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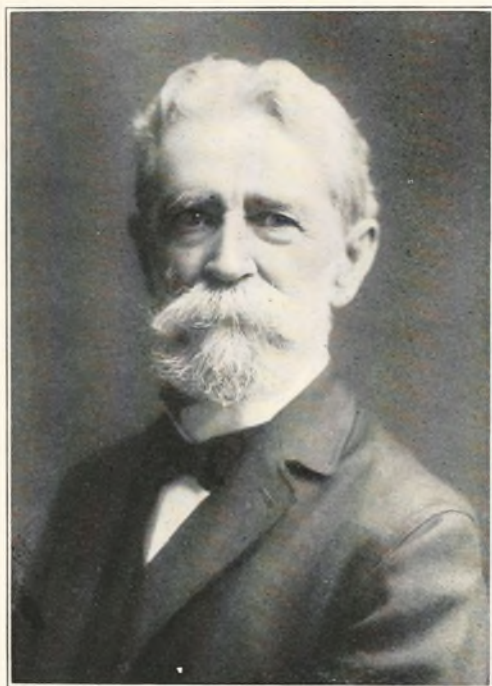
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DR. OTIS TUFTON MASON, Washington City Rho, '61.
A leading American scientist, who died
recently in Washington.



The Convention Habit

BY THOMAS MCNIDER SIMPSON, JR.

Virginia Omicron

MEN are such creatures of habit that the best reason we can give for some things we do is habit. We get up at seven or eight or nine in the morning through habit, eat three meals a day through habit, take a little exercise perhaps, merely through habit. We have seen college men who never missed a lecture, not so much because of what they cared for it as because they had the habit of going; and we have seen others who cut lectures with painstaking regularity, even when it bored them worse to find something to do than the class would have done, simply through habit.

To those of us who look with a sympathetically critical eye upon organized society, some amusement is afforded by that class of citizens sometimes vulgarly designated the "jiners," whose principal ambition in life seems to be to extend the list of the "things I belong to." Different motives seem to prompt different individuals of this class. First, there is the prestige hunter, the man who believes his social position and worth are to be measured by the number of variegated insignia he can wear upon his hat, his coat, his vest, his cravat, his watch-fob. Sometimes his aim is to belong to more orders than anyone else in his town or in his college, to be the pre-eminent brotherhood man of his community, and he sighs only when there are no more such worlds to conquer.

Close akin to the prestige hunter is the curiosity champion, the man who joins many clubs, societies and orders, simply because he can not control a wild desire to know their pass-words, rituals, grips, and the meaning of mysterious symbols on their badges. Only a little

less selfish in his interest is the man who is seeking many acquaintances, trying to boost his business with a few "glad hands."

This is only one of the many manias to which mankind is subject. Some men escape it, some men master it, some men become slaves to it. There is an advanced stage of this mania which manifests itself in the convention habit. Of course the convention habit costs more in time and money and the victims of it form a sort of aristocracy among the "jiners." They are always ready to be elected delegates to anything anywhere from Bangor to Dallas or Los Angeles. There are three principal considerations that prompt them in varying degrees. To some the trip is the great incentive, getting on the cars and going, seeing a new place, meeting some new folks. To others the fun is the inducement, the social part of the announced program is most carefully examined, and the convention is tested by the multiplicity of its opportunities for a "good time." To a few others, veterans of the habit, each new convention is an opportunity to add one to the record, to hang another souvenir or two over the mirror.

If these men with a mania represented all that there is or all that is best in fraternal organization and in fraternal conventions, the picture would be more doleful and less ludicrous than it is. But, in sharp contrast with the types just characterized, there can always be found hosts of splendid men who appreciate the true meaning of fraternity, to whom brotherhood is opportunity for mutual helpfulness and not mere self-aggrandizement, and to whom the conventions of their orders are seasons of serious effort for the promotion of the best interests of the organizations. For the purpose of this discussion the contrast is especially urged between the convention goer and the convention worker, between the convention habit as a mania and the convention habit as a recognition of privilege and obligation.

What is a convention for, anyway? For social intercourse? Emphatically, yes. The mingling of men from many states, the exchange of personal courtesies, the revelation of sectional peculiarities, the conversational discussion of topics of common interest, all these serve to broaden men, to make them more understanding and more reasonable, and they help to seal the bond of fellowship that has sometimes been more theoretical than real. Even the play days of a great convention are of real value. The true man stands often unmasked at play who has worn at his tasks the mask of his calling, and the bitterness of honest differences of opinion yield frequently to the softening influence of honest fun together. But if the social side were all, the work of the convention would fall short of its purpose. The habitual convention goer can be relied upon for that, the habitual convention workers have other things to do as well.

The average fraternal convention is a body both legislative and judicial, framing new laws that may be necessary, passing judgment upon the administration of its standing ones by its officers, and electing their successors. That this work shall be properly done demands some older heads, some members who are not new to the convention, men who have the convention work habit. It means some late hours, some serious debate, some patient committee work, some calm and sober thought. The man with the convention habit for what there is in it for him is worth very little when the real work comes in. State and national legislators seem to feel that they are paid to make laws and if we need no new ones they give us some regardless. In the convention of a fraternal organization legislation should be restrained, and that means work—few laws, but the right ones.

A point of great danger, because it is a source of easy error, is the election of officers. The officers elected by most conventions have between meetings a very considerable discretionary power in administration, or if their authority is well hedged about, a still considerable opportunity to make plans to dominate the next convention. How important is the selection of officers is little realized by the new convention goer or by the social convention goer. And how easy it is, unless some strong workers can exercise a wholesome influence, for the offices to go to men who have made many friends on the social side of the convention. Some convention nominations and elections seem the most hap-hazard of procedures, and the organization pays the price of these personal preferments.

Thus far there has been no restriction of the type of the convention to young or old, beneficiary or non-beneficiary, collegiate, professional, business, or trade. The remarks made seem applicable to political and even religious conventions as well as to those of fraternal orders. But there will be appropriateness in giving a special consideration to the Greek-letter fraternity convention as a special type, for it has its own peculiarities and its own dangers.

In the first place, the membership of such a convention is very largely young and inexperienced. Very few men ever represent a chapter the second time and only the officers and a few enthusiastic alumni form a nucleus of experienced workers. At the same time that this inexperience is a handicap it is not without its advantage in the freshness of the interest of these new delegates. The routine is not an old story to them, they are not habitual convention goers, they are not even habitual "jinners," most of them centering their entire fraternal interest in the one college fraternity. The legislation for discussion is not foreign to their interests, for they are not mere oc-

casional droppers-in at lodge, but regular attendants upon chapter meetings.

But there is a great danger of their being swept away by society's claims. They are young college men, they are lions of the occasion in the convention city, and they are taking a respite from their books. It is not unnatural if they prefer an all-night dance to an all-night committee meeting, though neither is very advisable. And then, too, the local alumni feel quite often that the convention's success is going to be judged by the amount of entertaining that they do, by the elaborateness of a german or the sumptuousness of a banquet; there is danger then that courteous young delegates, rather than cut the hospitality of the hosts, will cut the sterner duties of the convention hall and the committee room.

Even in the college fraternity there are those who have the convention habit. And unfortunate indeed is that fraternity which has not some strong, loyal members, who come back year after year and preserve the tradition of the gathering and serve as animated archives of past actions. Such men in a fraternity are an inspiration to the younger membership and make a convention a working unit instead of a helpless aggregation. The older men who come back come usually to work rather than merely to mingle socially with the younger brothers, and so there is little to fear of the convention habit here.

Narrowing the discussion once more, a word is not out of place concerning our own approaching convention at Atlantic City in June. A double experiment is being tried, the summer meeting instead of Christmas, and the seaside resort instead of the convention city. The summer should afford a chance for very many to be present who could not come in mid-session and Atlantic City should attract many with or without the habit. The social feature will not be emphasized, there will be no large body of alumni to extend favors and demand much of the time. Atlantic City's normal attractions will be relied upon for pleasure and time will be ample for full discussion of business.

The success of this, as of every other gathering, depends upon careful preparation. The delegate should know well in advance that he is going so that he can think about it, chapters should discuss needed legislation during the year, and plan for the fullest possible representation. Only the united effort of officers, alumni and active members can make this the biggest and busiest convention yet, and the bigger and the busier it is the more will be the recruits to the working ranks of the convention habit.

Colonel Rudolph Visits Atlanta

THERE was excitement and genuine pleasure among S. A. E.'s of the Atlanta colony one morning in September, when Marshall Lane telephoned Fred Stone that Colonel Rudolph was in town. Within a few minutes the Colonel was holding a reception and a group of young S. A. E.'s was listening attentively to his charming stories and experiences.



Left to right: C. G. OGBURN, Georgia Psi, '02; C. F. STONE, Georgia Phi, '03; L. W. FOREMAN, Georgia Epsilon, '01; COLONEL RUDOLPH; C. P. WOOD, N. Y. Alpha, '04; M. H. LANE, JR., Georgia Psi, '05.

Our Grand Old Man had been out on a trip for his health and had stopped in Atlanta to visit relatives and to break his homeward journey so he would not have to travel at night. He was in splendid spirits and seemed to enjoy every minute of the reunion which did not last nearly as long as his friends wanted. He wished to know about many whom he had met at the Atlanta Convention; he had but recently had a letter "from Kimball" and he was going to write soon "to Billy." Atlanta made him recall the time he left his arm there and this brought out many of his most thrilling experiences. He left on the four o'clock train, bidding us a reluctant adieu and promising to take good care of himself and to come to see us again:

"Now, boys, I am going over to Pleasant Hill to rest up and to get myself in good shape, and in June I am coming back to take my crowd to Atlantic City."

If we could corral all the lukewarm S. A. E.'s and let them shake hands with Colonel John Rudolph, Alabama '56, there would be a marvelous transformation. His manner is as charming as it is irresistible and as he talks his eyes shine and his laugh rings out, and you have before you "Jack Rudolph" as of old. We count ourselves more than fortunate to have this one of the original seven still with us and it is our earnest prayer that we may be blessed with his delightful presence for many years to come.

CHARLES P. WOOD.



Dr. Otis Tufton Mason*

DR. Otis Tufton Mason, Washington City Rho, '61, the foremost American ethnologist and anthropologist, died in Washington, November fifth, 1908. Dr. Mason's name appears prominently in *Who's Who in America* and in *American Men of Science*. He was a member of many honorary and scientific societies in this country and abroad and was honored with various degrees as follows: A.B., 1861; A.M., 1862; Ph.D., 1879, and LL.D., 1898. He was initiated into Sigma Alpha Epsilon in 1859. In 1862 he married Sarah E. Henderson. The following clipping from the *Washington Post* of November sixth, gives an interesting sketch of his career:

Dr. Otis Tufton Mason, curator of the department of anthropology of the National Museum, a scientist of international reputation and an author of renown, died yesterday morning at the home of Dr. D. K. Shute, 1719 DeSales street, from a complication of diseases, aged 71 years.

The funeral services will be held at the residence of Dr. Shute to-morrow morning at 11 o'clock. Interment will be in Oak Hill Cemetery. There will be memorial services in Catlin Hall, at the National Museum. Dr. Mason's workshop, this morning at 10 o'clock.

Though not well for nearly two years, the fatal illness of Dr. Mason did not manifest itself until three weeks ago. For ten days he had been unable to attend to his duties.

For six years Dr. Mason had been at the head of the anthropological department of the museum, and he had endeared himself to all his associates.

"His loss is inestimable," said a museum official. "For twenty-four years his work had been upbuilding this department of the museum, and in all of that time not the slightest friction had developed."

Dr. Mason was born in Eastport, Me., but soon afterward his father moved to Virginia, settling on the old Nellie Custis estate, near Mount Vernon, where, under the shadow of General Washington's old home, Dr.

*See Frontispiece.

Mason grew to manhood. He was graduated from the old Columbian University, became an instructor in that institution, and, in his spare moments, he assisted Professor Henry in his work as secretary of the Smithsonian Institution, which later led him to identify himself wholly with the museum.

His interest in anthropological matters developed in boyhood, being brought about by his reading Guyot's "Earth and Man," a book left at his father's house by a visitor. He was a writer all of his life, some of his more noteworthy productions being "The Hupa Indian Industries," "Woman's Share in Primitive Culture," "Origin of Inventions," "Primitive Transportation," "The Land Problem," "Cradles of the North American Indians," "The Antiquities of Guadeloupe," "Aboriginal American Basketry," "Throwing-sticks in the National Museum," "Throwing-sticks in Mexico and California," "The Ula, or, Woman's Knife of the Eskimo," "The Man's Knife Among North American Indians," "Aboriginal American Harpoons," "The Archaeology of the American Tide Water Region," and "Overlaying With Copper by American Aborigines."

Mrs. E. B. Pollard, of Easton, Pa., a daughter, and one grandchild survive him. Mrs. Pollard arrived in the city last night. The pallbearers will be named this morning.



Thomas Upton Sisson



IN the November elections, Mississippi sent another member to Sigma Alpha Epsilon's delegation in Congress. This new representative has won his own spurs, but he comes from Mississippi's pioneer stock. His great grandfather, William Clark, was one of the first ministers of the Christian Church in the State; his paternal grandfather was one of the earliest settlers in Choctaw County, coming from Georgia; and his maternal grandfather, Upton Miller, in the early history of the State, represented Hinds County in the Senate, 1840-'43.

Thomas Upton Sisson was born in Attala County, Mississippi, 22 September, 1869, the son of a Confederate veteran who had served three years under Forrest as a private soldier. When he was about five years old his parents moved to Choctaw County, in the same State, and he attended the common schools of this county until the organization of the French Camp Academy, through which he worked his own way, graduating in its first class. Having won a scholarship in the Southwestern Presbyterian University at Clarks-ville, he borrowed money, giving his note at ten per cent. interest, that he might continue his education. He took the three-year course of the institution at that time in two years, graduating with the degree of A. B. in 1890. While at the University he won the debater's medal of his literary society and was awarded a faculty medal. In May, 1889, he was initiated into Tennessee Zeta and was his chapter's delegate to the national convention of 1890, at Charlotte, N. C. He was there a champion of northern extension, because, as he says, he "believed in and advocated making his Fraternity a national organization."

After his graduation, he was principal of the high school at Carthage, Miss., for one year and then two years principal of the graded school at Kosciusko, Miss., declining further re-election to enter upon the study of law at Cumberland University, Lebanon, Tenn., receiving the LL.B. degree in 1894. He was affiliated with Tennessee Lambda. He began the practice of law in Memphis, but after one year joined a partnership with Hon. W. S. Hill, at Winona, Miss., where he has since lived.

He has served as State senator from Montgomery and Carroll Counties; was Democratic elector at large in 1900; has been district attorney for the fifth judicial district, to which office he was elected by a majority in eight of the nine counties comprising the district. He resigned this office to become a candidate before the democratic primary of 1907 for the governorship of Mississippi, and was defeated by a small plurality, four of the six candidates running close together. In 1908, he was a candidate for the nomination for Congress in the fourth district, and was successful in the first primary over two opponents.

His popularity as a speaker has made him the orator of several important occasions. He delivered the address on Mississippi Day at the Texas State Fair in Dallas, 1907, and this year made the principal address at the celebration of the hundredth anniversary of the birth of Jefferson Davis, by the Sons of Veterans in Memphis, and at the Confederate reunion in Birmingham this summer he delivered

an address before the convention of the Sons of Veterans that was ordered printed and sent to each member.

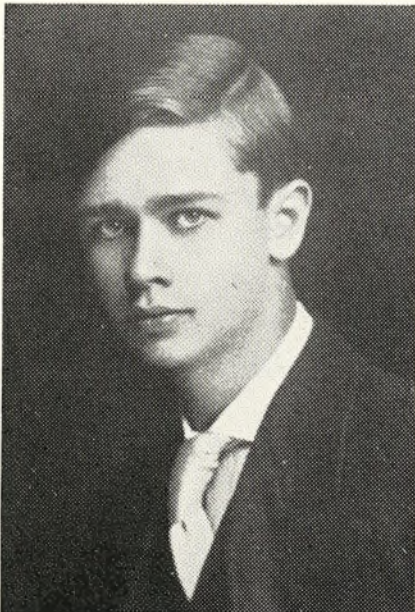
The new congressman-elect is a member of several fraternal orders, the Masonic fraternity, Odd Fellows, Woodmen of the World, B. P. O. E., and Knights of Pythias. He has taken the higher degrees of Masonry, including the Shrine, and was the youngest man ever elected Grand Master of Masons in his State. He is a communicant of the Protestant Episcopal Church. Upon June 5, 1901, he was married to Miss Mamie Purnell, and has three children, Thomas Upton, Jr., James Charles, and Mary Helen.

The energy and ability which he has displayed in the past give promise of a useful career in the National House of Representatives.

THOMAS MCNIDER SIMPSON, JR.



John Orton Watkins



John Orton Watkins was born in Vienna, Austria, of American parents, on November 6, 1888. Shortly afterwards, the family moved to New Orleans, where his father engaged in the practice of medicine for several years, later moving to Milwaukee to continue his practice. Here he died, leaving John Orton the eldest child. Black Hall, Conn., first appealed to the younger Watkins as a preparatory institution for college; he finished this preparation at Lake Forrest Academy, where he was initiated into Omicron Kappa Pi.

In September, 1907, he entered the University of Wisconsin as a Freshman in the Pre-Medic course which he hoped would eventually lead him in the footsteps of his father, the study of medicine holding many at-

tractions for him. Both in preparatory school and in his home city, he had made many friends, all of whom considered him a capable and manly fellow, in truth, a gentleman in every respect and one whose friendship meant more than the mere name implies. Wisconsin Alpha early became aware of these sterling qualities and extended to him the hand of good fellowship with an invitation to join in the bonds of Sigma Alpha Epsilon, and as a result, Watkins enrolled under the Purple and Gold.

He was an active and earnest worker in the chapter, devoting considerable time and energy to the promotion of its affairs, eager to preserve the integrity and teachings of our Order. Likewise, in the University, he was admired and respected, giving promises of a life of distinction and achievement. On the afternoon of the thirteenth of April, 1908, and in company with George K. Hamilton, a brother in Wisconsin Alpha, he paddled out in a canoe on Lake Mendota, and both were drowned.

F. WILLIAM GREVE, JR.



George Kingsley Hamilton



George Kingsley Hamilton was born in Berlin, Wisconsin, 1 January, 1888. Being the only child, the interests of the family were all centered in the boy, every thought being given to removing any possible obstacle from his path and as a result came a clean and upright character—a just compensation for the devotion lavished upon him. In the elementary schools of Berlin, he won an enviable reputation in his work, graduating from high school with honors. Thoroughly democratic and unassuming, always willing to extend a friendly hand, the respect with which he was

held by all who knew him was of the highest.

With such a record, Hamilton came to Wisconsin to take up the study of journalism in the college of letters and science, a subject

in which he took a deep interest and expected to follow after graduation. Shortly after his enrollment in the University, he was pledged by Wisconsin Alpha and initiated, 10 October, 1907, accomplishing during his short life as a member much for the good of the chapter and fellow-members. With the hope of reward which comes to those whose lives have been well-nigh blameless, his best was given to his work, to the Fraternity and to those with whom he came in contact. With John O. Watkins, he was drowned from a canoe in Lake Mendota, 13 April, 1908.

F. WILLIAM GREVE, JR.



Attractions of Atlantic City

BY HERBERT B. MOYER

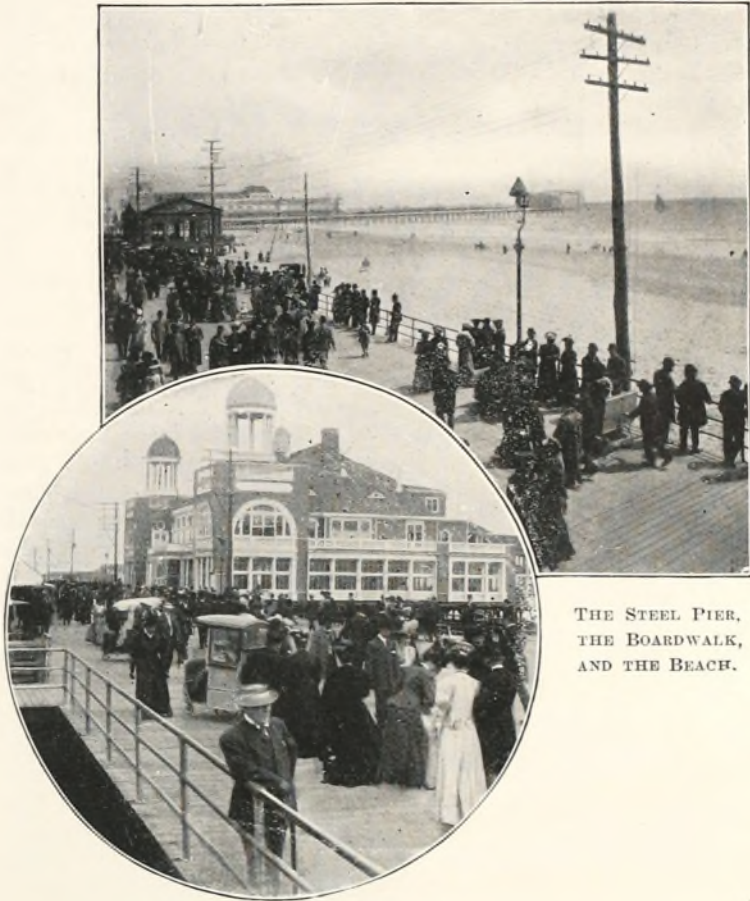


ATLANTIC CITY is most crowded during late July, August and early September, when the great masses of the people are taking their yearly vacations. There is a large class, however, which never visits the resort during this period, but prefers the fall, winter and spring months. People of wealth and leisure or invalids in search of mild climate and health-giving ocean breezes frequent the city during the winter. At Easter for a few days the crowds grow almost to summer proportions. Wealthy women come to wear their spring finery, and others flock to see the display.

The structure and equipment of the piers is a wonder to the visitor. Supported on massive concrete and steel columns and girders, they seem like great hotels in their appointments. Among the attractions which gather great throngs are roller skat-



ing, vaudeville, music, dancing, picture galleries, aquaria and museums, long promenades, fishing and many others. One could easily spend half a day or a day on one of these piers without wearying of it, and be ready to repeat the experience.



THE STEEL PIER,
THE BOARDWALK,
AND THE BEACH.

Next to the boardwalk in attractions and crowds is the beach, where one can see throngs of bathers almost any hour. As many as forty thousand are often seen bathing at one time during the summer months. A patrol of fifty-five trained men, equipped with boats and other apparatus, is under the direction of an experienced surgeon, and protects the bathers from danger and accidents, which, con-

sidering the vast numbers and the frequent daring and recklessness, are remarkably few. The beach shelves off gradually without dangerous holes or cross-currents, rendering life lines unnecessary. It is broad, sandy and hard. It does not change except in very heavy storms, and then but slightly. One can go out four hundred feet or more with safety in ordinary weather and tides.

The smooth bays and thoroughfares between Absecon Island and the mainland are ideal for small sail and power boats, and for fishing and crabbing, while the larger yachts and launches pass easily through the inlet to the ocean. The various yacht clubs are the headquarters for many private craft of residents and visitors. At Inlet Wharf a yachting fleet, well built and manned, at all seasons accommodates the public at moderate prices.

The Absecon lighthouse, the life saving drills by the United States Coast Guards and the manœuvres of the fishing and oyster fleets are always of interest. Among important events are the Atlantic City Horse Show, held annually in July, one of the recognized social events of the country, in which many of the finest horses in the United States are entered, and the spring and autumn golf tournaments.

Atlantic City is the leading convention city in this country. There are many reasons for this. Among these is the fact that the attendance is from 10 per cent. to 100 per cent. greater than when held elsewhere. Those who have never come before are glad of a chance to visit this resort, while those who have been here are always glad to return.

The rates are made lower for conventions instead of higher than usual, as often happens elsewhere. Nowhere else can practically unlimited accommodations be obtained of every grade of excellence and price.

There are twenty-two hotels, each of which accommodates five hundred or more guests, and nine hundred smaller hotels and boarding houses licensed by the city. Among the finest hotels on the beach are the Marlborough-Blenheim, Traymore, Dennis, Chalfonte, Haddon Hall, Windsor, Shelburne, St. Charles and Rudolf. The rates in these are from four or five dollars a day up to one hundred and fifty dollars a week. These hotels compare favorably with the finest in any of our great cities.

A few statistics may be of interest. There are over nine thousand stores and cottages. The wealth per capita is \$1,035, the highest in New Jersey. Visitors spend annually about \$110,000,000. There

are 30 churches, 10 public school buildings with 142 teachers and 5,708 pupils, 7 newspapers, 5 theatres, 150 yachts and launches.

The entertainment of delegates and visitors between sessions is an important consideration. Conventions meet usually near the boardwalk, so that little time is wasted in hunting attractions and amusements.



Atlantic City is a neutral point. Having no manufacturing or large commercial interests of its own, it excites no jealousy among other cities large or small.

All these considerations prove the wisdom displayed in choosing the meeting place for our next convention, which ought to be, and doubtless will be, the largest, most enthusiastic and best which Sigma Alpha Epsilon has ever held.

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XVIII.--WORKING FOR SIGMA ALPHA EPSILON

NOBLE DEVOTIE, amid all his work and new friends at Princeton had not forgotten Sigma Alpha Epsilon. Although Cook and Dennis were in a different department of the University, he frequently met with them and their talk was always of the chapter at Tuscaloosa and of the plans the boys were making there for the extension and broadening of the influence of the Fraternity. Jewett DeVotie, Noble's brother, was still an active member of Mother Mu and a constant correspondence was kept up with him relative to every move the Alabama boys were making. Noble DeVotie, as father of the Fraternity and author of its first constitution, was requested to make some changes in that document, which would meet the growing needs of the organization. This he gladly acceded to, and not only gave much time and thought to this work, but constantly was sending suggestions to Tuscaloosa advising immediate changes which he deemed necessary. When the news came of the first extension of the Fraternity, of the new chapter at Western Military Institute in Nashville, DeVotie and his Σ A E brothers at Princeton were jubilant. At last the craft was really launched. It was the spirit of enthusiasm of this little group at Princeton that helped inspire the mother chapter greatly in its extension work and resulted in fourteen chapters before the Civil War broke out. DeVotie and Cook were so roused by the establishment of the Tennessee Chapter they determined to hurry the founding of a chapter at the University of North Carolina, for which Cook had already commenced negotiations. John M. Fleming was the student at Chapel Hill with whom they were working and the following letter from DeVotie to Fleming shows the method by which the new chapters were established:

PRINCETON, N. J., February 2, 1857.

MR. J. M. FLEMING.

Dear Sir: Mr. Cook requests me to inform you that your kind favor has been duly received. The petition has been forwarded to the Grand Chapter, from which you will immediately receive a copy of the Constitution. You will be authorized, when it reaches you, to open, read, sign it and then at any appointed time to proceed with the initiation of your friends. Permit us to tender to you our warmest regards for the assistance you have afforded us in advancing our cause at Chapel Hill, and also to welcome you as a member of our honored fraternity. After your organization please to forward us a catalogue with the names of the members underscored. You will have to determine the time of your

meeting as that is not a matter prescribed by the Constitution. The meetings are expected to be weekly. Everything about correspondence and other duties, you will find laid down in the Constitution. Excuse this hasty note and believe me,

Your Obt. Servt.,
N. L. DEVOTIE.

Within two weeks after Noble DeVotie wrote this letter to Fleming, the chapter at the University of North Carolina was launched and there was great rejoicing at Tuscaloosa among the members of the mother chapter, at Nashville, where the first chapter was carefully finding its way and at Princeton, where the first Σ A E alumni celebrated with great enthusiasm.

XIX.--GOOD TIMES AT PRINCETON

DeVotie was quite an athlete during his Princeton days and took considerable part in the sports then in vogue. The varied inter-collegiate games of the present time were unknown, as were football and baseball as we know them to-day. His fellow students still remember his long walks in the country about Princeton. One of them has written as follows: "DeVotie was in the class ahead of me, so I did not see him in the class room. I often met him in the gymnasium and on the playground. We had what we called a flying horse—an upright post perhaps ten or twelve feet high—a horizontal wheel on the top—four ropes with wooden handles attached at four points to the periphery of the wheel. Four chaps would take hold, each of a handle, and start to run around the post. Presently we would be flying around in good shape, striking the ground perhaps once or twice in making a complete circle. Sometimes when the four did not all start at once, one might have a difficulty in keeping out of the way of the fellow next behind him. I have vivid recollection of the vociferous glee with which DeVotie would shout 'Soo ey!' to warn the man ahead to get out of his way."

In his walks about Princeton, DeVotie was frequently accompanied by his fellow chums in the theological school. Sometimes they would take advantage of these walks to visit country friends and not infrequently they would spend the evenings with the farmers and hold religious services in some little wayside church. On one occasion DeVotie and Bostick held a meeting on a canal boat on the old Delaware and Raritan Canal. It is well to remember that these young fellows, engaged in this serious work were boys rather than men. At this time DeVotie was nineteen while the others were about his age. In these long walks they would have all kinds of frolics from running foot-races to climbing trees. And when they returned to their rooms, full of life and vigor, their spirits bubbling over with ozone, if they could play some happy trick on each other

joy would reign among them. Once they crowded into DeVotie's room on returning from one of these excursions, and when DeVotie went into the hall for a moment, Bostick snatched up a picture of some girl friend of DeVotie's which rested on his mantel, and breathing a mist on the glass which covered it, held it up as DeVotie entered the room, calling out in delicious raillery, "Come, boys, and see. DeVotie has been kissing a girl's picture."

In February of 1857 they held a great jubilee in Manly's room in honor of his sister's marriage. DeVotie, Bostick and Kennedy, with a few others, were invited to share the good things that had come in a huge box from Manly's home in South Carolina. Manly, in writing home about it afterwards, said: "Any one who saw the contents of that box would have suspected there had been a wedding." Their hilarity was so great it brought the monitor, whose room was opposite, to quiet them. Manly recognized the knock and, like a true diplomat, he said to DeVotie, "Invite him in to share our feast." DeVotie did this with a right good heartiness and it was not long before the monitor was making as much noise as any of them and the fun went on without further interruption. One of the guests enjoyed himself so much, he told Manly he wished he had a dozen sisters and that they would all marry while Manly was a Seminary student. The *piece de resistance* of the spread was a candy bride and groom which furnished all great amusement.

And so with many hours for hard study and some devoted to recreation, DeVotie's first year at Princeton came to an end. With the swinging to, of the Seminary doors, he returned to his home at Columbus, Georgia, to spend the summer. While there, through the efforts of Manly's father, he received his license to preach. He took advantage of this and preached wherever opportunity offered. It pleased him greatly to find he could preach without being confined to manuscript, for as he himself said, "When a man can look people in the face, he can accomplish more in impressing what he has to say, than by any other method."

He had not been home long when he wrote Manly as follows:

COLUMBUS, GA., June 30, 1857.

My Dear Charlie: I suppose that you begin to think by this time that quite a change has come over the spirit of my dreams in the matter of the usual punctuality, which has hitherto characterized me in replying to letters from friends. Well, my dear Charlie, it is even so. My correspondence has been thinned and constantly diminished, until now it is confined to three or four persons, and they do not hear from me once in a coon's age, as the old lady said was the case as to her attendance on church services. * * * I saw yesterday in the New York paper that at the last commencement at Princeton College, our Prof. Green was dubbed D.D. All our faculty are now honored doctors. It will seem

rather funny to say Dr. Green for the first time and still more funny to notice that peculiar smile, which occasionally lights up the professor's countenance.

Has been oppressively hot here lately, but it is now becoming quite pleasant. It came near working me up several weeks ago. So much was I affected that I could not feel like doing anything. * * * When you write to Joe and Kennedy give my regards.

NOBLE.

When DeVotie returned to Princeton in the fall of 1857 he felt keenly the absence of his Sigma Alpha Epsilon brothers, Cook and Dennis. They had both completed their courses the previous spring and accordingly had not returned. He loved the sight of the badge on his comrades' breasts and he felt a lonesomeness he had not felt the first year, when they had been so promptly on hand to greet him. He found Manly already on the ground and this was pleasing for their friendship had strengthened as they had come to know each other better and to recognize the sterling qualities possessed by each. Noble's blueness was emphasized because when he had left home his mother had been unwell and as he told his friend, he had left reluctantly and "It had been the hardest trial he had ever had to endure."

The year was one of hard, incessant work, though it was not without its pleasant moments. The dinner hour at the eating club was the scene of many bright episodes and helped liven the working hours and make them endurable. Alstyn Blansett has made a vivid picture of seminary students as they gathered at the table. He writes:

DeVotie's talking group was seated in the other direction. One evening talk was very lively in both groups—the Manly-DeVotie party being specially merry. I did not know about what. Suddenly DeVotie called out, "O Blansett, you've lived in this hyah town a good while. Tell me about the young ladies we see on the street! Are the most of them engaged to be married?"

I answered "I do not certainly know, but so far as my information goes the majority of them are like the Pe Aleph verb *אָמל*."

"How is that?" he asked.

"Have *נאָמל* (no male) in the future."

DeVotie's screams of laughter seem to ring in my ears to-night.

At the close of the college year, he returned to his home in Georgia. During the summer he spent most of his time in Tuskegee, where he acted as pastor of the Baptist Church while the regular pastor was away on a three months' vacation. In a letter to Manly in July, he wrote: "It has been oppressively hot here for some time and I have consequently gone down hill at a great rate. Weigh about 107 pounds. Quite fat. Love to all."

A few weeks later he wrote Manly as follows:

COLUMBUS, GA., August 17, 1858.

My Dear Charlie: Your kind letter of the 2nd ult. I received about ten days ago, but as I was just about starting to Alabama, I had no time to reply. After preaching in Tuskegee on Sabbath, I went on Monday to Montgomery to see some relatives. Finding that they had gone down to Greenville, I also went down and remained there till last Friday morning. Had any quantity of little girls to play with, and of course had a fine time. Spent several days in hunting and fishing with them, and very reluctantly bid all good-bye, on returning to Tuskegee. My "subpastorate" there has now closed. The connection with the church has been very pleasant. They are good people.

The time of leaving for Princeton is nearly here, and I am not certain how I will find my way there. Going by Savannah and taking the steamer to New York I will avoid the fatigue and unpleasant traveling on railroads, and save \$13 over any other route. Going by that route, I will leave home on next Friday week, leave Savannah on Saturday and get to New York on Monday the 30th of August. If I go by railroad I will leave home on Monday the 30th at night, which will put me into Richmond by Wednesday night at farthest, if nothing detains me on the way. If I am not there by that time, you may know that I am on the Atlantic, steaming toward New York.

Concerning Joseph I have many fears. Fearful that he is given over, and will be tied before long to some one's apron strings. All send love. Good-bye till I can say that other word, "How-do-you-do."

Affectionately,

NOBLE.

XX.--SOME DEVOTIE LETTERS

During DeVotie's Senior year in the Princeton Seminary he kept up an extensive correspondence and many of his letters reflect the man so candidly that aside from their interest as having been written by DeVotie they are valuable because they do show the man. He spent a part of the Christmas vacation at Washington and the letter which follows is one addressed from there to Manly:

WASHINGTON CITY, 9.35 A. M., December 23, 1858.

Dear Charlie: I am sick of this place already. You need not be surprised to see me in Princeton at any moment. Consequently send no letters to me here, until I give you more definite instructions.

Last night we had a terrible storm. This morning it is very cold, with a strong wind from the north. About half the time it is clear and during the other half cloudy. Was at the Capitol yesterday. The House had quite a squally time in reference to Pension Bill. It will be passed the first thing to-day. Heard Seward of New York make a speech in the Senate on the Pacific R. R. Awfully dry. But these people have no fire and as I am cold, and there is no comfort in writing in such a situation, I must cut short my line. Best love.

Affectionately,

NOBLE.

By New Year's Day he was back at Princeton and from there he wrote his mother wishing her and all his folks much love and joy for the coming year. His considerateness for the family servants was shown when he added, "I wish much joy and good to the negroes, too."

A week later, he wrote his mother again:

PRINCETON, N. J., 8.40 P. M., January 6, 1859.

My Dear Mother: To-day, for the first time in my life, I attended what is known in this section of the country as a "donation visit." So far as my knowledge extends, it is an institution peculiar to the Northern States. A church appoints a certain day for the visitation of the pastor by the people. Each member of his church and congregation, as well as all friends of other churches, who attend, are expected to bring with them something of value or utility as a present for a minister. These presents sometimes consist in money, sometimes in books, furniture and things of this kind, but more frequently in eatables. On the appointed day the friends assemble at the house of the pastor. A dinner is prepared, sometimes at the expense of the church, sometimes the pastor has it to do, of which all present are expected to partake. The time before and after dinner is occupied in conversation of a social kind. When the sun is getting far down in the west the whole company prepare to leave for their homes, after having invited each and every one to call and see them. The whole plan is a devise to make the salary of the minister larger than that promised him, and this surplus is always regarded as a gift, and sometimes a great one too. The social character which it wears is its only redeeming feature, and this ought to be secured by some other means. The amount of the money thus raised in cash and various articles should be added to the salary, and paid the pastor as a part of it, and the social intercourse ought to be secured by a meeting or some gathering having that object in view. This institution of "donation visitation" is well described in the "Widow Bedot Papers."

SATURDAY, 7 P. M.: How much suffering there will be among the poor people about here, to-night, no one can imagine. Only those unfortunate ones, who will be compelled, for want of shelter and clothing, to endure it, will be able to tell its intensity. The night is going to be the coldest one we have had so far during the winter. It is already dreadfully cold, and the keen blasts of wind make even the most warmly clad shiver from their effects. Water placed inside of the building in tubs on the fourth floor was frozen before half past six o'clock this evening. I am going to put my thermometer outside of my window, so as to see how cold it will get during the night. After I stopped writing to you last night, we had quite a storm. The wind blew fiercely, and drove the rain before it with great force. Sometime during the night, there was a slight fall of snow. At daylight, however, the whole sky was clear, with the exception of a little strip along the eastern horizon. To-day has been a bright one, though rather cold. I have been hard at work, as on all the days of the past week, and now at its close, I have the pleasant thought that I have been well employed.

My disappointment was very great in not receiving a letter from home last night or this morning. There is one more chance of hearing this week, by to-night's mail, which I will wait for very anxiously. The ex-

posure of my thermometer to the air for only a few minutes lowered the mercury from 60°—temperature of my warm room—to 18°. Good-night.

MONDAY, 6 A. M.: It is dreadfully cold here this morning. When I get up at 5.30 o'clock, my thermometer, which was on the outside of the building, showed a temperature of the atmosphere only 4° above zero. Pretty cool, that.

Your affectionate son,

NOBLE.

It is easy to picture to one's self the pride with which the following letter, with its wealth of intimate tenderness, was read by the elder DeVotie:

PRINCETON, N. J., 7.35 P. M., January 10, 1859.

My Dear Father: Never in my life do I recollect to have read a letter with more pleasure, than I experienced in perusing yours of the 5th, which reached me at 12 to-day. Its long delay only increased my longing for it, and when it did make its appearance, I was ready to devour its contents with all greediness. Of course it required no great effort on my part to invent a reasonable excuse for not hearing from home, in two weeks. Many reasons instantly suggested themselves to my mind, any one of which was all sufficient to relieve the loved ones there from the slightest suspicion of forgetfulness, neglect or want of affection for me. To establish any one of these things would require more evidence than the withholding of a letter for a whole year. In fact none of the three things can be proved.

The people have been busily engaged here during the day in hauling and stowing away in their ice houses, ice for summer use. The large masses look very white and pure, and are withal quite tempting. The season is remarkably fine for gathering it, as the water freezes as fast as one coating of ice is removed. I noticed in the weather reports this morning, that yesterday at 9 A. M. the mercury stood at 30° below zero in the city of Philadelphia, 45 miles south of here. A gentleman in one of the drug stores in this place told me, that at sunrise yesterday, the mercury in Princeton was at 14 below. This statement is probably more near the truth than any report which I have heard. My thermometer was hanging on the south side of the house and against the wall, and was no doubt effected by the heat which the wall had received during the day before from the many fires in the building and from the rays of the sun. I am not frozen yet though. It is moderating some now notwithstanding which the mercury is in the region of zero, and more probably below it, than above. This state of the atmosphere makes large demands on my wood pile which has very perceptibly diminished during the two days just past.

A portion of this evening I spent in mending a pair of pants which were torn. No mother is with me to attend to such things and I have to do them myself. I have become quite an adept in such matters. But good-night.

The next letter can not fail to interest every Sigma Alpha Epsilon, for it was to one of the co-founders, Brother Nathan Cockrell, who was then at Livingston, Alabama, where he was editor of the paper:

PRINCETON, N. J., January 11, 1859.

My Dear Friend: Your daguerreotype, in which was enclosed a little note, reached me some weeks ago, and I must confess that great negligence is chargeable to me for failing to acknowledge the reception of both at a much earlier time. It did me real good to see once more, and after long separation, the face of an intimate friend. You have changed somewhat. Certainly the likeness before me is that of a much more fleshy person, than the Nathan of college memories. I suppose that editorial duties, study and exercise, have had much to do with your improvement in this respect. It is my opinion, that you are altogether a better looking man than formerly. I must confess that in neither of these points of view, am I any different from what I was, on the day of our graduation. Still lean, and as ugly as ever. When I was at home last summer some of my kind lady friends undertook by a process of good treatment to remove the former fault. The latter, I suppose, they thought to be incapable of erasure, and were doubtless confirmed in this opinion, by failure in the former direction.

There is no resident artist in this place. Every now and then a straggling daguerreotypist comes along and sets up shop for a few days, but for accurateness in taking pictures, they are generally sadly deficient. I will be most happy to send a likeness of myself, when I can have one taken, that will be worth preserving by an old and tried friend.

We are in a season of severe cold just now. Yesterday the thermometer indicated a temperature of 14° below zero, and it is still colder. Of course I would freeze, did not my stove keep up a rousing fire all the time.

I shall be happy to hear from you at any time, when it may be convenient for you to write. Excuse the shortness of this note, and believe me, as always since our acquaintance,

Your sincere friend,

N. L. DEVOTIE.

Mailed Jan. 11, 1859.

MR. N. E. COCKRELL.

In after years, Dr. DeVotie was to recount in an hour of sore distress, Noble's devotion to himself and his mother. The writer once heard the President of the University of Mississippi take his students to task for failing to write to their homes. This was a duty and a pleasure to Noble, as the letters previously given indicate. On January 13th, he again wrote his mother, as follows:

PRINCETON, N. J., 3.15 P. M., January 13, 1859.

My Dear Mother: To-night there is to be a continuation of the donation visit at the house of the pastor of the Baptist Church. This time the young people will form a larger part of the company present. Inasmuch as this class of persons are naturally inclined to be frolicsome, and frequently carry their measures to extremes, it is well that there be other persons present more sober and staid in their habits, who shall be a check upon everything improper. For this reason, Bro. Young has requested *Charlie* and *myself* (wonderfully grave fellows) to spend a portion of the evening at his house. Thus I may be absent from my room till quite a late hour, and on this account your letter is commenced at this early hour.

The appearance presented by everything about here, this morning was very beautiful indeed. It was cold enough to freeze the heavy fog which floated in the atmosphere, and by this means all the trees were covered with icicles so fine as to give the appearance of being covered with frost. When the sun shone out, these icicles looked as if they were silver spangles. The effect of the whole scene was grand.

Charlie heard from his father, at Marion, by this morning's mail. He said that General —— had sold out his place three miles from town, and also 40 of his negroes, to a man named Saunders, for \$120,000. He then removed to the town. Now he wants to buy back his place, and offers \$30,000 more for it than he received for it. All this must be the work of that wife of his, and she will be the ruin of him yet. The old General has too much sense to act this way, if left to himself. But "crinoline" rules him surely. Better for him had he never loved and married a second time.

The next letter to old family friends shows that, though far from home, he celebrated his twenty-first birthday in fine style:

PRINCETON, N. J., 2.25 P. M., January 25, 1859.

Dear Brother and Sister Estes: Yesterday was my birthday, and as I promised you last summer that you should be informed of the manner in which it was spent, I now proceed to make good my word. At the invitation of a kind friend, I agreed on Sunday night to make a visit with his family on Monday, and spent the day with one of the deacons of our little church in this place. So on Monday at 9 A. M. he called in his carriage for me. A pleasant ride of about six miles brought us to the house of the old deacon, who met us with as smiling a face as he could wear, considering the presence in his mouth of a huge pipe with a short handle. At two o'clock we sat down to a splendid dinner, such as only a good farmer, with all kinds of good things about him, can provide. It needed no coaxing to set me to eating, because it was fully an hour and a half after my usual dinner time, and I was hungry a few. After dinner we sat and talked about various things, and went out to the barn to see a threshing machine at work. About four o'clock began to make arrangements to come to town. * * * I reached my room about a quarter past five, having spent a pleasant day.

Then I began to make arrangements for entertaining some friends, whom I had invited to be at my room at 8 P. M., to celebrate with me the anniversary of my birthday. I had provided two hundred oysters, butter, pepper, salt, crackers, etc., in proportion. These my roommate was to cook, so as to please the most fastidious taste. Some of my lady friends were so kind as to make me a nice cake, which added considerably to my little store. But there is one more article to be mentioned yet, and without which all the others would have lost all their relish. This was the nice jar of brandy peaches from Sister Estes. At 8 o'clock my eleven friends made their appearance and were quietly seated. Soon the cook announced supper, and we all set to work in fine style in devouring the nice things placed before us, and really nice they were. Of all the other things none received such attention and commendation as the peaches. Some faint-hearted ones could go but one; the majority of those present, however, signified their intention to proceed further, and accordingly suited their actions to their intentions. While this was going on,

one of my friends—a Nova Scotian—proposed for my benefit, the following toast: "Our host, his hospitality surpassed only by his beauty." Thereupon I made a short speech, thanking my friend for the qualities so generously attributed to me, and concluded my performance by offering him a glass of pure milk, as I had understood that he was fond of Philadelphia swill milk. The whole thing passed off very pleasantly, indeed, all seeming to enjoy the occasion.

Of course my thoughts turned constantly to my dear friends in Columbus, whom I recollected with feelings of peculiar pleasure. I wished that I could have been permitted to spend the evening with them. Doubtless, I should have enjoyed myself far more, than I did here. But the time is flying past rapidly, and soon I hope to be with you all again, and have the pleasure of enjoying some of those social evenings, we used to spend together so agreeably.

For several days we have had lovely weather—just cool enough to be bracing and keep us steadily at work. Yesterday morning the mercury stood at 19°.

To-night, I make another visit into the country, with a friend. We go to see a family who live about two miles from the Seminary. We will walk over, and back, and will probably get to our rooms about 9.30 o'clock. It will be a clear, starlight night, and good walking, so that it will be pleasant.

I have a slight cold to-day, but with this exception am very well. Remember me to all the members of your families. Best love to the little boys and yourselves.

Mailed January 25, 1859.

NOBLE.

Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Estes.

Jewett DeVotie was now at Columbian College (now George Washington University) in Washington, where he had founded Washington City Rho. The reference in the following letter to the "Constitution" shows that the Fraternity was still asking its founder's advice in further changes in that document:

PRINCETON, N. J., January 26, 1859.

My Dear Jewett: Your note of the 24th reached me at 12 to-day, and as there are a few minutes on my hands just now, I propose answering it. I hope that in the approaching examinations you will acquit yourself creditably. It will give me much pleasure to see you here, should you make the visit of which you speak. There are not many things to interest you in this place, but I will do my best to make you comfortable and at home. You will find no large city, or even a respectable town, but you will find a brother, who will employ all means in his power to make you happy during your stay.

A few hints as to the journey from Washington to this place. Buy a ticket to Philadelphia, and have your baggage checked to that city also. At Baltimore you will get on a horse car, which will carry you through the city to the Baltimore & Philadelphia R. R. depot. Don't be in any hurry to get in this car, and when you do, get as near the door as possible. When you reach the depot get out as quick as possible, run into it, and secure a seat in the train. Everything must be done in a hurry

here, as also at Havre-de-Grace, where you leave the cars and go on a boat to cross the Susquehanna. Pass directly through the boat, until you come to the doors (on the left-hand side, I believe) and there stand. As soon as everything is fixed to let you off the boat, run like a good fellow for the train, and get a seat in *one of the front cars*, as the hindermost ones go directly on to New York. Before you reach Philadelphia, an agent of a baggage express company will come through the train, enquiring for "Baggage for Philadelphia." Give him your check, and order your baggage sent to the "Girard House" (the best hotel in the city), and he will give you a card, with directions on it. When you reach Philadelphia, you get out of the train, go through the doors to the right, and enquire for the *omnibusses to the hotels*. Get into one and you will be carried to the one at which you desire to stop. If you leave Washington in the morning (the best time), you will get dinner in Philadelphia, and lie over there till 5 o'clock. If you leave Washington in the evening you will get to Philadelphia at 12 P. M. and lie over till 8 A. M. the next morning. Tell the clerk of the hotel, an hour or two before the time for leaving, that you wish to go on to Princeton, and settle your bill. He will tell you when an omnibus will be in readiness to take you to the depot. Buy a ticket there and get a check for Princeton. This place is one mile and a half from the depot, and hence you must keep a sharp lookout, or you will be carried on to New York. If you will write me beforehand, the day and time of the day, you will leave Washington, I will meet you at the depot. Should I not be there, you will find hacks to town, one of which take, and instruct the driver to carry you to the Seminary. Enter the hall (where have your trunk deposited), go up the steps till you reach the fourth floor, turn to your left, and walk the hall till you come to the end of the building, turn into the outside door to your left, knock at a little door to the right, and if you hear "come in" open it; but if there is no response, you will find the key over the door, which take and turn the lock, and walk in and make yourself at home.

I have done nothing on the Constitution yet. Have not had the time to attend to it properly, and so have not attempted any improvements.

We have had beautiful weather for several days past, but as such seasons are of short continuance here, we may expect a change in a day or so. * * * Remember me to the young gentlemen boarding with you. And for yourself, dear Jewett, accept the best love of

Your affectionate brother,

NOBLE.

Noble had a young cousin in Alabama of whom he was very fond. In this letter to her, he gives some additional evidences of the good time he had at his birthday party:

PRINCETON, N. J., 8.35 A. M., February 4, 1859.

My Dear Cousin Bell: It is not quite time for me to commence the study of my morning lesson, and so will employ the few minutes thus allowed me in writing you a little letter. I say my "morning lesson," because I have only one, so you see that the number of mine is not as great as yours. You probably have some six every day, while I have only two, one in the morning, and one in the evening. But these are enough to keep me busy, every day, from 9 till 12, and from 2 till 5.

I think this morning is one of the most beautiful that I have ever seen. For several days we have had clouds and abundance of rain. Yesterday it turned cold, and the wind from the north froze the rain drops as they fell, thus covering the ground and trees with a coating of ice. Whenever the trees swayed to and fro under the influence of the wind, the ice would snap and break, making a very mournful sound. This morning everything is perfectly still, there is not a cloud in the sky, and sun is flooding the whole country with his light. The ice on the trees has lost its dull appearance, and has been transformed into a most brilliant covering, so that now the woods, as far as the eye can see, look as though strings of purest diamonds had been hung on every tree and branch. I wish you could see it from my room, where the eye commands a view of thirty or more miles in extent, as you would doubtless be thrown into raptures—that is, if you are affected by such things, as I am.

Since I last wrote to you, my birthday has come and gone. You ought to have seen how it was celebrated. Before I left home last summer, some of my lady friends sent me some good things—brandy peaches, preserves, jelly, etc.—to bring on here with me. Two ladies here made me a cake and I bought two hundred oysters for one dollar. All these things put together made a very nice supper, which was eaten with me by twelve friends, from the South, North, East and West. Some sharp things were said and done among us. One thing I recollect created quite a laugh. It was a toast proposed for my benefit, and ran as follows: "Our host, his hospitality equalled only by his beauty." A fine compliment, was it not? So you see that, although I am far off from home and loved ones, still I can celebrate my birthday with merriment. As yours is in the month of September, I believe, it may be my happiness to spend it with you.

Well Cos, I have waited and waited and continued to wait for that daguerreotype and still it has not come. When shall I certainly expect it, or still more plainly, when shall I receive it? Very soon, do you say?

I can write no more this morning, and for the present must bid you a goodbye. Best love to Aunt Mollie, Uncle Frank and cousins, and abundance of love and kisses for yourself.

Your affectionate cousin,

NOBLE.

Mailed February 4, 1859.

Howard DeVotie was taking a course in medicine. On February 14, 1859, Noble wrote him, asking the following amusing questions: "How many grains of arsenic will be required to make a lean man gain twenty-five pounds of flesh? The question is one in which I feel a lively interest. Be careful not to give a fellow enough to kill him. Do you know of any kind of mineral, vegetable or animal substance which has the effect of making an ugly man ashamed of himself? I ask this question for the benefit of some persons I know who, although tremendously ugly, consider themselves great beauties."

Late in February, 1859, he again writes his favorite cousin, and in his letter, he describes the celebration of Washington's birthday as follows:

The Princetonians celebrated the day by a parade of their two fire companies, and the military company called the "Princeton Blues." It

was the best display I have ever seen in this place. and then, dear Cos, it was not much.

Since I last wrote to you, I have paid another visit to Washington City. On Monday morning, the 7th of February, Pa in Columbus commenced talking to me, telling me to go to Washington. I heard the words in the evening. You know he talked with me by means of the telegraph wires, over 1,200 miles long. I got on the cars Monday night at 8 o'clock and on Tuesday morning at 6 o'clock was landed in Washington, 170 miles from this place. I staid in Washington till Friday morning, when I started back to Princeton.

There is no daguerreau gallery in this place that is worth the name and so, dear Cos, you will have to wait for my "picter," till I can get to an artist. Then you may not be able to get one, for his instrument may not be able to withstand my ugliness, as I hear some people say that there is danger of such a thing.

I could not persuade any of the Yankee girls to deliver the kiss which you sent me and, rather than lose it, I concluded to take it just so, without their assistance. This was much the most preferable way, I can assure you. I am going out to-night with some friends to spend the evening with a family who have been very kind to me. There is a young lady in the family, known as Miss Jessie, who is very accomplished, and is, on the whole, fine company. I always enjoy my visits there.

Give much love to Uncle Frank. Aunt Mollie and all my cousins, and accept the very best for yourself.

Your affectionate cousin,

NOBLE.

The following letter was written to James A. Quarles, who died recently, at Lexington, Va., where for many years he had been a member of the faculty of Washington and Lee University:

PRINCETON, N. J., 11 A. M., March 11, 1859.

My Dear Chum: Your note of the 7th, enclosing a one dollar bill on the Princeton Bank, was received last night. Herein I send you a gold dollar for the bill, which you will find on examination to be a genuine U. S. coin.

The reception of so short a note from you was a source of much gratification to me. Probably the more so, as I had just returned from Bostick's room, where a few friends had been testing the good qualities of oysters and ice cream, and was of course in a good humor. I have determined several times to write you, but fearing that a letter might fail to reach you in Virginia, I concluded to wait a little while longer, and address you in Missouri. Now, however, a way is opened for its probably safe arrival, and so here goes this letter.

Since you left us, we have been moving on as usual, with a bit of news occasionally which has served to relieve the dull monotony of our everyday life here. The topic which now engrosses most attention is the heterodoxy of this institution. Who would have indulged the thought that venerable old Princeton was recruiting men for the enemy? But it is even so. The lead of Gustavus Meyer, and the Rev. Mr. Dod, has been followed by a member of the senior class of this Seminary. James H. Clarke has gone over to the Episcopalians. Rumor says that other students are meditating a similar course. In fact Clarke stated to one

of the members of the middle class—Studiford—that other members of the Seminary were examining the subject and would doubtless join the Episcopal Church. So much for positive statement. Now I will give you the whisperings of Madame Rumor, which I in the beginning must say that I have no certain knowledge of their foundation in fact. The indefinite term "others" as used by C. is declared to equal five. Further still one name is mentioned as among this number, and that one is Briggs. The whole matter has excited considerable interest among the students and has not yet ceased to act. As in all such cases, improper motives have been pressed as the grounds of the change in the views of the persons concerned, and I am sorry to say that one of our honored professors has used language which I think is uncalled for and unjust. I refer to Dr. McGill. Clarke left the Seminary yesterday—destination unknown to me. Have heard that Paterson, N. J., will be his temporary headquarters.

Dr. Hodge has been quite sick, but is slowly getting better. Case exhibited some of the symptoms of typhoid fever. Has not met our class in over two weeks. Do not think that he will be able do much more this session.

Dr. Carnahan, former president of the college here, and president of the Seminary board of trustees, was buried here last Tuesday.

The Princetonians have the privilege of seeing a show once more. An Irish lady weighing 750 pounds, and measuring around the waist 7 feet 6 inches, came to town day before yesterday. She is accompanied by the "Michigan Skeleton" (formerly on exhibition at Barnum's, I think), a man over 5 feet high, weighing 37½ pounds. Admission for grown people 15 cents. Patterson, I. M., and Behemoth have called on them. Behemoth avers that the woman can take the shine off of him, although he is some *se*. The "Langdonies Hall" is to be raised this evening. Will cost about \$700, all or nearly all of which has been secured. \$620, I believe, are in hand.

We are enjoying delightful weather, warm, with abundance of sunshine. The blackbirds and robins have come, the latter of which sing quite sweetly. All the boys are well. Our club this morning purchased an apron for Rosser, to prevent his spilling molasses on his shirt bosom.

Let us hear from you soon. Best wishes for your happiness and usefulness.

Mailed March 11, 1859.

Affectionately,
N. L. DEVOTIE.

The college year was drawing to a close and the letter to A. S. Hinton, a close friend of the DeVotie family, shows that the thoughts of Noble were turning southward:

PRINCETON, N. J., April 7, 1859.

A. S. HINTON.

My Dear Friend: I have been in the receipt of your kind letter of the 3rd of March for nearly a month. Although desiring and determining frequently to reply, various hinderances have prevented. More especially in the last two weeks have I been very busy. My class is engaged on the review of the studies of the present year, previous to the examination at the close of the term, now three weeks off. Not only are we to be prepared on the studies of this year, but also on the two former years, as we have to be examined on the whole three years' course. Such an amount of work keeps us amply employed.

Since my last letter to you the natural world has undergone quite a change. Spring has come, and even in this cold region certain trees have been covered with blossoms, which are now giving place to the tiny green leaves. The flower gardens in town can boast a few hyacinths, crocuses, etc. When compared with the beautiful forests and fragrant gardens of the South, however, we are still in the close of winter, although the season is fully four weeks earlier than ever before since I have been North. My mouth really waters, as I read in the papers and letters from home of peas, beets, potatoes, strawberries, etc. For strawberries, Columbus can beat the world, as she always has the earliest, largest and best kinds. She ships considerable quantities of fruit to the North every spring and summer. Bye the bye, can you not come over and spend a little while with me, on my return home? You shall be entertained as well as I know how to entertain a friend. You shall be introduced to my excellent lady acquaintances, comprising all the female members of our church and congregation, and I shall do everything in my power to make your comfort and happiness amply remunerate you for your visit. Columbus will afford all that is requisite for this purpose.

Very sincerely yours,
NOBLE L. DEVOTIE.

(*To be Continued*)



To Any Spendthrift



Thou mayst not live unto thyself alone.
 To waste or spend,
 O never dare to dream thou art thine own.
 "Brother and Friend,"
 Their voices sound forever in thine ears.
 Canst thou deny them when their arms are thrown
 About thee, heedless unthrift? Thou art none
 Thine own possession, all thou art is theirs.
 Still they are calling, calling, "Brother and Friend!"
 Still art thou these—or nothing—to the end.

Thou mayst not live unto thyself alone.

—ROOSEVELT PRUYN WALKER, Tennessee Omega, Georgia Psi,
 in *The Outlook*.



Considerable time and energy are expended berating those back-sliding fellows of ours who exhibit an indifference with respect to their financial obligations. A man who is "square" is ever ready to express himself forcibly about what ought to be done to so-and-so because he is in debt, and these expressions are not to be discouraged, because there are far too many who will do what they ought to do only because they do not want to hear about themselves something that they do not like. It would seem no more than just under some circumstances for one of limited means to partake of the bounty of the more fortunate, even by stealth, but if we attempt to condone a single offense against the conventions of honesty, we undermine the system and lower the standard of integrity which makes it safe for a man to go out with odds against him to fight for his share of life's wherewith.

Joining lustily in the outcry against those who forget to remember what they owe, admitting that wherever there are expenses it is necessary to have money and rejoicing with all the rest when there happens to be a plenty thereof, we bear in mind all that has been said about these men that we have sneered at as *delinquents* and then we take it upon us to ask: What is a *delinquent*?

Fraternity men do themselves an injustice by not taking what they know is good in a fraternity and applying it to life in general. It does not occur to them that the man who can not be trusted in the chapter will be no safer out in business and that for the same reason the chapter worker is going to be a life-worker, that the one who sees what is to be done and who either does his part or tries his best is the man whose life is going to count. He may never be rich, he may never win renown, but he will have a clean record and

a good name, and with the consciousness of honest effort and faithfulness to duty there will come a happiness that money could not buy. All a man owes can not be expressed in dollars and cents, so we conclude that, regardless of his advantages, regardless of his calling, regardless of his station in life, a delinquent is any man who does not do the best he can.



A glance at the clippings from our exchanges in this number will show that those who think most about the future of fraternities are beginning to see a danger which may jeopardize the good influence of our organizations and which, if tolerated generally, would threaten even their existence. **A Danger** What fails to impress a youngster during his undergraduate days becomes significant to an alumnus who notes a modern tendency in fraternity life, realizing, not infrequently, that, if he should go back to college now with no more means than he had when he did go through, he could not afford to be a fraternity man.

Membership in a fraternity should not make a man any more extravagant; it does not have this effect upon the men who take it seriously and who are willing to do the work that will make it possible for them to have every benefit, yet there is a tendency in some chapters to show a preference for the men who can afford to indulge themselves, thereby making it uncomfortable for those whose means are moderate—all this for what they call "a good showing." Some of the best men happen to be among those who can afford to have whatever they want, still it is not their wealth which makes them good fellows; they are naturally of the right kind of stuff and they would be just as good without their money. The danger lies in looking for what a man has rather than for what he is.

This is merely a hint to a few chapters that have placed a premium on men whom they can advance as leaders in the sporting element of college life. Experience shows which men finally come out ahead and it fails to show why it does any good for a man to spend in college several times more than he will have when he starts out on his own resources. The chapters as a rule bid for the workers and this insures the permanence of the fraternity system, but there are some chapters in which the snob has his influence and the sooner he is squelched, the better.

The fraternity creed teaches discipline by sympathy and by persuasion, holding expulsion as the greatest possible disgrace and the last resort. A fraternity man will be given many chances **Expulsion** to redeem himself before this penalty is imposed; he will be advised, admonished and warned and if he has to be expelled it will be because every other solution of his case has been attempted without success. Even when there is no question about what ought to be done, a chapter will shift the responsibility on to the national officers, and the officers in turn will pass it along to a national convention. There will be a defender for the most degenerate and the sentence will have to be passed in the face of pleas more eloquent than Portia's on "The Quality of Mercy."

There is nothing more beautiful than loyalty, nothing more inspiring. The consciousness of a friendship that will hold in adversity even after hope is gone is a precious boon which has restored the pride of men given up for lost. Beautiful indeed is the hope of redemption, beautiful and precious, but the key to this hope is *honor*.

The man who forgets the conditions upon which he was admitted into his fraternity, who deliberately brings disgrace upon the entire organization, who is heedless and insulting to the friends who would give him another chance—this man is absolutely without honor. His name is a smear on the scroll, his presence is a stench and his influence is a putrid, cancerous fester.



The solution of the house problem is outlined in the following extract from the Harvard chapter-letter. We present **The Proper Spirit** it without comment because the logic is obvious and we trust that every chapter will read it over until the spirit becomes thoroughly assimilated—and then abide by its lesson:

The policy of Massachusetts Gamma, from a financial point of view, during the past year, may be summed up in one word—economy. We are planning for the future, and in our deliberations have reached the conclusion that if we would be helped, we must first help ourselves. Already much has been accomplished, even more than we of the chapter expected. Take note, grads and alumni! When we have fully demonstrated to you our worthiness of your confidence, then and then alone, shall we call upon you for assistance in the furtherance of those dreams dearest to us all—namely, a house of our own.



Exchanges

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THE RECORD desires to acknowledge receipt of the following exchanges since July, 1908:

- July.— *The Anchora* of Delta Gamma; *The Mask* of Kappa Psi; *Alpha Phi Quarterly*.
- August.— *The Delta* of Sigma Nu; *The Shield* of Phi Kappa Psi; *The Alpha Xi Delta*; *Desmos*, Delta Sigma; *Centaur*, Alpha Kappa Kappa.
- September.— *Alpha Tau Omega Palm*; *Delta Upsilon Quarterly*; *Garnet and White*, Alpha Chi Rho; *Sigma Chi Quarterly*; *Delta Chi Quarterly*.
- October.— *Shield*, Theta Delta Chi; *Sigma Phi Epsilon Journal*; *Caduceus*, Kappa Sigma; *Scroll*, Phi Delta Theta; *Shield*, Phi Kappa Psi; *Beta Theta Pi*; *Shield and Diamond*, Pi Kappa Alpha; *Crescent*, Gamma Phi Beta; *Kappa Alpha Journal*; *Journal* of Omega Psi.



The following editorial from the *Palm* of A T Ω we believe should be read and digested not alone by Freshmen, but by upper-classmen as well:

Alpha Tau Omega has nothing to offer to the man who is content to wait for something to turn up. It has nothing to give to the man who has not the energy to labor, to achieve, to conquer. It bestows nothing upon the indolent, the wasteful, the ambitionless man. It can not make a scholar out of a dunce who rejoices in his foolishness nor create a saint out of unpenitent material.

The most that the fraternity can do for the man it has already done. It can make him mindful of the seriousness of his college life. It can urge and insist that he give to the work at hand the best that is in him. It can hold up to him the achievements of the men who have come into the fraternity and from it out into the world prepared for the battles of life. It can open his eyes to the sparkling waters of the Pierian spring, but it can not make him drink of them, nor make him drink deep and long. In short, entrance to Alpha Tau Omega is not an open sesame to the secrets of the arts or the sciences; membership with us does not *ipso facto* make the man or secure him the good, precious things of life.

After all, the burden is upon the individual. The fraternity will, of course, open his eyes, but it can not compel him to see. It will reward him with its honors and blessings when he deserves them. It will reprove him when he requires chastisement. But beyond this the man is the master. He is still "the architect of his own future." The fraternity will lead; he will do well if he follows. If he choose not to follow, his membership is a hollow mockery, a vain, useless lie.

In a word, Alpha Tau Omega now insists that the recent initiate prove his worth, his title, his right to the privileges he would enjoy by loyalty and by work.



The editor of the *Δ Y Quarterly* very effectively points out the weakness of many chapters in selecting new members. During college days Jim, his friend, was "passed up," but to-day would be welcomed by the most aristocratic. We clip the following part of the editorial:

Last winter Jim attended a convention of superintendents in Philadelphia and took dinner with us. During the evening he entertained us with his excellent readings from Shakespeare, Moore, Burns, and several less-known Scotch poets of whom he is particularly fond. During a chat reminiscent of our college days Jim confided that the one regret of his life was that he failed to attain membership in a college fraternity. The thought of fraternity, he said, among men of educated minds must be a constant inspiration to do better and more unselfish work. He had been "invited over" by several societies but never received a "bid."

Like a flash there came to mind a meeting at the Delta U house, after a rushing smoker to which Jim had been invited with others, when his name was ruthlessly cast aside after the facts of his early life were presented by those who only half-knew the truth. Jim had none of those secondary attributes which too often decide availability for fraternity membership. So-called family, stylish clothes, money, the slang and glibberish of small-minded and effeminating "society," were all foreign to his life or tastes. But of elemental manhood and clean, square ideals Jim was the peer of any of his censors. His experience was the same at all of the fraternities, and he graduated a non-fraternity man.

In seeking a foil for Jim, dozens of men come to mind, men who were snapped up by fraternities without a moment's hesitation and in many cases the recipients of invitations from a dozen different societies. The type is so common as almost to need no description. He is the man of modish clothes, spending the wealth of others, not above cribbing to squeeze through an examination, a scoffer at religion and the serious things of life, one who would label a protest against gambling at cards in the chapter house as "damned Y. M. C. A. notions"—a pygmy in mind and disposition.

As between these two men, our present system of rushing is confessedly in favor of the latter. There is no time to study personalities, to probe weakness and vice, and to learn of nobility of character and purpose. Superficiality and the dangerous recommendation of "family" are the bait at which our over-zealous chapters snap with avidity. A reform in method is bound to come sooner or later, either through pan-hellenic co-operation, or through a coming to their senses of the different chapters.



We herewith copy extracts from Mr. Baird's letter to the editor of the *Delta* of Σ N, describing a plan upon which two hundred chapter houses have been built:

THE PLAN THAT HAS WORKED

Now my plan is this. Urge each chapter to save, save until it has at least \$2,000.00. Urge each chapter to take from each initiate his note for at least \$100, payable in five equal installments beginning two years after he leaves college. Form a stock corporation among the alumni, one corporation for each chapter, and sell as much stock as you can at par. Don't promise any profits. There won't be any, but it insures certainty of ownership and provides that the stock shall never pass from the ownership of a Sigma Nu. Then sell bonds possibly among these same alumni and a few others agreeing to pay 6 per cent. interest (if the rate can be made lower so much the better), and agreeing to secure this by a second mortgage.

Now suppose a chapter house has 100 members, alumni and undergraduate—

It will save, say.....	\$2,000.00
It will sell stock, say.....	2,500.00
It will sell bonds, say.....	3,000.00
	\$7,500.00

With this money it can build a \$15,000.00 house, giving a first mortgage for the other \$7,500.00. This should be rented to the chapter at a rent sufficient to pay the interest on the mortgage and on the bonds, the taxes and repairs. The contribution of \$100.00 from each initiate will gradually but surely pay off the bonds and the mortgage. Each man who pays in money should get stock for it.

There is a plan that has worked 200 times within the last five years and is working all right now. It places the ultimate burden of acquiring the house on the men who use it but it secures the present help of the

alumni who can help. It is, however, their own affair and is managed in each case by men they know and not by a lot of officers elected at a convention in a distant city by a lot of irresponsible boys.



It is our desire that every member of the Fraternity be inspired to effect the high and the noble things of fraternalism. The following editorial from the *Garnet and White* expresses very aptly our sentiments:

Modern machinery saves the individual a vast amount of labor in the production of a given output; not that he may be idle, but that his energies may be turned into new channels yet more profitable to the community and to himself. The worker gains, not loses, in responsibility of achievement.

The fraternity chapter is the machinery of good-fellowship, of friendship, of Brotherhood. The fraternity man gains friends, and all that the inspiration of friends can supply, with much less effort than the neutral. If he is satisfied with the gaining; if he does not spend the energy thus saved in realizing a far deeper intimacy than the casual acquaintanceship of college days; if he neglects to make the chapter house a center for deeper, more thorough, and more earnest realization of the possibilities of his college years than could be his without its aid,—his fraternity life has not only not been a tool for greater efficiency in his work, but it has been an excuse for idleness which in the end will weaken both his own attachment to the fraternity, and the respect which the world at large has for fraternities as an element in our national life.



Walter James Sears, Σ N, the foremost Pan-Hellenic fraternity man, responding to a toast at the second annual banquet of the Pan-Hellenic association of Ohio State, makes the following sensible conclusion:

For, after all, my fellow Greeks, the ultimate test of all culture, of all character, of all fellowship, is a brave and manly citizenship; the glorious purpose of all our faith, all our religion, all our philosophy, all our education, all our brotherhood, is to create brave and manly men. Our culture should give us the ability, primarily, says Professor James, to tell a man when we see him. Our fraternities, if they are to measure up to their highest opportunity, if they are to realize their noblest faith, must endow us with the distinguishing traits of a manhood whose terms of power shall be found not in culture which is exclusive, nor in wealth which is dishonest, nor in a social position which is condescending; but in a clear-eyed and warm-hearted devotion to the supreme duty of making men, men—learned but not pedantic, upright but not pious, brave but not brutal, democratic but not vulgar, brotherly but not sentimental. To do this quietly but steadfastly will be the highest service which the Greek letter men of to-day can render to humanity. to the oncoming generations of young men—this will be the larger field of service, which they must enter upon and conquer in the name of their sacred faith and

fellowship. Remembering with pride the achievements of the past, these men, old and young, will, I am confident, bring to the problems of the present and the future the zeal, courage and devotion which, having enriched their heritage and glorified their traditions, will make firm and secure the foundations of their hope, love and faith.



Our observation has been that too many fraternity men take too little thought of study. The following editorial from the *Scroll* of Phi Delta Theta gives wholesome advice to us all:

By this time the rush in most of our colleges is over and our active members will do well to turn from the field of battle and lay out, each for himself, a course which he proposes to pursue for the college year. First of all, attention should be given to the class-room work and lectures, for after all the main business of a student is study. Let it not be accounted a misfortune if a freshman gives almost all his time to study. By laying the foundation well more time will be gained for college activities in subsequent years. Having made study his major, the student should add such electives as athletics, oratory, debate, music, society, etc., always preserving the proper ratios. The product of such a course ought to be a well-rounded man—just such a man as we like to see in our chapters.



False pride cultivates false aristocracy. Such tendencies in an individual or a chapter should be checked. Editor Baird suggests the danger of such a condition in the following comment:

This is a critical time in the life history of many of the chapters. The aristocratic tendencies of the members of many of the chapters have increased and so influenced the actions of the chapters, as a whole, that to a certain extent they have lost their democratic character. There must be a return to democratic principles, or we fear that the chapters will become merely social clubs and will no longer embrace, as heretofore, a fair majority of the men prominent in college affairs. The tendency in the chapters which we have in mind is to secure men of small mental calibre and of pleasant manners and good family rather than those who have less social training but who have brains and energy.



Dr. Wm. S. Keller, writing in the Beta Theta Pi magazine, referring to student societies in German Universities, makes the following observations:

German student societies are purely local. Many universities have societies of the same name but they are not in any way affiliated. It is possible and commonly found that a society in one university is friendly toward a society in another university, so that should a student go to another university he can join the society to which his own society is friendly. This kind of affiliation is rare, however, and especially so in the Corps who only recognize Corps men.

Societies in the same institution are never friendly toward each other so that when a man joins a society he suspends all other friendships. Corps men will on rare occasions recognize men of another Corps, but their intercourse is limited to a mere speaking acquaintance. In this way it is possible for men to go through college and in his own class and know only the men of his own society. I will ask my good brethren not to be severe in their opinions of the German Student Societies. For one who has never seen them in Germany, it is rather hard to understand the spirit in which all this is done. The habits of living and the environs of the German Universities are so different from those in America that it is only after months of living in such surroundings that you can accustom yourself to what may appear at first as very curious proceedings. I recall hearing an American telling a German Corp student that "he thought the dueling of the German students was a very brutal and fatal custom." The German soon proved to him that it was more scientific, less barbarous and not a third as fatal as American college football.



Extension is a vital problem to every fraternity. An editorial from *Beta Theta Pi*, which we clip, indicates some of the arguments advanced by the ultra conservative:

During the convention the statement was more than once made by undergraduate delegates that they could not vote for one or the other of the applications for charters because "you know we never grant but one charter a year" or "there will never be more than seventy-five chapters and we must leave room for new colleges" or "it would never do to have a new chapter so far away" and so on. Probably more than one vote was influenced by such talk as this. The undergraduates ought to know that there is no limit by law or custom to the number of charters we may grant at any one convention, that there is no limit to the size of the fraternity to seventy-five or any other arbitrary number of chapters and that the distance of a proposed chapter in the United States or Canada is no barrier. The delegates are free to vote as they please but they are not truly loyal to the fraternity when they are influenced by such arguments as these.



News of the Fraternities



Δ Υ has re-established its Miami chapter.

Omicron chapter of Α Χ Ω has been installed at Baker University, Baldwin, Kas.

A chapter of Σ Φ was installed at the University of Wisconsin 30 October, 1908.

Σ Φ Ε has entered Allegheny.

A local, "The Friars Club," at Louisiana State University, is petitioning $\Delta K E$ to re-establish a chapter at the university.

$\Omega \Lambda Y$, a local at the University of Maine, has recently been taken into the $\Delta T \Delta$ and is now occupying a new house.

The local Phi Eta Kappa at Maine moved into its newly built house this season.

$\Phi \Delta \Theta$ has recently erected a chapter house at the University of North Carolina.

ΨY has just finished and is now occupying a new \$20,000 house at Minnesota.

The Minnesota faculty has organized a new fraternity, $\Lambda A \Psi$. It is based on scholarship.

Besides $\Sigma A E$, $\Phi \Delta \Theta$, $K A$ and $A T \Omega$ now lease houses at Georgia Tech.

$\Delta K E$ has rented a house in Tuscaloosa and is the first fraternity to enter a house at the University of Alabama.

The chapter of Delta Sigma Phi at M. I. T. has severed its connection with the national body and has become a local with the name of Kappa Theta.

The buildings of the University of New Mexico are designed with an eye to perpetuating the architecture of ancient Pueblo. This construction is good for a rapidly growing institution because it is possible to make additions without demolishing the old buildings. Unique among fraternity houses is a Pueblo Estufa, occupied by the Tri-Alpha Fraternity at this institution.

The Pan-Hellenic association of the University of the South has adopted a "half-year" rule, i. e., no one shall be initiated into any fraternity until he has entered upon his second term in the University.

Fraternities at the University of Washington are allowed to give stag parties galore but the faculty says not more than three affairs a year "at which members of the opposite sex are present." The courses in the sentimental engineering department must be overcrowded.

A pledge must gain 12 hours credit before he can be initiated by a fraternity at the University of Washington.

Virginia Omicron of $\Sigma A E$ certainly "got in the game" last spring, winning the championship of the University of Virginia fraternity teams over fifteen opponents and scoring 79 runs to combined opponents' 8.

Chung Men Yew, Yale '83, who has been mentioned as the probable successor of Minister Wu Ting Fang of China, was coxswain of the Yale Varsity crew. He is a member of $\Delta K E$.

It has been estimated that at the University of Alabama approximately sixty per cent. of the S. A. E.'s who enter college, graduate, whereas, only about forty per cent. of the other fraternity men take their degrees.

In the year 1907-'08 there were one hundred and ninety-one men in the nine fraternities represented at Alabama; twenty-seven were S. A. E.'s.

The national convention of $X \Phi$ at Atlanta, Georgia, ended with a banquet, November twenty-seventh. The following account is from the *Atlanta Georgian*:

With the election of Arthur V. Lyall, of New York, as president, and Dr. Theodore B. Appel, of New York, as secretary, the Chi Phi Fraternity closed its annual congress at the Piedmont on Friday night, the business session of Saturday morning being found unnecessary, the work of the convention having been concluded. New York City was chosen for the congress on next Thanksgiving day.

President Lyall is a graduate of Amherst College, and one of the leading spirits in Chi Phi. He succeeds Arthur G. Thompson, of New York.

A banquet Friday night was the chief social feature of the congress of Chi Phi. Eugene R. Black was toastmaster and addresses were delivered by John A. Hynds, Judge Walter Colquitt, John Burt, Jr., of New York, Lucian L. Knight and Judge Emory Speer.

Among the colleges represented were the University of Virginia, Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Emory College, Rutgers College, Hampden-Sidney College, Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute, University of Georgia, Ohio State University, University of California, Stevens Institute of Technology, University of Texas, Sheffield Scientific School of Yale University, Dartmouth College, Amherst College, Lafayette College, Georgia Institute of Technology, Franklin-Marshall College and Wofford College.

In addition to these chapters now in existence, the following extinct chapters complete the history of the Chi Phi Fraternity, some of which were represented at this congress: Brown University, Centenary College, Cumberland University, Davidson College, Dickinson College, University of Edinburg (founded during the Civil war by Southern students), Harvard University, Hobart College, Johns Hopkins University, Kentucky Military Institute, Kenyon College, Mercer University, University of Michigan, Muhlenburg College, Nashville Military College, New Jersey College, University of North Carolina, Oglethorpe University, Ohio Wesleyan University, Pennsylvania College, University of Pennsylvania, Princeton University, St. Johns College, University of South Carolina, Trinity College, Vanderbilt University and Washington and Lee.

College Notes



The cornerstone was recently laid for a \$250,000 agricultural building at the University of Missouri.

A new \$50,000 building has been completed at the University of Maine for the use of the agricultural department.

In the death of Horace M. Estabrooke, Professor of English, the University of Maine has lost one of its most esteemed professors.

The new Technology Union is now open at M. I. T. It is estimated that the first year's receipts of the dining-hall will approximate thirty thousand dollars.

The Southern football championship is claimed by both Auburn (Ala.) and Louisiana State. It has been charged that the latter team did not abide by the rules of the S. I. A. A.

A note in the September RECORD stated that Dr. R. H. Jesse had resigned the presidency of "Mississippi" and that he would be succeeded by Dr. Albert Ross Hill, formerly of Cornell. The University of Missouri is the institution—not Mississippi.

The new school of journalism at the University of Missouri is meeting with great success. The number of students in the new school far exceeds the number that was anticipated by the faculty. The students of journalism issue a daily paper, very metropolitan in appearance and contents, called *The University Missourian*.

In the game between Virginia Military Institute and Roanoke College at Lexington, October 31st, cadet George Cook Ferreber, '12, of Norfolk, left halfback on the V. M. I. team, was tackled while running around right end; in falling, his head struck the ground, causing a fracture of the skull. He died within a few minutes without regaining consciousness. Cadet Ferreber was regarded as the most promising member of his class and his death is the saddest and the most unfortunate incident of the football season.

A new commons for young men was opened at Allegheny College this fall. The building is a gift of Mrs. Sarah B. Cochran of Dawson, Pennsylvania. It is constructed of brick with light terra cotta trimmings and tile roof. The architecture is of the Italian style with simple, dignified lines, making the building, as a whole, the most imposing of the entire college group. Allegheny is also constructing a new athletic field. The work was commenced last spring and now the field is nearing completion.

The engineering building of the University of Alabama is nearing completion. It is of pressed brick and stone and when completed

will be the largest engineering building in the South. Smith Hall for the schools of geology and biology and the university museum is also well under way.

The University of Michigan has just opened the largest and best equipped dental building in America. A \$300,000 memorial building and a new chemistry building are in course of construction.

Dr. Emerson, Σ A E, Massachusetts Iota-Tau, has been given a place in the philosophy department, and "Dusty" Miller of Tennessee Omega, has been called to the engineering department faculty of the University of Michigan.

Mr. Andrew Carnegie has promised to donate to the University of the South for a scientific building, the sum of \$60,000, on the condition that the university raise \$100,000. This sum has been subscribed, and the faculty endowment workers are now engaged in the somewhat arduous work of redeeming the pledges.

Within a short space of time a new pipe organ, that will be the equal of any organ in the State of Michigan, will be placed in the college chapel at Adrian.

The Adrian College Choral Union is offering a fine course of entertainments this year. Among the soloists are Janet Spencer, the famous contralto, and Edward Johnson, both of whom were soloists at the May festival at Anne Arbor, last year.

When the will of Colonel William F. Vilas was made public on September 5, 1908, it was learned that he had bequeathed practically his entire fortune to the University of Wisconsin. It is said to be the largest endowment ever made to a state university. The fortune is estimated to be worth at the present time between \$2,000,000 and \$3,000,000; but the will provides that it must be allowed to accumulate to \$30,000,000.

—*Wisconsin Alumni Magazine.*

The annual class rush at the University of Wisconsin, which the faculty has threatened to abolish, will be retained in modified form for another year.

The college of medicine of the University of Wisconsin, now in its second year, has received important addition by the establishment of chairs of pathology and of pharmacology and toxicology, and by the appointment of professors for those places.

President Eliot of Harvard conferred the degree of Doctor of Laws on President Van Hise, on Wednesday, June 14, 1908, in the following words:

"Charles Richard Van Hise, pre-Cambrian and metamorphic geologist; professor successively of metallurgy, mineralogy, and geology; president of the leading State university, the University of Wisconsin."



Announcement

Massachusetts Iota-Tau, '07.—Mr. and Mrs. T. D. Summers announce the engagement of their daughter, Florence Marion, to Mr. Harry N. Burhans.

Marriages

- Arkansas Alpha-Upsilon, '05.; Virginia Omicron, '08.*—Cleveland White Croom to Dardis McDaniel, at Fayetteville, Ark., 14 October, 1908.
- Alabama Mu, '07.*—J. T. Norman to Bessie Miller, at Columbus, Miss., 3 June, 1908.
- Colorado Zeta, '04.*—Earl Edgar Dole to Jamie Marguerite Newell, at Akron, Colo., 5 August, 1908.
- Colorado Zeta, '07.*—David Sievert Painter to Edith M. Garrigues, Γ Φ Β, at Greeley, Colo., 17 October, 1907.
- Colorado Zeta, '08.*—Charles Odell Thibedeau to Anna Ray Charles, II Β Φ, at Denver, Colo., 19 August, 1908.
- Colorado Zeta, '08.*—Thompson Eldridge Ashby to Hattie Worley, at Ashland, Neb., 5 November, 1908.
- Georgia Phi, '09.*—Hugh Wallace Kirkpatrick to Mary Elizabeth Feeny, at Huntsville, Ala., 8 October, 1908.
- Georgia Phi, '02.*—Fitzhugh Scott to Elise Landrum, at Atlanta, Ga., December, 1908.
- Georgia Phi, '04.*—Gustavus R. Glenn, Jr., to Myrtice Corker, at Atlanta, Ga., November, 1908.
- Georgia Beta, '03.*—Ronald Augustine Ransom to Mary Brent Smith, at Atlanta, Ga., 19 December, 1908.

- Illinois Psi-Omega*, '05.—H. A. E. Chandler to Elizabeth Williams, at Chicago, Ill., 1 August, 1908.
- Illinois Psi-Omega*, '06.—Walter E. Squire (Musical Editor Σ A E Song Book) to Carrie Edith Mason, at Chicago, Ill., 14 November, 1908.
- Iowa Beta*, '05.—Carl V. Kent to Cecilia Loizeau, at Des Moines, Ia., 17 August, 1908.
- Kansas Alpha*, '04.—Albert R. Killgore to Elma French, at Venice, Cal., 8 October, 1908.
- Kansas Alpha*, '06.—Frank E. Jarvis to Dorothy Chittenden, at Lincoln, Neb., 14 October, 1908. At home after November first, Winfield, Kas.
- Kansas Alpha*, '08.—Joseph M. Patterson, Jr., to Mabel A. Coyne, at Kansas City, Mo., 5 August, 1908.
- Louisiana Epsilon*, '04.—J. Overton Pratt to Miss Kyle, at Mobile, Ala., 3 October, 1908.
- Louisiana Epsilon*, '05.—W. Burch Lee to Irene Drake, at Minden, La., 4 November, 1908.
- Louisiana Tau-Upsilon*, '07.—Charles M. Kerr to Nellie Coppes, at Washington, 30 September, 1908.
- Michigan Alpha*, '01.—Norman Bradish Horton to Hazel Crabbs, at Morenci, Mich., 21 October, 1908. At home after December first, at Morenci, Mich.
- Michigan Iota-Beta*, '08.—Howard A. Ellis to Enid Holmes, at Chelsea, Mich., 24 September, 1908.
- Missouri Alpha*, '02.—Charles Wayne Wood to Leida Phillips Ferguson, at St. Louis, Mo., 5 October, 1908.
- New York Alpha*, '03.—John B. Smith to Emily Davenport Schwartz, at Nanticoke, Pa., 25 November, 1908.
- New York Sigma-Phi*, '96.—Rev. James Lewis Lasher to Helen McLean, at St. Andrews Church, New York City, 14 October, 1908.
- New York Delta*, '06.—Leveritt I. Loghry to June Lewis (Syracuse, '08), at Earlville, N. Y., 2 September, 1908.
- New York Delta*, '08.—Ford R. Park to Ethel B. Parker (Syracuse, '08), at Madison, N. Y., 21 June, 1908.
- New York Delta*, '09.—Donald W. McCollum to Mabel L. Brown, at Syracuse, N. Y., 13 September, 1908.
- New York Delta*, '09.—James W. Edgbert to Elsie M. Stevenson, at Syracuse, N. Y., 3 October, 1908.
- Ohio Theta*, '01.—Harvey H. Cosley to Edna Oyer, at Wheaton, Ill., 22 August, 1908.
- Ohio Sigma*, '02.—Henry K. Yaggi to Grace Newhouse, at Louisville, O.
- Ohio Sigma*, '02.—L. E. Yaggi to Anna Jones, at Alliance, O.
- Ohio Sigma*, '05.—Arthur W. Morris to Blanche Wadsworth, at Alliance, O.
- Ohio Sigma*, '06.—C. L. Stookesberry to Elsie Jones, at Alliance, O.
- Pennsylvania Delta*, ex-'06.—Ralph Deal Pfahler to Margaret Jacobs, at Short Creek, W. Va., 1 October, 1908.
- Pennsylvania Omega*, ex-'04.—Edward C. Drum to Mable Allen, at Charleroi, Pa., 23 September, 1908.
- Pennsylvania Omega*, '07.—Charles H. Griggs to Carrie Culp, at Sager-town, Pa., June, 1908.
- Pennsylvania Omega*, ex-'09.—Homer L. Deemer to Evelyne B. Crosser, at Lisbon, Ohio, 19 September, 1908.

Births

Georgia Epsilon, '06.—A daughter, Flora Carr, to Mr. and Mrs. Crawford W. Jenkins, at Midland, Ga., 4 November, 1908.

Illinois Beta, '05.—A daughter, Miriam Loraine, 9½ pounds, to Mr. and Mrs. J. N. Ashmore, at Westminster, Md., 7 October, 1908.

Illinois Beta, '06.—A son, 12 pounds, to Mr. and Mrs. John W. Kirkpatrick, at Urbana, Ill., 22 October, 1908.

New York Alpha, '95.—A daughter, Emeline Howe, to Mr. and Mrs. Louis R. Cowdrey, at Passaic, N. J., 25 October, 1908.

Massachusetts Iota-Tau, '05.—A daughter, Dorothy Schiller, was born to Mr. and Mrs. Chas. R. Boggs at Brookline, Mass., on 26 October, 1908.



Deaths

Louisiana Epsilon, '69.—Samuel H. Lewis, at Salt Lake City, Utah, 15 October, 1908.

Tennessee Omega.—Charles Pollard Cocke, at Birmingham, Ala., 15 August, 1908.

Washington City Rho, '08.—Fred Henshaw Low, at Monrovia, Cal., 11 October, 1908.



In Memoriam

WILLIAM EDWIN KEATING

WHEREAS, The Supreme Ruler of the universe has seen fit to take unto Himself the spirit of our beloved brother, William Edwin Keating; therefore, be it by us who cherish his memory

Resolved, That to his brothers in Sigma Alpha Epsilon he was noble, faithful, and true, exemplifying in his life the ideals of our Fraternity, pure in heart and soul, faithful to his Creator, and a wise counsellor among his brothers; and be it

Resolved, That Texas Rho mourns the loss of one of its most valuable members; and be it further

Resolved, That a copy of these resolutions be sent to his family, to whom our heart and sympathy go out in this hour of bereavement, that a copy be spread upon the records of this chapter, and that a copy be published in THE RECORD OF SIGMA ALPHA EPSILON.

FRANCIS J. WINTER,
CHAUNCEY J. GLOVER, JR.,
LLOYD P. LOCKRIDGE.

EMMETT IRWIN BENNETT

BATON ROUGE, LA., 3 July, 1908.

WHEREAS, It has been the will of our Heavenly Father to call from this life our brother, Emmett Irwin Bennett, and

WHEREAS, By his death, we, the members of the Louisiana Epsilon Chapter of Sigma Alpha Epsilon, have lost a most loyal and devoted member, who by his conduct and manly character was endeared to all his friends; therefore, be it

Resolved, That we, of Louisiana Epsilon Chapter of Sigma Alpha Epsilon express our deepest sympathy to the family of our deceased brother; and be it further

Resolved, That a copy of these resolutions be sent to his family, a copy be sent to THE RECORD for publication, and a copy be spread upon the minutes of Louisiana Epsilon Chapter.

WILLIAM P. DENSON,
WALTER H. HOFFMAN, JR.,
WILBER F. NICHOLSON.
Committee.

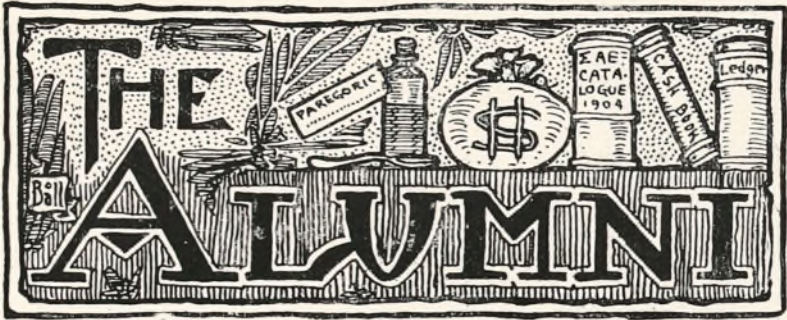
**JOHN ORTON WATKINS****GEORGE KINGSLEY HAMILTON**

MADISON, WIS., 11 November, 1908.

John Orton Watkins and George Kingsley Hamilton were initiated into the Sigma Alpha Epsilon Fraternity at the University of Wisconsin, 10 October, 1907, and were drowned in Lake Mendota, 13 April, 1908. They possessed those qualities of character which exemplified the principles of our Order and gave promise of a life of distinction and honor among their fellow men; accordingly, be it

Resolved, That we extend, on behalf of Wisconsin Alpha of the Sigma Alpha Epsilon Fraternity, our condolence to the bereaved families, and in token of our respect spread a copy of this resolution on the minutes of Wisconsin Alpha and on the pages of THE RECORD.

E. M. McMAHON,
F. WILLIAM GREVE, JR.,
A. H. GRUENEWALD,
Committee.



The Men of the Fraternity

H. A. Kuhn, Pennsylvania Alpha-Zeta, '96:

With a machine that can dig and load a ton of coal a minute the coal mining industry of the world seems about to be revolutionized by the invention of a Pittsburgh man, H. A. Kuhn, president of the Pittsburgh & Westmoreland Coal Company and allied corporations, which own and are operating a 20,000-acre tract in Westmoreland and Washington counties.

Some idea of what this means can be determined by comparison with the fact that an individual miner, with the best methods hitherto in use, can turn out only from six to ten tons a day. The cost of mining also is greatly reduced by the new machine. Another very important feature is that it does away with the use of explosives. * * * * *

At an inspection yesterday the machine was seen mining and loading coal at the rate of more than 1,000 pounds a minute, and it was stated that when it was working to its fullest capacity it could turn out a ton every 60 seconds. There were no hitches nor false starts. The machine ate its way right into the solid wall of coal, turning it out in great blocks and, by a conveyor attachment, dumping it right into cars to be hauled out. More machines are to be put to work later, when a motor locomotive will be assigned to each to haul out the cars of coal.

Use of this new machine by other companies will be allowed only under a license system. There will be no sales. Mr. Kuhn has his patents arranged in such a way that he will remain absolutely in control of every detail of the invention. He is a civil, mining and mechanical engineer and has been studying this problem for about twelve years. About two years ago experimental machines were constructed one after another and discarded, each being built solely to work out carefully some single feature of the present device, so that the one now in use is simply an accumulation of certain mechanical operations, each of which was thoroughly exploited before this latest machine was built, with the result that it is now a practical thing and working a double shift every day.—*Pittsburgh Gazette-Times*, 22 September, 1908.

Fred W. MacKenzie, Wisconsin Alpha, '06:



Madison, Wis., Oct. 20.—Fred W. MacKenzie, university editor at the University of Wisconsin, has resigned his position to take the place of assistant editor of Senator La Follette's new weekly. His resignation will be acted upon by the regents to-morrow, although he has already severed his connection with the university and has taken up the work with the weekly.

Mr. MacKenzie is one of the well known young men of the State and one of the most prominent of the more recent graduates of the State university. He is a thorough all-around man and is believed to have a great future before him in the work which he is about to take up.

While a student at the university Mr. MacKenzie was prominent in all student activities. He was editor of the *Sphinx* for some time and was connected with the staff of the *Daily Cardinal*. He won honors in scholastic work in the institution and was well known as a student of political economy and political science. It is his knowledge of these two that especially fit him for the work he is to undertake. He has been in the newspaper business and for a time was assistant secretary of the Merchants' and Manufacturers' Association of Milwaukee. He has been university editor for about a year and has done much toward putting the new department in good shape.—*Superior Telegram*, 22 September, 1908.



Judge Clifton R. Bassell, Colorado Zeta, '02:

One of the interesting results to many Denver people, in the recent election, was the election of Clifton R. Bassell as county judge on the Republican ticket in Douglas County. Mr. Bassell is only twenty-nine years old, the same age as President-elect Taft when he went to the bench in Cincinnati, and it is probable that the young Douglas County jurist is the youngest man on the bench in a court in Colorado.

Four years ago Bassell was defeated for the same office by but four votes, and this year the nomination was forced upon him against his will by the party leaders. He made a magnificent race and led his ticket, winning with over 100 votes to spare in a county so close that many candidates won or lost by a half dozen votes.

Judge Bassell is the son of Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Bassell and the family lived in Denver when the new judge was a high school boy. In Manual

Training High School Bassell was a crack pitcher and football halfback. Later he attended Denver University, both in the college of liberal arts and the law school, taking high rank as a student, orator and debater. He was a member of the Denver University debating team which defeated the University of Utah in 1905, and he has a legion of friends in Denver who are interested in his career. He is a member of the Sigma Alpha Epsilon college fraternity of Denver University.—*Denver Republican*, 11 November, 1908.



William Alexander Martin, Mississippi Gamma, '88, Missouri Alpha, '89. The September "Green Bag," vol. xx, pages 467, 472, 473, under the heading of "Current Legal Literature," contains the review quoted below:

A practical article of merit and much present-day interest reviewed this month is that on the subject of the union label, by W. A. Martin.

UNION LABELS (Protection). "Union Labels," by W. A. Martin, *American Law Review* (Vol. XLII, p. 511). A careful examination with numerous citations of cases bearing on the legal protection of the union label. The subject is discussed under five aspects: 1st. Whether it is a technical trade-mark and entitled to protection as such. 2nd. Whether it is entitled to protection under Act of Congress, July 8, 1870. 3rd. Whether entitled to protection when used by a member of the union on goods made and sold by him. 4th. Whether entitled to protection in absence of statute though not considered a technical trade-mark. 5th. The protection afforded by State legislation enacted for that purpose.

To the first two questions the answer is in the negative. The decisions on the first are not harmonious but "a review of the decisions and a consideration of the elementary principles of trade-mark law, makes the conclusion necessary that the union not being the owner, manufacturer or seller of the goods to which the label is attached, the label is not a valid trade-mark nor entitled to protection as such."

The Act of Congress referred to under the second head provides "that protection may be obtained for a lawful trade-mark by recording in the patent office a statement specifying the names of the parties, and their residence and place of business . . . the class of merchandise, and the particular description of goods comprised in such a class, by which the trade-mark has been or is intended to be appropriated. This provision of the act, it has been said, clearly contemplates an actual business conducted by the person or persons named, the adoption of a trade-mark in that business, and its appropriation to a particular 'class of merchandise' produced or sold by the parties making the registration.

"As to the third question, however, the answer is in the affirmative. Even though the label lacks the characteristics of a valid trade-mark and can not be protected as such, a bill in equity will lie to enjoin the perpetration of a fraud which injures plaintiff's business and occasions him a pecuniary loss.

"The next question for consideration is whether a union label, though considered not a technical trade-mark, is entitled to protection in the absence of legislation expressly conferring it. It by no means follows that the label is not entitled to protection merely because the law for the protection of technical trade-marks can not be invoked for that pur-

pose. There are, however, decisions which in effect so declare, and, it is believed, erroneously."

Consideration of the various arguments lead the author to conclude that "a court of equity should protect by injunction a union label shown or admitted to be of value, provided there is nothing in the contents of the label which amounts to an infraction of the rules of morality or public policy."

This valuable paper concludes with a discussion of legislation, in a number of States passed to protect the label from infringement. The constitutionality of such legislation, which has uniformly been upheld, and various questions in regard to enforcement are treated under this head.



L. C. Fritch, Ohio Epsilon, '93:

Several respects in which electricity is superior to steam as a motive power for metropolitan railroad terminals were noted by L. C. Fritch, assistant to the president of the Illinois Central, during a week's study of electrification systems in New York. Mr. Fritch returned to his office to-day, not exactly a convert to the idea of substituting electricity for steam on the terminals of the road here, but impressed with the advantages he observed in the East. If electricity is eventually adopted by the Illinois Central the present suburban schedules, he declared, would be revolutionized by the addition of more trains and more frequent service.—*Chicago Daily News*, 26 September, 1908.



Rev. Leigh Layman, Michigan Alpha, '91:

The whole church, as well as the Board of Foreign Missions, is to be congratulated upon the fact that Rev. Leigh Layman, pastor of Mt. Washington Church, Pittsburgh Conference, is to return to the mission field. The announcement will come as a surprise to many, and much regret will be felt by his associates in the Pittsburgh Conference, that he is to remove from their personal fellowship. The wisdom and good fortune of the Board in securing his services for the work in Japan can not be doubted. His natural adaptation for the work and his years of experience in the field qualify him in an eminent degree for the position to be filled.—*Methodist Recorder*.



Fred H. Low, Washington City Rho, '08:

Fred Henshaw Low, the son of A. Maurice Low, the widely known Washington newspaper correspondent, died Sunday at Monrovia, Cal., whither he had gone six months ago in the hope of recuperating his health. Mrs. Low was with her son at the time of his death.

The young man was twenty-three years old, and was a law student in George Washington University. He also was an ensign in the naval reserve. The body will be brought East, and funeral services will be held next Monday afternoon at the family residence, 1730 Connecticut avenue.—*Washington Post*, 13 October, 1908.

George W. Caplin, Minnesota Alpha, '04. The following is clipped from a Glendive, Mont., paper of which **James A. Metcalf**, Michigan Alpha, '97, is editor:

There came to Frank C. Hughes yesterday a very sad message—one that will cause a real pang of sorrow and regret to pass through many hearts. It consisted of a brief statement to the effect that G. W. Caplin had passed away at Pueblo, Colo., after a long and brave battle with the white plague.

"Cap" was well known here. He lived in Glendive for about three years, holding the position of building inspector of the Northern Pacific Railroad. He had a good automobile business in St. Paul, but was forced to leave it and come to Montana when tuberculosis began to sap his strength and vitality.

He would never admit that he was on the downward hill with the sunset of life not far distant. He was courageous and optimistic to a degree, and always he found faithful assistance from a wife who was all to him that a helpmate could be.

THE GREAT CHANGE COMES.

The climate change seemed to help him somewhat, but the first of the year he decided to try a move to Livingston. Then about six weeks ago he went to Denver, later to Pueblo, where the unequal struggle ended, and now he is at rest.

Mr. Caplin was about twenty-seven years of age—an able, well-educated and well qualified young man, fitted in every way to achieve success in the battle of life. The writer knew him and came into sympathy with him because of mutual membership in the Sigma Alpha Epsilon college fraternity, with which organization Mr. Caplin became affiliated while attending the university, the writer having membership in Michigan.

In addition to Mrs. Caplin, to whom will issue sincerest sympathy from the hearts of many friends in Glendive, the deceased is survived by three sisters living in Minneapolis.

HIS PLAN FOR US.

He would not choose a maudlin grief
To mark his journey o'er the Great Divide;
His plan would be a mourning brief
For those who linger on this side.
To drop perchance a tear or two,
When first the ties are cut in twain;
But then full courage to renew—
For grieving is at best in vain.
Old man, may we with equal courage meet
The suffering of the passing day,
Till even-song comes sounding sweet
And all our trials shall pass away.
Methinks that past the night of death
A morning fair shall break to view,
And when we greet its first sweet breath,
We'll mingle greetings there with you.

—JAMES A. METCALF.

Mortimer Perry Burroughs, Missouri Beta, '07, Massachusetts Iota-Tau, '08:

Trinity Methodist Church was the scene last evening of a beautiful wedding, when Miss Laura Hammond Lee was married to Mr. Mortimer Perry Burroughs, of Detroit, Mich. The ceremony was performed at 8 o'clock by Rev. James W. Lee, the father of the bride, and was witnessed by a large assemblage of friends, representing Atlanta's most prominent people. Miss Kate Lee, a sister of the bride, was maid of honor. The other attendants were: Mr. Irving LaBeaume of St. Louis, best man; Miss Smith, Miss LeBeaume, Miss Runyan of St. Louis, Miss Hodges of Chicago, bridesmaids; Mr. Revill O'Hara of Greenville, Ga.; Mr. Mark Dodd, Mr. Joseph Hodgson, Mr. Francis Clarke, Mr. Beverly DuBose and Mr. Louis Waddey, groomsmen and ushers. * * * * *

Following the ceremony, the bridal party and relatives were entertained at the home of the bride's parents, Dr. and Mrs. James W. Lee.

Mr. Burroughs and his bride left on the evening train for their bridal trip, after which they go to Detroit. * * * * *

The bride is one of Atlanta's most charming and beloved young women. She is the elder daughter of Dr. James W. Lee, who is one of the most eminent clergymen in the Methodist Church, South, and one of Georgia's most distinguished citizens.

The groom is one of the best known and wealthiest of the younger citizens of Detroit, Mich., and is highly esteemed by all who know him. —*Atlanta Constitution.*



The Doings of the Old Grads



ADRIAN

'88. The wife of Dr. Stanley M. Rinehart has recently published a novel, *The Circular Staircase*. The Rineharts reside in Pittsburg, Pa.—'93. Dr. Charles H. Hubbell was elected president of the Christian Endeavor Work of the M. P. Church by the last General Conference.—'00. H. L. Feeman returned to Adrian this year as dean of the theological seminary.

CINCINNATI

'94. Raymond Ratliff has been elected to the Ohio legislature.—'96. At the International Congress on Tuberculosis assembled at Washington in October, Dr. George H. Kress was awarded a gold medal for one of the best educational leaflets.

CORNELL

'97. Andrew J. MacElroy has officiated at many of the football games in the South during the past season and has been highly complimented for his fairness and good judgment.—'01. W. H. Marland, formerly at Binghamton, N. Y., is now treasurer of the Reading Rubber Co., headquarters at 89 Franklin street, Boston, Mass., care L. C. Chase Co.—'03. Mr. and Mrs. Edwin N. Ferdon, after their marriage at Kristiania, Norway, in July, as noted in the September RECORD, traveled for several weeks in Norway and England before returning to America. They are

now at home at 816 Hague Ave., St. Paul, Minn. H. R. Gehring has resigned his instructorship at Cornell, and is with the lock design department of the State Barge Canal, offices at Albany, N. Y.—'06. F. A. Fenger is taking post-graduate work at Boston Tech.—'07. The present address of R. H. Bishop is 1125 Water St., Elmira, N. Y., R. F. D. No. 1.—'08. A. P. Preyer is with the Procter & Gamble Co., Cincinnati, Ohio.

DENVER

'97. Guy McCreery is pastor of the First Methodist Church of Ogden, Utah. Marvin A. Rader is district superintendent in the Methodist Church in the Philippine Islands.—'05. Wayne C. Williams is practicing law in Denver, Colorado. Harry W. Allen is practicing law in La Junta, Colorado.—'06. Clyde H. Stewart was elected county judge of Delta County, Colorado, on the democratic ticket in November. He Practices law in Delta.

GETTYSBURG

'01. Dr. H. C. Hoffman read a paper on Gall Stones before the Pennsylvania State Medical Society at its annual meeting, in September, at Cambridge Springs, Pa. Owing to ill health, H. A. Lantz has resigned from the professorship of mathematics in the Technical High School, Harrisburg, Pa.—'02. Rev. John G. Koser has removed from Eglon, W. Va., to Freeport, Pa.—'04. John M. Diehl is pastor of a Presbyterian Church in Belfield, North Dakota.—'08. Geo. W. Kessler has entered the department of philosophy at Columbia University. Guy B. King is teaching at Harford, Pa. G. Lauman Laverty has entered the Jefferson Medical College, Philadelphia, Pa. E. L. Manges and A. D. Bell have entered the Theological Seminary, Gettysburg, Pa. M. C. Albright has taken up medicine at the University of Pennsylvania.

ILLINOIS

'03. T. O. Holcomb is an instructor at the University of Colorado.

IOWA UNIVERSITY

'05. Captain R. M. Anderson is now in the arctic regions with Stephenson, the great arctic explorer and Eskimo authority, engaged in collecting specimens for the American Museum of Natural History. The party will not return for two years. He reports many interesting experiences among which is the viewing of the "Midnight Sun."—'06. John E. Burkheimer is a member of the law firm of Shepard and Flett in Seattle, Wash., 614 New York Bldg.—'08. Robert G. Remley is manager of a large grain elevator in Anamosa, Iowa. Walter L. Myers is teaching in the Muscatine High School. Clifford B. Paul, who was initiated into Iowa Beta last June, is a representative from the 24th district of Iowa to the 32d general assembly.

LOUISIANA STATE

'01. Stanley A. Miller is located in Denver, Col., as a mining engineer.—'02. James E. Byram was recently appointed manager of a large oil mill at St. Joseph, La. He is also chairman of Louisiana Epsilon Building Association.—'04. James M. Fourmy has been promoted to principal assistant engineer of the Frisco Lines, Houston-New Orleans division.—'07. David Barrow Gore has gone into business for himself in New Orleans handling building supplies.—'08. Rosner E. Graham is an assistant chemist at the Audubon sugar experiment station, New Or-

leans. B. B. Handy is working with his father in the wholesale grocery business in Monroe, La. J. H. Carruth is at present located in Guild, Tenn., with the U. S. Engineers. G. D. Smith is with the Crop Pest Commission at Baton Rouge, La.

MAINE

'03. R. M. Conner is in the U. S. Reclamation Service at Babb, Montana.—'05. C. L. Bailey is in the U. S. Reclamation Service at Glendive, Montana.—'06. Roy H. Porter is assistant professor of Mechanical engineering at Iowa State University.—'07. L. D. Barrows is civil engineer in the office of public roads, Washington, D. C.—'08. Daniel Chase is in Y. M. C. A. work in New York. C. P. Meserve is working at mechanical engineering in Haines, Alaska. M. A. Sturtevant is principal of Hanover High School at Hanover, New Hampshire.

M. I. T.

'08. U. J. Nicholas has gone to his home city of Melbourne, Australia. L. S. Goodman is with D. C. & W. B. Jackson, electrical engineers, Boston. Langdon Coffin is building pianos at the Boston plant of Ivers and Pond. S. L. Davidson is on municipal engineering work in Wichita, Kansas. M. P. Burroughs is learning to add with the Burroughs Adding Machine Co., Detroit, Mich. J. B. Sando is in Milwaukee, Wis., with Allis-Chalmers. Joseph Heydon is back in England. Harry Nicholas is in the beet sugar business in Colorado. S. S. Thompson is manufacturing cement in Iola, Kansas.—'09. O. L. Throckmorton is at home in Wichita, Kansas. Herbert H. Bennett is in the wool business in Boston.

MICHIGAN

'01. Elmer B. Sanford, of Kansas City, led the republicans in his district in the recent election. He ran only 173 votes behind his democratic opponent.

MINNESOTA

'04. Dr. Chelsea C. Pratt is on the North Dakota State Board of Health. He is also on the faculty of North Dakota University.—'11. Mahlon S. Tisdale is a plebe at Annapolis. He is Minnesota Alpha's first representative at the Naval Academy.

MISSOURI

'08. Jay V. Holmes, LaBelle, Mo., is now taking a post-graduate course in the Yale law school. Joseph E. Prentis is now with the Macmillan Publishing Co. of New York City.—'09. Walton H. Holmes, Jr., of Kansas City, was married November 4th, to Miss Martha Woods of that city.

MOUNT UNION

'99. W. H. McMasters is now president of his *alma mater*.

NORTH CAROLINA

'91. A. H. Patterson has been elected professor of physics at the University of North Carolina.—'04. Albert L. Cox, N. C. Xi, president of Province Gamma, president of Raleigh Alumni Association, has been elected to the legislature of North Carolina for the session of January-

February, 1909. A sketch and photograph appeared in the May RECORD.—'07. J. B. James is an attorney at Greenville, N. C. A. T. Morrison is an attorney at Asheville, N. C.

NORTHWESTERN

'08. Arthur T. Jolley is director of the school of oratory at Genesee Wesleyan Seminary, Lima, N. Y.

VIRGINIA

'08. H. E. Batcheller is at Union Theological Seminary, New York City. C. W. Croom is practicing law at Fort Smith, Ark. J. A. Caldwell is practicing law at Bristol, Tenn. P. A. Perkins is interne in a New York hospital.—**ex-'10**. Robert Brevard is in school at Poughkeepsie, N. Y. W. H. Tyler is in business at Gainesville, Tex.—**ex-'11**. Harry Wilkinson is at Fort Worth, Tex. Harold Morrison is at Chattanooga, Tenn. Seyd Havens is at Oakland, Cal. H. H. Scott is at University of Texas.

WISCONSIN

'02. Warren D. Smith is making a tour of the world in the interests of the Philippine Mining Bureau. He is at present located in Berlin.—'03. Lyman A. Libby was washed out recently at Hauser Lake, Minn., when the dam belonging to the power company broke. He has moved to Minneapolis and is now in the employ of the Northern Electric Co., there. C. C. Douglas should be addressed at 15 Glengary, Winchester, Mass.—'04. Ralph B. Ellis is in Minneapolis in the advertising department of the *Minneapolis Tribune*. Benj. A. Paust is also in Minneapolis with the Fidelity and Casualty Insurance Co. Geo. R. Gove is secretary of the Merchants and Manufacturers' Association in Milwaukee.—'05. Ralph T. Craig is in Madison, where he holds the position of instructor in the correspondence study department of the new University Extension Division.—'06. Samuel J. Gilpatrick is manager of the Hotel Gilpatrick in Milwaukee. Fred W. MacKenzie has resigned his position as University Editor and will become assistant editor of Hon. Robt. M. LaFollette's new weekly magazine. He is also editor of the Wisconsin Alumni Magazine this year. Walter H. McNally is studying law at the University of Minnesota.—'08. Frank Brownlee is foreman of the gas range department of Lindeman and Hoverman in Milwaukee. Geo. W. Hewitt is with the Grasselli Chemical Co., at Grasselli, N. J.—**ex-'11**. Harold J. Douglas is engaged in business at Lake Geneva, Wis., owning a feed and supplies office.

Association Letters

Cincinnati, Ohio

SINCE our last letter to the RECORD, the Cincinnati Alumni have had the pleasure of, on November 18th and 21st, assisting Ohio Epsilon Chapter in "putting through" seven of the best neophytes that have been gathered in at U. C. for several years. The solemn exercises took place at the chapter hall, and the "inner circle" was revealed at Camp Tuscaloosa, our new camp on the Miami River.

We have a noteworthy honor to record in the recent election of Brother Raymond Ratliff, Cincinnati, '94, as a representative from Hamilton County to the Ohio legislature. This is not Brother Ratliff's first appearance in politics, for he has been practicing law for a number of years, and some time ago was assistant prosecuting attorney of Hamilton County.

The association has added another member to its list in Brother Howard, Cornell '07, who is practicing law in this city.

Russell Jones, '11, Cincinnati, has returned from California, where he has been farming. After a rest it is supposed he will return to that State.

A young S. A. E. has been ushered into the home of Albert Cunningham, Cincinnati, '98, and the pledge button is being proudly worn by our young neophyte.

The home of Gustavus Adolphus Ginter, Cincinnati, '99, has been made happy by the appearance of an S. A. E. girl, who in the future will aid Ohio Epsilon to pledge many a youth.

Another brother has taken unto himself a wife. Arthur Wadsworth, Cincinnati, '05, was married to Miss Bernice Littleford. Wed-

nesday, October 14th, at Ft. Thomas. There are still a few brothers left in the ranks of the "Old Guards," but their names are decreasing. Who's the next?

We heartily welcome all S. A. E.'s to look us up when they come to this city. Perhaps we can be of service to you. Perhaps we can show you the town.

F. A. BUCHANAN, JR.
28 November, 1908.

Los Angeles, California

WHEN the history of the last meeting of Sigma Alpha Epsilon in southern California began, the transparent summer days had traveled slowly by, and the sober contentious days were upon us, with their perplexing politics, their schismatic ideas, their scheming rivalries in local enterprise.

On looking over the autumn banquet of S. A. E., which occurred on November 6th at Levy's Cafe, a stranger would have surely been struck with the bold adventure that seemed to penetrate the atmosphere. But never mind, our honored politicians and statesmen were present. They will speak for themselves in the future. More than five long nights have elapsed since Taft was elected. The democrats of California have lost their great place in politics of this famous state, and Brother Gesner Williams and his Independence party are pressing forward to take it. While some of the boys changed seats for a better view and the stage was reset, the evening through, the greatest political party lay a veiled and virgin shore, inflaming desires that could not be gratified, stirring dreams that have only enticed brave states-

men to their death, exciting to enterprise and hazard, but never to substantial or lasting performance. In all southern California the only enthusiastic pessimist I met during the past campaign was Brother Williams, of the "Independence League," a handsome lawyer in Los Angeles, who began life selling cherries and now spends his spare moments in the pleasant pastime of expounding law in the county courthouse. He has those blue shining eyes that speak of action and he stood up before his fraternity brothers with an ice-cold stein nearby.

"The country," said he. "'tis going to ruin, and we're giving those blooming 'Republicans' a mighty good chance to eat up the ruins as their reward for victory. No, 'tis that the people don't love America the way they did when I was a young man in Alabama. My friends, the Democratic party is a 'dead one,' but look out for the Independence party and those fast running Socialists. There will be a terrible revolution in these beautiful United States some day, if the mighty trusts do not allow the people to rule their finances."

To the casual observer, the United States may seem like a burning furnace, as dear Brother Williams expressed it, but let us hope for the best. Perhaps the Independence party will rescue it from drowning its sorrows in a small glass of beer. Still, many of our most respectable citizens have sold cherry trees in their younger days, and many of our best statesmen have bought and paid for them, which is really an even break, so far as the finish is concerned. Ardently, and yet soberly, too, with a steady business sagacity, as well as with high imaginative hope, Brother Williams obtained license of his majesty, William Randolph Hearst, and is leading the way towards new parts

and new government in California. He is doing everything with unstinted energy and devotion, embarking his fortune in the venture. Meantime, Brother Williams has come to be a powerful figure in southern California, where he directs his work as organizer. He marches elbow to elbow and shoulder to shoulder, as Robert W. Chambers would say, with the biggest politicians.

Before the famous address of Brother Williams, the opening exercises of the evening were in charge of our retiring president, Dr. George H. Kress. Thomas Lee Woolwine, who has made a splendid reputation in Los Angeles as the city prosecutor, was elected president for the coming year. After his election, he made a ringing speech against the Democratic administration in southern California, that caused great applause. We are very proud of Brother Woolwine out here. He is no politician, as he said at the meeting, but he's one of the most straightforward and sincere lawyers in the West. His election as president is a fitting compliment of our belief in his frankness, courage and friendship.

The Colorado School of Mines' football team came down to the city from Golden and came out victorious with St. Vincent College, the score being 17 to 0. Captain Brooks and Douglas of the Mines' team, were entertained by Brother John Phelps. Those Colorado Lambda men are jolly good fellows. They proved themselves real Varsity men, as well. We now take advantage of this opportunity to congratulate the chapter there in having such classy young S. A. E.'s on its roster. We hope that all S. A. E.'s who travel this way will not fail to give us a chance to show them true California hospitality.

The following officers were unanimously elected: Thomas Lee Woolwine, president; J. Perry Wood, vice-president; A. J. Moosbacker, recording secretary; Gesner Williams, treasurer; Willedd Andrews, correspondent.

WILLEDD ANDREWS.

Evanston, Illinois

THE Evanston Alumni Association to the number of twelve, gathered about the table at the Avenue House, Saturday, October 24th. After dinner each member was called upon to contribute something for the good of the Fraternity. The question of the chapter-house was very fully discussed by several of the members present. Brother Levere reported the house fund in a thriving condition, and we hope that the day is not far distant when Illinois Psi-Omega will be installed in its own house.

We were pleased to have with us

Brother Allen, now traveling with Burr Patterson & Co. His report on the chapters in the central West was very hopeful.

We have added to our already growing list the name of Leslie W. Millar, former Eminent Supreme Recorder. Bro. Millar comes to us from the East and will be a citizen of Evanston. Our next dinner will be held shortly after the first of the year, when our number will be increased to twenty-five members.

The question of association headquarters is now up for consideration, and we may have a place to meet visiting brothers in the near future.

Since our last letter Brother Henry Alfred Ernest Chandler became a benedict. Just before going to his new work at the University of Arizona he was married to Miss Elsie Williams of the class of '05, N. W. U.

We extend a most cordial greeting to every visiting brother.

CLYDE D. FOSTER, Pres.



The National Convention of Sigma Alpha Epsilon will assemble at Atlantic City, N. J., Tuesday, June twenty-second, 1909. The business session will continue for three days.



The next Chapter Letters will appear in the May, 1909, RECORD. These must reach the editor not later than April fifteenth.



Initiates



We print herewith a roll of initiates properly reported to the E. S. R.'s office since the last appearance of this list in May, 1908. To obtain correct representation in the roll of initiates, which is now printed twice annually (May and December), the correspondents should report the full names of their new men, their year of graduation and their home town. As the appended list is arranged on a topographical plan, chapters which fail to report the last-named item are debarred from representation.

Home Town	Name of Initiate	Chapter Initiating
PROVINCE ALPHA		
<i>Connecticut</i>		
Hartford	Benjamin M. Washburn...	Dartmouth, '07.
Groton	Everett Wanning Spicer	W. P. I., '11.
New Britain	George Arthur Middlemas.	Maine, '12.
"	Drew Dell Stark.....	" '12.
<i>Maine</i>		
Biddeford	Charles Wilfred Tartre...	Maine, '12.
Eastine	Arthur Willis Patterson...	" '12.
Jefferson	James Foster Jackson.....	" '12.
Kennebunk	Henry Jordon Morton.....	Dartmouth, '11.
Portland	Harold Richard Foss.....	" '09.
Skowhegan	Thomas Lorraine Arkuckle	Maine, '12.
York Corner	MacGregor Hamilton	Dartmouth, '11.
<i>Massachusetts</i>		
Boston	Edgar Avery Marden.....	Dartmouth, '06.
Boylston	Andrew J. Scarlett, Jr....	" '10.

Home Town	Name of Initiate	Chapter Initiating
PROVINCE ALPHA--Continued		
Billerica	Wilbur Irving Bull.....	Dartmouth, '09.
"	Leslie Augustus Bull.....	" '10.
"	Oliver Parker Greenwood.	" '09.
Concord Junction ...	Robert Harrison Hatch...	" '11.
Cambridge	Warren Stanley Patten....	" '11.
Cohasset	Arthur Parker Lewis.....	Va. Theta, '08.
Dorchester	Charles Albion Bardwell..	Dartmouth, '10.
Fitchburg	Carl Weatherbree Sawyer.	" '11.
Holyoke	Clifford Stanley Lyon....	" '10.
Leicester	Harold Wilder Smith.....	W. P. I., '09.
Roxbury	Robert Byers Eaton.....	Dartmouth, '09.
Salem	Benjamin Bartlett Piper...	Boston, '10.
Springfield	Graham Brown Spear....	Maine, '12.
Tyngsboro	Raymond W. Sherburnee..	Dartmouth, '08.
Newtonville	David Robert Blanpied....	" '08.
West Newton	Stewart Knowlton Gibson.	" '10.
Wollaston	Herbert Arthur Cassidy...	Boston, '10.
<i>New Hampshire</i>		
Concord	George Paul Leete.....	Dartmouth, '08.
Hanover	Orlando Chester Davis....	" '07.
Hollis	William Warren Worcester	" '08.
Lebanon	Charles Elbert Dole.....	" '09.
Manchester	Benjamin Prescott Burpee.	" '09.
Milford	Harold T. Farnsworth....	" '11.
"	Louis Charles Langdell....	" '10.
"	Guy Cleveland Blodgett....	" '08.
Nashua	John Thomas Coggius....	" '11.
Pittsburg	Parker Wilson Tabor....	" '07.
Penacook	Ralph Holmes Sherburnee..	" '08.
Suncook	Charles Greenleaf Bennett.	" '08.
Tilton	Roger Frank Hill.....	" '08.
<i>Vermont</i>		
Barre	Arthur Alexander Gordon.	Dartmouth, '10.
Chelsea	Donald Laird Comstock...	" '08.
Northfield	Stacey Burton Irish.....	" '08.
White River Junction	Richard Hazen	" '07.
PROVINCE BETA		
<i>Delaware</i>		
Dover	James Francis Allee, Jr....	Geo. Washington, '11.
<i>New Jersey</i>		
Arlington	George Bruce Fine.....	Dartmouth, '08.
"	William Francis Holzer...	" '09.
Newark	Frank Thomas Morse....	" '06.
Passaic	Harold Sumner Winship..	" '10.
<i>New York</i>		
Deposit	Warren D. Smith.....	Colo. Mines, '11.
Malone	Benjamin Harmon Dudley.	Dartmouth, '09.
Ogdenburg	Ralph Maynard Wight....	" '09.

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PROVINCE BETA--Continued

Syracuse	Ernest Carl Knodel, Jr.....	Syracuse, '10.
"	Herbert Stephen Rand....	" '11.
"	Theodore Martin Gattry...	" '08.
South Lima	Wilbur Brambley Rayton..	" '06.
Watervill	Everett Day Stetson.....	" '11.
Yonkers	Allan Prune Fowler.....	Dartmouth, '10.
<i>Pennsylvania</i>		
Brockwayville	Vernon Frank Taylor.....	Pennsylvania, '11.
Corry	Bert Llewellyn Scott.....	Allegheny, '10.
Devon	Carl Bacon Thomas.....	Penn. State, '12.
Ford City	Archie Nevada Dunsmore.	Allegheny, '11.
Glen Rock	Curtis Lyman Moody.....	Gettysburg, '12.
Harrisburg	Thomas Tyson Cook.....	" '11.
Mechanicsburg	Robert Ezra Yohn.....	" '12.
Norristown	Joseph D. Ranbo.....	Colo. Mines, '12.
Perryopolis	Stewart Strickler Townsend	Allegheny, '12.
Pittsburg	John Dawson Callery.....	Colo. Mines, '12.
Philadelphia	Edward Earle Tanguay...	Penn. State, '12.
"	Herbert Keller Bear.....	" '11.
Sandy Lake	Alfred Rose McClure.....	Allegheny, '11.
Scranton	Harold Davis	Colo. Mines, '12.
Tarentum	Walter Riley Wilson.....	Penn. State, '12.
Titusville	Arthur C. Modine.....	Allegheny, '12.
Vandergrift	Charles Lawrence Lore....	" '12.
"	James Irwin Lore, Jr.....	" '12.

PROVINCE GAMMA

<i>District of Columbia</i>		
Washington	Arthur John Ela.....	Dartmouth, '05.
<i>North Carolina</i>		
Asheville	Fred Branton Oates.....	Wash'ton & Lee, '12.
Burlington	DeRoy Ransom Fonville...	Virginia, '09.
Charlotte	John Tillett	North Carolina, '11.
Laurinburg	Archibald Hand James....	" '10.
Lincolnton	David Stowe Crouse.....	" '11.
Wilmington	Marion Sanders Harriss...	Sewanee, '11.
<i>South Carolina</i>		
Anderson	John Lander Prince.....	Emory, '11.
<i>Virginia</i>		
Norfolk	Robert Prentis Beaman....	Wash'ton & Lee, '12.
Danville	Charles Edwin Menefee...	North Carolina, '11.
Marion	Daniel Chambers Miller...	Wash'ton & Lee, '08.
Norfolk	William Francis Barnard...	" '10.
Sutherlin	Richard Brooke	Va. Theta, '08.

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PROVINCE DELTA		
<i>Illinois</i>		
Aurora	Raymond Hoyt Wilmarth..	Iowa State, '11.
Chicago	Harold Lewis Nickerson..	Chicago, '11.
"	Karl H. Schmidt.....	" '10.
"	Donald Francis McDonald.	Washington, '05.
Glen Ellys	Donald Dyrenforth	Colo. Mines, '12.
Oak Park	Herbert Draper White....	Wisconsin, '11.
Waukegan	Harry Gill Comment.....	Adrian, '09.
Peoria	Henry, Holbrook Grimes...	Boston, '11.
<i>Indiana</i>		
Bedford	Harry Clifford Spear.....	Alabama, '11.
Bicknell	Louis George Freeman....	Indiana, '12.
Brookston	Leroy Arval Orahoad.....	Franklin, '12.
Columbus	Earl Gibson Calter.....	Indiana, '12.
Clermont	Jesse Meyers Howard.....	" '11.
Dana	Clarence D. Fulwider.....	" '12.
Delphi	Charles R. Butler.....	Geo. Washington, '11.
Franklin	Thomas Russell Moore....	Franklin, '12.
"	Elmer Baughn Whitcomb..	" '11.
"	Edgar Levi Brown.....	" '12.
Odon	Edmon Daniel Richardson.	Indiana, '08.
Rennselaer	David Delos Dean.....	" '12.
Salem	Wilbur Peugh	" '12.
Seymour	Joseph Patrick Ormsley...	" '11.
"	John Foster Casey.....	" '12.
Shelbyville	H. Eugene Milleson.....	" '09.
Thorntown	Fay McKenzie Smith.....	Chicago, '11.
Vincennes	Frank Patrick McCarthy..	Indiana, '12.
Warsaw	Wilbur Frazer Maish....	" '12.
Worthington	John Gallally Owen.....	" '12.
<i>Minnesota</i>		
Minneapolis	Thomas Whitaker Barnard	Minnesota, '13.
"	Frank Hill Durham.....	" '11.
"	Roy Montgomery Day....	Iowa State, '11.
Paynesville	Roy Henry Huntington....	Minnesota, '11.
St. Paul	Glenn Addison Hurd.....	" '12.
<i>Ohio</i>		
Alliance	Harry Louis Senn.....	Mt. Union, '12.
"	Robert Auld, Jr.....	" '12.
"	Charles Young Kay.....	" '72.
"	Robert Stewart Calland....	" '11.
"	Alton Frank Davis.....	" '11.
"	Samuel Shimp	" '11.
Berlin Centre	La MacClinton Stanley...	" '10.
Beigholtz	William Eugene Dorrance.	" '11.
Columbus	Martin Patrick Bringardner	Ohio State, '12.
Conneant	Robert Weller Thomas....	Allegheny, '12.
Cincinnati	Edward H. Schuefer.....	Ohio State, '12.

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PROVINCE DELTA--Continued		
Dayton	Louis Robert Pape.....	Ohio State, '11.
Kensington	William Frederick Conser.	Mt. Union, '11.
Lancaster	Don L. Tobin.....	Ohio State, '12.
New Concord	Lyle Harper	Chicago, '11.
Ridgeway	Gale Howard Fisher.....	Adrian, '11.
East Sparta	Howard Donald Brown...	Mt. Union, '12.
Wyoming	Evans Foster Stearns.....	Colo. Mines, '12.
<i>Wisconsin</i>		
Edmund	Osmon Dale Baker.....	Iowa State, '11.
PROVINCE EPSILON		
<i>Alabama</i>		
Auburn	Charles Coleman Thacle, Jr.	A. P. I., '12.
Birmingham	Giles Edwards McEneen..	Alabama, '11.
"	Robert Jas. Malone.....	A. P. I., '11.
Centerville	Jas. Wood Cleveland.....	Southern, '12.
Florence	Lytte DeWitt Burns.....	A. P. I., '11.
Greenville	Oscar Richardson Porter..	" '12.
Jasper	Thomas Owen Gamble....	Alabama, '11.
Montgomery	Lawrence Kelley	A. P. I., '10.
"	William Howland Webber.	" '10.
"	Joseph Bibb Cain.....	Alabama, '11.
Mobile	James Grover Sims.....	" '11.
Mt. Hebron	Dudley Digges Poymor....	" '11.
River Falls	William Whistley Pierson.	" '10.
Sylacauga	John Lloyd Shim.....	A. P. J., '11.
Troy	Robert Park Davison.....	Alabama, '10.
Vienna	Frank Darrow Peeble....	" '12.
<i>Florida</i>		
St. Augustine	Tucker Carrington Gibbs..	Georgia Tech, '12.
<i>Georgia</i>		
Atlanta	Kenneth Collier McRae....	Georgia Tech, '11.
"	John Collier Beall.....	" '11.
Cuthbert	Hubert Nelson Moge.....	A. P. I., '11.
Lithia Springs	Stephen Arthur Garrett...	Emory, '12.
Marshallville	David Clare Rumph.....	A. P. I., '12.
Macon	Aiden Emmett Barnes.....	A. P. I., '11.
Washington	Willis Irvin	Georgia Tech, '12.
PROVINCE ZETA		
<i>Arkansas</i>		
Benton	Dewell Gann, Jr.....	Indiana, '12.
Clarksville	William Alfred Ragn.....	Arkansas, '10.
"	Paul Lester Mardio.....	" '10.

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PROVINCE ZETA--Continued		
Little Rock	James William Mehaffey..	Arkansas, '09.
Van Buren	Stephen W. Creekmore....	" '10.
Ben Lomond	Clinton George Milford...	" '11.
<i>North Dakota</i>		
Fargo	Park Washburne Stickney.	Dartmouth, '08.
"	Albert Birch	Wisconsin, '11.
<i>South Dakota</i>		
Aberdeen	Phillip M. McHugh.....	Colo. Mines, '11.
Groton	John Wallace McKenzie...	Minnesota, '11.
Rosebud Agency	John Clinton Foster.....	" '11.
<i>Iowa</i>		
Des Moines	Ralph Reed Hicks.....	Iowa State, '12.
"	Russell Worcester	" '12.
"	Willis John O'Brien.....	" '12.
Harlan	Arthur Elton Nelson.....	" '11.
Iowa City	Sumner Bereman Chase...	" '12.
"	Hasley James Hotz.....	" '12.
"	Merlyn Bush Call.....	" '11.
"	Rodney Louis Price.....	" '12.
Maquoketa	Matt Luckiesh	Purdue, '09.
Ottumwa	Floyd Edgar Thomas.....	Iowa State, '11.
Oxford Junction	Antoine Blezrk	Colorado, '11.
Sioux City	Stanley Gale Eaton	Dartmouth, '11.
<i>Kansas</i>		
El Dorado	W. Vernon Baker.....	Kansas, '11.
Kingman	Clarence E. Parmenter....	Chicago, '11.
Lyons	James Dryden Reynolds...	Kansas, '11.
Meriam	Harry Ebenezer Walmer...	Missouri, '12.
Ottawa	Hal LaSelle Clark.....	Kansas, '11.
<i>Missouri</i>		
Kansas City	Bowen Broaddus	Missouri, '10.
"	William Waddell Barton...	" '12.
"	Henry Newton Ess, Jr....	" '12.
"	Marshall Stanley Neal....	" '12.
"	Kump Rieger	" '12.
Labadie	Eugene North Wood.....	" '12.
Oregon	Don Martin Hunt.....	Nebraska, '09.
"	Sherman Blaine Hibbard..	" '10.
St. Louis	Norton Schuyler	Washington, '12.
"	Paul Henderson Miller....	" '12.
"	Norman Chivvis	" '12.
"	Carl George Eyssell.....	" '12.
"	Ralph Eugene Blodgett....	" '11.
Sedalia	Paul Verginius	Missouri, '12.
"	Robert Benton Spencer....	" '12.
Springfield	James Rush James.....	" '12.
"	Theodore Dupuy Hackney.	" '12.
Tipton	William Harrison Kaclay..	" '11.

Home Town	Name of Initiate	Chapter Initiating
PROVINCE ZETA--Continued		
<i>Nebraska</i>		
Fairburg	Chester Thomas Hatfield..	Nebraska, '11.
Grand Island	Merrill Gray Daivis.....	" '09.
Lincoln	Walter Clarence Kempton..	" '11.
"	Roy Burt Crooks.....	" '07.
"	Adelbert Walter Allen....	" '09.
Madison	Henry Carsten Jensen.....	" '07.
PROVINCE ETA		
<i>California</i>		
Eureka	James William Henderson.	Stanford, '12.
Fruitvale	Clarence Blaisdel Sanborn.	" '12.
Los Gatos	Ashleigh Brown Simpson..	" '12.
Long Beach	Ornan Bridges Smart.....	" '12.
Menlo Park	John Frederick Partridge..	" '12.
North San Juan	George Dalton Ray.....	California, '12.
Palo Alto	Henry Bolton Post.....	Stanford, '12.
Sacramento	Robert Johnston Finnie....	" '12.
San Francisco	Clifford Woods Jones.....	California, '12.
"	Edward Burke Corbet.....	Stanford, '12.
"	Frederick Ellsworth Palmer	" '12.
"	Edward Richter Polhemus	" '12.
"	Remo Earl Scarboro.....	" '12.
Sausalito	Chester Adolph Kemp.....	California, '12.
<i>Colorado</i>		
Denver	Robert Emmet Talbot....	Missouri, '12.
"	Robert Hatfield Mitchell..	" '12.
"	Elmer Randall Ramsey....	Colo. Mines, '12.
"	Terome Brigham Badgley..	Dartmouth, '10.
La Junta	Archibald Hildreth Beard..	Kansas, '10
<i>Washington</i>		
Spokane	Max Francis Quinn.....	Minnesota, '12.
PROVINCE THETA		
<i>Louisiana</i>		
New Orleans	John Fleming Dicks.....	Southern, '11.
"	William Fergus Kernan...	Tulane, '12.
"	Charles William Bein, Jr..	" '12.
"	Lester McLeod Rice.....	" '12.
"	Walter M. Gurley, Jr.....	" '12.
Opelousas	Albert James Isacks.....	Louisiana, '12.
Shiloh	Frank Edward Everett....	" '11.
Baton Rouge	John Allen Dougherty....	" '11.
"	Uriah Blacksher Evans....	" '10.
Calhoun	William Ford Piper.....	" '11.
Ellendale	Andrew McCollam	" '12.

Home Town	Name of Initiate	Chapter Initiating
PROVINCE THETA--Continued		
<i>Mississippi</i>		
Ackerman	Rufus Lee Daniel.....	Southern, '11.
Crystal Springs	Julius Lub Lotterhos.....	S. P. U., '12.
Goodman	Cecil Gill Smith.....	" '12.
Hattiesburg	Hugh Wilson Moore.....	Mississippi, '11.
"	Phillip S. Montgomery....	" '11.
Jackson	Basil Lamar Mayes.....	Southern, '11.
Meridian	Jack Mumford Montgomery	S. P. U., '12.
New Albany	John Covert Greenoe.....	Union, '10.
Okolona	Thomas Haughton Sausom	Southern, '12.
Senatobia	Roger Barton Wooten....	Mississippi, '10.
Scranton	John Bunyan Duke.....	" '11.
Winona	Clifford Trotter Fisackerly	" '11.
"	William Chamberlin Trotter	" '11.
Yazoo City	DeWitt Marshall Love....	" '11.
<i>Texas</i>		
Hillsboro	Robert Edward Davis.....	Texas, '11.
Austin	Robert Barstow Cousins...	" '10.
Beeville	James Murray Percival, Jr.	Arkansas, '12.
El Paso	Clyde Harold Teague.....	Texas, '12.
San Antonio	Hilary Herbert Scott.....	Virginia, '11.
"	Tom Henry Jarrell.....	Texas
Waco	Thomas Moove Hays.....	" '12.
"	Robert Grier Patton, Jr....	" '12.
"	James Davis Willis.....	" '11.
"	James Leslie Sheldon.....	" '12.
"	Alfred Aubrey Evans.....	" '12.
Mathis	John Wm. Nelson.....	Arkansas, '09.
PROVINCE IOTA		
<i>Tennessee</i>		
Bartlett	Joseph Foster Yates.....	Union, '12.
Clarksville	Gilbert Baily Wilson.....	S. P. U., '12.
"	Frank Thomas Hodgren, Jr.	" '11.
"	John Gill Anderson.....	" '12.
Jackson	Eugene Christian Anderson	Union, '11.
"	William Heonidas Webster	Wash'ton & Lee, '12.
South Pittsburg	Thomas Erving Carter....	Alabama
Memphis	Joseph Howard Clark.....	Ga. Tech, '11.
FOREIGN		
<i>Canada</i>		
St. John	Harold Newnham Raymond	Colorado, '11.
<i>Isthmus of Panama</i>		
Canal Zone	Walter Redfield Mead.....	Iowa State, '12.
<i>South America</i>		
Autofajasta, Chile...	Charles Douglas Barnett...	California, '12.
<i>Australia</i>		
Melbourne	Utar James Nicholas.....	M. I. T., '08.

Chapter Letters

Chapter Letters for the May RECORD must be in the hands of the Editor not later than the fifteenth day of April. As this date has purposely been fixed as late as the prompt publication of THE RECORD will permit, correspondents who ignore this warning will risk the non-appearance of their letters in the forthcoming issue.

Elect as your correspondent the man who can write, and whose sense of duty and personal responsibility is such that it is certain that he will write. No man should have this post because of his mere popularity.

PROVINCE ALPHA

Maine Alpha, University of Maine, Orono

MAINE Alpha extends greetings to her sister chapters and best wishes for a prosperous year. We take pleasure in introducing to the brothers nine new men who have entered the bonds of $\Sigma A E$: Spear, Stark, Tartre, Jackson, Woodberry, Gray, Middlemas, Arbuckle and Patterson.

There are now thirty-two men in the house, the same number as last year and everything looks bright for a successful year.

Football has been the topic of interest for the last two months and now the excitement is intense as our most important game of the season is to be played against Bowdoin on our home grounds November fourteenth.

"Maine Night" exercises will be held on the eve of the game, and we expect quite a number of our alumni back for the fun. We are planning to give them a dance at the house the night after the game and every S. A. E. present will be given a hearty welcome and a good time.

Brother Higgins, '09, elected captain of the football team for the second season, was forced to resign his position this fall on account of

ill health and we were all sorry to lose such a strong man from the team. Brother Cobb, '11, is in the game this year and has been playing his position as fullback in fine style.

We lost four strong men from our number last spring by graduation: Chase, Meserve, Emery and Sturtevant, but we know that they have the welfare of the chapter at heart and will aid us although absent.

Although the entering class this year was not as large as usual, the condition at the University is prosperous and we expect to get a good appropriation from the new legislature, which will put us on a firm basis. The new agricultural building is about completed and is an important addition to the institution. Two new fraternity houses built this year and now occupied by Phi Eta Kappa and Delta Tau Delta fraternities are in the immediate neighborhood of our house and add greatly to the appearance of the campus.

Our house is open to all S. A. E.'s and we shall endeavor to show our good fellowship, as taught by our Order, to all who come.

EDWARD G. RUSSELL.

$\Sigma A E$ House,

10 November, 1908.

New Hampshire Alpha, Dartmouth College, Hanover

NEW Hampshire Alpha opened the current college year with an active membership of twenty-eight undergraduates, and eight alumni returned for post-graduate work. Brother Sturtevant, Maine Alpha, '07, is this year principal of the Hanover high school, and a frequenter of the chapter rooms. We are anticipating his early affiliation. The only brother to leave college was "Mac" Hamilton, '11, who intends to return next year.

The chapter has been undertaking some extensive repairs on the rooms, and these will present a most satisfactory appearance on Chinning Day, which comes December first. The rooms are located, as during the last four years, in the Currier Block.

Organized calling on Freshmen candidates began November first. Due to the activity of numerous brothers throughout the country, and a fortunate combination of circumstances, the members were enabled to start work at once on a preliminary list of about forty good men. At the present writing, this list has been considerably reduced, and is due for still further reductions prior to Chinning Day. The men retained are all of high calibre, and should enable the selection of a fine delegation on the crucial day. In this connection, it is our desire to express our gratitude to all brothers who have assisted us in the selection of prospective candidates. The interest taken in our progress has been most encouraging, and is thoroughly appreciated.

The financial status of the chapter is excellent. The plan pursued by several other chapters of having members, upon graduation, leave a note for \$50, payable in five yearly installments, to be set aside towards

a permanent building fund, was established as a precedent by the class of 1908.

Saturday night "feeds," given by the classes in rotation, have become enjoyable social features. Nearly the whole chapter intends to witness the final game of the football season at Boston vs. Harvard, which comes within a few days of the present writing. We are anticipating a goodly round of festivities with the Boston S. A. E.'s, including a theatre party, tea at the Harvard house, and the fall Auburndale banquet.

Feeling a great deal of satisfaction in Dartmouth's victory over the Princeton "tiger," and with the hope that New Hampshire Alpha may soon present to the Fraternity a fine delegation of initiates, we extend to all brothers our best wishes for a successful year.

CLIFFORD S. LYON.

12 November, 1908.

Massachusetts Beta-Upsilon, Boston University, Boston

COLLEGE opened October first, with only eight of last year's men back. The graduating class took thirteen of our men away, while Kilburn has gone into business and Tucker has secured a year's leave of absence. Ewell, '09, came back to finish up his work, after being absent a year, and we have initiated two men, Grimes, '11, and Cassidy, '10. Besides these, we have four pledges, all first-class material and men whom we think are up to the best Σ A E standards.

B. U. had a large representation in the recent torchlight procession of college Republican clubs, held here in Boston. It was the only bit of campaign liveliness seen here this year. Richardson, '11, and pledge D'Aule were largely instrumental in making the B. U. part of

the parade a success. Richardson is also the author of a new B. U. song which has made a big hit here. One of our pledges, Beckwith, was associated with Brother Earl Clark, '03, in his work in Porto Rico. Clark is now in Mexico representing Swift and Company.

Beginning this year, entrance requirements in the law school have been increased to the equivalent of two years' work in college followed by a corresponding increase in the personnel of the entering class with a very slight decrease in registration, due, no doubt, to the increased requirements. Brother Abbott, we are proud to say, has been raised to a full professorship in the law school and in addition has been made chairman of the advisory board.

B. U. is a co-educational institution and the Freshman class in the college shows a gratifying increase in male representation, helped along, no doubt, by the opening of the new Rhodes gymnasium last spring. The gymnasium is up-to-date in every way and includes a large swimming pool. We expect to see a revival of athletics here in the near future.

The registration in B. U. is largely local, most of the men living at home and so this year, on account of the difficulty of renting the rooms, we have considered it advisable to give up the house for one year and have rented rooms in the same house. We meet every Tuesday evening and extend a cordial welcome to all visiting S. A. E.'s to drop in and see us whenever possible, for the Σ A E spirit of hospitality is as prevalent here as elsewhere and we wish that our own alumni would take more advantage of it than they do.

EDWARD F. MEDLEY.

17 Pinckney St.

**Massachusetts Iota-Tau,
Massachusetts Institute of
Technology, Boston**

MASSACHUSETTS Iota-Tau opened this fall with the smallest chapter in years. There were but fifteen men present at the first meeting. The affiliation of two brothers and the initiation of six men, however, brings us up nearer our average size.

The affiliates are Fenger of New York Alpha and Wheelwright of Massachusetts Gamma and it was a great pleasure to us to have them join. Our initiates are announced in the recorder's list. We found the Institute much the same as of old, but with such a great demand for fraternity material that all we have done since coming back is to rush. All the crowds were hard hit last year by graduation and the competition this fall has been great. We are, however, well satisfied with our work.

The social life at the Institute has been given a great impetus by the opening this fall of the new "Technology Union." This "Union" is situated near the Institute and fulfills the highest ideals of such student buildings. It is a two-and-a-half story structure having a large dining-room which at present is doing a thirty-thousand-dollar a year business on the first floor; and on the second a large general room and several smaller rooms for social purposes. When one considers that only twenty-four per cent. of the men here are fraternity men, it becomes self-evident that such a place as this is a great boon to the student body. The whole "Union" is under the control of and is run by the student body.

The annual field day resulted this fall in a great victory for the Freshmen over the Sophomores. This is but the second time in the history of field day that the Freshman class



MASSACHUSETTS GAMMA.

Standing, from left to right—J. HADEN, D. ELLIS, BRODERICK, SQUIBB, J. KEEFE, P. LEAVITT, J. SWANN, W. C. BENNETT, BARST, CUMMINGS, DEWEY, COX, S. MEADER, H. MACALL, A. K. TIGRETT, G. HULL.

Middle row, from left to right—EVANS, STULL, B. WHEELWRIGHT, E. CURTIS, SANBORN, P. BUTLER, STULL, M. LEWIS, EVANS.

Sitting, from left to right—CORYELL, G., SNYDER, H. CORYELL, P. WORTH, J. WARNER, P. MULLER.

has won, and the event was fittingly celebrated by them in the "Tech Night at the Show" that night, when the jubilant Freshies howled their joy from the gallery at the disconsolate Sophs in the pit.

In passing, let us announce that Iota-Tau is keeping up her end in Institute affairs. Whitaker, '09, is vice-president of the electrical engineering society and is on the athletic association. Millard, '09, is vice-president of the mechanical engineering society. Duffield, '10, is secretary of the Junior class and statistician of *Technique*. Saul, '10, last year's president of his class, is athletic editor of *Technique*. Manson and Campbell, '12, are on the Institute committee. Bell, '10, is treasurer of *Technique* and is on the track team. Cooley and Wood are on the 1911 relay team. Van Tassel is captain of the Sophomore football team and our Freshmen are getting the idea.

To return to our Σ A E affairs, it is with great regret that we announce the abandoning of the cherished traditional "Auburndale," forced by the closing of the old "Woodland Park Hotel" at Auburndale. The spirit of the Auburndale will, however, be kept alive when the province holds its fall banquet on the fourteenth at the City Club here in Boston. This is the day of the Harvard-Dartmouth game and it is expected that everybody in the province will be at the feast to welcome the new men and to renew the old ties.

In closing, we hope that all our sister chapters have had great success in rushing, that they have brought into existence many good new S. A. E.'s, and that this year will prove the greatest and best that the Purple and Gold has ever seen. Above all, when you strike Boston, come and see us. There is always a bed, a seat at the table,

and a hearty welcome awaiting any wandering brother who happens to hit the town.

P. T. HARRIS.

Σ A E House,
263 Newbury St.

Massachusetts Gamma, Harvard University, Cambridge

IN the year just passed we did many things toward advancement. The new year has already seen us at the good work. The house has recently received a fresh coating of paint, and the interior also has been much improved.

The loss by graduation of the class of 1908, while considerably decreasing our number, has in no other wise seriously handicapped the chapter. We still have many old heads to guide us in matters of weight.

Nor have we been lacking in means of diversion and amusement. For the sake of our "fussers," teas have been served at the house after each important home game. These functions, small as they usually are, add no little to the pleasure and enjoyment of our social life. It is also customary to have a dance about once every three or four weeks. Our dances are very popular among the young ladies of the city—at least there is no difficulty in getting the best looking girls.

In athletics we are, as usual, fairly well represented, especially in gymnastics. The chapter has been somewhat out of it in football and baseball since Jim Rand, Varsity halfback, and Jack Keefe, second baseman, left last year. However, we are doing our best to fill their places with new men as soon as possible. In general, I might add, we are organizing an eleven for a prospective game with Massachusetts Delta.

The customary Auburndale comes off Saturday next at the Boston

City Club instead of at Woodland Park. This change, it is hoped, will bring out more grads. Contrary to custom, there will be no joint initiation at this meeting of Province Alpha. As that is the night after the Harvard-Dartmouth game, many from the latter college will likely attend. One and all, we are fully expecting to enjoy ourselves upon this occasion.

Returning to our immediate doings, Paul Butler, out of regard for our intellectual welfare, has arranged a series of lectures, or rather talks, to be given at stated times by men of prominence. Dr. Justin H. Smith, Professor of Modern History at Dartmouth College, gave the first. His subject was "Mexico." "Me for Mexico" was the common remark after this very able and interesting talk. Seaward Mason, formerly of Princeton, Dean Fenn of Harvard Theological School, and Professor George H. Chase, also of Harvard, have consented to address the chapter some time in the near future. These men are all worth hearing, and any old grads who would enjoy listening will be gladly welcomed.

The new play I have as yet failed to mention. In all probability it will be called "The Peace Makers." This will be George Evan's fourth original production. "The Weather Man," his last, proved a great success.

The policy of Massachusetts Gamma, from a financial point of view, during the past year, may be summed up in one word—economy. We are planning for the future, and in our deliberations have reached the conclusion that if we would be helped, we must first help ourselves. Already much has been accomplished, even more than we of the chapter expected.

Take note, grads and alumni: When we have fully demonstrated to you our worthiness of your confidence, then and then alone, shall

we call upon you for assistance in the furtherance of those dreams dearest to us all—namely, a house of our own.

JAMES SWANN.

Σ A E House, 22 Prescott St.,
11 November, 1908.

Massachusetts Delta, Worcester Polytechnic Institute, Worcester

BUT of last year's chapter, twenty-three brothers returned this fall to find that during the summer vacation the house had been completely overhauled and painted. With these improvements for an incentive, Massachusetts Delta began the year with a rousing open night.

Our plan of having the whole chapter return three days before school opened, gave us a running start with our rushing and we soon had four men pledged. Initiation, which came October fourteenth, gave us Brothers Armour, Clough and Kingman.

That the chapter is doing its share in athletics is shown by the fact that five S. A. E. men and one pledge are on the Varsity football squad, with Brother Crowther as captain of the team and Brother Armour as assistant manager.

When the basket-ball season starts, in the near future, Brother Pease will captain the team, which will comprise at least two other S. A. E.'s.

Arrangements are now being made for an informal house dance in the near future, an event always welcomed by the brothers.

December fifth brings with it Harvard night, and as the custom of holding these semi-annual visits with the Harvard chapter has not been kept up for the past two years, all our pent-up energy is going into this one. On the afternoon of that day, Massachusetts

Gamma and Delta meet on the grid-iron and in the evening the remains gather at a banquet. If you want to know what kind of a time we have, just say "Harvard night" to one of our alumni and see the smile grow.

Before this letter goes to press, Province Alpha will have had its Aurburndale banquet, which is always a most enjoyable event.

Moreover, it brings the chapters of the province more closely together and affords an opportunity to meet a large number of brothers.

In closing, Massachusetts Delta extends you a hearty invitation to drop in whenever you are in Worcester.

GEORGE R. WHOLEAN.

Σ A E House,
Humboldt Ave.

PROVINCE BETA

New York Alpha, Cornell University, Ithaca

THE rushing season at Cornell did not start until the last day of Freshman entrance examinations as a result of a new rushing system adopted under an agreement of the fraternities in the University last spring. The rules which went into effect this fall required that no fraternity return more than two of its men elected as delegates until September 26. These delegates were allowed to meet Freshmen, aid them in securing rooms, and make dates with them for their chapters after the 26th, when the majority of fraternity men were back in town. Then rushing began in earnest and the chapter here was very busy for two weeks entertaining the Freshmen with whom our two delegates, Brothers Husted and Cook had made dates. With twenty-eight old men returning, two affiliates, and eight Freshmen initiated, the chapter has started off the year in excellent shape.

Interest thus far this fall has centered in the work of the football team which, up to date, is the only team in the East which has won every game played. The game with Chicago next Saturday should be one of the best on the schedule for reports here indicate that Chicago

has a fast, heavy team. A new football song "We March to Victory" published recently and used at the Amherst game, has just been added to the long list of Cornell Songs.

The university cross country team started the season by defeating Yale last week. The men are now in training for the intercollegiate meet.

The chapter has been very successful in university activities thus far this fall and in addition to the honors held by members last year are the following: Cook, '10, track team; Aleph Samach, Mummy Club, general committee; Hurlburt, '10, end on football team, president of Junior class. Aleph Samach; Standiford, '10, captain cadet corps; Senior, '11, and Hall, '12, numerals in underclass track meet; Woodward, '09, class day committee; Ebersole, '10, Junior promenade committee; Stearns, '10, Freshman track manager; Fish, '12, and Wight, '12, glee club; Van Inwegan, '12, Masque; Valentine, '12, University scholarship; Ross, '11, Sophomore banquet committee; Fish, '12, Freshman banquet committee.

The annual alumni association meeting was held at the house on October 31st, and Brothers Almy, Doolittle, White and Marland, members of the board of directors, were with us. Brothers Kent and Cowdrey were unable to attend, though expected. The alumni were treated

to the initiation of the Freshmen and at the banquet later treated the chapter to one of the best toast courses we have had served to us at an initiation banquet for some years.

The chapter will be glad to entertain any of the brothers passing through town at any time; there is always room on Hill Crest for one more, so if near Ithaca be sure and drop in on us.

EARL A. EMERSON.

Σ A E House, Hill Crest.

New York Mu, Columbia University, New York City

NINE days before the opening of college this fall, twenty-one members of last year's chapter met at the chapter house, which was re-furnished and in running order for the coming year. Our early arrival on the campus enabled us to acquaint ourselves with, and to invite a large number of Freshmen to our house. Our efforts during the first month resulted in the election and initiation of seven good Freshmen: Carlos McClatchy, Hugo Moss, Russell Fairbairn, Ferd. Schede, William Haines, William White, and William Agnew, Jr. The initiation, which took place on Friday, October twenty-third, was carefully planned and well executed, terminating in a banquet and appropriate toasts. Our chapter roll has been further increased to thirty members by the affiliation of Bros. Isaiah Martin, Jr., of Texas Rho, and Gaston Bastanchury, of Colorado Lambda.

The records and history of New York Mu show that each year the chapter has made gratifying improvements. Recently the house furnishings have been made more comfortable and attractive, also our records are more complete, and systematically kept. At present, we consider the chapter to be in an

excellent condition, due to harmonious efforts, which finally put us in an enviable position among our competing fraternities.

New York Mu has its usual representation in athletics, in the glee club, and all other student activities at Columbia. Inter-collegiate football is still prohibited here, but the students believe they see signs of its possible reinstatement in the faculty's relinquishing their position somewhat, by permitting inter-class football.

New York Mu, being located in New York City, has many opportunities of meeting S. A. E.'s from all over the country, who chance to visit this city. We are always very anxious to welcome such brothers, who will favor us with a call during their stay in the city.

W. T. KOKEN.

Σ A E House.

531 W. 113th St.

New York Sigma-Phi, Saint Stephen's College, Annandale

THE year opened for Sigma-Phi with all but three of the brothers back on the first day. Brother Wood has entered Kenyon College, Gambier, Ohio; Johnson, Seabury Divinity School, Faribault, Minn., while Knapp is studying the organ under Stubbs of New York. All the brothers returned so full of enthusiasm for the rushing that inside of eighteen hours after the formal opening of college several of the most desirable new men were wearing pledge buttons. There was practically no opposition, for by the time the other fraternities started to do their rushing we were all through with ours and ready to watch the others at work. In this first landslide eight men were pledged and later two more who arrived late were given buttons. All are fine men and excellent ma-

terial for Sigma Alpha Epsilon. Barclay is a Sophomore, Paul Fernsler a Freshman, and Johns, Day, Mullen, Rice, Neighbour, Allen Jennings and Hollenback are sub-Freshmen. Fernsler and Jennings both have brothers in the chapter.

In college activities the members of Sigma-Phi are more than holding their own. Oehlhoff, '09, took honors in Philosophy last June and Fernsler, '11, those in German. Oehlhoff is now the president of the student convocation. Fernsler of the Sophomore class, and Johns of the sub-Freshman. Fernsler is also business manager of the St. Stephen's *Messenger* and secretary of the Dragon's Claw society, a newly formed literary organization. Allen is manager of the basketball team again this year.

The first of the season's dances was given on November sixth under the joint auspices of the Eulexian Society and New York Sigma-Phi. This was rather a departure from the established custom of the college as the dances have heretofore been given either by one fraternity or by a class, but in spite of its unusual character it was an unqualified success. As a sequel two more girls are wearing Sigma Alpha Epsilon pins.

HAROLD HOLT.

Σ A E House.

New York Delta, Syracuse University, Syracuse

THE opening of college, September 15th, found New York Delta fully prepared for the strenuous work of rushing. After four weeks of hard work we found our number of eighteen active men increased by the addition of eleven pledges.

On Friday night, November 6th, the eleven pledges were made loyal sons of Σ A E. So it is with

pleasure that New York Delta introduces to her sister chapters Brothers Kotz and Marble, '10, and Quin, Bishop, Thomas, McCallum, Cochrane, Carpenter, Ryan, Clark, and Sims, '12. On the same occasion A. C. Perkins, '04, and F. E. Clifford, '04, Orange Club men, were initiated. The annual initiation banquet will be held on the night of November 21st, the night of the Michigan-Syracuse football game.

We began our year socially the evening of October 31st by giving our annual Hallowe'en party, which proved itself a great success. Over forty guests were invited and that they all enjoyed themselves was very evident throughout the evening.

The past year has been the banner year for S. A. E. at Syracuse in athletics. Since our last letter our men have been very active in baseball, track, and crew. Raaflaub again occupied his position at short-stop on the Varsity. On the water we were represented by H. S. Duvall, number 4, of the inter-collegiate championship crew, and T. C. Warren, number 6, of the Freshman crew, which finished second at Poughkeepsie. Our strongest point, no doubt, was in track. Here we had four men, O'Meara, captain, Barnes, Wisner, and Marble, all holders of the black "S." It was a very suggestive fact that of the 125 points made in the Pennsylvania State College-Syracuse track meet, 56 of the total points were scored by S. A. E.'s on the two teams. In the other lines of college activity we are represented by Raaflaub in Monx Head, Junior society; Preston, Double Seven, Junior society; Stetson, Instrumental Club; and several in the university band.

The many new buildings upon our campus are now nearly all being utilized. The immense gymnasium, claimed to be the largest in America, will be completed by Christ-

mas, which is in time to accommodate the annual Junior promenade. Syracuse is fast growing up to the "Big Six" class.

FRANK W. ABRAMS.

Σ A E House,
804 Croton St.

**Pennsylvania Omega, Allegheny
College, Meadville**

IN accordance with a rule made at our last meeting in June, nearly every member of Omega returned to college almost a week before the regular opening, in order to get in shape for rushing. As a result of this early start, we initiated five of the best men that entered, four Freshmen and one Sophomore who re-entered school this fall. This brings the chapter membership up to seventeen. I take pleasure in presenting Brothers J. I. Lore, Jr., '11, Vandergrift, Pa.; R. W. Thomas, '12, Conneaut, O.; S. S. Townsend, '12, Perryopolis, Pa.; C. L. Lore, '12, Vandergrift, Pa.; and A. C. Nodine, '12, Titusville, Pa. Since initiation we have pledged two more Freshmen.

Our football team has not been as successful as was expected at the beginning of the season. This is due, no doubt, to the loss of so many old men by graduation. We had two men representing us on the football team, Drum and Townsend, but both were taken off the squad early in the season, one not being permitted to play and the other on account of injuries received in practice. However, our basket-ball team is showing up fine, and the prospects are very bright for a successful season.

As yet we have not done much in a social way, but we are planning to give a house-warming party when we enter our new home, which is nearing completion. All of our men have the true Σ A E spirit and are determined to make

our chapter stronger and more effective than ever before. Last year we made a clean record in the study line, and this year, with our new men who are all first-class students, we intend to surpass last year's record.

Here are some Omega men who are doing things: P. C. Deemer, '09, is manager of this year's baseball team and leader of the college band; R. B. Drum, '10, is manager of the *Campus*, the college weekly, and holds a place on the glee club; Cochran, '11, Dunsmore, '11, Thomas, '12, and Nodine, '12, all have places on the glee and mandolin clubs; Kulp, '11, has a place on the Sophomore football team; Delancy, a pledge, has a place on the basketball team and is on the glee club.

All the other fraternities at Allegheny are prospering, and all have increased their ranks from the large class of incoming Freshmen. The local organization here has recently obtained a charter from the Σ Φ Ε.

The Pan-Hellenic Wheel, as a political organization, is now dead. However, this action does not involve the disunion of the social element of the Pan-Hellenic association. That will live on as it has in the past, to promote good fellowship among the fraternities.

Before it is time for our next chapter letter we hope to be permanently settled in a new home, so that letter will be chiefly devoted to our new chapter house.

ARCHIE N. DUNSMORE.

9 November, 1908.

**Pennsylvania Sigma-Phi, Dick-
inson College, Carlisle**

THE opening of Dickinson on September nineteenth found fourteen members of Pennsylvania Sigma-Phi ready for our rushing season. On October first, when our

law school opened, three more members were added to our active chapter.

Our rushing season was short and decisive. $\Sigma A E$ initiated the following six men: Einstein, '12, Hornberger, '12, Marks, '12, Miller, '12, Murray, '12, Stauffer, '12. Elbert, '12 is a pledge.

With the defeat of Bucknell, Dickinson considers her football season so far a success. $\Sigma A E$ is quite largely represented this year in football. Chaffinch, '09, is manager; Long, '09, guard; Stafford, end; Peters, sub-end and halfback; Curran, sub-end.

$\Sigma A E$ still takes her share of the other college honors. Long, '09, is Senior president; Peters, '09, is member student senate; Nuttle, '09, manager *Dickinsonian*; Chaffinch, '09, Dickinson Press Club; Tindal, '09, president Bryan league; Hoffman, '11, law basketball; Smith, '09, Nuttle, '09, Sisk, '10, and Corning, '11, on the mandolin club; Stauffer, '12, is class treasurer.

Socially, too, $\Sigma A E$ has her share. We have eight members of Comus club and have already given two informal dances. In October Pennsylvania Sigma-Phi introduced to Dickinson an inter-fraternity college smoker, for the purpose of drawing closer together the separate units of our college life.

Pennsylvania Delta entertained our chapter at a smoker on the eve of our Gettysburg-Dickinson football game. We have enjoyed many visits from our alumni since the opening of college. We hope all $\Sigma A E$'s will drop in on us when in this part of the State.

J. R. CHAFFINCH.

$\Sigma A E$ House,
173 W. Louthier St.,
15 November, 1908.

**Pennsylvania Alpha-Zeta,
Pennsylvania State College,
State College**

WE returned this fall with fifteen men, and were handicapped in the rushing season as compared to previous years. However, thus far, we have initiated five men, and have four more pledged. "Jack" Culbertson was back with us at the beginning of the college year, and was of great assistance during the rushing season. This year the chapter numbers twenty men, which is the smallest it has been for some years. During the rushing season we had an informal smoker, and a few other social entertainments.

This year we have three S. A. E.'s in the faculty, one of whom is a charter member of this chapter, Brother P. B. Byeneman, professor of mechanics; Brother A. B. Burgess of Worcester Tech is an instructor in the mechanical engineering department; Brother Paul S. Worth of Harvard is an instructor in mathematics.

A Bridge Whist club has been organized among the different fraternities. The club meets every other Friday night at the different houses. "Bill" Child is president of the club, and the other three representatives from the house are Polack, Turner and Schaffer. The new athletic field is near completion, and will be ready for track and baseball in the spring. The work on the new chemistry building by the side of the track house is progressing very rapidly.

Athletic relations have been resumed with Bucknell in football. "Dick" Smith is playing right tackle on the Varsity football team, and Ayers and Walker are on the squad. The football team has not made a very good record this season, owing to the very heavy schedule, which included Carlisle

Indians, University of Pennsylvania, Cornell, Navy and Bucknell. Brothers Maurhoff, captain of track team, Child and Bubb are out for fall track.

Since the opening of school we have had visits from Brothers Culbertson, Potteiger, Ansart, Pfeffer and Quigley.

F. L. SCHAFER.

Σ A E House,
11 November, 1908.

**Pennsylvania Zeta, Bucknell
University, Lewisburg**

THE eight weeks that have passed since the beginning of the college year have indeed been busy and pleasant to all the fraternities at Bucknell, and especially to Zeta. Nine of the active chapter returned early and immediately began the strenuous rushing season, which resulted in pledging two Sophomores, three Freshmen, and three men in the preparatory school, all of whom have the true S. A. E. material in them. However, we were exceedingly unfortunate in losing Brother Leach, '11, who was called home on account of the illness of his father. Leach will likely return after the Christmas vacation, and he will make a strong addition to the basketball team.

Σ A E has taken an active part in all of the college activities this fall. The social functions, which consisted in card parties, smokers, and informal receptions, have been the means of maintaining our social prestige, also of getting acquainted with several very promising fellows who will likely be added to the number of our pledges.

In athletics, too, we have been well represented. The football season is rapidly drawing to a close, and, although we have not been as successful as we desired, yet the team has been playing good con-

sistent football. Winegardner, '09, and Clausen, '11, have well represented us on the Varsity, while Metzger, '10, Sweet, '11, and Sweet, '12, have been doing excellent work on the scrubs. The outlook for basketball is quite promising. Three of the old men are back and the incoming Freshman class has some excellent material in it. Clausen, '11, the star guard of last year, will represent Pennsylvania Zeta on this year's team.

The monotony of college life has been very agreeably broken by the visits of some of our alumni, among whom were Brothers Innes, '08, Frank, ex-'08, Wise, '06, Dunlap, '04, Wilcox, '04, McCormick, '06, and Spanagle, ex-'02. We were also glad to welcome to our home Brothers Murray and Kromer, Pennsylvania Alpha-Zeta. Yager, Pennsylvania Sigma-Phi, Schenck, Pennsylvania Theta.

The addition of several new instructors to the faculty, the size of the entering class, and, above all else, the spirit of every college man, gives a promising outlook for a successful college year.

J. A. TYSON.

Σ A E House,
Fourth and St. George Sts.,
10 November, 1908.

**Pennsylvania Delta, Gettysburg
College, Gettysburg**

GREATLY depreciated in numbers, Delta returned to college ready for a strenuous rushing season. From last year's number of twenty, only nine returned. Nine S. A. E.'s graduated with the class of 1908 and two undergraduates failed to return to college. Of the 1908 men, G. W. Kessler has taken up a course of political economy at Columbia University; G. L. Lavery entered Jefferson Medical College; M. C. Albright is at the University of Pennsylvania; E. L.

Manges and A. D. Bell have entered Gettysburg Seminary; G. M. Rice and G. B. King are teaching in high schools at North East, Pa., and Harford, Pa., respectively; H. S. Pownall has taken up business with his father at Lansdale, Pa.; C. P. Lantz is assisting in the coaching of football at Gettysburg; P. G. Hartman, ex-'10, has entered business and H. B. Faber, ex-'11, is taking up chemistry at the University of Pennsylvania.

Three new men have been initiated: Thomas T. Cook, '11, Robert E. Yohn, '12, and Curtis L. Moody, '12. Delta is not represented on Gettysburg's eleven this year. Strock, '09, Gotwalt, '10, and Bell, '10, are playing on the second team. The Sophomore-Freshman football game will be played next week. Rice, '11, is captain of the Sophomore team and Moody, '12, is quarterback for the Freshman team. Sieber, '10, has been elected baseball manager for the coming season. The basketball outlook is encouraging and Σ A E will undoubtedly be well represented on the squad, of which Yohn, '10, is assistant manager.

Strock, '09, and Bright, '09, have again made places on the glee club and Bell, '10, plays in the college orchestra. Kessler, '08, will accompany the musical clubs as reader. Yohn, '12, was elected historian of his class and Cook, '11, is a member of his class debating team.

Of the eleven honor men in the 1908 graduating class, four were Σ A E's: E. L. Manges, M. C. Albright, G. W. Kessler and G. M. Rice, Manges being Salutarian. J. R. McMillan, '09, divided first honor of \$25.00 in competition for the Pittsburgh club prize in chemistry.

On Friday evening, previous to the Dickinson-Gettysburg football game, the chapter entertained Pennsylvania Sigma-Phi at a

smoker. We also received visits from Brothers Wise, of Pennsylvania Zeta and Ashmere of Illinois Beta. Kessler, '08, Laverty, '08, and Feber, ex-'11, spent the opening week of college with the chapter. The following alumni were welcomed back: Lauffer, '99, Deatrick, ex-'01, Hetrick, '01, Zimmerman, ex-'08, and Lammert, ex-'10.

Although under an existing rule at Gettysburg College, the fraternities are not allowed to room out of the dormitories, steps are being taken by our alumni to build a first-class fraternity house in the near future. Pennsylvania Delta is at home to all S. A. E.'s.

ERNEST H. YOHN.

9 November, 1908.

Pennsylvania Theta, University of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia

WITH the opening of the college year in September, Pennsylvania Theta entered upon a very promising season. Although severely handicapped by the loss of ten of the old men, the remaining thirteen of us at once laid plans and made ready for the rushing season. Into this the men threw themselves with vigor, and as a result of their efforts we initiated on October 16th seven men, whose names appear in the list of initiates on another page.

Besides these men we have one affiliate, Brother Daniel F. Innes, of Illinois Theta.

Brother Fred C. More, of Washington City Rho, was present at our initiation and due to his able assistance, it was a great success.

At present we have one man under pledge whom we expect to initiate in the near future, and we have several good men in view.

Our plans for a new house are rapidly maturing, and as this, at present, is our greatest need, we

are all bending every energy toward this end, hoping that the next year or so will find us in a new home.

In college activities this year we have Brothers Lambertson, left guard on the Varsity football team, Morgan on the water polo team, McNichol on the basketball team, Showalter on the *Punch Bowl*, Jones on the *Pennsylvanian*, and Browning in the Mask and Wig club chorus.

We have been holding informal teas after the football games each week, but as yet have not set a date for our annual tea.

Every man in our chapter is

working in conjunction with the Philadelphia alumni of $\Sigma A E$ to make the national convention, at Atlantic City in June, the greatest in the history of the Fraternity, and present indications point to a good time for everyone.

It has been our misfortune that we have had but few guests this season. We wish to extend a more than hearty welcome to all brothers who find themselves in Philadelphia.

GEORGE N. RAY.

$\Sigma A E$ House,

3705 Walnut St.,

10 November, 1908.

PROVINCE GAMMA

Washington City Rho, George Washington University, Washington, D. C.

WITH the loss by graduation of Brothers Atwell, Ong, Tewksberry, Wolf, Willis and Bowen; Brothers Mulheman and Curry by the call of the wild and woolly West, and Brother Biddle to take up law at West Virginia, Washington City Rho quickly realized that with the opening of college this year, she should busy herself restocking her membership. So, with this in view the chapter launched upon the work of the present year under the most auspicious circumstances, after the house was thoroughly overhauled in the line of decorations, repairs and the installing of new furnishings.

A smoker was given to all members of $\Sigma A E$ residing in Washington. A large attendance from Pennsylvania, Cornell, Pennsylvania State and other eastern universities afforded an excellent opportunity for a most enjoyable evening. There was also present quite a likely bunch of "eligibles"

and the excellent showing that we have made so far must be, to a great extent, credited to the presence of our visiting brothers on that evening. But the most enjoyable evenings, and I am sure our five pledges, Guy C. Rowland, Arthur Helen, George L. Lewis, Worthington C. Campbell and William T. Coburn, will verify me in the statement, were spent in Brother More's "sky-parlor" in the chapter house.

On the evening of October 25th the first dance of the season was given. November 25th is the date set for the next, and ere this RECORD is published it will be a thing of the past; but let me add that if it proves as enjoyable and successful as the first, I am sure we have something to look forward to.

It certainly looks "good" to the student body of George Washington University to realize what a good show our football team has made this fall, in fact the best since the nineties. Following the Annapolis game, Wednesday, October 28th, when our team held the Middies down to 17 points, the en-

thusiasm manifested over this good showing echoed for several days down the corridors and throughout the class-rooms at the University. The honors, if there are any forthcoming, will fall in part to one of our men, Aubrey Witten, now playing left end.

Occasionally brothers drop in on us from out of town, and nothing gives the chapter more pleasure than to welcome them at all times. Brothers Kennedy Clapp, Virginia Omicron, and George N. Ray, Pennsylvania Theta, paid us visits a short time ago, and participated in several "affairs" at the house. Let the good times I think these and other brothers have had in Washington at 2024 G Street, be a good example to others.

BERKLEY L. SIMMONS.

Σ A E House,
2024 G Street N. W.,
14 November, 1908.

Virginia Omicron, University of Virginia, Charlottesville

THE opening of school at Virginia found Sigma Alpha Epsilon in new quarters in an excellent brick house on Main St., close to the University, and altogether a house better suited to our wants than the one occupied last year. We lost heavily by graduation and withdrawal from college last year, but seventeen old members have answered the roll call, and with these we have the nucleus for a strong chapter. We have received two affiliates from other chapters. Brothers Holt and Currie from Arkansas Alpha-Upsilon and North Carolina Theta, respectively, and have five initiates. Brother Williams of last year's class, was with us for the rushing season and aided us materially in those strenuous times. We were very successful this fall and secured five much sought after "goats" who have all

shown their ability and willingness to work for Σ A E. It is with much pleasure that I introduce Brothers Connelly, Findlay, Foster, Frazier and Hyde to the Band, with every assurance that they will bring credit to the Fraternity and prove themselves worthy of our friendship and confidence. Σ A E is taking a good stand in college life at Virginia and while not as well represented on our victorious football team as we would wish, we have more than our share of scholastic honors. Brother Robertson is president of the academic department and hence on the honor committee, while Hobbs is historian of the law class. We have three Phi Beta Kappa men and five Ravens, the local honor society in our ranks, while another brother made Phi Delta Phi law fraternity this fall. Although Reid is not eligible for the Varsity team, his athletic and business ability has been recognized by giving him the assistant managership of the baseball team, and Holt holds the same position with the university band.

In the fraternity baseball league last spring, composed of sixteen fraternities, S. A. E. won the championship by defeating all rivals without loss of a game, with 79 runs to our combined opponents' 8.

Virginia's football season has been very successful so far with all games won except that with Sewanee, which ended 0-0. We have only Georgetown and North Carolina left and expect a clean slate this season. We have no brothers on the team, but those on the scrubs are hoping for better things next year.

The school is slightly above all previous enrollment this year, notwithstanding the increased entrance requirements, which barred many applicants. The faculties and equipments in all departments have been increased. The law course



From left to right—

VIRGINIA OMICRON.

*In rear—*BOND, HOBBS, REID, PERKINS.

*Standing—*BAILEY, CALDWELL, G. CLAPP, WILKINSON, HAVENS, MORRISON, WOOD, WELLS.

*In chairs—*ALL, WILLIAMS, CROOM, CALDWELL, J., BATCHELLER, ROBERTSON, RUNYON, OLIVIER,

*On ground—*PLAZA, HALL, TYLER, BROOKS,

has been lengthened to three years which goes into effect with the new \$100,000 law building next year. Other new buildings which have just been occupied, or are being completed this year, are university commons and the president's mansion, both of which are very handsome buildings, filling long-felt wants.

We feel that this will be a good year for Σ A E at Virginia, and we extend our good wishes to all other chapters.

T. GIBSON HOBBS.

Σ A E House.

Virginia Sigma, Washington and Lee University, Lexington

THE past session was a good one for Virginia Sigma, as she accomplished more for Σ A E and herself than ever done before. Through the untiring efforts of Brother Jemison the chapter succeeded in getting a chapter house, which we have taken possession of and are enjoying to the fullest extent.

Thirteen of last years chapter returned and after taking up quarters in the house selected three men from the Freshman class, who have been initiated. They are William Francis Barnard, Robert Prentis Beaman and Fred Blanton Oates. Brother W. L. Webster of Tennessee Eta is attending the University this session and has cast his lot with us.

In athletics this fall Virginia Sigma has been well represented with three men on the Varsity football team. Smartt is playing right end, Barnard at left halfback and McCord is in at right tackle. Smartt is also captain of the basket-ball team.

The chapter lost by graduation last year H. H. Ragon, who is now practicing law in Clarksville, Arkansas, W. W. Hampton, and J. W. Newman, also practicing law,

the former in Gainesville, Florida, the latter in Bristol, Tennessee. R. C. Milling, A.B., is taking law at the Louisiana State University. Ed. Brown could not return to college this session because of the critical condition of his father's health. It is needless to say that we miss these men very much as they were all great additions to the chapter and good hard workers such as are hard to find every day.

The University has continued on its path of growth. The student body numbers 560 men and would have more, were there any accommodations for them. The Freshman class is an exceptionally good one with many promising young men, as the Sophomore class can vouch for as they beat the Sophs so badly in the annual class fight. The new library has been completed and is now in use. It is a beautiful copper-domed building with all of the most modern appliances for comfort. The formal opening will take place very shortly.

Before closing, I wish to ask every brother who comes to Lexington or even comes near Lexington, to come and see us. I want every S. A. E. to feel that he has a standing invitation, to come and be at home just as he would in his own house.

The whole chapter joins me in my good wishes for a successful year to all sister chapters, and hopes that the delegates from every chapter can submit a good report at Atlantic City in June.

BERNARD MCD. KRUG.

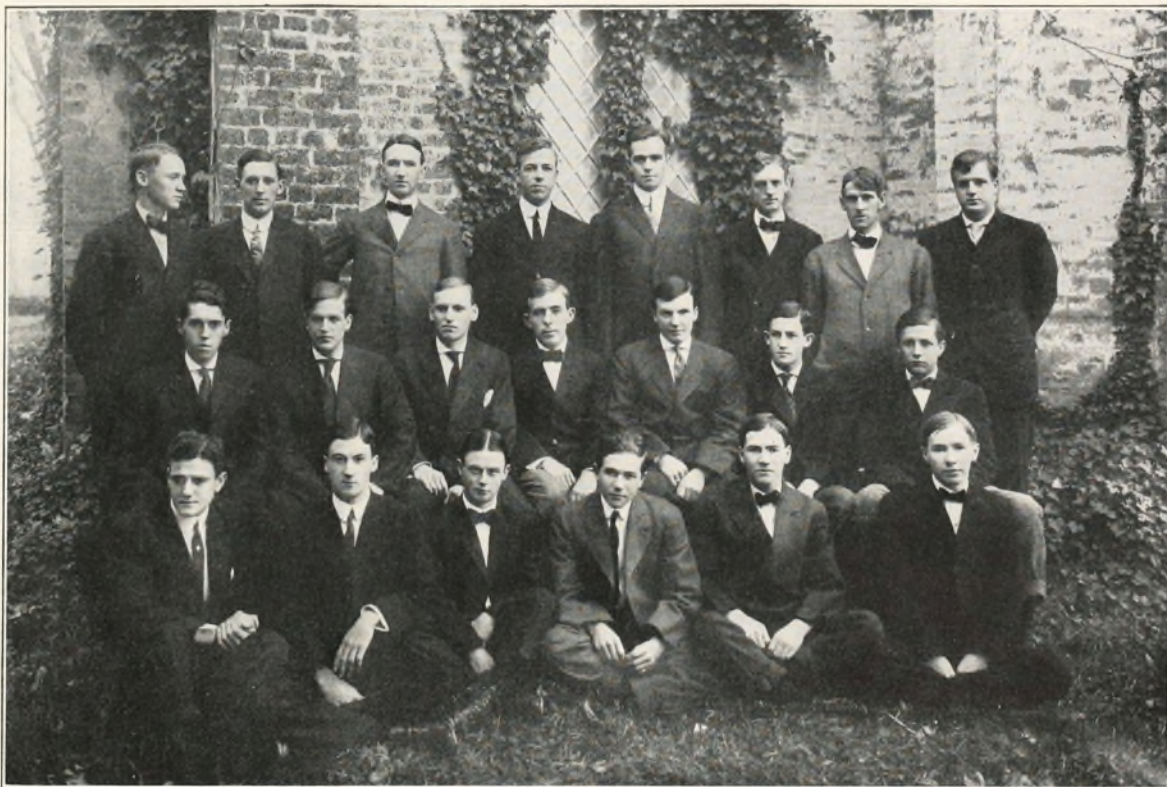
Σ A E House,

44 West Washington St.,

7 November, 1908.

North Carolina Xi, University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill

THE college opened on September eleventh and the Σ A E's were found to be twelve strong. Four of last year's chapter were



NORTH CAROLINA XI.

Top row, from left to right—BATTLE, VOGLER, PATTERSON, THOMAS, GREENE, GRAHAM, HOWELL, CROSSWELL.

Middle row—LONG, ROSE, ROBINSON, JAMES, HANES, KERR, FLINN.

Front row—CROUSE, OSBORNE, MCADEN, MENEFFEE, TILLET, J., TILLET, C. W.

missing: Brothers Morrison, J. B. James, McMillian and McArthur. These vacant places were soon filled by four new brothers. Then Brother Flinn, of North Carolina Theta, came upon the scene, thus adding one more to our sixteen members. Our four initiates are: Crouse, Menefee, Tillett, J., and James, A. H.

As soon as the excitement of rushing season was over with, our men began to take active part in every phase of college life. On the athletic field we find Thomas, captain of the Varsity eleven and playing a star game; Tillett, J., captain of last year's Freshman eleven, is playing quarter-back on the Varsity. Hanes is playing on the scrubs. Robinson and Kerr are on the Junior eleven and the former is also assistant manager of the Varsity. In social circles Σ A E is also prominent. Crosswell, Robinson and Rose are in the "Order of the Gorgon's Head." Robinson has been chosen leader of the Gorgon's Head german and Rose leader of the german club dance. In the literary activities also, we find the flag of Σ A E. Long and Tillett, C. W., are associate editors of the college magazine; Osborne, Robinson and Kerr are on the board of the college annual, the *Yackety Yack*, of which Osborne is editor-in-chief. Robinson is a sub-editor of the *Tar Heel*, the college weekly; Long, Battle, Osborne and Tillett are members of Phi Beta Kappa, and Battle and Tillett are members of the Golden Fleece, an honorary order. Finally, among the other college activities, Vogler is leader of the college band, Battle is in the contest for the Pennsylvania debate and Osborne is vice-president of the Y. M. C. A.

The chapter has the good fortune of having Brother Greene, of Pennsylvania Theta, with us. He

is the coach of the Varsity football team.

In the college itself, things are progressing finely, having an enrollment larger than ever before. Many desirable improvements are being made on the campus and buildings. A new biological building has been erected and fitted with all the modern improvements.

We will always be glad to see any of our alumni and brothers of other chapters who may by chance come our way.

T. D. ROSE.

Σ A E House.

23 October, 1908.

North Carolina Theta, Davidson College, Davidson

DAVIDSON College opened its seventy-second year on September third, with the largest enrollment ever recorded. At that time ten of last year's chapter had returned ready and eager to begin another rushing session, which lasts until the Christmas holidays. Since then we have lost T. S. Flinn, '11, who is now at the University of North Carolina, but with the initiation of Alexander Sprunt of Wilmington, our number still remains ten.

The strength of Theta, however, must not be judged by the size of the chapter, for Σ A E has taken an unusually prominent part in all the activities of the college. Among the honors taken this year are: Two editors of *Quips and Cranks*, the annual, an editor of the *Magazine*, a commencement marshal, an inter-society debater, vice-president of the Junior class, manager and assistant manager of the football team, substitute on the Varsity football team, captain and quarter-back of the second team, manager of the basketball team, a man on the Varsity basketball team, president of the tennis asso-



MICHIGAN IOTA-BETA.

M. F. SHANNON D. M. DARN M. Y. MARSHALL H. TITUS C. S. WAYMAN R. BRADY
R. W. WILEY J. G. BOGLE W. E. HENES M. P. TALLMADGE W. J. TIDEMAN RAY. MILLS S. P. SANDERSON S. P. SMITH
L. B. OWENS J. D. BIGGERS L. B. MONTFORT F. G. KANE S. C. COX F. M. ARMSTRONG S. C. RUNNELS E. S. PIERCE M. S. McELDOWNEY
R. L. MEHORNAY V. F. WILSON A. G. MCINTOSH J. R. FLYNN C. B. FRANKLIN

ciation, a representative on the athletic council, manager of the college Lyceum.

At the end of the rushing season we hope to increase our number in proportion to the strength of the chapter. There is a large amount of fraternity material among the new men and $\Sigma A E$ will get her share. One attraction for the new men is our beautiful fraternity rooms, which have recently been remodelled and which are now the handsomest in college.

Two of our brothers on the faculty left us this year: Dr. J. P. Munroe, college physician, and Prof. J. W. Currie, head of the preparatory department. One of their places has been filled by Brother J. W. McConnell, who holds the chair of biology and is the present college physician, so our faculty representation now numbers four.

We have enjoyed visits from a number of our alumni this year and would remind the brothers that a hearty welcome awaits any S. A. E.

SAMUEL O. FLEMING.

South Carolina Gamma, Wofford College, Spartanburg

ONLY four men returned to college this year, five having graduated last year and one dropping out. This, connected with the

fact that we four were the "Last of the Mohicans," so to speak, served to cast a damper over our spirits.

The pleasures of rushing having been taken away from us, we are concentrating our energies in other lines and our efforts, I believe, have not been without result. Brother Easterling is editor-in-chief of the college monthly publication as well as business manager of the annual. Brother Parks is a regular contributor to these publications. Brother Hill is vice-president of the college musical association and of the Preston literary society.

We are doing "stunts" in athletics. Breeden, Easterling and Hill are members of their class baseball team. Breeden is already sure of right end on the football team. He is also manager of the Varsity baseball team.

We still have our chapter house and also the same amount of hospitality and loyalty, more concentrated because now there are fewer men to share it. So, if any of the brothers, when passing through, should give us a call they would be more than welcome.

TOM HILL.

14 October, 1908.

PROVINCE DELTA

Michigan Iota-Beta, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor

WHEN Michigan Iota-Beta disbanded last June, our prospects for this fall were not the most flattering. Several of our under-classmen expected not to return to school again and the leaders of our chapter were to graduate, so that indications pointed to

sorely depleted ranks for the rushing season. Enticing remembrances, however, of good times in the chapter brought back a larger number than had been relied on, with the result that we began our rushing with seventeen men, and by the time classes began Michigan Iota-Beta had the badge on four very creditable Freshmen. Since the opening of college, it has been

our fortune to "spike" four more of most promising character.

We have been glad to receive into our midst this year four affiliates who have contributed largely to our success. They are: Chas. D. Hoyt, Colorado Chi; Antone Blezik, also Colorado Chi; John Chambliss and John Cobbs, Tennessee Omega. Brother Neiler, also of Tennessee Omega, has come to the engineering department faculty, and boards with us in the house. In the true spirit of affiliates these men have been very cordial in their co-operation with us, and have entered as much into the work of this chapter as if they had been initiated here.

The chapter held its mock initiation Friday, November sixth, and conducted the ritual ceremony the Saturday following. After the ritual a banquet was tendered the new initiates. Owing to parental objections, two of our pledges were unable to accept the bonds at this initiation, so that only six were extended the grip. Our other pledges, together with Stanley Borleski, sent here pledged from Washington, will be admitted after Christmas.

In the matter of college honors, our brothers in the law department have been unusually successful. Frank Shannon was appointed on the staff of the Michigan Law Review, and was admitted to "The Barristers," the Senior law honorary society. Myles Tallmadge was made a member of "Woolsack," the Junior society of that department; he also made his A. M. A. numerals.

Robt. Mehornay is a candidate for the Varsity football team; Stanley Cox plays on the basketball team and has become a "Friar." Wilson and Marshall are

on the glee club, and the former in the opera given annually by the Michigan Union.

The chapter's social activities, while few in number, have become proverbially enjoyable in Ann Arbor; our fall dinner-dance was a marked success. The event was in honor of our new men, but the chapter as a whole enjoyed the function quite as much as did the guests of honor.

Some of our new men have begun to distinguish themselves in college affairs by getting into class offices. Though we do not, as a practice, indulge in so called "college politics," and though the offices gained are not of any great importance, we look upon the beginning as a good omen, and a vindication of our choice of men.

Ann Arbor is buzzing with "dope" on our Pennsylvania game, and by the time this comes from the press we shall have tried our strength with the "Quakers." We are expecting to entertain a large delegation from our Pennsylvania chapter next Saturday and shall receive visits from many alumni on that day.

The University is just a shade beyond the 5,000 mark this year so far, and promises an even larger enrollment next semester. A \$300,000 memorial building and a large chemical building are in course of construction on the campus, while the new dental building (the largest of its kind in America) has just been opened.

Our *Alma Mater* is in such an enviable condition, and the chapter has been so fortunate in the matter of affiliates and new initiates, that we expect to "make history" fast this year in Ann Arbor.

CHARLES B. FRANKLIN.

Σ A E House,

1408 Washtenaw Ave.

Michigan Alpha, Adrian College, Adrian

THIS is the semi-centennial year of Adrian's existence, and it truly looks as if it would be the brightest of all. We had this year a larger entering class than any in the last twelve years, and the added strength to our faculty and the general improvements on the buildings indicate only the best. Brother Feeman, '00, has been chosen dean of the new theological seminary.

At the opening of school twelve of the brothers returned; three of the former chapter were missing. Brittain graduated in June; Voorhees is studying medicine in the city and, although not active, we have the advantage of his association frequently; and Lake did not return to school, much to the regret of all of us, as he anticipated a removal of residence to the Pacific coast.

One pleasing feature of our life here this year, and a great improvement over our condition last year, is that we now have a chapter house. It is a fine eight-roomed frame house prettily situated directly opposite the campus and it has done much to increase our earnest enthusiasm for the Fraternity. Unfortunately we are prohibited by the faculty from living there this year, but we expect to get out of the dormitory in the very near future.

We gave two informal "spreads" to the new men and as a result of the rushing season, into which all the brothers entered zealously, we landed six fine men. They are George B. Claycomb, Harley C. Stump, Ralph W. Soule, Paul C. Fisher, E. Merrill Watkins and Ernest L. Abling. We will initiate after the holidays, as the faculty legislation provides.

Of course the S. A. E.'s of Michigan Alpha have been doing

things. With real interest in the success of every department of the college, our men are naturally leaders and hold many of the important offices. Davies captains the Varsity football team, while Stanton, Roberts and Beem, and pledges Claycomb, Stump and Soule are on the team. Pamment is student coach, and under his skilful direction Adrian this year has a better team than ever before. Brother Davies is president of the Star literary society, vice-president of the athletic association, leader of the college quartet and literary editor of the Senior annual. Cairns is president of the student government association, and is a member of the college quartet. Pamment is editor-in-chief of the Senior annual, and is assistant in the science department. Spahr is president of Lambda-Phi literary society. Stanton is vice-president of the Senior class and of Lambda-Phi society. Wilson is president of the Sophomore class and is secretary of the Y. M. C. A. Pratt is vice-president of the Junior class and is a member of the college quartet. Lyons, who is the secretary of Province Delta, is basketball manager and advertising manager of the *College World*. Fisher is president of the Freshman class and is business manager of the *College World*. Spike Claycomb is vice-president of the student government association and Moore is president of the oratorical league.

We have enjoyed visits from several S. A. E.'s so far this year. Lake pleasantly surprised us one day by dropping in on us for a short visit, and it did us good to have him with us again. We hope he will return to school the next semester. C. H. Buss of the Purdue Chapter, is located in the city as physical director at the Y. M. C. A. and he is with us frequently. Of our alumni, Brothers H. L. Layman, Ely D. Miller, Claude

Stevens and Norman Horton have called on us.

The local chapter of Alpha Tau Omega is quite active this year, after a decidedly poor year last year, and we are glad to see them on their feet again.

We want every S. A. E. who can, to call on us.

GEORGE VON B. MOORE.

Σ A E House,
15 Madison Ave.

Ohio Sigma, Mount Union College, Alliance

OHIO Sigma enters upon the school year with fifteen active members and six pledges. We are looking forward with great pride to the inauguration of Mount Union's new president, W. H. McMasters, an alumnus of the class of '99, and a loyal S. A. E. A cordial greeting awaits him on his arrival.

Our house-party is to take place on the evening of November 21st, and indications predict a jolly time for all who attend. The arrangement committee is composed of Brothers Millhon, Kinsey and Senn. In our next letter we hope to give an account of the excellent time which we now anticipate.

Mount Union's football team includes three S. A. E.'s: Frank Gibson, H. D. Brown, and Earl Brown. Brother H. B. Johns, '08, is acting as assistant coach. The team has been doing excellent work this season.

Ohio Sigma extends greetings to all chapters, and a cordial invitation to all brothers to come and visit us. You will find a welcome at any time.

B. D. EDWARDS.

Σ A E House.

Ohio Delta, Ohio Wesleyan University, Delaware

THE opening of another year of Ohio Delta's history found us with eighteen initiates and three pledges. Our numbers were depleted, however, by the return of Brother Shepherd to his home on account of sickness and by the departure of Brother Nottingham to Southern Arizona, where he has accepted a lucrative position. However, our activity during the rushing season more than redeemed these losses, for we pledged eight good men, bringing up the number of pledges to eleven.

In athletics we are still to the fore. Brothers Weaver, Evans, Stauffer, Baker and Day have won well-merited positions on the Varsity eleven, and have played hard, consistent ball the entire season. Brother Stauffer will captain the university basketball team this winter. In inter-fraternity athletics we secured our share of the honors by capturing the handsome loving cup offered as a trophy for the winning fraternity in an indoor track meet, and by winning for the third successive time the baseball cup, thus gaining permanent possession of the trophy.

Among the miscellaneous honors which have been coming our way are the appointments of Brothers Boyd and Martin as first lieutenants in the cadet battalion. Winans is yell leader for the college year, and Goddard is a member of the university quartet which made a successful tour to the Pacific coast this summer. Again we have three men on the *Transcript* staff.

Ohio Wesleyan's enrollment has once more broken all records with an increase of almost ten per cent. over that of last year. No important faculty changes have been made, although a professor of Latin will soon be elected to fill

the position left vacant by the death of Professor John H. Grove. The department of music will find a suitable home in the new conservatory which is in process of erection on the Monnett campus. During the summer the campus was beautified by the erection of a handsome gateway to the athletic field, and by the construction of an arch over the south entrance to the grounds. A new science hall will soon be added to replace the building which has proven inadequate for that purpose.

We extend a hearty invitation to all S. A. E.'s who chance to be in Delaware to make the chapter-house their home during their stay in the city.

ANDREW P. MARTIN.

Σ A E House,
23 N. Washington St.,
10 November, 1908.

Ohio Epsilon, University of Cincinnati, Cincinnati

THE opening of the fall term at Cincinnati has seen a number of changes in the faculty as well as a couple of additions to it. The most notable of these additions are the establishment of the department of political science, under Professor Robert C. Brooks, and the establishment of a department of electrical engineering, as independent from the physics department, under Professor Samuel Nurton Taylor. Professor Philip Strapp from Columbia now has charge of the English department, and Professor Guy Allen Tawney has succeeded to the chair of philosophy.

The chapter this fall is in a promising condition, having returned the average number of men and having pledged enough more, seven in all, to make a very satisfactory sized chapter. The men in the chapter and the pledged men

are all representative men who are thoroughly interested in all phases of university life, and who can always be relied upon to uphold the honor of the Fraternity and the standing of the chapter. The initiation has not been held yet, because of local conditions, but we hope soon to be able to welcome our pledged men among us as brothers.

We are glad to welcome back in the chapter Harry Mitchell, previously of the class of 1908, who stayed out of school last year and devoted his time to teaching in a mission in the mountains of North Carolina. We would also call attention to the fact that Brother Harry Weiman, who last year was taking graduate work at the University of Chicago, is now back at Cincinnati taking charge of Professor Guyer's advanced courses during his absence in Europe. Another Σ A E is now a full fledged doctor, Brother Harry Box having opened his office on Garfield Place.

FRED. W. HYNDMAN.

Room L, Bradford Block,
10 November, 1908.

Ohio Theta, Ohio State University, Columbus

DURING the last six months the members of Ohio Theta have been up and doing. The Σ A E house was open all summer, excepting for a short period of two weeks, as several of the fellows were attending summer school and others drifted back to spend a day or two in Columbus.

Before leaving for the summer vacation we initiated S. Robert Pope, who had been pledged for some time.

On making out the chapter roll at the beginning of the fall term, the names of eight loyal S. A. E.'s had to be omitted from the roll. Five of these fellows were gradu-

ated last June and the other three left school to accept positions in their home towns. Thus with eighteen old men back in school we were able to do some effective rushing. In addition to these men, Brother Carl Speer is back, finishing up his Senior work. Brother Thompson, who attended Case last year, is taking a few hours of special work to fit himself for the office of county surveyor, to which he was elected at the last regular election; Earl Preston, from Illinois Theta, is also with us this year and we hope he is here to stay. He certainly is making good at football and would be a regular on the Varsity if he were eligible, so consequently he has condescended to accept the position of captaincy of the 1912 eleven.

We wish to express our sincere thanks to a number of S. A. E.'s who have shown the true fraternity spirit by recommending prospective men to us, so we were able to concentrate our efforts on these men at the opening of school. And it was partly due to the good work of these Old Grads that we were able to secure our new men. We take great pleasure in introducing our initiates: Edward Schreifer, Martin Bringardner and Don Tobin, and our "prep," Frank Kloeb. Never did any men come to us with such high recommendations as did these.

One thing that the University in general missed this year was the hazing which usually takes place between the Sophomores and the Freshmen. We were unfortunate last year in having a fellow seriously hurt, or at least he made every one think so, in the annual cane rush and, as the cane rush was considered by the President of the University to be the nucleus around which all the hazing centered, he abolished the rush. In order to have this re-established,

the upper classes got together and promised to put a stop to all hazing and so this year we had the cane rush minus the hazing.

At the time of this writing, football is the main topic of the college men, and with Claflin still playing the great game at left end and making good for his old position of "All Ohio" end, and Backman and Funkhouser in the back field, and Neff as assistant manager of the team, $\Sigma A E$ is as well represented as usual.

With the excitement of the rushing season over, we turned our heads toward another pleasant season of enjoyment. Besides the informals given by the chapter so far, the S. A. E.'s at State are active in the college dances. With Evans as chairman of the Junior social committee, and with Pope, who is holding the same position on the Sophomore committee, we are sure to be well represented at all of the dances.

We still are holding a strong position in school politics and Funkhouser was elected business manager of the *Makio* after a hotly contested election.

The new girls' dormitory is now filled to its full capacity and there were more applications for rooms than they could accommodate. The last legislature appropriated money for a new student building, veterinary clinic building and a fire-proof chemical store-room.

We were glad to have with us for several days, S. A. E.'s representing various colleges from over the United States, who were here attending the International Students' Bible Conference, and among the names on our guest book are: Brothers E. D. West, Harland S. Teeman and R. J. Wilson, of Michigan Alpha; David Wise, Ohio Sigma; B. M. Mace, Tennessee Lambda; James A. Tyson, Penn-

sylvania Theta; Milton C. Mapes, New York Mu; and Daniels, Tennessee Nu.

The house at 1550 is always open and we are glad to welcome visiting S. A. E.'s.

ROBERT W. EVANS.

Σ A E House,
1550 Neil Ave.,

Ohio Rho, Case School of Applied Science, Cleveland

ALTHOUGH only ten men returned this fall, the chapter is certainly entering upon a prosperous year since we fared unusually well in the rushing season. We pledged nine good men: H. C. Branch, F. E. Clark, R. T. Kaighin, C. J. Maloney, H. L. Van Allen, A. J. Eckstine, F. E. Guinther, C. F. Taber and J. P. Todd. But we have not stopped here for we still have two or three other men under consideration. We will have an initiation the latter part of the month.

According to our usual custom, we will give a series of dances this year. The first was on the evening of November seventh, to be followed by three others, later this winter and next spring. The first dance was given on the evening of the Case-O. S. U. game in honor of the Ohio Theta brothers who were here to attend the game. However, if one excepts a smoker given the first part of October, our first social function of the year was a party on Hallowe'en. This party was a complete success from the Hallowe'en decorations of corn and pumpkins to the rousing Phi Alpha at its close. It was enjoyed so much by all present that we expect to give similar parties much more often in the future than they have been given in the past.

Since Twitchell, who was expected to make the all-Ohio team this year, did not return, Σ A E

has only one representative on the eleven, Wright, '11, who is holding down the position of right half with great credit to himself.

This year we have adopted the plan of setting aside Saturday evening as a special night called Alumni Night, on which we plan to entertain alumni. We extend a cordial invitation to all S. A. E.'s to visit us on our alumni nights but we assure you that you will be equally welcome no matter when you may come.

F. L. GAYHART.

Σ A E House,
2080 E. 105th St.,
11 November, 1908.

Indiana Alpha, Franklin College, Franklin

SINCE our former letter to THE RECORD, we have had several affairs of note, one being the annual stag banquet at the close of school last year. Brother Hendrickson, the retiring E. A., acted as toastmaster. Eats and toasts were thoroughly enjoyed by every one. This is strictly a family reunion which is looked forward to with pleasant anticipation and passed with regret. This year it marked the loss of four brothers from the active scroll by graduation. Hendrickson and Hougham are both employed here in Franklin. Ralph Records has entered Transylvania University, where he is pursuing a special course, and Wright has re-entered railroad work.

The close of college last June did not mark a corresponding close in activities for Indiana Alpha. Though a number of the brothers have been out of Franklin all summer we have been keeping in touch with each other by means of frequent letters.

We returned to school this fall with sixteen active men. By our



INDIANA BETA.

	E. J. UHL		L. E. EISENSMITH	W. H. SHIPLEY	H. L. HOLLMEYER
W. G. HIER	O. K. QUIVEY	A. M. WAGNER	S. R. RECTANUS		
	(pledge)	(pledge)			
R. S. GAY	M. LUCKIESH	F. CALLAGHAN	W. E. LOYD	H. H. EVERIST	A. H. LUHRMAN
B. C. CREED	J. G. HOLLMEYER	(pledge)	(pledge)	E. J. PARROCK	
R. L. YOUNG	E. S. MONTGOMERY	A. F. KALK	A. H. KURTZ	C. C. HUNTER	G. T. WIELDEN

earnest efforts and by the aid of our alumni we were successful in pledging four good men who have all but one taken the sightly trip upon the back of "Sir William" and are now hard-working brothers. They are: Edgar Brown, Franklin; Leroy Orahood, Brookston; Russell Moore, Franklin; and Robert Baker, Indianapolis, who will be initiated in the near future.

Several parties were given in our hall for the new men. Also Brother Harry George entertained the entire chapter at a slumber party on Wednesday evening, September twenty-third. A stag banquet was the feature of the evening. All enjoyed themselves to the fullest extent.

The year 1908 marks the first time in the history of Indiana Alpha that we have been in a chapter house. We have rented the entire home of Mr. and Mrs. S. N. Rogers, 666 E. Jefferson St., and all out of town men are in the house.

On Tuesday evening, October eighth we opened our house to our lady friends at an informal party. The entire house was thrown open for their inspection. The features of the evening were fortune telling by two of the ladies present, and refreshments. The house was artistically decorated and arranged for the occasion with pennants, pillows and flowers.

For the "College on the Hill," prospects were very bright this fall. Several new students, as well as many students from last year, have entered. Dr. Wm. H. Allison has resigned his position in the chair of History to accept a similar position in Bryn Mawr, Miss. Palmer has been chosen to fill the vacancy. Professor Goheen is the new athletic director and coach for the various teams.

In athletics several positions on the various teams are held by S. A. E.'s.

FRANK S. RECORDS.

Σ A E House.

Indiana Beta, Purdue University, LaFayette

WHEN school opened on September fifth of this year, Indiana Beta found that twenty men had returned. The chapter immediately went to work with the result that we have, to date, pledged six good men of the Freshman class.

Our first society stunt was an informal rushing dance given two weeks after school opened. Then three weeks later a pledge dance was given but the best thing so far was the harvest party on October thirty-first. The house was decorated with pumpkins, corn-stalks and autumn leaves and we can say for the dance that it is the best ever given at our house. The brothers and their guests all went to the DePauw-Purdue football game in the afternoon, came to the house for a harvest supper and danced afterwards, every one present voting it a great time.

Our next attempt at entertainment will be on November twenty-first, when we shall give a smoker for alumni and members of Indiana Gamma chapter, the occasion being the Indiana-Purdue game which will, no doubt, attract a great many.

We have had pleasant visits from several alumni, including Brother Burt German, '95, who was one of our charter members. We like to see, and to talk with all alumni, especially those of a time when the chapter was young, as we think we can show them that we younger brothers have not been idle. We were greatly pleased to hear that Brother John S. Gettrust, '07, had



THE HOME LEASED BY INDIANA BETA.

been made assistant electrical engineer of the Cincinnati water-works, and that Brother H. M. Kleutshy is assistant city engineer of Cairo, Ill.

Purdue has again obtained a stronghold upon football. This fall, with the assistance of Doctor Speck, the new and popular coach, we have won all games but one so far, and have a good chance of winning the remaining ones. Brother L. E. Eisemith, '10, is on the Varsity squad and will be used in the rest of the games this season. Purdue also made a good record in baseball last spring, winning the "Big Eight" conference championship.

Athletics at the University will undoubtedly take another great boom with the completion of the new memorial gymnasium, which is promised for basketball season. We have five men who will make

a strong bid for the basketball team this year, among them being Brother E. J. Uhl, who played a good game at halfback for the 1910 class football team.

HARRY L. HOLLMEYER.

Σ A E House,
40 Salisbury St.,
11 November, 1908.

**Indiana Gamma, University of
Indiana, Bloomington**

WE came back to school with twelve old men, ready and willing to get to work. We pledged and have initiated twelve good new ones. They are Delos D. Dear, John Cassy, Joseph P. Ormsby, William Peugh, Frank P. McCarthy, Clarence Spear, Wilbur Maish, Earl Colter, Duel Taner, Louis Freeman, Clarence Fulwider and John Owen. We

have H. Eugene Mellerson as an affiliate from Indiana Alpha.

Our house was remodeled this summer, several partitions taken out, doors enlarged, new floors, and a kitchen and cook's quarters built in the rear. We now have one of the best dancing floors in Bloomington. The rooming arrangement is very fine, having room for twenty-four men.

We have entertained three times this term, two were dances, the third a marshmallow toast. All were highly enjoyable and we look with pleasure to those that are yet to come.

We have commenced to make arrangements for our dance, on the anniversary of the installation of our chapter, January 16th. Any S. A. E. has a most cordial invitation to come.

Brothers Hatfield, Hackman and Howard represent us on our football team. The honor of all-State tackle will probably go to Hatfield. We are eagerly waiting for November 21st, when we shall meet our old rival, Purdue, the first time for two years. We will then accept Indiana Beta's kind invitation.

We have one of the best pianists in school in Brother Maish, '12. Earl Colter, '12, has been chosen for "Strut and Fret," the university dramatic club.

Indiana University has an increased enrollment and the outlook for a very prosperous year. We have a beautiful new well house on the campus, the gift of a former student.

Although in a rather out of the way place, yet we hope that some roaming S. A. E.'s will honor us with a visit.

DON J. HENRY.

A E House,

9 November, 1908.

Illinois Psi-Omega, Northwestern University, Evanston

WITH the opening of school this fall fourteen of the brothers returned to carry on the rushing. Last June we had nine pledges, but three of them did not come to school this year; we had six when the rushing season opened this fall. In the rush we pledged Byron Bennett Boyd of Denver, Col., and Willard P. Earngey of Dartmouth College. Boyd had previously attended the University of Colorado. These two men have since been initiated. We also pledged James W. Dadley of Patterson, N. J., Merton A. Carroll of Elgin, Ill., Glenn Brown, Rossville, Ill., Clay Brown, Pontiac, Ill., Clifford L. Hubbard, Rock Island, Ill., Clarence Boswell, of Rockford, Ill., and R. I. Miller of Rockford, Ill. This year a ruling of the faculty is in effect, whereby the fraternities can not initiate pledges until they have been in the University one semester, so we are looking forward to a great initiation in February.

Among our pledges we have some of the most influential and prominent men of the Freshman class. Carroll is captain of the Freshman football team. Dadley is business manager of the "Trig" play committee. Boswell was on the championship basketball team of the high schools of the State. Gemmill played on the New Trier basketball team. He also plays second cornet in the band. Tracy this last summer won the Tennessee and Kentucky State championships in swimming. Glenn Brown has taken part in various high school debates.

By graduation last June we lost some of the most valuable men Psi-Omega has ever had, namely: Brothers Goold, Galland, Lee, Jolley and Le Cron. Brother Patton

left us to go to the medical school; Clutton took his master's degree in economics and has left us to become secretary of the Northwestern University school of commerce; Dale has also found it impossible to return. Although we miss them greatly we have men with us who are fully capable of upholding the high standard.

We have Brother Adams again with us attending the law school, after an absence of one year, which he spent with Iowa Beta. Brother Lyon has also returned after being out of school for one year, and is attending the school of commerce. Brother Heren is also back after an absence of the same length of time.

Among the upper-classmen who have won college honors this fall are Frazer Arnold, Senior class president, and editor-in-chief of the Northwestern tri-weekly; Parker Lowell, president of the Y. M. C. A. and editor-in-chief of the '10 year-book; Earnest Davies, left guard on the Varsity eleven; Hubert Heren, playing left end on the Varsity; Willard P. Earngey, of the Northwestern tri-weekly staff, and a member of the glee club; Wren Canfield, sporting editor of the tri-weekly; W. Glenn Stuntz, Y. M. C. A. cabinet, glee club and band; and George Curine, business manager of the Northwestern University dramatic club.

Playing on the class football teams are Carroll, captain of the Freshman team; Campbell, Watson and Canfield on the Sophomore team; Heren on the Junior and Currine on the Senior teams.

This year Northwestern is to be in the "big eight" league in basketball. We will have two men out for the Varsity, one of whom, Heren, was on the Varsity team two years ago, and will undoubtedly be chosen as one of the two forwards. Campbell will try for one of the positions, and will at least

be on the Sophomore team. Two years ago we carried away the inter-fraternity basket-ball trophy. This year there is excellent chance of repeating the performance, since we have practically the same team that we had at that time, with the addition of several excellent players in Boswell, Gemmill, Hubbard and Glenn Brown.

We gave a successful informal on November fourteenth. About forty couples were present, and all seemed to enjoy themselves. We are now looking forward to our annual Thanksgiving house-party, arrangements for which are now under way.

Illinois Psi-Omega sends a hearty invitation for all of the brothers to visit her chapter house, especially alumni who occasionally happen into Chicago.

W. GLENN STUNTZ.

Σ A E House,
2122 Sherman Ave.

Illinois Beta, University of Illinois, Champaign

ILLINOIS Beta is drawing to a close at the present time a very prosperous rushing season. Ten men have been pledged, seven of whom were initiated on October twenty-third. We take pleasure in presenting the following men to the Fraternity: John William Palmer, Neligh, Neb.; Harold Dodge Burling, Riverside, Ill.; Bennett Wellington Cooke, Chicago; Cole Lawrence Hayes, Rankin, Ill.; Clarence Reuben Constant, Williamsville, Ill.; Hugh Harrison Tolman, Red Oak, Ia.; Earl Houghton Twingle, Athens, Ill., and pledges Howard Green, Amboy, Ill.; Ray Matter, Wheaton, Ill.; Harry Wildman, Winetka, Ill., and Arthur J. Bradley, Cedar Rapids, Ia.

We have had two informal dances in the house this fall and our annual banquet was held at the

Beardsley hotel the evening of October twenty-third. Several of our alumni were present and Brother C. E. Sheldon officiated as toastmaster.

Our annual dance will be held at the Elk's auditorium February 26, 1909, followed by a stag banquet February 27th and the annual Illinois Beta House Association meeting on the 28th. We are looking forward to a big time, as usual.

We wish our sister chapters the same prosperity that we have so far enjoyed and hope to see their members whenever they can pay us a visit.

FRANK A. WARD.

Σ A E House,
211 Daniel St.

**Illinois Theta, University of
Chicago, Chicago**

THIRTEEN active brothers returned to the new chapter house at 5817 Monroe avenue on October 1st and, although handicapped by what Chicago fraternity men generally consider a poor rushing season, pledged six men: Benjamin Bills of Geneseo, Ill.; A. Pixley, of Portage, Wis.; Fred Kixmiller, of Vincennes, Ind.; Edgar Allen, of Chillicothe, O.; Wilson Hobart, of Topeka, Kan.; and James Veeder, of Aberdeen, S. D. While the hardest part of the rushing is over the real work has only just begun, and good men are being looked for by all the fraternities.

Illinois Theta suffered the loss this year of nine brothers, mostly upper-classmen, which put the burden of the chapter work prematurely on the younger men, who, however, showed unexpected capabilities and maintained the chapter's interests admirably. Of the brothers not active John Freed has entered the medical school of

Northwestern University; Dan Innes has affiliated with Pennsylvania Theta and Earl Preston with Ohio Theta; Clyde Stackhouse received his B.S. degree in June; Ned Merriam on his return from the Olympic games in London took the position of coach for the Agricultural school at College Station, Texas. Ferdinand Cunningham, Floyd A. Klein, Stuart Chambers and Fay Smith are expected to return to school some time during the year. Brother Nat Rubinkam has returned to school.

The chapter's social program has so far been wonderfully successful, including for the pre-holiday season, four smokers, three house dances, a musicale, and a vaudeville entertainment. The men pride themselves on possessing the largest house orchestra on the campus, the pledging of Pixley adding a trombone and the return of George P. Jackson from Bonn University a cornet. The arrival of Harry Harper's kettle drums, which have been making a tour with Phinney's band, completes the paraphernalia for that section. About March the men will present an original operetta by Brothers Hansen and Klein, the Blackfriar authors, whose introduction to the professional world is not expected to be postponed long.

Brother Whitfield has been chosen treasurer of the Sophomore class and Burkholder treasurer of the Freshman medical. Sigma Alpha Epsilon was this year given a representative in the Three Quarters Club, the Freshman honorary society, which was established before this chapter was organized. Fred Kixmiller was chosen for the place.

The alumni of this chapter have been none the less active. Brother Adolph Pierrot has taken a position with the English department at the University of Colorado. Leicester Jackson has gone to Cali-

fornia for his health. George Fair-weather was admitted to the Illinois bar a month ago. George Jackson is the father of a baby girl. The chapter gives a dinner on November 25 to Brother Lucius Curtis and his bride, his marriage to Miss Savage of Chicago taking place November 24. Brother Jack Bailey of Colorado Chi was in the chapter-house all summer. Brother Phil Jones of Colorado Lambda expects to affiliate here.

On account of the presence of a large number of brothers at the University during the summer the table service was kept up until the middle of September, when it was suspended for the few weeks of the vacation.

The chapter has been glad to welcome large numbers of brothers here for the football games, especially from Minnesota Alpha and Illinois Beta. S. A. E.'s passing through Chicago should remember that they are always welcome at the house.

NATHANIEL RUBIKAM, JR.

Σ A E House,
5817 Monroe Ave.

**Minnesota Alpha, University of
Minnesota, Minneapolis**

WITH the opening of school sixteen men were back eager for work and rushing activities. We lost four valuable men by graduation, and five other good men who were unable to return to school.

Rushing was hard and vigorous, but we came through successfully and on October sixteenth we put through the following men: Max F. Quinn, Frank H. Durham, William H. Huntington, Glenn A. Hurd, and Tom W. Barnard. We hope and expect that these new brothers will be a credit to Σ A E. We also have three good pledge men, and are after several other fine fellows whom we hope to get.

Football has held the boards since the opening of school, and although we have not done as well as in former years, yet we have nothing to be ashamed of; and with a green team we have done much.

During the season we have had the pleasure of entertaining Brother Graves of Nebraska, who was coach of the Lawrence University team. Brothers Munson, Powell, Meyers and Runner were up for the Nebraska game. Gruenewald Barton and Schwalm, of Wisconsin, and Roe, of Stanford, were here for the Wisconsin game. There is nothing we like better than entertaining visiting brothers from other chapters, as it gives us renewed vigor and a better fraternity spirit.

We have been represented in football this season by Brother Smiley, who was sub-left halfback and by Brother Mather, who played tackle on the second team. We have been equally well represented in the other branches of college activities—with Davis, Curtiss and Hensel in the glee club; Hudson and Carson in the mandolin club; Hudson and Hensel in the dramatic club; McKenzie, Mather and Huntington are in the band; McKenzie is also in the orchestra; Smiley is on the athletic board of control, is athletic editor of the *Daily* and is a member of the Y. M. C. A. cabinet; Hensel sings on the Y. M. C. A. quartet; R. A. Pratt is captain in the cadet corps and Barnard is a corporal.

The University has finally acquired complete control of the land where we are located and we will be forced to move, to make room for campus extension. We hope, however, to have our new house ready for occupancy by the time school opens next fall.

Plans for the new men's building are being drawn and work will be started, in all probability, by next spring.

The gymnasium is to have a new running track and swimming pool, something long needed in our athletic department. Smiley is captain of the track team. We have secured a new track coach and prospects are bright for one of the best teams we have ever had.

Things are rather dull at this time in a social way; the Junior ball, which is the "big" social event of the year, does not occur till February. We have given two informals at the chapter house this season, one on October ninth and one on November twentieth. These dances are always well attended, both by the chapter and by the alumni and are always looked forward to with much pleasure. We shall hold another one in December, and just before the holidays we shall hold our Christmas banquet, an event which we all enjoy.

Our chapter-house door is never locked and we always try to give any S. A. E. a good time.

KENNETH N. HENSEL.

Σ A E House,
112 Church St. S. E.,
13 November, 1908.

Wisconsin Alpha, University of Wisconsin, Madison

NO chapter letters in the September RECORD will permit reference to some of the "doings" of last spring. "Tommy" Mills did honor to himself and to us all by winning the Phi Alpha oratory cup in the annual platform contest held in May. "Frosty" Smith represented the Varsity in the two-mile run at the annual conference meet at Chicago, losing third place to an S. A. E. from Leland Stanford by a very small margin. Our schedule in the inter-fraternity baseball league had to be postponed on account of the loss of our two brothers, Watkins and Hamilton, who were drowned while out canoeing on April thirteenth. In a hasty series

of games played at the end of the season we carried our division by a total score of 62 to our opponents' 6, and succeeded in beating the Kappa Sigmas for first place in the finals. This is the first year we have won the cups since their inauguration in 1902, but it will not be the last.

Thirteen of last year's men, aided and strengthened by the return of Blanchard, '06, and Greve, '08, two affiliates, Moore, '11, from Virginia Sigma, and Horner, '12, from Colorado Chi, besides two previous pledges, Frank McMahon and Harold Phelps, formed the nucleus for the present chapter upon the opening of school. Conservative rushing brought us four new men: Jesse C. Barton, '10, of Hinsdale, Ill.; Charles G. Yerkes, '11, of Oak Park, Ill.; Walter L. Bainbridge, '12, of Miffiin, Wis., and Robert M. Watkins, '12, of Milwaukee. On October seventeenth we initiated the six pledges, being honored at the initiation and at a banquet afterward by the presence of "Doc" Wenstrand, our province president, Dr. Holbrook, president of the Milwaukee alumni association, as well as other Milwaukee and local alumni. Since then we have pledged Fred Sherriff, '11, of Helena, Mont.

Wisconsin Alpha is well represented in various branches of university activities this year. Hering, '10, is art editor for the 1910 *Badger* and for the *Sphinx*, the humorous bi-weekly of the University. Blanchard, who returned to resume his work in the law school, won his place on the Varsity debating team. Ed McMahon is business manager and Smith advertising manager of the *Alumni Magazine*. McMahon is also associate editor on the *Daily Cardinal*. Dickinson, White and Hering are in the mandolin club, the latter being director. Of the two Junior and Senior societies, Ed McMahon, Mills and

Worthington are in Yellow Helmet and Smith is a Monastic. Horner has just been elected to the Scull and Crescent, Freshman society. Gruenewald, Mills, McMahon and Smith are members of the legal fraternity $\Phi \Delta \Phi$, while Blanchard is a Phi Alpha Delta. Phi Alpha Tau oratorical fraternity is represented by Gruenewald, Blanchard and McMahon, and again we are represented in the Edwin Booth dramatic society by Gruenewald, Mills and McMahon. Yes, and politics, too: McMahon and Blanchard were president and vice-president respectively of the university republican club during the recent campaign. The $\Sigma A E$ bowling team is right with the best of them in the inter-fraternity league.

About the University everything seems to be football just at present. Wisconsin, so far undefeated, plays Stagg's mighty team of Chicago men on November 21st to determine who may claim Western championship for 1908. Our hopes are high but it will be a hard fight to say the least.

Three new buildings are going up on the campus. A large women's gymnasium on the main campus is well under way, and a splendid big stock-judging pavilion is being erected out on the agricultural campus. An excellent ex-

ample of the possibilities of cement and steel construction is displayed in the new heating and power plant designed by the late Storm Bull, M. E.

A great surprise to all those connected with the University came when the will of the late ex-Senator Col. Wm. F. Vilas was made public in September. Therein he bequeathed practically his entire fortune to the University of Wisconsin. The fortune is estimated to be worth at the present time between \$2,000,000 and \$3,000,000 but the will provides that it must be allowed to accumulate to \$30,000,000.

The general enrollment in the fraternities is larger this year than ever before, due to the increase in the amount of good fraternity material coincident with the record enrollment in the University. A chapter of $\Sigma \Phi$ was installed here October thirtieth, making the total number of fraternities at Wisconsin eighteen.

An unusually large number of brothers have dropped in to see us this fall and we have had many an enjoyable visit, but there never can be too many.

HUBERT D. WHITE.

$\Sigma A E$ House,
615 Lake St.

PROVINCE EPSILON

Georgia Beta, University of Georgia, Athens

PROSPECTS were not very bright for Georgia Beta at the beginning of this term, having lost eight brothers by graduation and two more by withdrawal, but we had a very successful rushing season and are glad to be able to report eight new men and one affiliate. These new men, whom we take great pleasure in introducing

to our brothers, are: Dan McDougal of Atlanta, John I. Scott of Decatur, Sam Hall and Augustus Sparks of Macon, Louis Wisdom of Cumming, Harry Hawkins of Americus, Charles Overton Lowe of Augusta, Graham Wright and Sam King of Rome. We further take pleasure in announcing the affiliation of W. L. Converse of Valdosta, who comes to us from Georgia Epsilon, and the return to college of Brother Pierre Heard of

Augusta. With these new men on its roll Georgia Beta has settled down to a year of consistent effort and we hope, before the term is ended, to have $\Sigma A E$ represented in all branches of college work.

Our last year's team, which won the championship of the South in baseball for the University, $\Sigma A E$ was represented by Cobb and Oglesby, whose work in the field was the cause of much favorable comment. We were represented in football this season by O. W. Franklin, who played left tackle in practically all the games of the season.

Socially, $\Sigma A E$ still takes its high stand at the University. We have recently moved into a larger and more convenient house, on the main residence street of the city, and are thinking of giving a "house warming" at an early date—on which occasion we would be glad to welcome many visiting brothers.

We are now prepared to accommodate all brothers who happen to be passing through Athens and we guarantee all those who look us up a genuine $\Sigma A E$ welcome.

We sincerely hope that all our sister chapters were as successful as we were in rushing this season and that this will be a banner year in Sigma Alpha Epsilon's history.

BRAZELTON SCOTT.

$\Sigma A E$ House.

**Georgia Psi, Mercer University,
Macon**

GEORGIA Psi has had a most auspicious beginning this fall. At the beginning of the term there were six active members and we have initiated nine men, giving a total of fifteen in the chapter.

We were very successful during the spiking season, having asked no one who gave us a negative answer.

We take pleasure in introducing the following to brothers in $\Sigma A E$: W. E. Mobley, J. R. Evans, J. B. Lewis, W. H. Thorpe, P. B. Knox, J. A. Fort, J. W. Reid, F. D. Coburn, F. C. Tucker. All of these men are excellent fellows and they will add materially in helping Georgia Psi to attain her usual high standard.

Six men will be lost by graduation next June, all being in the law department.

We are exceedingly pleased by the bright prospects, and hope to make this one of our most prosperous years. Coupled with this, we are soon to be made happy by moving into larger and more comfortable quarters, which will be better adapted to our purpose than the ones we are at present occupying. When finished, they will be the most beautiful in the University.

Georgia Psi is proud of her success and wishes all her sister chapters an equally prosperous year.

T. W. EVANS.

**Georgia Epsilon, Emory Col-
lege, Oxford**

GEORGIA Epsilon wishes to present to the Fraternity Brothers John L. Prince, '11, Anderson, S. C.; Steve A. Garrett, '12, Lithia Springs, Ga., and T. F. Crowell, '12, Dawson, Ga. Epsilon is smaller in numbers this year than last, but throughout the chapter there is a feeling of confidence and warm fellowship which is sure to bring it back to its former size and retain its wonted high standing in college.

We expected to lose three strong men through graduation, but were overjoyed at Felker's decision to return and take a post-graduate course.

The personnel of the chapter is very high for we have taken practically as many college honors with our present small chapter as we

did with the larger one last year. We had a man on the victorious Sophomore relay team and have men on every football team in college as well as one of the class football captains.

There are six other fraternities at Emory, all seemingly in a prosperous condition. In spite of the wholesome rivalry during rushing season there exists a strong feeling of Pan-Hellenism among us all. So far as we know, the fall rushing was clean and straightforward.

The college opened this year with an average attendance, but with brighter prospects than ever before, due to the active campaign now being waged by the President for a large increase in the endowment fund. An elegant chapel is soon to be erected on the campus.

QUILLIAN GARRETT.

**Georgia Phi, Georgia School of
Technology, Atlanta**

AT the opening of the fall session of Georgia Tech, twenty-one brothers returned to unfurl the banner of Georgia Phi. The loss of our graduates, Brothers Gibbs, Spivey, and McClure was keenly felt; but entering into a hard rushing season, in which all the ranking fraternities got good men, our chapter added to its ranks, eight initiates, whom we now present as Brothers, Barnett, Cay, Clark, King, Morris, Neel, Peak and Whitthorne. To these Brothers, I can pay no higher tribute than that they are worthy wearers of the badge of $\Sigma A E$. Brothers Hamilton from Georgia Beta, and Boyer from Georgia Epsilon are welcomed as affiliates.

We are in a new house this year and much to the delight of the boys to our new chapter house has been added a new element of home-life—a culinary department. In the heart of every man of Georgia Phi

there is a home for Miss Anne Dennis, who has entire charge of this essential department.

In athletics, Tech is by no means at the last of the list of Southern colleges; and the present hard-working football team is cheered on to a majority of victories. Our chapter furnishes assistant manager Thiesen and two "T" men in Brothers Patterson and Ayres, the latter being the youngest player on the team, but invariably a gridiron star.

The University of Georgia and Georgia Tech, two of the best schools of the South, have been separated in athletics long enough now for each institution to see the need of renewing severed relations; and the $\Sigma A E$ chapters of the respective institutions, I am sure, will be glad when the next athletic season opens with old Georgia and Tech again facing on the gridiron as strong, though friendly, rivals. Then, thousands of spectators shall witness, undoubtedly, the hardest fought battles of Southern athletic fields.

We are glad to see $\Phi \Delta \Theta$, K A, and A T Ω located in good chapter houses, this fall.

A. MOODY BURT, JR.

$\Sigma A E$ House,

55 West Fifth St.,

9 November, 1908.

**Alabama Iota, Southern Uni-
versity, Greensboro**

THE opening of this collegiate year marked a distinct epoch in the history of Alabama Iota. The fancy dream of the men who so loyally upheld the banner of Purple and Gold in days gone by has been realized, and to-day finds us comfortably situated in a beautiful little home of our own.

It was with glad hearts and burning enthusiasm that ten of us returned this year. In spite of the

loss of two of our strongest men—Carr, R. B., and Cannon—men whom any chapter might well be proud to call alumni, we have “snagged” our part of the fraternity material. Owing to the recent rules passed by the faculty, only a few new students meet the requirements for membership into a fraternity; however, we consider that we got the “cream.”

Following out the custom of previous years, immediately after rushing season we laid aside the cares and responsibilities of college life and entered with a common zest into the enjoyment of a stag banquet. With joyous hearts we lingered long, enjoying not only the splendid menu, but the rousing and enthusiastic toasts which made every one bless the night he rode the S. A. E. goat.

Our members, as usual, are taking great interest in the literary societies, in social circles and on the athletic field. C. H. Cleveland was re-elected treasurer of the *Belles Lettres* society. With McDonnell as captain and Cleveland, J. W., and Cleveland, C. H., as half backs, we are well represented on the football team. Sansom is also on the team as sub-tackle. Practice for basket-ball has not yet begun; we shall not be wanting there with Coor as captain and forward and probably one or two others on the team.

Among the honors we hold in college, those of assistants are greatest. Of the four assistants offered here, we hold three: Brother Weber is assistant in science, C. H. Cleveland in mathematics, and Coor is assistant physical director.

C. H. CLEVELAND, JR.

Σ A E House,

14 November, 1908.

Alabama Mu, University of Alabama, University

THE improvements at the University of Alabama are well under way. Comer Hall, one of the best equipped engineering buildings in the South, will be ready for use in December. The Eugene A. Smith Hall, which will be devoted to geology, biology and the excellent museum of the geological survey of Alabama, is also nearing completion.

Two of the proposed new buildings will be commenced in the near future. These will be the administration and academic halls. Improvements will also be made upon the present barracks and walks of the University.

While these additions are being realized, Alabama Mu will also be engaged in the consummation of her building plans. We hope to begin work on the DeVotie Memorial in the next few months and so the chapter is making her final call for aid. As several hundred letters have been written to alumni in the State we hope to have contributions from every S. A. E. in Alabama.

The rushing season was very successful and we have initiated nine excellent men, some of whom are beginning to take important places in the class-room and elsewhere.

Alabama Mu has captured several honors this year, among them Junior class president, editor-in-chief of the *Crimson-White*, five men on the glee club, football, Y. M. C. A., president and several other members of the “Black-friars,” “Corolla” board, etc.

On October 31st we gave an informal dance in honor of the visitors to the Alabama-Chattanooga game. The decorations were in Purple and Old Gold with numbers



Left to right—

MISSOURI ALPHA.

*Top row—*MITCHELL, ESS, COMBS, LYON, HUDSON, WALLACE, C. TALBOT, STONE, E. WOOD.

*Second row—*JAMES, BARTON, BROADDUS, DOUGLASS, MACLAY, DAVIS, RIEGER, DANIELS, BRYANT, WALMER.

*Third row—*READ, R. TALBOT, CURRY, HACKNEY, CALVIN, J. WOOD.

*Fourth row—*SPENCER, BARNETT, NEAL.

of pennants which made a brilliant setting for the figures led by Brother Clabaugh.

An original ambro-type of Noble DeVotie has recently been added of our department of archives. This picture was taken shortly before his departure for the Civil War and is considered an excellent likeness of the Founder.

The mother of the Fraternity sends greetings to her new chapter, New Hampshire Alpha, and wishes her Godspeed.

JOHN K. FITZPATRICK.

9 November, 1908.

Alabama Alpha-Mu, Alabama Polytechnic Institute, Auburn

THE new year opened with the largest attendance that our college has ever experienced, six hundred and seventy-five students having enrolled since the first of September.

Our dining-hall which was completed last summer was opened at the beginning of college. The new library is also nearing completion.

The outlook for the chapter is very bright, sixteen of the old men have returned, including Brother McEldery, who has been out of college for the past two years. By the aid of our alumni and energetic rushing, we have added nine new names to our roll.

Brother Hill, who has been playing end on Varsity eleven for the past two seasons, is again at his old position, playing a star game. Wilkinson, who was captain of last year's eleven, has returned as assistant coach. These brothers are helping to make this a successful season for Auburn on the gridiron. We extend a cordial invitation to any brother who might visit Auburn and will try to make his stay a pleasant one.

MORGAN SMAW.

PROVINCE ZETA

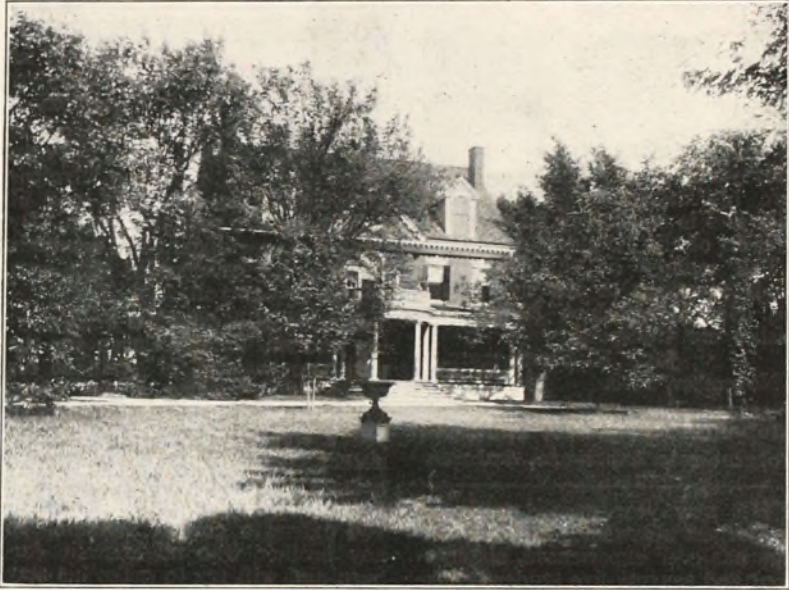
Missouri Alpha, University of Missouri, Columbia

WITH the opening of the school year, Missouri Alpha had returned fifteen old men. With this good number to start with, in addition to the valuable aid we received from a few of the alumni members, we pledged thirteen excellent men—unlucky in number, but very lucky individually to the chapter. Six of these new men are from Kansas City, two from Springfield, two from Sedalia, two from Denver, and one from St. Louis. With them our chapter now numbers twenty-eight men—a number a little above the average at Missouri. We have thirteen active men in the chapter from Kansas City, which makes our influence in that

city with the prospective Missouri men even greater.

Although we have no men on the Varsity football team, we are well represented in other student activities. Douglass is captain of the track team, Read is captain of the Senior football team, Lyon of the Junior team, and Hackney of the Freshman team. In addition to these mentioned, we have three officers of the Freshman Academs, two of the Freshman engineers, besides two men on the mandolin and glee club, and two on the dramatic club.

The Missouri football team is one of the best we have had in years, and, notwithstanding the defeat administered us by Ames, we hope to beat our old rivals, the Jayhawkers, in Kansas City on Thanksgiving Day. During the



THE HOME LEASED BY MISSOURI ALPHA.

visits of the Iowa teams, we were glad to have Brothers Kirk, Hyland, McDonald, Thomas, Collins, and Carberry from Iowa Beta, and Brothers "Cy" and Guy Lambert, Wilmarth, Nelson, Hubbard, and Tellier from Iowa Gamma, to visit us at the chapter-house, even though their stay had to be short.

We are now about settled in our new home. It is much larger than the one we had last year, as we can accommodate twenty men in the house. Plans are on foot by which we hope to buy the house in the near future. It is an excellent chapter-house and would be a great benefit to us. The Delta Tau Deltas also moved into a new house, and it is understood that the Alpha Tau Omegas are to have a new place next year. All of the fraternities are in good condition. The Zeta Chis, a local fraternity, expect soon to get a charter from Phi Kappa Psi.

The number of steins in our collections is gradually growing larger, but many who had promised to augment the collection have never done so. We hope that they will keep their promises, as the steins improve the appearance of the mantle in the chapter room to a marked extent. We cordially invite all who may chance to be in or near Columbia at any time to pay us a visit.

VAUGHN BRYANT.

Σ A E House,

10 November, 1908.

**Missouri Beta, Washington
University, St. Louis**

FOR the year that has just opened there is a very promising outlook for both Washington University and Missouri Beta. The enrollment in all departments of school shows a decided increase.

It has been decided to have the graduate schools, now scattered throughout the city, move out to the campus, and work on the buildings will be started very soon. These buildings, together with the bert, Wilmarth, Nelson Hubbard, newly-finished chapel, will improve the school greatly.

For several years the athletic work of the University has been handicapped for want of a competent coach, but since obtaining Mr. F. M. Cayon of Carlisle, all of our teams bid fair to be winners. Our football team has not been defeated this year, but Missouri, Vanderbilt and Tulane have yet to be played.

Seventeen of our old men returned in the fall, and we have initiated six more. We are well represented in football. The captaincy, held by Brother Harry Castlen last year, is now held by Brother Fred Bock, who is also manager of the 1909 track team and president of the Senior class. Brother Walter Harting plays a guard position on the team and is secretary and treasurer of the Sophomore class.

Other S. A. E.'s on the team are Hagar, halfback, and Charles Castlen, quarterback and end. Harry Castlen, last year's captain, is not playing this year. Brother Carl Gray, Jr., is president of the Sophomore class.

Although Missouri Beta has no chapter-house, we want brothers passing through St. Louis, to remember that most of our fellows live at home and visitors are always welcome there.

ELMER H. MEIER.

12 November, 1908.

Nebraska Lambda-Pi, University of Nebraska, Lincoln

THIS school year has opened favorably for us with sixteen men in school and twelve of the

number at the house. We hope, also, to have one or two more old men back for the second semester, making us practically the strongest fraternity in school.

We have a rushing season of six weeks' duration, lasting from October sixteenth until November twenty-first. That time is completely filled with smokers, house parties, and dinners. We early secured dates with an exceptionally fine lot of Freshmen, and we have every reason to hope for excellent results from our rushing. All the brothers are working hard.

We still occupy the house at 24th and Q Sts., and have had it improved until it is in the best of condition. Our plans for building have not as yet matured, but should be greatly advanced this year, as the chapter will be strong.

Brother Earl Eager is again manager of athletics. We have one man, Owen Frank, on the football squad.

In the inter-fraternity baseball combat last spring, we tied with Alpha Tau Omega for first place. The tie will be played off next spring, and we expect to win. Brothers Greenslit and Kempton would have made the Varsity but for the first-year rule.

The chapter is well represented in all school inter-fraternities, and in class affairs.

Nebraska is holding her place in the front rank of schools in the middle West. Registration this fall showed about thirty-five hundred students, more than in any previous year. All departments in the University are well supplied with strong instructors, and excellent courses are offered in all lines.

Construction is well under way on the new engineering building, which should be completed in a year. This building will cost nearly two hundred thousand dollars, and will be one of the finest for its purpose in the country.

In athletics, Nebraska is strong. The baseball team last season won a good percentage of its games; the showing in basketball during the winter was good; and the football team of this fall is admittedly one of the best, if not the best, west of the Mississippi. We hope for an unbroken chain of victories, ending them a triumph over Carlisle.

K. W. POWELL.

Σ A E House,
24th and Q Sts.

Arkansas Alpha-Upsilon, University of Arkansas, Fayetteville

WITH this issue of THE RECORD three months will have elapsed since Arkansas Alpha-Upsilon began its active work. We returned eleven men and initiated J. W. Mehaffy of Little Rock, who was not subject to the present rules of the faculty. We may add just here that the heat of the rushing season does not begin until after the mid-term examinations.

We have had several visiting S. A. E.'s both from alumni and sister chapters. We are glad to have known Brothers Trotter, Powe and Moore, who were regulars on the Mississippi football team, and Kent, Iowa Beta, coach of the Haskell Indians.

One of the events of this year was the marriage of Brother Cleveland Croom, '06, to Miss McDaniels. In honor of the bridal party we gave a reception and dance in our spacious dance hall. Brothers Southmayd, Reed, Williams, Carpenter and Ragon were included in the bridal party.

We are represented on the football team by Brothers Creekmore, Nelson and Milford. Nelson, who has played on the team for three years, was elected captain of the team. Mehaffy is in the dramatic club; Reed and Southmayd are in

the glee club which will tour the State during the holidays.

We extend a very cordial welcome to S. A. E.'s and wish the other chapters the best of success.

F. W. NIEMEYER.

213 N. Church St.

Kansas Alpha, University of Kansas, Lawrence

THE return of thirteen enthusiastic men this fall and the initiation of five good Freshmen, has naturally put a bright aspect to the beginning of the school year of 1908-'09. We have reason to feel optimistic, and judging from the good beginning, we believe that the coming period will be most successful.

One man, Hal Clark, of Ottawa, Kansas, was initiated last spring after the writing of the last chapter letter. George B. Waters, one of our Freshmen, is a brother of Henry Waters, a Senior in our chapter. We wish to thank our alumni for their splendid help in this fall's rushing season. Initiation took place on the night of the football game between Kansas University and Washington University of St. Louis, and we were aided by four visiting brothers from Missouri Beta, three of whom had played on the Washington team.

Our house was painted during the summer and the interior was also improved. Several furnishings for the interior have been added since the opening of school. We are comfortably established and our large house is admirably suited for house parties. Our annual fall party will take place in the early part of February. We have given only one party as yet, and this was for our pledges and was given during the opening week of rushing season.

It is encouraging to have our alumni brothers visit us, and we have been fortunate in this respect

so far this year. We also appreciate the visitations of alumni members and active members of our sister chapters. It brings the brothers in close touch with each other, and results in an exchange of ideas which is bound to encourage and aid the chapter visited. Brother Elmer Sanford, founder of Kansas Alpha chapter, made us a visit this fall. Kansas City contains a large number of $\Sigma A E$ alumni members and we extend to them a hearty invitation to visit our chapter. Brother Kent, who played for three seasons on the Iowa University football team, is at present coaching the Haskell Indian football team at Lawrence. He has made us several visits. Brother Wade, who was assistant coach at Indiana University last year, is practicing law at Fredonia, Kansas. He has officiated at several of the football games here this season and has stayed with us while in Lawrence.

We have placed our financial affairs on a new basis, having one treasurer who handles all money and bills. Heretofore the finances of the steward were separate, but now they are handled by the treasurer. The voucher system of checks is used. The financial end of fraternity affairs is a business proposition and the new system facilitates and improves matters greatly.

As a family of the larger community life of the University, we encourage the brothers to aid and take part in all university enterprises as well as doing good work in their studies. Kansas University is noted for its democratic spirit and is also proud of it. In the competition between Greeks and Barbs there is no ill feeling and a certain harmony of true college spirit prevails. We have several brothers who have acquired university honors. Brother Henry Waters is editor of the *Kansan* and is

also president of the Scoop club. Newbold holds the university record for the 220-yard low hurdles. This record was made at the Missouri Valley Conference Meet held at Kansas City last spring. Haddock, who was a member of the 1907 track team, is eligible for the coming spring events and it is believed that he will win more honors on the cinder path. Newbold is playing substitute on the Varsity football squad. Apt represented the middle law class with a speech at the annual law banquet.

The $\Sigma A E$ alumni association of Kansas City aided by the members of the Missouri and Kansas chapters, will hold a banquet at Kansas City on the evening before the annual Thanksgiving football game between the Missouri and Kansas universities.

It is the ambition of our chancellor to make this institution of Kansas the typical American University. Of course we as Kansans are proud of our State, and think that the University of Kansas is situated in the logical place for an institution of this kind. It has prospered greatly. The enrollment has reached twenty-two hundred and two new buildings will soon be ready to be occupied by the civil and mining engineers. The prosperous condition of Kansas resulted in a large influx of Freshmen this fall.

The eight fraternities here are in excellent condition. The Pan-Hellenic regulates inter-fraternity affairs and has discussed and acted upon several important problems of the University. A member of the Phi Kappa Psi fraternity is president this year and we have a brother who is treasurer. Both Greeks and Barbs show the true spirit of good will and harmony in all university enterprises.

AMOS E. HAWKINSON.

$\Sigma A E$ House,
1015 Tennessee St.

**Iowa Beta, State University of
Iowa, Iowa City**

THIS year Iowa Beta has twenty-nine active members. The spirit which has characterized our former successes is stronger to-day than ever. Our strength in numbers is due to the spirit with which all the members entered into the past rushing season.

When school opened this fall we were exceedingly fortunate in having twenty-one old members back in school. We found much fraternity material in the Freshman class and our chapter roll shows the result of our efforts to get our share of the best men. We take pride in ushering into our ranks: Willis O'Brien, Floyd Thomas, Harley Hotz, Sumner Chase, Rodney Price, Ralph Hicks, Walter Mead and Russell Worcester. We welcome the return of Runyon, Hull and Moore, who have been absent from our halls for a year or more.

During the last week of the past school year we initiated Clifford B. Paul, '08, and we are especially proud of him and his record. In the year he was here in school, he acquired a large circle of friends, displayed unusual student qualities and became a member of $\Phi \Delta \Phi$. He was representative from the 24th district of Iowa to the 32nd general assembly. As to the inner workings, the chapter has so far had a good year from a financial standpoint. Brothers French and Schenck in the capacities of steward and treasurer, respectively, are largely responsible for this state of affairs. We were all back early this fall and consequently the house is in better shape than ever before. The custom of having "song fests" before the big grate fire is in vogue more than ever and occasionally "swat fests" by the Freshmen are a source of amusement. Notwithstanding the new

Friday and Saturday night social regulations, we have arranged for a series of dances throughout the year and we would be pleased to have as many outside brothers as possible with us at those times.

One alumnus said he heard we had captured the University this year, including the football team. This is putting it rather strong, but in college affairs, we have not been behind other fraternities. In the college societies, we have a number of men. W. L. Schenck is captain of company D in the battalion; Jerry Pierce, our affiliate from Colorado Zeta, has been elected president of the Senior pharmacy class and president of the ΦX pharmacy fraternity; he is also department editor of the *Daily Iowan*. Carberry was elected president of the Senior class; Thomas, a Freshman, was elected editor of the 1911 *Hawkeye*. Will Hotz, who was captain of the cross-country squad, captured first in the final run and won a huge stein as a trophy. Weeks, '11, was our representative and chairman on the Sophomore cotillion committee. We had six men on the Varsity football squad this year: Captain Kirk, at halfback, Collins, halfback, Hyland, end, Carberry, end, Macdonald, substitute fullback, and Thomas, substitute halfback.

Five of our Freshmen, O'Brien, Hicks, Hotz, Hull and Chase, are on the Freshman football team, and Hull is the captain. From present indications, we will be well represented on the Varsity next year.

Of our last year's graduates, Walter Myers is teaching in the Muscatine high school; Bradley is in the employ of the Lowell Construction Company of Minneapolis; I. A. Burkheimer is in the employ of the construction department of the city of Seattle, Wash.; Poyneer is in the employ of the National Bank of Cedar Rapids; Remley is managing a large grain elevator in Anamosa, Iowa.

We have been favored by visits from the old grads. Okerlin, M.D., '05, and C. V. Kent, '05, this fall; Davis, '03, Wisconsin Alpha; Allen, '07, Ohio Rho; and Ellis, '07, Missouri Alpha, have recently paid us visits.

CLARK M. BURKHEIMER.
Σ A E House,
9 November, 1908.

Iowa Gamma, Iowa State College, Ames

WITH the opening of the fall term we found twenty-four active members here ready for work. Besides these, we now have seven pledges in the Freshman class, which is our average number. We lost only two members by graduation; however, three others were unable to return this fall but expect to continue their work later. Brother Frudden, ex-'08, is with us again this year. Since the last chapter letter we have initiated four new members whom we wish to introduce to the Fraternity: Brothers R. M. Day of Minneapolis, O. D. Baker of Edmund, Wisconsin, R. H. Wilmarth of Aurora, Illinois, and A. E. Nelson of Harlan, Iowa. They were all with us last year but due to faculty rulings could not be initiated sooner.

Last spring I. S. C. won the Missouri Valley conference meet and took second in the State meet. Our two representatives on the team, the Lambert brothers, won honors in both these as well as at the

conference meet in Chicago. Brother "Si" Lambert was elected track captain for the season of 1909. Ames also won the State title in baseball. We were represented on the team by Brothers Harris and Hubbard.

In football this fall E. W. and Guy Lambert, Wilmarth, Nelson and Hubbard have played every game, while Tellier has been in several. E. W. Lambert, "Si," has made a great name for himself this season in college athletics of the middle West. Two of our Freshmen are playing well on the reserves. Coover has been acting as an assistant coach this fall.

Our first introduction to Missouri Alpha came with the Ames-Missouri game of October 31st. The cordiality with which our brothers on the Varsity were received and the attention shown them is highly appreciated by Iowa Gamma.

Brother Day is our fifth successive manager of the Sophomore class play and Baker our third Sophomore representative on the Junior annual board.

Improvements have been going on continuously in the college. The board of trustees have asked for \$450,000 for the erection of three new buildings. Agricultural hall, a \$325,000 building, is rapidly nearing completion. The enrollment this fall shows a marked increase and we are now near the two thousand mark.

W. A. WENTWORTH.
Σ A E House.

PROVINCE ETA

Colorado Chi, University of Colorado, Boulder

UPON counting up the men on the first day of school we found that we had lost four by graduation and that six had failed

to return, leaving us with only ten men. Since that time, however, we have initiated ten new men, making a total of twenty active men in the chapter.

This is the third year in our new chapter-house and it seems mighty

fine to have a house of our own to come back to each year. We are making improvements on the house from time to time, so that it makes a better appearance both inside and out.

Among the new additions to the faculty of the University this year are Brother Pierrot from Illinois Theta, and Brother Holcomb from Illinois Beta, who are teaching in the English department. They are also taking work in the law department. During the first month of school Brother Jackson from Illinois Theta paid us a very enjoyable visit. Brother Kimball, E. S. A., also stopped at the chapter-house a short time back while he was in Boulder attending a football game.

The registration in the University, contrary to expectations, on account of the hard times, passed the thousand mark this year, making the largest registration in the history of the institution. At the beginning of the year two new buildings will be started. A new auditorium was endowed by Andrew Macky, whose will has lately been settled, and a new law building endowed by Senator Simon Guggenheim. If the present plans do not miscarry the last two years of the medical school will be moved to Denver, in order to give the students the advantage of better clinical practice.

The football outlook for the University is the best for several seasons. We have already won two out of the four games in the inter-collegiate schedule and expect to win the two remaining games by good margins, which will give us the State championship.

We are enjoying the best of prosperity at the present time and if the good times we are now having are an indication, this year, like last, will be a most profitable one for Colorado Chi.

GEORGE S. DOWNER.

Colorado Zeta, Denver University, Denver

ONLY ten of our last year's chapter of twenty-one returned to school. We lost Brothers Thibedeau, Ashby, Tait, Cline, Brissenden and Bageley by graduation. Kirkbride entered the medical school, King, the law school, and Sterling, went to the University of South Dakota and Duke and Allen are not in school this year. We have eight pledges and all are up to the standard.

Σ A E is maintaining her prominence in athletics. On one football team, Andrew is manager. Henning and Skidmore, one of our pledges, are playing in the backfield. Neil, who was captain of last year's basketball team, is manager this year, and Henning is captain. Brother Andrew is president of the student's association. The editor of the *Kyncewiskok*, the annual of the University, is Brother White. On the *University Clarion*, our paper, Johnson is editor, Hammett and Neill are members of the staff and the writer of this letter is business manager. In the glee club we have Green and E. M. Henning and pledges Carlson and C. S. Henning. E. M. Henning is also leader of the orchestra.

During the rushing season a smoker and several dinners were given in honor of the Freshmen, at which many alumni were present to help us. On the thirty-first of October the annual Σ A E Hallowe'en party was given. A tallyho party into the mountains had to be postponed on account of bad weather.

Denver has a great football team this year. Our team has won all its games to date, even defeating Colorado School of Mines, champions of the State for five years, 18-0. On the fifth of December we play the Carlisle Indians in Denver.

Our basketball team is planning a trip East in February or March,

extending through Nebraska, Kansas, Iowa, Illinois and Wisconsin.

The University has a larger attendance this year than ever before. The new library, the gift of Andrew Carnegie, will be ready for use by the first of January. A sixty thousand dollar chapel is being built. The athletic field was moved from down town to the park last spring. The move has helped athletics here very materially. Raylin Hall, a new dormitory for young men was opened this year.

Brother Johnson, '11, was recently made sporting editor of the *Denver Republican*, the leading morning daily of Denver. Only twenty years of age, he is probably the youngest sporting editor in the West.

JAMES T. NORTH.

Σ A E House,
11 November, 1908.

Colorado Lambda, Colorado School of Mines, Golden

COLORADO Lambda opened the year with fifteen men. Decker returned after spending a year at Case, Allen has also returned after having to stay out a year from sickness. Clapp spent a month with us finishing up back work and then returned to his home in Australia. Gregory was obliged to remain out and work this winter but hopes to be back next year.

The initiation was held October 9-10-11. At that time Messrs. Davis, '12, Dyrenforth, '12, McHugh, '11, Smith, '11, Ramsey, '12, Stearns, '12, Collary, '12 and Rambo, '12, were admitted to Σ A E and a finer lot of fellows it would be difficult to find.

The chapter is in a very fair way financially and we hope to be able to make some progress towards a house before the year is out.

Brothers W. J. C. Rambo, Cary, McHugh, Joe Rambo and Dyrenforth are on the social club for 1908-1909. The first dance of this

club was given October 24th and was a very successful affair. The chapter had one of the largest and best house parties in its history on this occasion. From all appearances we will have a very enjoyable year socially.

The Crucible Club received a charter from B Θ Π in September.

The school has about three hundred and fifty students enrolled and the Freshmen are very promising crowd.

The football team is one of the best ever sent into the field from this school and ought to retain the Rocky Mountain Championship. The chapter is represented on the squad by Brooks, who is captain, and Douglas.

The new gymnasium is completed but not finished, though the Freshmen expect to give their annual ball there.

W. P. CARY.

Σ A E House,
26 October, 1908.

California Alpha, Stanford University, Palo Alto

CALIFORNIA Alpha began the year with a full house. This was even beyond the expectations of any of the old men, after the loss that we suffered last year by the drastic action of the faculty, when eight of our upper classmen were suspended. All of the old men that were left, however, showed up early and we had a very successful rushing season. Ten new men were initiated into the bonds of Sigma Alpha Epsilon: James Henderson, '12, of Eureka; Ned Corbett, '12, of San Francisco; Ashleigh Simpson, '12, of San Francisco; Remo Sbarbaro, '12, of San Francisco; Fred Palmer, '12, of San Francisco; Ornon Smart, '12, of Long Beach; Clarence Sanborn, '12, of Fruitvale; Robert Finney, '12, of



CALIFORNIA ALPHA.

Left to right, bottom row—SBARBORO, PALMER, HENDERSON, SIMPSON.

Second row—LUCHSINGER, GIESY, TURNER, BREER, DOAN.

Third row—WUNDRIES (light tie), WOODVILLE, COLE, SALES, FULLER, AINSWORTH.

Top row—POLHEMUS, FINNEY, PARTRIDGE, KILLIAN, POST, CORBET, SWAFFORD, SMART.

Sacramento; Henry Post, '12, of Palo Alto, and John Partridge, '12, of Menlo Par, Cal.

Ned Corbett, one of our Freshmen, held down a position on the Freshmen team this year and showed up very well. Killian is out for the Varsity and is playing in very good form.

One of our Juniors who was editor the Stanford *Sequoia*, the monthly magazine, was suspended lately along with six other members of the Junior class for editing a poster in which several of the members of the faculty were "joshed." This action on the part of the faculty is universally condemned by the student body as being entirely unjust and uncalled for.

Jim Lanagan, '00, in his capacity as advisory coach, is turning out what appears to be a winning team. He still lives on the campus and is keeping in touch with fraternity affairs.

Three men in the house have been successful in making the glee club this year, Ainsworth, '08, Simpson, '12, and Finney, '12.

Dudley Sales, '06, who was a candidate for a J. D. degree successfully passed his bar examinations last week with a very high standing.

California Alpha paid off its social obligations last week with a dance at which several of the old men were present, and also several of the brothers from California Beta. We wish every loyal brother in S. A. E. a pleasant and prosperous year.

PARMER FULLER.

Σ A E House,
10 November, 1908.

**California Beta, University of
California, Berkeley**

CALIFORNIA Beta this term is conducting herself in a most active and satisfactory manner.

This year we initiated four fine men and have six pledges; our newly initiated men are Chester Kemp, Douglas Barnett, George Ray and Clifford Jones. All are taking an active interest in college and fraternity affairs. Barnett represented Σ A E on his Freshman team this year against Stanford. Clifford Jones is Freshman yell-leader. On class Rugby teams we were represented by Clyde Healy, Senior, Edgar Freeman, Junior, Jack Barnett, Sophomore, and Doug Barnett and Cliff Jones, Freshman.

The Varsity has recently been picked and Freeman for the third time makes the team, due to his very consistent and gritty game.

George Bell, '09, captain-elect this year but who was not allowed to play due to doctor's orders, has been very successful as assistant coach and has made an enviable record for himself.

The high standard of Σ A E here was recently exemplified when three men were taken into "Skull and Keys," the oldest and most exclusive upper class honor society at California. No other fraternity had more than two men elected. Those men taken in were George Bell, '09, Alan Powers, '02, and Edgar Freeman, '10, making our total membership in the society five, William Pendleton and Cochran being our other representatives.

In the De Koven Club we are represented by Al. Powers and Norris Cochran; Powers was recently elected president. In the glee club we are represented by Al Powers, Clyde Healy, Doug. Barnett and Cochran. In "Winged Helmet" our representatives are Freeman this year and Bell of last year, it being Junior honor society. In the Senior honor society, "Golden Bear," George Bell represents us.

This term California Beta has continued her practice of having a "ladies' night" when various brothers bring ladies to dinner giving an informal dance afterwards. The

nights have proven very popular and pleasant both among the brothers and those invited; we feel agreeable at present for affairs of that sort, too, as we recently had our house tinted throughout.

This past Saturday night, November 7th, California Alpha entertained with a large dance at the Stanford House; it was an extremely enjoyable affair, many unique features being carried out in programs and masks; the six of us from Beta who were able to attend were treated royally and enjoyed the affair thoroughly.

This week's affairs are extremely lively, a current of electricity seems turned loose in the open affecting every one; the cause is the approach of our annual "big game" with Stanford. We are extremely anxious to best them as they have succeeded in winning the Varsity contest four successive years.

Many old brothers are returning for the game; Frank Kellog, '05, recently arrived from Wala Wala, Wash. Howard Kinsman, ex '09, is with us for the game as well as Floyd McAllister, '07, Frank Bell, '06, Wm. Childs, '04, Merrill Kinsey, '08, Joe Beamer, ex-'10 and Henry Ray, ex-'09. We are also entertaining the referee for the "big game" so things at the Σ A E House here are rather lively and most beds in use, but we always have room for one more and we are extremely glad to see any brothers that may drift our way; they'll find our doors seldom closed and never locked.

NORRIS COCHRAN.

Σ A E House,
2519 Ridge Road,
11 November, 1908.

Washington Alpha, University of Washington, Seattle

WITH five strong pledges and nineteen old men back in school, S. A. E. started what promises to be a banner year at the University of Washington.

Twelve men of our chapter are to be graduated this year. It might be of interest to note that of these twelve, five are in electrical, one in mining, one in chemical, and one in civil engineering; two are in the college of liberal arts, and two in law.

Social functions will be somewhat restricted due to faculty ruling which prohibits a fraternity from giving more than three affairs in a year "at which members of the opposite sex are present." No limit is placed on the number of stag parties which may be given.

Not only from a scholastic standpoint do we outrank others but also in athletics are we there with the "goods." Babcock and Jarvis two of the best linesmen Washington has ever produced, are playing their last year on the team. Vernon, '09, is captain of the track team; of last year's crew O'Neal, '09, and Lovejoy, '10, are back in school and will doubtless be in their old places when the starting gun is fired. Hansen, '09, and Woodin, '11, the two Washington representatives in last year's tennis tournament, have registered.

In student affairs we have been compelled to fight our way up the ladder, until I might say we are now in sight of the top. Easter, '09, is Senior representative on the Board of Control. Zednick, '09, (law), is alumni representative in the same body.

Washington, Alpha is well represented on our college papers; Pinkerton, '11, is desk editor and Enos, '12, is an associated editor of *The Wave*, the college daily. Professor Merle Thorpe (California Alpha) of the department journalism is editor-in-chief of *The Alumnus*. Three S. A. E's. are campus correspondents for all the principal newspapers of the Pacific Northwest.

For the last three years we have been living in a rented house; last April we started a scheme which we

hope will some day in the near future land us a home of our own. The site has been purchased at a price of \$3,750, \$1,100 of which was paid down. We have the assurance of our alumni that a house will soon follow.

The A. Y. P. Exposition which

is located on the university campus, opens at the end of this college year. We hope that it will attract many S. A. E.'s. to Seattle, and we also hope that those who do come will pay us a visit.

VICTOR H. GARVEY.

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PROVINCE THETA

Louisiana Epsilon, Louisiana State University, Baton Rouge

SINCE the last letter to THE RECORD quite a number of important events have happened to Louisiana Epsilon. To begin with, during the summer Bro. Emmett Irwin Benett died at his home in Clinton, La. His death was a severe loss to the chapter, as he was an earnest worker for the Fraternity and a good student in the University.

Louisiana Epsilon had counted on returning ten men this year but when college opened only six S. A. E.'s. were on hand. They were Nicholson, Hoffman, and Denson of last year's chapter and Dawkins who returned from Tulane, Milling from Washington and Lee, and Von Phul, who affiliated from Tulane. The chapter felt the loss of Brothers S. W. Pipes, W. L. Brown and Wat Evans who failed to return this year. At the opening of college we initiated seven men, whom I take great pleasure in introducing to the Fraternity. They are Andrew McCollam, Albert James Isacks, Frank Edward Everett, John Allen Dougherty, Uriah Blacksher Evans, William Ford Pipes and Warren Francis Ryan. Brother Wesley Goyer returned recently to the University to take some special sugar work, so this brings the roll up to fourteen which should be a splendid nucleus with which to

build up a chapter of about twenty-five before the end of the session.

There are but four S. A. E.'s. in the military department and all are corporals. Hoffman is president of the university cotillion club and editor-in-chief of *The Demeter*, one of the college papers.

Football is the all-absorbing topic at present. The University and town have gone "football mad" over the splendid record our team has made so far this season, defeating by large scores such teams as Texas A. and M., S. W. P. U., Auburn, and Mississippi A. and M. L. S. U. has scored more points and been scored against less than any team in the S. I. A. A., up to this writing, and with fair luck expects to take the Southern championship away from Vanderbilt, if a game can be arranged. We are well represented on the team by "Pat" Ryan halfback, who has already made his "L" and McCollam, who is playing sub-end.

The chapter enjoyed a visit, during October, from Brother Paul A. Walker, the new president of this Province. Brother "Bob" McGehee of Tulane came up to our fall initiation and was of considerable help to us in handling our "goats." We were glad to meet Brothers Rogers and Montgomery of Tennessee Zeta who were on the S. W. P. U. team.

As has been our custom, the chapter has started the monthly dances. Two enjoyable affairs have been given already in our cozy little hall.

It will be a pleasure for us to meet any S. A. E.'s. who may happen to be in this part of the country and we will endeavor to make them enjoy their visit. With best wishes to all the chapters for a successful year in every respect.

WALTER H. HOFFMAN, JR.

Σ A E House,
15 November, 1908.

Louisiana Tau-Upsilon, Tulane University, New Orleans

THE first of October, 1908, found only five loyal S. A. E.'s back in harness. With this little band as a nucleus, a large and substantial chapter has been built. After a few weeks of hard rushing we landed nine fine men, seven of which have been initiated. We are proud to introduce to the Fraternity Brothers Bliss, Gurley, Hardy, Kernan, Rice, M., Quinn and Winn, all worthy of Σ A E. By the time this letter appears Rice, J, and Stapelton will have been introduced to "Old Billy." Tau-Upsilon has been fortunate in receiving as affiliates, Brothers Clark of Georgia Pis, Kyser of Alabama Alpha-Mu and Dicks, of Tennessee Omega.

This year we have felt the need of a house more than ever, and until we are able to get one, we will be very much handicapped in our rushing, as well as in social functions. It is now the aim of the chapter to get into a house at once.

The year 1908-'09 marks a new era in the history of Tulane University. Previously the medical and academic departments have been separated. Last summer a magnificent medical building was erected on the campus and now the forces are concentrated. This change certainly simplifies fraternity work, and has proved an advantage from the athletic standpoint.

We were represented on the Varsity eleven by Brother Reily at right end; he was doing star work, but

owing to a severe strain he has been out of the game for several weeks. Tulane's football prospects are very bright; so far we have not lost a game. It is the hope of the student body that a game can be arranged with our old rivals, Louisiana State University.

The chapter has just had a most pleasant visit from our Province President, Brother Paul A. Walker. His interest and untiring efforts for the good of the Fraternity should be an example to us all. We hope to have him with us again in the near future.

In closing we extend our best wishes to all of our sister chapters, and if any brother ever strays to "this neck of the woods," he will find a hearty welcome awaiting him.

JOHN F. DICKS.

Mississippi Gamma, University of Mississippi, University

THE opening of the collegiate year of 1908-'09 indicates a most auspicious season for Mississippi Gamma. Already we have taken in seven men, well up to the standard, and welcomed Brother Pitts as an affiliate from Georgia Phi. Our new brothers are J. B. Duke, C. T. Fisackerly, W. C. Trotter, Roger B. Wooten, D. M. Love, P. S. Montgomery and H. W. Moore, all of 1911. Our number compares very favorably with other fraternities here, in fact it is above the average.

The chapter is well represented in college activities, several of our members being class officers, editors of college publications, etc. We have three men on the football team, Powe at quarter, Trotter at half, and Moore at center. Powe is probably the smallest quarterback on an university team in America, being only five feet two inches in height and weighing only 127 pounds. Trotter is said to be the best ground gainer on the team. Mississippi's

team this year is light but fast and we expect a very successful season. Our prospects for a baseball team are very bright.

Socially, Mississippi Gamma has not been idle, having entertained at several receptions and smokers.

During the latter part of October we were pleasantly surprised by a short visit from our new Province President, Brother Paul Walker of Shawnee, Okla. Brother Walker gave us a very interesting and instructive talk. He promised to visit us again and we sincerely hope that he will not forget his promise.

It gives us great pleasure to say that all prospects point to this being the best year the University of Mississippi has ever seen. At the opening more students were enrolled than ever before, the work on our new buildings is being rushed to completion, our faculty has been greatly increased, and many other improvements have been made. On November sixth, the Sixtieth Anniversary of the founding of the University, the cornerstone of our new dormitory was laid with Masonic Rites. Many alumni were present and the day was enjoyed by every one.

In conclusion let me add that Mississippi Gamma will at all times extend a hearty welcome to any visiting S. A. E. and that we extend our best wishes to each one of the other chapters.

DAWSON W. WINN.

**Texas Rho, University of Texas,
Austin**

EIGHT men of last year's chapter returned to the University this fall and immediately set to work to build up a chapter worthy of Σ A E. During the rushing season we got seven good men, and these men have been initiated. We now have two pledges.

Besides the addition in men, we have improved the chapter by a

change in quarters. The house we have been in is good and solid, but is a little old and will hold only ten men. We are moving to a new house which will hold eighteen men, and the rent is the same that we now pay.

Texas Rho is well represented in all phases of college activities. We have five men in the german club, five men in the literary societies, four men in the tennis association, three members on the Varsity band, one man in the glee club, one man on the Y. M. C. A. cabinet, one man in the debating council and one man on the board of editors of our college annual, *The Cactus*. S. A. Charlton is captain of the gymnasium for this year and J. D. Willis is secretary of the law department. Every man in the chapter is interested in one or another of these branches of college life, and is on the lookout to do something for S. A. E.

We have been exceedingly fortunate in the number of visitors we have had with the chapter this fall. Brother P. A. Walker, president of Province Theta, paid us a short but pleasant and beneficial visit. We caught much of his enthusiasm and went to work with renewed activities. Brother Phil Arbuckle of the University of Illinois, who has been coaching the football team at Southwestern, has been over several times. He has made a name for himself as a football official, having umpired every game that our team has played this year except one. Brother Merrian of Chicago University, who is coaching Texas A. & M., surprised us this month with a short visit. Several of our alumni have spent a few days with us at various times. Nelson, Milford and Creekmore of the University of Arkansas football team were in the city for two days but the coach refused to allow them to go out to the chapter house. Most of the fellows went down to see them. All three

of them made big hits with the students here by their hard, consistent, square and fair play.

The mother of one of the Austin men entertained the chapter and the Zeta Tau Alpha girls one evening last month.

We are always glad to have visiting brothers drop in on us, and we shall always find room for one more. If you are in Austin and can't come out, telephone us from the city and we'll come in to you.

We expect to have a great reunion on the 26th and 27th of this month. The University celebrates the 25th birthday, and there will be nearly a thousand old students back. We will have some great times,—the dedication of the new law building with attendant social functions; the big Thanksgiving football game and german.

R. B. COUSINS, JR.

Σ A E House.

PROVINCE IOTA

Kentucky Kappa, Central University, Danville

KENTUCKY Kappa entered the field this year with nine men returned, the number being increased one by by the affiliation of Brother Dorsey, of Kentucky Iota. During the course of the rushing season, seven men were pledged, of whom six have already been initiated. This brings the chapter up to its normal size, also making it the second largest chapter at Central.

The standard of the chapter is still being held up, in so far as honors are concerned, in every phase of college activity. Four men are on the football squad. Brothers Sulbach, Todd, and Coleman are regularly on the Varsity, while Brother Hay has been taking the trips as substitute.

In basketball, Brother Sulbach has the captaincy, and there is a possibility that four of the five players will be S. A. E.'s, since all have made the team in previous years.

In other lines of work, Kentucky Kappa has the editor-in-chief of the college weekly and the annual, and the business management and an associate editor of the annual as

well. Three S. A. E.'s are in the glee club and three in the dramatic club.

The chapter-house proposition is the all-absorbing one at present and a scheme by which the chapter can be permanently housed without a present outlay of capital is being worked out. It is the hope of the chapter that a house may be obtained before the Christmas holidays. The demand for a house has become imperative, and the only difficulty is that as there are no houses for rent, so the chapter is forced to buy.

The question of rushing came up again this year at an inter-fraternity smoker given by our chapter to the other fraternities and a Pan-Hellenic Council has been organized. When proposed a few years ago, the plan was defeated through the opposition of Kentucky Kappa, and it is highly improbable that any plan delaying rushing will be accepted at the present, since owing to special conditions here, we would be placed at a disadvantage.

We wish that any visiting brother shall make himself known in order that we may show him every attention in our power.

LAWRENCE I. McQUEEN.

**Kentucky Iota, Bethel College,
Russellville**

WHEN last year closed, Σ A E was very much in evidence at Bethel; three of our men were on the baseball team, three were members of the glee club, three took part in the annual college play, and R. H. Perry delivered the salutatory address for the class '08. This year for various reasons only four of our last year's men returned, and we were very much discouraged until our Province president Brother L. L. Fonville, made us a visit and gave us encouragement. The men of Kentucky Iota will always be thankful to Brother Fonville for what he did while here.

We were not discouraged by the lack of men who returned, but because the student body is so small and consequently fraternity material very scarce. The decrease in the number of students is attributed to the trouble in the last few years between the faculty and Board of Trustees and to the lack of harmony between the faculty and student body. The lawlessness that has prevailed in this county for the past two years has also been a detriment to the college.

Although the student body is small this year, the faculty is one of the strongest in the history of the college. Prof. J. H. Fuqua, one of the most widely-known men in this State, who has just recently retired as superintendent of public instruction of Kentucky is in Bethel and is principal of the Academic Department. Bethel has recently, through President J. D. Garner, affiliated with the Baptist Education Society of Kentucky, and in this way becomes connected with the other denominational schools of the State in the great movement to promote the cause of Christian education. The college will receive a part of the \$500,000 being raised by this society, and the money will be

used to increase the endowment and to make some needed improvements in the college buildings. With an increased endowment and a strong faculty, it is thought that the present trouble will be only temporary and that in a few years Bethel will maintain her former prestige.

Since school opened we have initiated two men, J. R. Claypool and G. E. Gough. Both of these men are making fine fraternity brothers.

As football was abolished this year, basketball now occupies the mind of the athlete. On the basketball team there are three S. A. E.'s, Gough is manager and right forward, Beauchamp left forward, and Claypool guard. Class teams have recently been organized to play for the inter-class championship, and on these teams we are well represented as we have the manager and captain of the Sophomore, Junior, and Senior teams. Among the other activities of college life we are represented as follows: J. R. Claypool, vice-president of the Philomathian literary society, and secretary of the Senior class; G. E. Gough, secretary of the Junior class. The students of the college will give a play on Thanksgiving night, for the benefit of the athletic association, and at least two of our men will be in the cast.

Our rooms have recently been repaired and newly furnished, and in a short time we expect to entertain Nu chapter of Phi Gamma Delta, also the Σ A E girls in town.

R. H. PERRY.

8 November, 1908.

**Kentucky Epsilon, Kentucky
State University, Lexington**

LAST June saw the separation and departure of our little band of twelve, small yet loyal. Speculation pronounced the return of all except Brothers Kirk and Yates, who were graduated with degrees of B.C.E. and A.B., yet only seven

responded to the call this fall, after the summer festivities. We sincerely regret the loss of the above mentioned brothers, as they were the strong nucleus about which we grew as a unit, men who figured in college affairs, both athletic and literary, the former earning his "K" last spring in baseball. Just so we regret the absence of Brothers Thompson, McGhee and Preston, who were unable to attend this year.

A letter was issued during August to all alumni, asking for information concerning new men, thus preparing a way for rushing season. The result was overly successful, Kentucky Epsilon opened with a boom, easily pledging nine men the first week. It now gives me pleasure to introduce our new brothers, Buchanan, Clark, McConnell, Moss Ballard, W. A. Graty, Barker, Theising and Smarr. Brother Johnston from Purdue will soon affiliate with us; Brother Clay, an old member of this chapter, has returned to take a course in law and to our list we have added another pledge.

With the aid of Brothers Lewis, W. Graty and Garr, of Vanderbilt, now practicing medicine in Lexington, and the answers to our circular letters, a vim unequalled has landed us the best of the available fraternity material.

Success and victory increased enthusiasm and spirit. With but little effort we have secured a house and furnished everything in unique mission style. No other fraternity occupies a house except the Phi Delta Theta.

Brother Graty opened the social programme in his new home with a smoker on September 15th; on Friday November 30th our house was open to the inspection of all comers; dancing was followed by a buffet luncheon. In Varsity football we are represented by Johnston, on the second team by Theising and on the squad by Adams, McConnell and Moss. In other college honors we

stand well: Smarr, T B II, Lowry, assistant manager of Varsity and end on Junior class team, Coons, Junior team, Buchanan assistant editor of *Mechanical Engineering Record*, and Kuebler, dance committee and assistant editor of the new college weekly *The Idea*.

The University itself is on the boom with the entrance requirements raised, an appropriation of \$200,000 with which four buildings are being constructed, and several additions to the faculty. The Varsity team is better than ever before, but on account of having met larger colleges it has not been so successful.

CHESTER A. KUEBLER.

Σ A E House.

**Tennessee Zeta, Southwestern
Presbyterian University,
Clarksville**

THE opening of the present session presented a very discouraging outlook to the four brothers of Zeta who answered the first ringing of the chapel bell. We had lost by graduation Brothers Coutts and Carney, W. L., who, with Dickson, C. B., and S. A. Carter, were here for a month after school opened and assisted us greatly in our rushing. Dickson, C. B., and S. A. Carter, George, Hall and Martin, much to our disappointment, decided during the summer that they had spent enough time within college walls and have all entered commercial life, while W. B. Anderson decided on a change of school. However, we signalled our distress to our loyal town brothers and they responded nobly with the result that six of the seven men asked took advantage of their opportunity and Zeta has assumed her old time position among the Greeks at S. P. U.

On the first Monday after the opening of school, Brothers Buder,

Carney, N. L., Wilcox and Rogers with the able assistance of Runyon, '07, who had returned to be with us a short while, harnessed the restive goat and as a result Smith, C. G., Montgomery and Lotterhos were introduced to the Greek world. With this addition of strength we set out again with renewed energy and on the following Friday, after a most strenuous week, we pledged and initiated Brothers Anderson and Wilson. Some three weeks later the goat was again brought into use and Brother Hodgson was added to our number. While, however, not as large in membership as usual in the past, we have secured our customary quota of new men and the prospect for the ensuing year is an exceptionally pleasant one.

In a social way we have entertained twice in our rooms this year, once the opening week as an introduction to the new fellows and again some three weeks later as a farewell to one of our most devoted sisters, Miss Kate Owen. Both entertainments were pronounced most enjoyable affairs and at the latter one we had the very pleasant and unexpected pleasure of entertaining Brothers Mace, Caldwell and Baker of Tennessee Lambda, who were here with their football team that day. The pleasure of the evening was somewhat marred by a slightly hostile move on part of the board of directors restricting dancing in our rooms in the university buildings. It has also kept us from entertaining as at the many little informal dances of last year, but I think the matter may be adjusted before the year is out. We certainly hope so, as we have derived a great deal of pleasure from these little affairs where we met our loyal sisters on such jolly, informal terms. And right here let it be said that we are greatly indebted to our fair co-workers in Sigma Alpha Epsilon, for to them

no small measure of our success in rushing is due.

In athletics our school for the last year has been most successful and from a secondary plane in athletics we have disputed championship titles with the best teams in Dixie in both baseball, basketball and football. Winding up a baseball season with an undefeated team, the football season so far has been almost as successful, losing only to Vanderbilt and L. S. U., the two championship elevens in the South. On the team we are represented by Rogers at quarterback and Montgomery, substitute end.

There have been some changes in our faculty for the year, Professor Carl Holliday being elected to Dr. Ramsay's place as professor of English, and Dr. Rosboro to fill the vacancy caused by Brother Webb's resignation from the chair of systematic theology. No chancellor has been chosen as yet and Dr. Dinwiddie, vice-chancellor, is still acting in that capacity.

We have had as most welcome visitors Brothers George Lotterhos and Lewis Wilson. We are looking forward to a most prosperous and happy year and hope that we may have the pleasure of meeting and entertaining many a brother in the bonds of $\Sigma A E$.

WILLIAM M. ROGERS.

Tennessee Lambda, Cumberland University, Lebanon

TENNESSEE Lambda is just entering into the work of another year which has all the prospects for success.

Three of the old men returned from last year and with the addition of the new men we now have eighteen active members. The new men are: Caldwell, Richards, Freeman, Dyer, Whitnell, Mitchell, Balee, Milner, Baker, Bowman, Gibson, Ballard, Bradford, Lawrence and Rogers.

We also have enthusiastic alumni and as a whole our chapter is in fine shape.

The S. A. E.'s are taking quite an active part in athletics. Several of the football team were S. A. E.'s, and we are also figuring prominently in basketball. Brother Mace is captain of the squad.

So far our weekly dances have been successful in every detail.

At a recent meeting it was proposed that we take immediate steps towards erecting a chapter-house. Brothers Caldwell, Granis, Coile, Bowman and Gibson were appointed to investigate the matter. At the last meeting they reported everything favorable, and before another year we expect to be living in our new house. We wish to remind every S. A. E. that when our new house is complete he has a standing invitation to visit us whenever he can possibly do so.

THOMAS R. WHITNEL.

Tennessee Nu, Vanderbilt University, Nashville

TENNESSEE Nu opened in fairly good condition this fall, although we lost several members by graduation and several of our undergraduates failed to return.

The house had been overhauled and greatly improved under the able supervision of Brother Dowling.

The Pan-Hellenic council allowed the rushing season to open with matriculation as it did last year. Then there were busy times and when the smoke of battle cleared away it left us the proud captors of thirteen new fellows. We also received four by affiliation.

From admittedly the poorest prospect in several years, thanks to coach Dan McGugin's good coaching, we have a team which is fast proving itself able to uphold the athletic name of Vanderbilt. Hager is playing a star game at left tackle

and defensive center, possessing both strength and good judgment.

Socially we have even passed last year's fine record. Up to date, we have had four very successful dances and two very enjoyable smokers.

We are justly proud of the journalistic achievements of Brother Dowling, as he is sporting editor on both our college weekly and monthly and is also on the staff of the annual.

In the classroom our fellows are all working hard and making fine records, especially the Freshmen, for hazing was abolished last year and they have nothing to distract their minds now.

We were delighted to have with us last Saturday so many of our brothers from Tennessee Kappa, who were here with the University of Tennessee football team. We entertained them with a matinee dance. We have also been honored by other visiting brothers and several of our alumni this year. An S. A. E. is always welcome at our house.

W. C. ROWELL.

Σ A E House,
2106 West End Ave.,
11 November, 1908.

Tennessee Kappa, University of Tennessee, Knoxville

WHEN the University of Tennessee opened its doors last September, nine zealous and enthusiastic brothers were on hand to answer to the roll-call of our first meeting. Three weeks later we welcomed Brother John Loucks who came back to take a post-graduate course, and the following month Brother Kennedy Meek returned to the Hill after a long spell of sickness, which kept him from entering at the beginning of the session. Although we had been scattered to the four winds during the summer months, we had all

been in close touch, and the result was that nearly every brother had his eye on some new man whom he thought worthy of $\Sigma A E$.

During the first few days after college opened we succeeded in pledging ten excellent men who would do honor to a chapter in any institution. We take a pride in presenting the following initiates to the Fraternity: Chas. E. Craddock, Robert C. Graham, Herbert B. Henegar, Frank S. Latham, Woodruff W. Meek, Orville B. Moon, H. Earl Ramsey, Robert W. Ramsey, Joe H. Thompson, John S. Van Gilder. They have already shown that they are going to take an active interest in college affairs, having secured the presidency of the Freshman class, the secretary and treasurer, correspondent to the college weekly and manager and captain of the class football team. We have another Freshman pledged who will have been lead over the rocky path of Mount Minerva before this issue of *THE RECORD* will be sent to press.

$\Sigma A E$ has long been known to have taken a very active part in all college enterprises and at present the football season is on in full sway and is a topic of the greatest interest to our active chapter and the entire student body. We are well represented on the squad by Walker Leach, captain, and by Loucks, Peery and Saxton. Brother Gaut is assistant coach. Robert Ramsey is captain of the scrubs and your correspondent is one of the two Junior assistant managers.

This year our team had shown a great improvement in form from previous seasons and so we expected great things from it. We had won every game up till November first and were beginning to be reckoned as a strong bidder for Southern championship honors. Every one saw the bitter need of getting the team together in some one building where they would be

supervised by the coach. We talked the matter over among ourselves and decided that we would give over our quarters to the football team for the period of two weeks just before our big game with Vanderbilt. This offer was readily accepted by the athletic association. We believe it helped the team greatly toward making the showing it has made this season, and that it will inspire in the University an incentive toward building a regular training house, which may be used by the football teams in the future.

$\Sigma A E$ is also well represented in the other phases of college life. Earl Ramsey, Meek and Chandler are in the glee club. Walker Leach from the Seniors, Irvin Saxton from the Juniors, Neely from the Sophomores, and Robert Ramsey from the Junior law are class editors to the *Volunteer*, which is our annual publication. Frank Van Gilder is senator from the Junior law class and Chandler is assistant editor on our weekly paper.

The relations among the fraternities here continue to be most cordial, the hard feeling that was generally felt here a few years ago having completely subsided.

This fall has marked a new epoch in fraternity life here at Tennessee, in that the Phi Gamma Deltas have moved off the campus. This step was taken on account of various extensions made here during the past two years which have materially decreased the amount of available ground for the building of additional dormitories. It is not unlikely that we may also be off the campus before another year rolls around. At present we are laying plans for building a chapter-house which we will be proud of and can speak of as our own.

If any S. A. E.'s chance to be in our vicinity be sure and look us up for Tennessee Kappa extends a most hearty welcome to all.

FRANK M. VAN GILDER.

Tennessee Omega, University of the South, Sewanee

AT the last commencement two of our brothers were awarded their degrees, Neiler receiving an M.A., and Markley an LL.B. Just before the close of the last term, Brother Lee Daniel of Ackerman, Miss., was initiated. It was with great sorrow that, upon leaving the mountain, we had to say goodbye to Brothers Neiler, Huske and Dicks, all of whom were not to return.

With the opening of the school year Omega returned nine men. Since that time she has added to her number two men by initiation, and I take pleasure in presenting Brothers B. L. Mayes of Jackson, Miss., and M. S. Harris of Wilmington, N. C.

While numerically small, we hold a prominent position in the University. Among the college honors that have fallen to our members are, president of the athletic association, two members and chairman of the executive committee, captain of the football team, manager of the baseball team, '09, president of the Senior german club, president of the Pan-Hellenic association and president of the Senior class.

Football, at present, is the current gossip of the mountain. As in the other phases of college life, Sigma Alpha Epsilon is well represented on the gridiron. Brother Markley, as captain, is leading the team successfully and will probably be fullback on the all-Southern eleven for the second time. Williams is playing end for the third year and he also has a "look-in" for an all-Southern position. Lyne was injured early in the season, but before the season is over in all probability he will have resumed his position. Guerry is doing excellent work as a substitute.

Since the opening of the term, several S. A. E.'s have paid us short visits. They are always welcome. We are especially glad to have with us again Brother John Goodman, who is staying here until he recuperates from a recent illness.

WILLIAM B. CURTIS.

Σ A E House,

13 November, 1908.

Tennessee Eta, Union University, Jackson

THE University opened with an enrollment of two hundred students. Several changes have taken place in the faculty. Among the new faces are Brother A. K. Tigrett, Harvard, '08, professor of economics and coach for the athletic teams, and Brother J. Clay Walker, Cumberland, '02, who occupies the chair of modern languages.

Tennessee Eta returned nine men and with the initiation of J. Foster Yates of Memphis, Eugene C. Anderson of Jackson, and W. E. Farmer of Springfield, the number is rounded out to an "even dozen."

Our present chapter is composed of representative men. In every phase of college life Σ A E stands out prominently. We are especially strong in athletics this year. Brothers Givan, Mercer, Fite, Anderson, Callahan and Farmer are members of the football squad which has made an enviable record this season. The basketball club will soon be organized. Brothers Farmer and Callahan, two of last year's stars, will be in the line-up again. Farmer, who made such an excellent captain last season, was re-elected by a unanimous vote. In baseball, we will be represented by catcher Brown, pitchers Anderson and Yates, and outfielder Callahan. Brown will captain the squad this season.

As regards journalism, Shannon and Brown are on the editorial staff of the *Cardinal and Cream*, the former being editor-in-chief. Hurt is business manager of the paper and is making it a success.

There are many other honors which $\Sigma A E$ has won. Suffice it to name these few: Greene, president of the Junior class, Brown, representative to the primary oratorical contest, Shannon, president, and Givan, secretary, of the oratorical association.

$\Sigma A E$ had the honor and pleasure of attending an entertainment recently given to the Greeks of the University by the $X \Omega$ sorority. It is needless to say that the chapter attended *en masse*, and partook of that hospitality so generously extended and so truly characteristic of $X \Omega$.

We have been honored from time to time by visits from our alumni. Brother Fonville, president of Province Iota, has been with us on several occasions and has made some very beneficial remarks. Brothers H. H. Edenton, P. H. Callahan, G. C. Anderson, Jr., Eugene Campbell and J. M. Fry have attended the initiations and eagerly joined in wielding the willow as in days of old.

Remember our injunction that if an S. A. E. passes through this territory and fails to call on us, he had better keep it to himself or steer clear forever. Hoping that our sister chapters have as good prospects and are in as jubilant spirits as Tennessee Eta.

CHARLES HARRIS BROWN.

11 November, 1908.



The National Convention of Sigma Alpha Epsilon will assemble at Atlantic City, N. J., Tuesday, June twenty-second, 1909. The business session will continue for three days.



The next Chapter Letters will appear in the May, 1909, RECORD. These must reach the editor not later than April fifteenth.

Here and There

ATLANTIC CITY, JUNE TWENTY-SECOND.



Brother Levere has received the following letter from Dr. Charles Manly, who was at Princeton with DeVotie and who has rendered valuable assistance in collecting data for the life of our Founder. The editor of THE RECORD also has received a letter from Dr. Manly; it is very impressing to see how well DeVotie is remembered by the men who went to college with him so many years ago:

LEXINGTON, VA., October 19, 1908.

MR. W. C. LEVERE, Evanston, Ill.

My Dear Sir: I have received the September number of THE RECORD of SIGMA ALPHA EPSILON, which I have greatly enjoyed. I am sure that it is to you that I am indebted for this pleasure. Accept my hearty thanks. In addition to the articles in reference to DeVotie, which of course constitute for me the chief value of THE RECORD, I am pleased to see the note about my fine young friend, John M. Fray, whom I knew here for four years as a cadet in V. M. I. I expect something of superior excellence from him.

For your courtesies accept my thanks.

Yours very truly,

CHAS. MANLY.



Another letter, from a man who has attended Princeton more recently, shows how well Brother Levere has portrayed the spirit of the college:

BELFIELD, N. D., December 2, 1908.

MR. C. P. WOOD, Atlanta, Ga.

Dear Brother Wood: I am much interested in the article about DeVotie in the recent number of THE RECORD. Being a Princeton man myself I was doubly interested in "Billy's" account of our noble brother's experience at "Dear Old Princeton." The article well depicts the feeling and spirit of Princeton in those days, which to a certain extent are very much the same to-day. Our Founder was truly a noble type of manhood.

Fraternally,

JOHN M. DIEHL.



The new president of Province Epsilon is General W. W. Brandon, well known to all Alabamians and to all S. A. E.'s who have kept up with our recent conventions.

The annual athletic article, by Charles C. Thomas, will appear in the March, 1909, RECORD.



A new Σ A E Alumni Association has been organized at Portland, Oregon.



The editor of THE RECORD had to be unexpectedly absent from his office for several weeks last month. This explains the delay in sending receipts to some of the subscribers who paid promptly.



The index to Volume XXVIII, which appears in this number, was compiled by Charles C. Thomas, of the associate staff.



The closing of the Woodlawn Park Hotel broke up the fall "Auburndale," but the Province Alpha celebration was none the less enthusiastic. On November fourteenth, the day of the Harvard-Dartmouth game, the annual fall dinner was held at the Boston City Club, with Dr. Sylvester Judd Beach as toastmaster.



A concrete pavement has been put down in front of the DeVotie Memorial lot in Tuscaloosa. It is hoped that work can be commenced upon the Memorial in the near future.



L. S. Cowles, Massachusetts Iota-Tau, '97, is treasurer of Province Alpha, treasurer of the Beta Alumni Association, and treasurer of his own chapter's Building Fund Board.



The recent issue of bills to all subscribers brought in some remittances and some very contradictory communications. A few expressed utter lack of interest, others were rather caustic in criticism of our policy in sending the publications without attaching to our semi-annual statements personal letters asking for permission to continue the subscriptions and apologizing for being so bold as to render the account. Others are dissatisfied because THE RECORD has not reached them regularly, and to those who have given notice of change of address and who have complained promptly when the magazine did not come at the proper time, the editor expresses profound regret, and

he will try his best to make things right. Now and then there comes a letter which makes all of us brighter, which carries with it an halo of encouragement, and we publish one of these letters in testimony of our appreciation of a kind word, and—if you please—to gratify our own vanity:

BERWICK, PA., November 9, 1908.

MR. C. P. WOOD.

Dear Brother: Your card, reminding me of the fact that my subscription was due, has been duly received, so am enclosing you a check covering the amount.

I must say that it gives me just as much pleasure to send you this as it will give you to receive it, as I always get my money's worth from the publication.

Yours very truly,

CHAS. B. OWENS.

The check will be a receipt.



A very interesting feature of this number is the department devoted to chapter letters, where there is a contribution from every chapter in the Fraternity. These letters came in at the proper time without its being necessary to resort to the telegraph—the first time in the history of *THE RECORD*, we venture to say, that the correspondents have been so punctilious. If any other fraternity magazine has seventy correspondents who will furnish chapter letters promptly at a specified time without any reminder except the regular printed instructions and a post card, we would like to hear about it. *THE RECORD* hereby pats each Eminent Correspondent on the back, hoping for the same good work in May, 1909.

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