, William H. Lipscomb, of Columbia, South Carolina; from the School of Medicine, George R. Ran, Malcolm R. Clark and Claud C. Higgins. We will begin the year with about fourteen members.

Yours in $\Sigma A \Sigma$. THOMAS P. NOE.

TENNESSEE KAPPA, UNIVERSITY OF TENNESSEE.

Examinations are upon us, but I shall pause long enough to write our letter to THE RECORD.

Perhaps the most interesting thing we can write about in this letter is the attempt to break up the fraternities at the University of Tennessee by the outside barbarians. We hear that this is not the only college where the Greeks are annoyed in this manner. Probably the attack was caused by envy, but to say the least, it was bitter. An organization has been formed, to be known as the University Protective Association, and the end of the organization is to injure the fraternities in every possible way, and to defeat every fraternity candidate for office. Up to date, while they have elected some officers, we do not believe that they have injured the fraternities very much. Nor is it likely that they will, as the leaders do not

expect to return. We prophesy a short life for the association.

This fraternity attack has produced only unity among the different fraternities. $\Sigma A E$ and $K A$ have eight members each, $II K A$ has nine, and $K \Sigma$ has seven. It is now assured that $A T Q$ will enter soon, as her men are already organized. We welcome her to our council in warmest pan-Hellenic greeting.

Yours in $\Sigma A E$,

CHARLES E. CHAMBLISS.

ALABAMA IOTA, SOUTHERN UNIVERSITY.

Since the last issue of THE RECORD our chapter has continued its course, experiencing the vicissitudes which occur in the life of every chapter. We have endeavored to keep up to the highest standard of fraternity life and after studying and trying the various plans, which are suggested from time to time, by which a chapter may be kept alive and in good working order, we have found that a constant study of our constitution keeps us in a more healthful state than anything else. Some chapters become so absorbed and interested in certain plans and local affairs of their own that, in a measure, they forget that they are only a small part of a great whole and thus, while prosperous themselves, they give very little help to the Fraternity at large. A study of the constitution keeps this fact before the chapter at all times and thus prevents them from falling into this error.

The last meetings held before commencement were very enthusiastic ones and if all the plans then made are carried out next session, we shall indeed have reached the *summum bonum* of chapter life. But, well aware that "the best laid schemes of mice and men gang aft a-gee," we are not depending too much upon these, but upon good, honest work at the opening. About ten of our men will be back next session and we anticipate no difficulty in securing as many good new men as we desire. The average membership of our chapter is about sixteen and we have found that a chapter of that size can be held together and do better work than a larger and more unwieldy one.

Our men had prominent places in the commencement program and all of them acquitted themselves well and with credit to the Fraternity. After the hard work of the scholastic year, Iota's boys always feel that they must have a sort of "field day" or "dress parade" before separating for the sum-

mer months. For several years this feeling has found expression in a banquet, usually given the week before commencement. The sweethearts and friends of the Sigs are there and generally some of the *alumni*. The banquet this year was one long to be remembered. Joy and mirth reigned supreme and "all went merry as a marriage bell."

We have been greatly pleased at the encouraging tone of the letters received from the various chapters. May the good work continue!

ROBERT H. MANGUM.

ALABAMA MU, UNIVERSITY OF ALABAMA.

This is the first time that I have had the pleasure of addressing a letter to THE RECORD—the medium through which we are all able to impart to the fraternity at large, a knowledge of our failures and successes, of our trials and triumphs. Alabama Mu emerges from a short season of seclusion, or rather, a long one, which has not been due to a want of love for our order. Nor is it any indication that we are in a state of decline. We returned to the University last fall with only seven enthusiastic men, but these seven had their eyes open. Never before was the future of our chapter so encouraging. From the seven men that returned we grew to eleven good, strong, clean men—congenial and loyal.

Our chapter was filled with enthusiasm at the beginning of the term, by the initiation of Gibson Reynolds and David T. Blakey; and later on in the year, by the initiation of Joseph Gerst Reutz, all Alabama boys and whom it gives me great pleasure to introduce. Of the things that have been good, we have had our share in every department of college life, literary, athletic and military. We have men to compete with the best in all branches of study, and stand high in the estimation of the faculty, which, with us, are features that go largely to make up the fraternity man. The person with the superior brain and muscles combined is the more desirable, but either attribute commands the admiration of the scholars. On the Sophomore Exhibition, which was held in May, we were worthily represented by Bonner, and on the Junior Exhibition, which took place on Monday, of commencement week, we were represented by S. B. Slone, as orator; we were also ably represented on the editorial staff of our college paper by S. B. Slone.

In conclusion, we will say that our chances for next year are bright in the extreme. We lose only two men by graduation. All of the under class men will return. We are in very



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| C. H. Taylor. | | R. K. Richardson. | | W. J. Stevenson. | L. L. Lamborn. |
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good condition financially and there seems to be a spirit pervading all our boys that cannot fail to accomplish great things for $\Sigma A E$.
 Fraternally Yours, S. H. STRICKLAND.

ALABAMA ALPHA-MU, ALABAMA POLYTECHNIC INSTITUTE.

The past year has indeed been a glorious one in the history of our chapter. Her successes have been many and her failures few. We lose only one man by graduation but in him we lose a host, as all will agree who are acquainted with Champe S. Andrews. But we also lose H. K. Miller and A. L. Quaintance, who will sever their connection with the college, having completed the post-graduate course. Mr. Quaintance has been appointed professor of horticulture in the Florida Agricultural and Mechanical College, and Mr. Miller has accepted the professorship of physics and assistant chemist in the same institution.

Kappa Alpha entertained her state convention in Auburn during commencement. These state conventions are great things and should be encouraged in our own order. Alabama expects to form an $\Sigma A E$ state association next session. As usual our boys took a prominent part in the commencement exercises. Andrews captured the honor of the year in the shape of a handsome sword, awarded for the best drilled company in the corps. He also took first honor in his course and was the only Fraternity man among the speakers from the senior class. The Battalion Medal, awarded for the best drilled cadet, was secured by W. H. Patterson. S. L. Coleman captured the first honor in his course in the junior class. In addition to these, we had three speakers, ten distinguished men and two members of the "commencement hop" committee, including the chairman.

But our joy is not unmixed with grief, for the angel of death has been in our midst and taken from us our beloved brother, Francis M. Fontaine. Of a noble, Christian character, he was prepared to meet the summons. Knowing him as we did to be the very soul of honor, and the embodiment of all that was true and good, we are constrained to murmur: "O! death, where is thy sting? O! grave, where is thy victory?"

Among our visitors this year we were glad to welcome Col. J. W. Reeves, Mr. L. P. Dowdell, Mr. Cyrus W. Ashcraft and Gen. G. P. Harrison, who, by the way, will be the next

congressman from his district. Mark that prediction. The "commencement hop" on the 13th of June was a thorough success. The Alumni banquet, though it was the first one of the kind at this institution, was a most enjoyable affair and inaugurated a custom which will be continued as long as the college lasts. The trustees of our institution have at last awakened to the importance of encouraging athletics and have started the ball rolling by an appropriation of \$750 for grading and leveling the campus and athletic grounds.

With a cordial invitation to all Sigs passing our way to stop and give us a call, we remain,

Fraternally yours,

L. B. GAMMON.

MISSISSIPPI GAMMA, UNIVERSITY OF MISSISSIPPI.

Mississippi Gamma regrets that she neglected to forward her letter to the last RECORD. It shall not occur again. Although we have little to tell in this letter, I am unwilling to let our representation go by default.

Our number is not large, but we are enthusiastic and are determined that Gamma shall attain to the position she once held at Oxford. To this end we expect to do much work during the summer and early fall toward securing desirable men. Our next letter will tell how we shall succeed. There is an era of good feeling among the fraternity men at the University, which we hope will be of long duration.

The University is in good condition, and improvements are being made from time to time. The gymnasium has undergone a thorough refitting with improved apparatus, and a competent instructor has been secured. In all lines there is more or less activity and the work of the year now closing has been very creditable. Athletics have become popular, and our "teams" come in for a share of the victories.

We are glad to know that Arkansas has been invaded by the on-marching hosts of *Σ A E*, and we extend a cordial welcome to our new chapter. May others like Alpha-Upsilon follow.

Fraternally, GEORGE T. MITCHELL.

IOWA SIGMA, SIMPSON COLLEGE.

Since our letter to the last RECORD, we have met with success in all lines, and feel greatly encouraged as to our future prospects. Our number next year promises to be twice what

it is at present, owing to old men returning and the initiation of our pledged men. Though our initiations have been few this year, yet we have not been slow in pledging the most desirable men in school. We have been especially conservative and our present high standing fully warrants the policy. We have made ourselves the leading social element in school throughout the year, and no social affairs connected with the school have a more enviable reputation than have ours. With our large and elegantly furnished hall, and with our band of loyal, enthusiastic and ambitious men, we stand undisputedly at the head of the four fraternities in school.

In the line of honors we have taken, indeed, the lion's share. We have held the presidency of each of the two leading literary societies for two successive terms. We have the presidency of the Young Men's Christian Association, State Oratorical Association, Tennis Association, and of two of the college classes. As before recorded, we have taken the oratorical honors *in toto*, while commencement awarded to us two of the most desirable and most scholarly prizes of the year. C. B. Guest was the winner of the "Gibson Essay Prize," and E. N. Calhoun was the winner on the "Junior Thesis Contest." Brother Calhoun was also distinguished on the Barker Oratorical Contest, taking second place in a close contest in which he had first place in thought and composition.

In athletics we are well represented—having held the managership of the foot-ball team, on which we had two representatives. R. H. Dash, *Σ A E*, and O. J. Sweet, *Δ T Δ*, represented Simpson in the state tennis tournament, winning second place in singles and third in doubles. We have a clearer field for success politically next year than in the past. The strongest opposition graduated with the class of '94, while we continue to have the leading men in school.

C. B. Cheney, '94, is reporting on *The Minneapolis Times*, and A. H. Wood, '94, is teaching. E. V. Badley, who has been attending Leland Stanford, Jr., University during the past year, spent commencement with us. A company of eight Sigs spent a few weeks at Lakes Minnetonka and Harriet of Minnesota, during the summer.

Simpson College is prospering and each department is making special advancement. Our school of music is rapidly becoming one of the best in the West, under the able direction of Prof. F. E. Barrows. A leave of absence of one year each has been granted to Prof. J. L. Tilton and to Prof. Bar-

rows. The former recently won a scholarship of Harvard, where he will spend the year in special work in geology. The latter will spend a year in Berlin, Germany, studying music. A \$15,000 Young Men's Christian Association building will soon be erected on the campus.

Iowa Sigma is proud of THE RECORD and wishes to compliment the editor. We are also interested in the coming song book. We hope to be represented at the convention, and also desire sincerely to do some work this year for Province Zeta.

Fraternally, E. N. CALHOUN.

MISSOURI ALPHA, UNIVERSITY of MISSOURI.

Since our last letter to THE RECORD, everything at the University of Missouri has moved along smoothly. Six of the new buildings have just been completed at a cost of \$350,000, and afford ample facilities to accommodate fully twelve hundred students, together with the main building that will cost \$300,000, which will soon be finished.

The University of Missouri is the second wealthiest state institution in the United States, having an endowment of considerably over a million dollars, with early prospects for new gymnasium and medical buildings at a cost of about \$75,000 each. A full attendance is expected next session, which will probably be the largest ever experienced in the history of the University.

$\Sigma A E$ now has a membership of fourteen and loses several men by graduation. Curtis Hayden and Edward T. Allen will graduate, and Charles W. Latimer, the great left-tackle on the University foot-ball team, will graduate in Law. We are well represented on the crack base-ball nine by Rolla R. Rothwell, '96.

$\Sigma A E$ is nicely housed in an elegant and commodious hall in the Warder building in the central part of the city. The floor is well waxed and quite convenient for informal hops and various other social entertainments.

Frequently, we receive visits from our alumni and are always glad to see them. Frank O. Ray, '92, who is in the employment of the Missillon Bridge Co., with headquarters at St. Louis, recently made us a pleasant visit. Claude E. Buchanan, Georgia Phi, '93, also stopped off with us for a few days on his way further west. Captain Harris L. Moore, '92, is now Professor of Latin and Greek at the Marmaduke Military Academy at Sweet Springs, Missouri.

Trusting that the coming year of '94-'95 may prove a very successful one for Sigma Alpha Epsilon everywhere, I remain,
Yours Fraternally, CURTIS HAYDEN.

MISSOURI BETA, WASHINGTON UNIVERSITY.

The summer months find Missouri Beta quietly perfecting plans for the coming year. After commencement, we found our number reduced to four, but our zeal for $\Sigma A E$ was correspondingly increased. Since the beginning of vacation we have secured quarters in the University law building and will have them elegantly furnished before the opening of school. We have two pledged men whose initiation will be reported in the next RECORD. Besides these pledged men we expect to get some from the incoming Freshman class. The alumni are displaying an active interest in our welfare and are contributing liberally.

Missouri Beta gained a large share of the honors during the year of '93-'94. We regret that we have nothing more of general interest to report at present. Our next letter will contain more news.
Fraternally, A. F. ITTNER.

NEBRASKA LAMBDA-PI, UNIVERSITY OF NEBRASKA.

On May 26th Lambda-Pi completed the first year of her existence. The entrance of Sigma Alpha Epsilon into the University of Nebraska was the beginning of a new era in fraternity life in the University. $\Sigma A E$ chose for its standard the aristocracy of personal worth. Inspired with this principle, the standard of royal purple and old gold has been, we have every reason to believe, planted firmly and surely, and what was a year ago a fervent wish is today a reality. It gives me pleasure to introduce Bröthers Rufus Lloyd Steen, of Wahoo, and Clarence LeRoy Marine, of Lincoln, who became Greeks May 3rd. In presenting these two brothers to Sigdom I present two men worthy to represent the cause of DeVotie. After the initiation we sat down to an informal spread prepared by our young lady friends. Brother C. F. Gund, '93, was present and added to the enjoyableness of the occasion. Besides the initiates spoken of above, we have also initiated since the opening of last year Albert Sidney White, of Omaha, Arthur Bottome Ryons, of Lincoln, and Leslie David Martin, of St. Paul.

We lost, by graduation, Willits H. Sawyer, '94, who has been a prominent factor in our success. A more thoroughly good hearted and enthusiastic Sig than Brother Sawyer is hard to find. On commencement day John H. Farwell, of Lincoln, whom I shall introduce to Sigdom in the December RECORD, gave a farewell dinner to the chapter, at the conclusion of which an elegant $\Sigma A E$ ring was presented to Mr. Sawyer.

We have been quite active in all departments of fraternity work this year. In social honors we have had a man on the Glee Club, representatives on both Junior and Senior Hop committees. On May 11th we gave our annual ball, to which were invited representatives from ΣX , $B \theta \Pi$, $\Phi \Delta \theta$, $\Delta T \Delta$, and the elite of Lincoln society. The affair was a grand success and the reputation of our men as royal entertainers was sustained. In athletics we have had captain of the Varsity eleven, Mr. Pace. Brother Sawyer won the mile and half-mile races and was second in the quarter-mile race. Brother Haughton was an editor of *The Sombbrero*, the college annual. If the future of $\Sigma A E$ in Nebraska can be judged by the enthusiasm and success of this year's work, the path of Sigdom will be resplendent with success.

The spirit of activity is abroad in Nebraska. The men who are at the head of the University are imbued with the possibilities before them and there is to be no ceasing until we are the first among state institutions of the West. In like manner the Sigs in this state are determined to advance with their *alma mater*, nay, even to outstrip her if possible. The past year has been a year of remarkable success for us. Let us resolve to make the worth and glory of our noble order known in every nook and corner of our land.

Nebraska Lambda-Pi extends most hearty congratulations to that sturdy young New England chapter, Massachusetts Delta. She is a worthy member of a worthy Province.

Yours in $\Sigma A E$, CLARENCE E. TEFFT.

ARKANSAS ALPHA-UPSILON, UNIVERSITY OF ARKANSAS.

The penant of Arkansas Alpha-Upsilon is in the breeze and her knights stand ready to enter the friendly lists or to vindicate her honor on the field. As much has already been told about us in the history of our chapter, I will not repeat those facts here. We are represented in every department of

our institution and are fully alive to the responsibilities of the work before us. Our undergraduates are individually the most energetic and successful students of the University.

The majority of our boys have rooms out in town, yet we have one of our best men in the dormitory to look after the Kappa Sigmas there. He is John M. Kelso, and we think it necessary to keep one man like him in the $\kappa \Sigma$ stronghold to give tone to the society. The fact that the boys board out in town gives occasion for frequent visits and the spirit of mutual assistance already seems to prevail widely.

We are well represented in athletic circles. R. T. Pittman is secretary and treasurer of the Athletic club and R. B. Irwin is an enthusiastic athlete.

On the staff of *The Magazine* appear the names of J. D. Head, editor-in-chief; W. Ewing Boyd and W. Meade Fishback, Jr.

Of the class of '93, we have only two with us, but we will graduate five men this year and we think we have the honor man of the Course in Liberal Arts, in the person of our James DeKalb Head. Since our organization we have received several personal letters from prominent alumni of $\Sigma A E$, who welcome us. We take this opportunity of saying that we are here to stay and to make ourselves felt for good in this institution.

During the pleasant stay of Brother Bunting in our midst, we all became very much attached to him and all regretted that his stay with us could not be longer. On the night before he went away we had a "hop" complimentary to him and every Sig accompanied him to the train. The last thing our excellent brother heard on leaving the town was the combination of sixteen voices making the welkin ring with:

"'Rah, 'rah, bon ton
Sigma Alpha Epsilon!"

Our rival here is $\kappa \Sigma$, and we recognize the members to be truly "foemen worthy of our steel" and are prepared to appreciate them; but we have no fears that they will load themselves with honors at our expense.

Yours in $\Sigma A E$, W. EWING BOYD.

TEXAS RHO, UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS.

Just at the close of another college year, Texas Rho wishes to let the Fraternity know that she is alive. We are down here all alone, and sometimes are apt to forget that we are

part of an integral whole, now reaching from ocean to ocean, from lakes to the gulf. We have an eye single to the welfare of $\Sigma A E$, however quiet and unassuming we may seem.

During the past year we have not increased our chapter list, as we did not think there was any material in the University worthy of $\Sigma A E$. We are extremely conservative, perhaps too much so, yet certainly none but the best men are admitted into our Fraternity. What the coming year will bring we do not know.

One of the greatest contests of the year was over the selection of the "final ball president." The fight was between $\Sigma A E$ and $K \Sigma$, and we must acknowledge our defeat. This is not strange when you consider that $K \Sigma$ has twenty-four members to our six. $K A$, ΣN and $B \theta H$ have about fifteen members, while $X \phi$, ΣX , and $\phi J \theta$ have about our number. In scholarship we stand high, and we secured many distinctions last year—more than any other fraternity here. We promise the order to renew depleted ranks the coming session.

Yours in $\Sigma A E$, JOHN STEVENS LOCKWOOD.

COLORADO CHI, UNIVERSITY OF COLORADO.

One sleeping in our Chapter House during the night preceding commencement day might well have thought, as he emerged from his slumbers, that he lived in the days of Noah and was truly a witness to the interesting scenes of the deluge; for on every side the waters of a flood were sweeping by. The creek knew not its banks nor the bridges their places. Behold a group of Sigs, with such surroundings! They hardly looked like Sigs. Their actions were strange and their faces were odd and changeful—now blank, now set with fear, now flushed with laughter. Some were radical, some conservative. Some advocated leaving immediately, others feared no danger. But whatever of other thoughts filled their heads there was one in common; they all gathered on the porch, and at the sight of our lady friends from the college on the southern shore, had you listened, you might have heard this refrain coming through the mist and between the trees:

"Sigma Alpha Epsilon, name I love to think upon.
Name above all fair and dear
To loyal Sigmas far and near."

And as the tune died away following it closely came this sharp report:

"Rah! Rah! Bon! Ton! Sigma Alpha Epsilon."

Soon the boys filed out in pairs with bundles, packages and trunks and after wading a block or more, safely landed on the shore. A few days passed and the flood had gone into history. Mr. R. H. Whiteley, an old member of *Δ T Δ*, threw open his residence to a number of our unhousted boys—an act on his part which was very much appreciated by us and which stands as an example to be emulated in inter-fraternity matters.

As you might infer, the floods interrupted commencement, and it was not until the next Monday, and then with great difficulty, that the final exercises were completed. The degree Bachelor of Laws was then conferred upon B. M. Webster, E. C. Howe and D. E. Fryer. Alwyn C. Smith had the honor of being our only Bachelor of Science. Conrad Bluhm, having also graduated, will attend the Union Theological Seminary next year.

One of the most enjoyable events of the season was our picnic given May 26th. A party of sixteen members and lady friends,—in decorated tallyhos, was driven ten miles up the canon to Boulder Falls. There, near the spray of falling waters, and under the shade of pine and spruce, was spent a day of gaiety and gladness. All the way up and back the songs and yells of Sigdom filled the air—they resounded through the gulches, along the canons and crept clear up to the mountain tops. It is intended to hold a like picnic annually hereafter.

In the next letter from Colorado Chi something will appear on the subject of our new chapter house. The work is progressing nicely. The house is built on land that is high and dry; its foundation is laid upon the same formation that underlies the Rocky Mountains; its walls are made of stone extracted from the hills behind it; and the whole structure is so firmly built and securely bound that the rains may descend and the floods may come and the winds may blow and beat upon that house, but it shall fall not, for it is founded upon a rock. So of the spirit which animated its building and which shall abide within its walls; that spirit shall fall not, for it is founded on the ties of brotherly love.

DAVID E. FRYER.

COLORADO ZETA, UNIVERSITY OF DENVER.

We are extremely pleased at the addition of another chapter to this far away province and at the probability of a sec-

ond. To Arkansas Alpha-Upsilon we extend a hearty welcome. May her "shadow never grow less."

We were very much amused at the effort of our rivals in the April *Beta Theta Pi*, quoting and replying to our March letter. The ability of some people to pervert the truth is astonishing. In mentioning the honors attained by *B Θ. Π.*, we heard nothing of the comparatively short time *Σ Α Ε* had been at Denver. Neither did we hear that the '94 valedictorian was a Sig, notwithstanding that the writer of the article referred to was a member of the same class and had high aspirations in that same direction.

During the summer we received a short visit from Brother S. E. Ellis of Ohio Delta. Brother Ellis evidently had exchanged pins with some member of the fair sex, yet he succeeded in making himself known and we gained profit and pleasure from his visit.

A few short months and the Washington convention will be upon us and then the all important question, where shall the next convention be held? Denver has entertained all the other large organizations of America and we would like very much to see *Σ Α Ε* here in '95. We think it would do the western chapters an immense amount of good, and that the fraternity at large would profit thereby. We give notice now, that our delegates will be instructed to boom, to the best of their ability, "Denver for '95." Our alumni Association is still in the bud. Some of our members left the city commencement week, so it was thought best to postpone organization until this fall. We cannot tell at present in what condition we will open up the year, but we hope for the best. Our members were instructed to keep their eyes open during the summer, and we look for some good material to work upon. Then, too, some of our old men expect to return, which will greatly strengthen our chapter.

Fraternally, GEORGE D. KIMBALL.

CALIFORNIA ALPHA, LELAND STANFORD, JR., UNIVERSITY.

While other chapters are heralding to the Fraternity at large the honors their members have achieved, California Alpha must remain silent and be content, in this our commencement letter, in congratulating others on their noble work. The modern spirit of university teaching has had its effect here at Stanford in stamping out all prize speaking,

military drill and other useless hubbub of commencement week.

As regards our chapter, we are in a most flourishing condition. Last year we initiated five men, completed the furnishings of our house, and endeavored to keep up to date in our accounts and chapter correspondence. We have three men pledged for next year and hope to open up with twelve or thirteen men. Claude Downing, one of our charter members, will be with us indefinitely. His father is building a beautiful home in Palo Alto, so for years to come the chapter will be so fortunate as to have in her number one of her organizers and most energetic workers. Harry J. Cox and A. B. Daniels will not be back next year. Mr. Cox is thinking some of attending the University of California, while Mr. Daniels leaves to accept the position of vice-president of a large dry goods house in the city of Denver.

At the close of the year we had a quiet spread. Several alumni were present and had such a good time that one happened to sprain his hip while another went home with his thumb tied up in a sling. No members of the chapter were hurt.

Fraternally, ALFRED B. SPALDING.

ASSOCIATION LETTERS.

NEW YORK CITY, NEW YORK.

It has been more than a year since our association was formed, but we have little to report except personal notices of our members. Shortly after our organization, we had an informal dinner, and determined to have others of its character at frequent intervals. With the beginning of the new college year, we expect to renew our meetings and revive our enthusiasm.

Among our members during the past year has been William Leslie French, Connecticut Alpha, '93, a student of the General (Episcopal) Theological School at Chelsea Square. Although a new man in $\Sigma A E$ circles, Brother French has done much earnest work for the fraternity. If all our men are like him, let the good work go on.

C. B. Carter, Georgia Beta, '87, is a specialist of the ear, eye and throat, with an office on Fifty-ninth street, near Fifth avenue. Dr. Carter is rapidly gaining a name and reputation for himself, even among his brother practitioners.

Ovide Dupree, North Carolina Xi, '62, is a prominent downtown lawyer, doing a large practice in international law. J. S. Hill, '89, also of North Carolina Xi, has been a law student at Columbia College, and is now connected with a prominent law firm. Russell Bellamy, North Carolina Xi, '91, recently made a trip through the West as attendant physician to the son of Commodore Elbridge T. Gerry. Dr. Bellamy has been a member of the house corps at Bellevue Hospital for some time.

J. G. Basinger, Georgia Beta, '90, has recently "blossomed forth" for himself, having entered into a co-partnership under the name of Hening & Basinger, for general civil engineering work, at Yonkers, New York. May success attend him.

Caskie Harrison, whom we know as the founder of Tennessee Omega, is principal of the Brooklyn Latin School. He is as brim full of enthusiasm as ever over the thought of doing all he can for $\Sigma A E$. Robert Gibson, Jr., Tennessee Omega, '87, is an assistant in one of the big law firms down town, and is rapidly carving his way to the front.

Walter Barnwell, Tennessee Omega, '91, is the principal of one of the intermediate grades at Trinity School, on West Forty-fifth street. Your correspondent, Georgia Beta, '90, is still "pegging away" as assistant to a prominent engineer in the city, at 2629 Third Avenue. He can only say of himself that he has hopes. Yours Fraternally, B. C. COLLIER.

ATLANTA, GEORGIA.

Summer left our association stronger and more earnest in the cause than ever before and it is with pride that we record what Georgia Sigs have accomplished. First in importance in a fraternity sense is the establishment of another southern chapter. Let us present to you our summer-born Arkansas Alpha-Upsilon, which came in with the watermelons, when the thoughts of most *Σ A E* men and maidens were not turned to *almæ matres*. This excellent chapter is due to the energy and ability of our young brother, George Herbert Bunting, president of Province Gamma. He has tarried in the west on other fraternity business. We wish him great success.

Our Georgia chapters all commence the session full of enterprise, strength and enthusiasm. Each chapter is doing good work and is not only sustaining the record of *Σ A E* in Georgia but making progress in many lines. We expect to organize a state association this fall, while a number of our men expect to go to Washington to the convention.

Among the signal achievements of our members I will recall the nomination of Brother W. Y. Atkinson, Georgia Beta, '77, as the candidate of the democracy for Governor of Georgia. This usually means an election by 70,000 majority. Brother Thomas Watson, called "the up-to-date Gracchus of the populist party in the South," has just started a new party paper in Atlanta, *The Daily Press*. Then Samuel Spencer, Georgia Pi, '63, once the best *Σ A E* organizer in Georgia, and recently a financier of great repute in New York, has been elected president of the Southern Railway Company, comprising the great systems of the Richmond and Danville, Richmond Terminal, East Tennessee, Virginia and Georgia, Georgia Central and the Georgia Pacific. This makes our esteemed brother the most conspicuous figure in railway affairs in the entire South. John Newton Craig, Jr., Tennessee Zeta, '88, has been making a literary hit of the juvenile weekly paper, *The Constitution, Jr.* He bears the sole editorial management of the venture.

Yours in bonds, CLAUDE EUGENE BUCHANAN.

AUGUSTA, GEORGIA.

It has been a very profitable summer among our alumni here. We have become more in touch with each other, and by keeping our eyes open, have succeeded in pledging every desirable man from Augusta that contemplates attending a college where $\Sigma A E$ has a chapter.

Of the three men running for the state legislature from this county, two are members of our association. There are now about seventy-five loyal Sigs in Augusta, and as soon as they are called on, are ready for work.

The city is full of fraternity men but $\Sigma A E$ has as many members in Augusta as all other fraternities put together. The $K A$ and $A T Q$ fraternities are next in the number of alumni here. As I said in my last letter to THE RECORD, when information is wanted in regard to Augusta men, I will gladly give it.

Yours in the Bonds, F. MILLEDGE LOCKHART.

CHICAGO, ILLINOIS.

As the Chicago Alumni Association has not held a meeting during the summer, owing partly to various local, meteorological and socialistic disturbances, I will give only a few personals of the members. But we are planning a big banquet for the late autumn, at which we hope to have a full representation of the fraternity officers and members from neighboring chapters. This will serve as an advance notice that all Sigs are invited to attend.

Lieut. E. D. Hoyle, of the United States Army, and a member of old Georgia Delta chapter, who was called to Chicago during the big strike, with the horse troops from Fort Riley, Kansas, was a hero of the terrific caisson explosion on Grand boulevard, which killed so many people, in the month of July. He escaped uninjured. During the strike period Harry R. Lowrie, of Michigan Alpha, was stationed at the stockyards doing reportorial work for *The Chicago Herald*. Your scribe did the situation over at Pullman for the City Press Association. Lowrie also followed Gen. Randall with his "Coxeyites" through Indiana earlier in the summer. A. Z. Horning, of Michigan Iota-Beta, was a sergeant of the United States deputy marshals that escorted mails through turbulent strike districts. S. Hugh Dent, of Alabama Iota, found the climate too rigorous here and has returned to his

old home at Eufaula, Alabama. We were sorry to give him up. R. F. Bunting, of Tennessee Zeta, is traveling the southern territory for the "Monarch" cycle and says it is the best wheel on the market. John B. Newman, of Michigan Iota-Beta, spent the summer at his Lake Geneva cottage. Lieut. W. W. Lewis, of Kentucky Chi, has reentered army life and is now stationed at Fort Yates, South Dakota.

HARRY S. BUNTING.

KANSAS CITY, MISSOURI.

The Kansas City Alumni Association is now a permanent organization and in the future intends to accomplish much good work for the fraternity at large. It had been the desire of the Sigma Alpha Epsilon men in the city to organize an association for some time, but not until the visit of the Bunting boys, Brothers Harry and George, did we fully appreciate the many advantages to be gained by such an organization.

We start our existence with a good list of men, occupying as they do the most prominent positions in public and private life, and we hope soon to add many new names to our already large roll. Our present intention is to have a dinner soon and we shall spare no pains in making it the grandest affair of the kind ever gotten up in this vicinity. About twice a year we shall have a similar gathering and in the meantime hold meetings regularly—say monthly—to discuss all matters pertaining to our success and that of the fraternity in general. Extension shall have our careful attention and earnest efforts. We should not be surprised if something drops in a neighboring state before this is published, since the Bunting boys have their heads bent that way, and this generally means success, as the fraternity can well appreciate.

At our last meeting we elected officers for the remainder of the year. They are as follows: President, C. E. Burnham, of Missouri Alpha; Vice President, Edward S. Chambliss, of Alabama Alpha-Mu; Treasurer, Charles Carlisle, of Ohio Sigma; Secretary, George G. Frey, of Missouri Alpha.

Gladly do we welcome the latest born of Sigma Alpha Epsilon,—Arkansas Alpha-Upsilon, and we wish her a prosperous and useful career.

Trusting that success may everywhere crown the fraternity,
I remain Yours Fraternaly, GEORGE G. FREY.

ODDS AND ENDS.

Massachusetts Beta-Upsilon sent in the first letter to this issue of THE RECORD; Nebraska Lambda-Pi, the second.

Our popular treasurer, A. M. Austin, is principal of the schools at Ottawa, Ohio. Congratulations and best wishes.

Carl D. Hazelton, '93, of Indiana Alpha, is now in attendance at the Theological Seminary, at Newton Center, Massachusetts.

Robert Johnston, of Massachusetts Iota-Tau, visited Pennsylvania Sigma-Phi at commencement, and is loud in his praises of Sigma-Phi's hospitality.

We regret that we have so little space for alumni personals. Our correspondents should send them in, just the same, as we will use them as space permits.

Arkansas recently elected Brother E. B. Kinsworthy, attorney general, and Brother George P. Harrison will be elected to congress this fall from an Alabama district.

Champe S. Andrews has been busy this Summer in getting new data for a historical sketch, and the results of his work will appear in THE RECORD in the near future.

Paul M. North has discontinued his newspaper work, and is now in charge of the schools of Springfield, Baca county, Colorado. He promises an article or two for the next RECORD.

Sigma Alpha Epsilon has fifty-two active chapters, and we publish a letter from every chapter in this issue. It has taken time and patience to secure them, but we feel repaid for all our labor.

We are pleased to add *The University Magazine* to our exchange list. By the way, many of our exchanges come quite irregularly; come, brother editors, if you want THE RECORD as a regular visitor, please reciprocate.

Do our chapter correspondents ever read the instructions sent them? If they do, many of the letters fail to show it. Please read our editorial in this issue, and before you write again, read the notice which we will send you.

This issue of THE RECORD has been prepared in the pleasant chapter rooms of the Theta Delta Chi fraternity of Boston University, where the Editor has had his headquarters during the summer months.

The modesty of Mr. W. L. Lowrie evidently prevented him from signing his name to the sketch of Claudius Dockery, in our March issue. It did not pass through the editor's hands, and we forgot to make due acknowledgment in our last issue.

We congratulate the Ohio State Association upon the selection of its officers; especially its president, Mr. George H. Kress is the recipient of an honor worthily bestowed. He is an enthusiastic worker, and will hold a high place in the councils of *Σ A E*.

Mr. Herman C. Allen, of Indiana Beta, recently spent a few days with the Editor, and took in the sights of the city and surrounding country. Mr. Allen is now located in Springfield, Massachusetts, and will manage to come to Boston to attend all Auburndale initiations.

We rejoice in the organization of an Alumni Association in Kansas City, Missouri. Mr. C. E. Burnham, the president, was a member of the Supreme Council in 1891. At the city election last spring, he was elected City Attorney, defeating his Democratic opponent by a large majority.

We hereby acknowledge the receipt of a twelve-page pamphlet, entitled, "The Advantages of An Electrical Fire Engine System in Our Large Cities." It is the result of an investigation made by Messrs. F. G. Clark, '94, and P. Wintermute, '94, of New York Alpha. It is ably prepared.

Nathan Heard, Massachusetts, '93, is an Assistant Examiner in the United States Patent Office at Washington, where he can be addressed at room 122. Mr. Heard is awake to our interests in Washington. He will probably be there for several years, as he expects to study law in his odd moments.

Our thanks are especially due Messrs. J. Adger Stewart, of Georgia Phi, H. C. Jack, of Alabama Iota, and A. J. Tuttle, of Michigan Iota-Beta, for assistance in securing a complete list of chapter letters for this issue. Mr. Stewart has been doing yeoman service for *Σ A E* in Georgia and throughout the whole South.

Mr. W. A. Clarke, of Toledo, Ohio, has undertaken to secure a page of legal advertisements for THE RECORD. He has our fullest approval of his scheme, and we urge our members, active and alumni, to assist him as much as they can. Of the advantage of such a page, both to our members and to the advertisers, there can be no doubt.

Howard P. Nash and W. L. Lowrie have been European visitors during the summer. Mr. Nash contented himself with a trip through England, but Mr. Lowrie took a run over pretty much all the western part of the continent, including Scotland. George A. Moore, '94, of Massachusetts Beta-Upsilon, spent a few weeks in London and Paris.

Chapter correspondents should not forget to send us copies of college papers and magazines, and local papers containing notices of $\Sigma A E$. Mark all such notices, and save the editor the trouble of reading the whole publication to find the item in question. These notices are invaluable to the editor, and may aid him materially in getting out THE RECORD.

We are glad to note the number of annual circular letters sent out by our chapters. During the year, Alabama Alpha Mu sent out two letters; Colorado Chi, two; South Carolina Phi, one; Georgia Phi, one; Massachusetts Beta-Upsilon, one; Massachusetts Gamma, one; and Pennsylvania Alpha-Zeta, one. Each chapter should send out such a letter at the close of every year.

Some of the names in Indiana Alpha's engraving in this issue are scarcely legible. At the top of the page is John A. Hill, delegate to the Chattanooga convention. Then, in the regular order across the page, are A. R. Hatton, H. W. Davis, E. F. Dougherty, C. J. Andrews, J. M. Batterton, W. C. Vail, S. B. Magill, J. F. Howard, Edker Burton, J. C. Tedford and M. W. Shuh.

Early in September the editor's heart was cheered by a visit from William Mack, the founder of North Carolina Theta and California Alpha. Mr. Mack also revived Missouri Alpha some years ago and is ever ready to work for $\Sigma A E$. He was accompanied by Mr. E. T. Boggs, editor of *The Crown* of Phi Theta Psi, who is a co-laborer with Mack in law work at Northport, Long Island. Two days were scarcely sufficient to show the visitors the sights of the city. Come again, gentlemen, and remember that visitors are always welcome.

Arkansas Alpha-Upsilon is a progressive chapter, and reports two recent initiations, Carroll F. Armstead, '93, of Charleston, Arkansas, who is taking post-graduate work, and W. T. Chamness, '96, of Center Ridge, Arkansas. The boys have secured a nice hall, and are entering upon fraternity work with great zest. Another fraternity is trying to secure an entrance at the State University.

Mr. J. Adger Stewart, of Province Gamma, has secured the names and addresses of all last year's initiates within the bounds of his province, they number seventy-one. We regret that space will not permit their publication. George K. Dutton '93, of Massachusetts Beta Upsilon, now in Evansville, Indiana, is a candidate for prosecuting attorney of his county on the Populist ticket, with excellent chances of success

Few of our chapters have been heard from since the opening of the year, but such as have written us are in good condition. Ohio Sigma has ten or twelve old men, and has made several initiations. California Alpha opened with ten men, and Colorado Zeta reports good prospects. Kentucky Iota returned eleven men, and has initiated three. Indiana Alpha opened with ten men and has made at least one initiation.

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All communications and remittances, in order to reach our treasurer without delay, must be addressed to Albert M. Austin, Ottawa, Putnam County, Ohio. Note this change of address.

The next issue of *The Hustler* will be published on the 1st of November. All items intended for publication therein must be sent *at once* to J. Washington Moore, 21 Berry Block, Nashville, Tennessee.

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The next issue of THE RECORD is due December 1st. To insure publication, all contributed articles must be in the Editor's hands by November 1st, and all letters and personals by November 10th. Do not have your letter exceed one printed page. Send personal notes, marked newspapers, college publications and everything else that will help the Editor to prepare a good issue.



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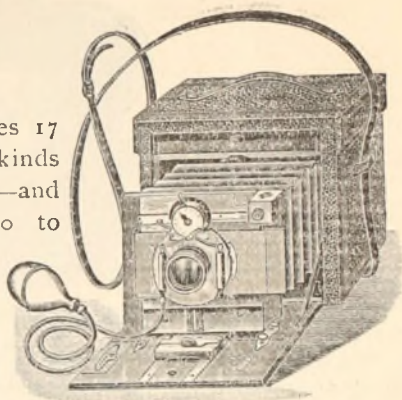
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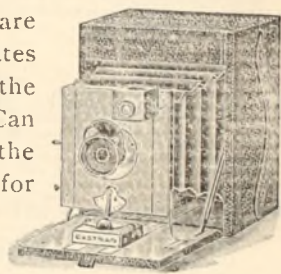
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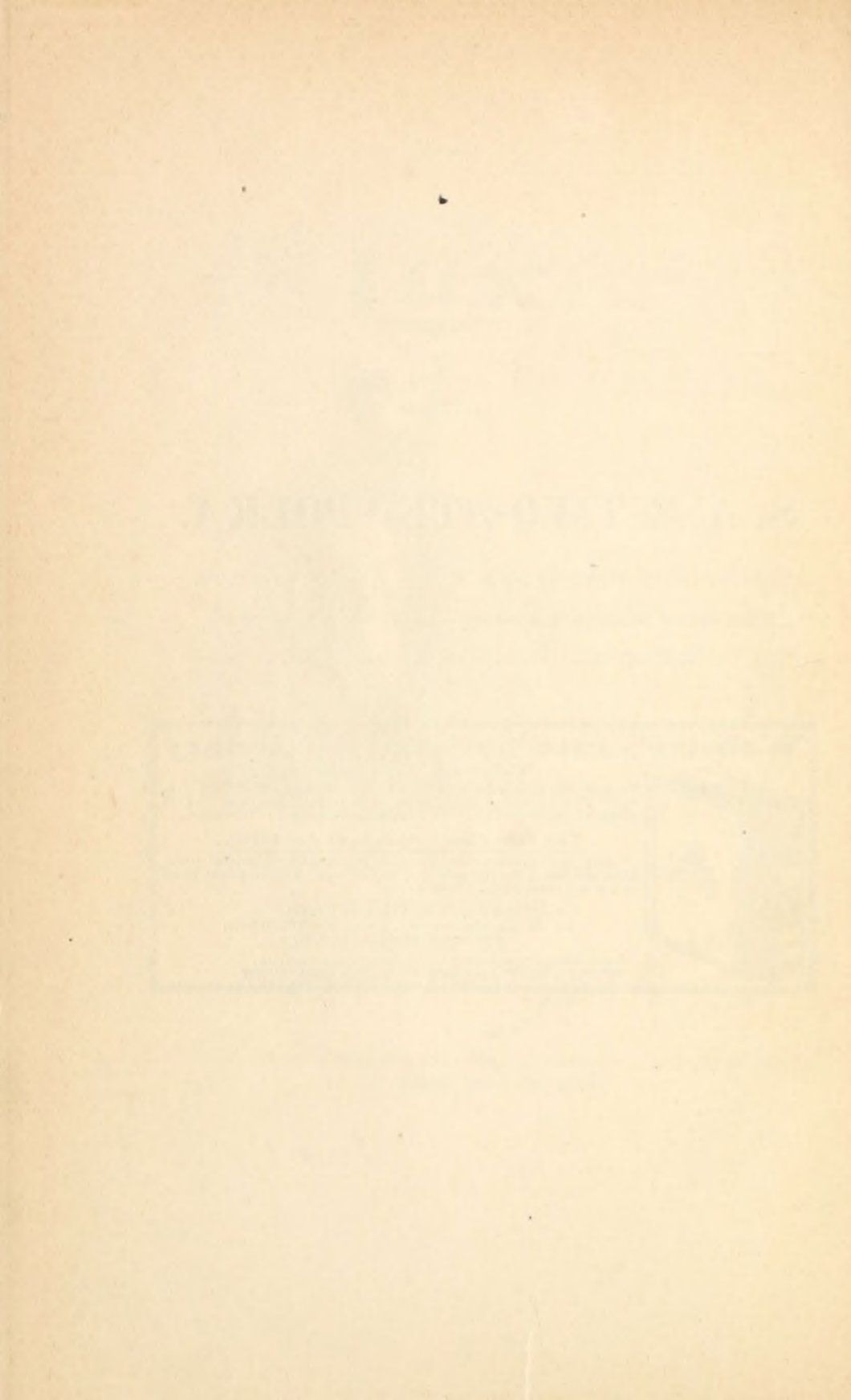
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