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A Christmas Sermon

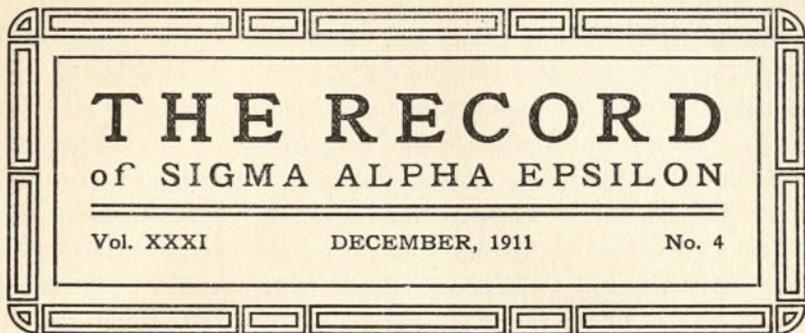


There is an idea abroad among moral people that they should make their neighbors good. One person I have to make good; myself. But my duty to my neighbor is much more nearly expressed by saying that I have to make him happy—if I may.

Robert Louis Stevenson



DE VOTIE MEMORIAL HALL AT TUSCALOOSA, ALABAMA
Where files of the Fraternity are stored



The Files of Sigma Alpha Epsilon

By *Virgil O. Barnard*

IF you want to get the history of Σ A E, consult its History, by William C. Levere; and if you have an investigating mind and wish to get at the root of the thing, come to Tuscaloosa and go with me through the files of Σ A E, in the vault of the De Votie Memorial Hall. Your time will be well spent, and I will guarantee your enthusiasm as an Σ A E will be increased an hundred fold.

It is hard to make up one's mind where to begin when writing about the files of Σ A E, and harder still to know where to stop, for it is all valuable and all interesting. Of special value and interest are the letter files of Brothers Austin, Levere and Kimball. Correctly and carefully filed and shipped, these hundreds upon hundreds of letters cover almost every phase of the fraternity. The various letters of Albert M. Austin, 1897 to 1901, William C. Levere, 1903 to 1906, and George D. Kimball, 1906 to 1910, show their distinctive personalities. It takes two, twelve foot shelves to accommodate this mass of correspondence, giving an idea of the immense amount of correspondence required of Σ A Es and the Council. In addition to this there are a good many old ledgers, check stubs, cancelled checks, various reports and other routine papers, showing the task on the hands of the Supreme Council to keep in touch with and co-operate

with seventy odd chapters scattered over the American continent.

Besides this mass of letters and business records are two large boxes full of the material collected for and used in the writing of the History. It must have been truly a monumental task to collect this data. Pictures, Phi Alphas, letters, songs, dance cards, convention badges and buttons, cigarettes, catalogues, manuals, scrapbooks, RECORDS, charters, newspaper clippings, ledgers, membership reports, minute books, old constitutions, rituals, check books, province reports, menus—a mass of material vast, valuable, interesting. To describe it all has taken a Levere.

Looking toward increasing systematically the files now on hand, it seems to me that all old records of every kind, documents, scrapbooks and old papers of every description pertaining to the fraternity, and every chapter naturally accumulates such things, should be carefully tabulated, boxed and shipped for filing in the De Votie Memorial vault. Doing this would not only preserve from decay, and possibly destruction, these valuable records, but if years hence, it should become necessary to write another history of the fraternity, the material would be on hand. Our Historian will, no doubt, look with favor upon and heartily commend any plan towards concentrating in one place every record or document of any kind touching Σ A E; for none but he knows the arduous labor entailed in gathering such historical fraternity records here and there over the States. Such difficulties could be overcome by each chapter striving to collect as much and keep collecting as great an amount of information concerning itself as possible. A careful combing by each chapter of its alumni, and a constant watchfulness to see that every record relating to itself and the national fraternity is preserved, will soon bring surprising results. From time to time these collected fraternity records could be shipped to the Memorial Hall and added to the chapter's own particular file. Not only the necessity and usefulness, but the extreme simplicity of such a plan should appeal to each chapter in Σ A E. If necessary, (and I will say by way of parenthesis that it probably would be necessary), to appoint a regular man in each chapter to look after and see to it that such records be collected and shipped for filing from time to time. This should be done, thus safeguarding one of the greatest and most

valuable parts of our fraternity: the record of its progress in Greekdom.

Several months ago, upon recommendation of our E. S. A., to my surprise I was appointed Custodian of Files by the Supreme Council. I have properly classified the different records, and am endeavoring to keep all material and matter in proper shape. Later on I hope to make quarterly reports to Phi Alpha, concerning my Custodianship. In this short article I only want to impress upon our fraternity the value and importance of preserving and properly filing all matters pertaining to our fraternity and of shipping them to the De Votie Memorial for safe keeping. The De Votie Memorial Hall was constructed for this purpose and should be used. The Custodian of Files was appointed to care for records to be guarded therein, and he stands ready and willing at all times to execute to the best of his ability the duties incumbent upon his office. And he trusts that no brother in Σ A E will ever hesitate in calling upon him.

Bust of Wm. A. Harris Unveiled

Washington City Rho, '59

WITH the student cadets standing at "present arms," the national colors dipped in salute, hundreds of men spectators with uncovered heads, the memorial monument of Col. W. A. Harris was unveiled this afternoon at the Kansas State Agricultural College. The exercises took place in front of Fairchild Hall. A guard of honor formed of college cadets stood in a hollow square about the shaft. There were probably a score of ex-Confederates present.

The cord which unveiled the monument was pulled by Monroe Harris, grandson of Colonel Harris, while his father, Page Harris, eldest son of the colonel stood by. Mrs. W. A. Harris, the widow, stood in the fore weeping upon the shoulder of a woman friend. Mrs. W. J. Burns, daughter of Colonel Harris, and her husband were also there. At the foot of the monument had been placed by some friend a huge wreath of autumn leaves decorated with large yellow and purple ribbons. A quantity of roses also formed a part of the decorations.

THE BUST OF HEROIC SIZE

The memorial is a bronze bust of heroic size upon a pedestal of granite. A bronze plate on the granite bears this inscription:

WILLIAM ALEXANDER HARRIS.

1841-1909.

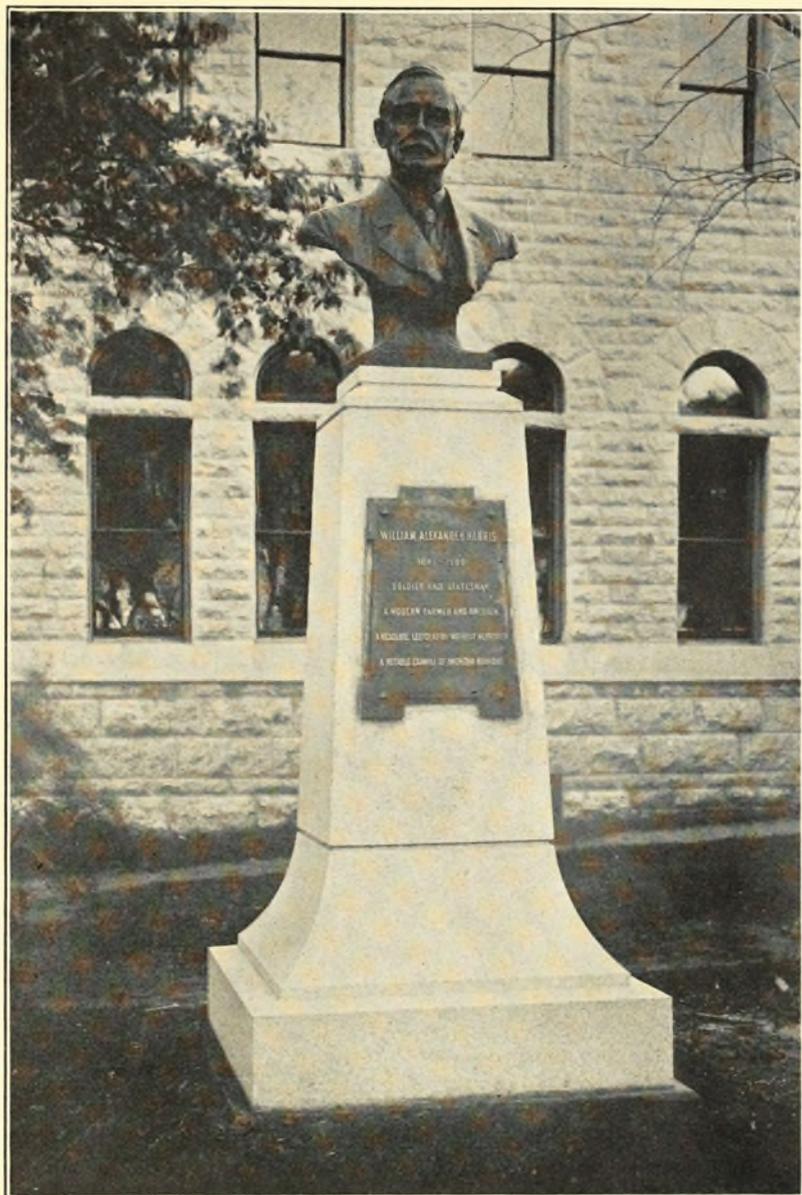
Soldier and Statesman.

A modern farmer and breeder.

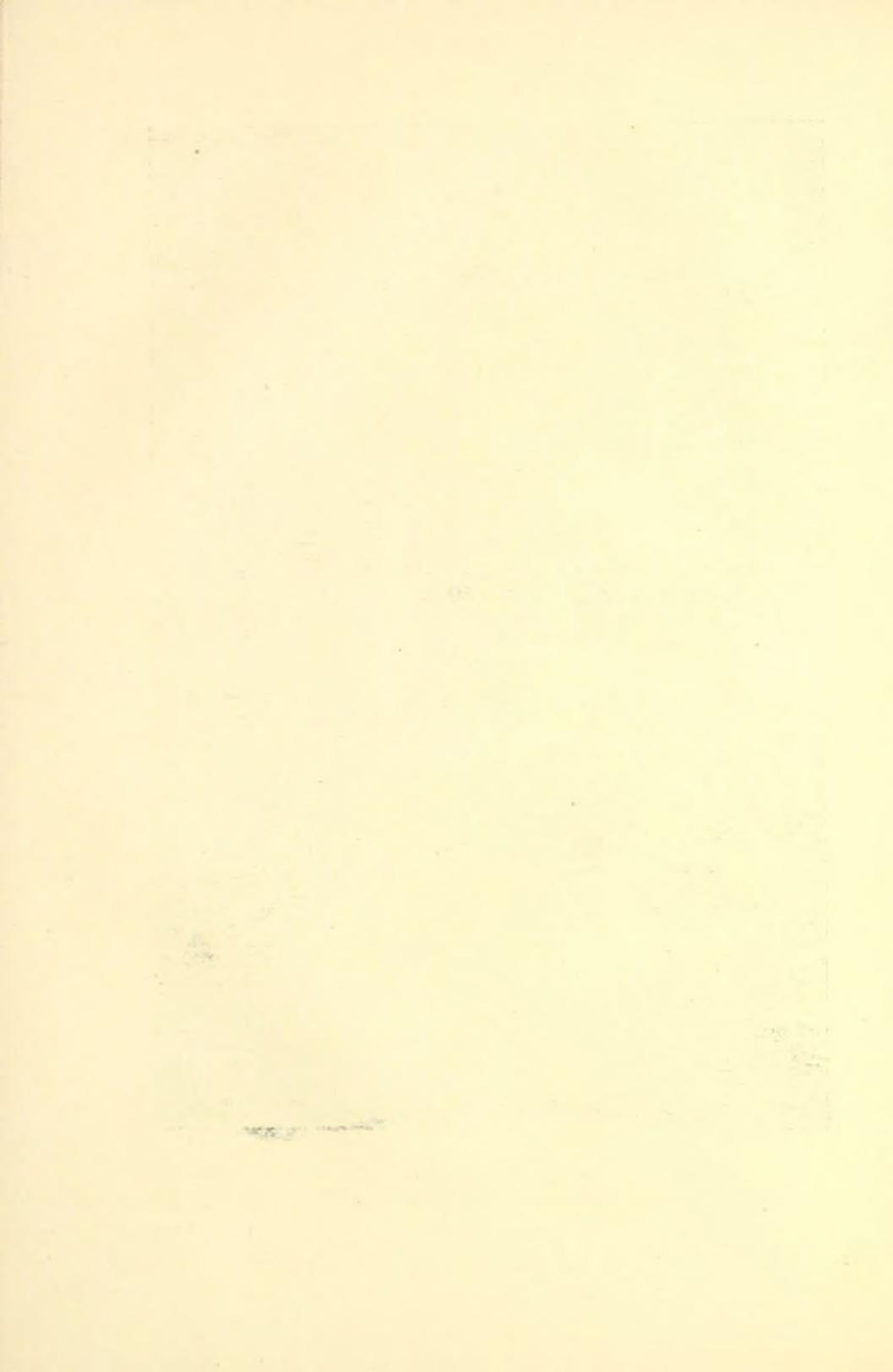
A resolute legislator without reproach.

A notable example of American manhood.

On account of the disagreeably cold and threatening weather the main part of the exercises was held in the spacious auditorium. A large picture of Colonel Harris stood upon an easel at the right



BUST OF WM. A. HARRIS
Washington City Rho '59
Unveiled at Manhattan, Kansas, October 28, 1911



of the stage. It was decorated before the exercises began with the American flag by his faithful negro servant, who had been in the family for nearly twenty years before the colonel's death.

TRIBUTE OF LOVE

The auditorium exercises began with the playing of "America" by the college band. President Waters, who was in charge of the exercises, said:

We have assembled to pay tribute to the memory of a soldier, a statesman and a farmer. It has been given to few men in the world's history to be all these and yet retain the affection of those with whom he was most closely associated.

We are prompted today quite as much by the esteem in which we held William Alexander Harris as by our respect for his achievements, numerous, varied and distinguished as they were. Moreover, this beautiful monument which by these ceremonies will be formally dedicated, is as much a token of love, as of respect.

If this fact could be burned into the inner consciousness of the young men and young women who are to throng this institution in all the coming years, their lives would be greatly enriched.

We appreciate the compliment of having this campus selected as the place on which to erect this memorial; of having our students made its chief beneficiary.

If the young men who come here to be equipped for leadership in the industries and especially in the agricultural pursuits, will learn the large lesson which the life of our departed friend teaches it will be that they must do something besides merely succeed in their particular profession. They must live unselfishly by the "Golden Rule," and must cheerfully and fully discharge their duties to society. They must be good citizens as well as good farmers. They must so live that they will be loved for their characters as well as respected for their achievements.

Colonel J. F. True of Topeka, chairman of the Harris Memorial Fund, was introduced and spoke of Colonel Harris and read the history of his memorable life.

A SHORTHORN BREEDER'S TRIBUTE

B. O. Cowan, secretary of the American Shorthorn Breeder's Association, was given the keenest attention. He said:

After Mr. Harris had assisted as a civil engineer in surveying and locating the branch of the Union Pacific Railroad that runs through Manhattan he found the beautiful tract of land of Linwood, Kansas, that he afterward purchased and on which he built a beautiful home and established that excellent herd of Shorthorns with which stockmen always associate his name. As an intelligent and progressive agriculturist, he had watched with keen interest the progress of Shorthorn cattle under the dominance of Bates blood and the leadership of Bates influence under which were the "boom"

prices of the '70s. But with the introduction of Scotch Shorthorns into the United States, Mr. Harris decided that these sturdy, thick fleshed representatives of the breed better suited to the wants of the farmer, so he made extensive purchases in this line of breeding as the foundation of his herd. But while he preserved Scotch cattle and made them the foundation of his wide and excellent reputation as a breeder of high class cattle, he recognized merit in other blood lines and did not hesitate to buy at liberal prices any good Shorthorn that answered his purpose. He was as quick to condemn the aristocracy of pedigree alone among cattle as the aristocracy of pedigree alone among men.

Mr. Harris assisted in the organization of the American Shorthorn Breeders' Association in 1883 and served on its board of directors for ten years. During the last few years of his life he was employed by the association to promote the interest of Shorthorns by his pen and voice. In the discharge of these duties, he made frequent addresses to various assemblies, but from his own lips I have the statement that it was an audience of agricultural students that he spoke with greatest pleasure to himself.

Great as were Mr. Harris's services to his state and nation, both in the House of Representatives and the Senate, his greatest help to his fellow men has been in the field of improved agriculture and live stock breeding.

A LOVER OF FARM LIFE.

Colonel Harris was a careful student of Nature and a lover of the beauties of agricultural life and to become imbued with his enthusiasm one had only to stroll with him over the beautiful meadows as they existed at Linwood.

It was with the most genuine regret that the Shorthorn breeders of America witnessed the dispersion of this herd in 1896. But the maintenance of the herd seemed to Mr. Harris incompatible with exacting personal attention to the duties of an exalted public service to which the people of Kansas had called him.

Captain J. G. Waters of Topeka, lifelong friend of Senator Harris, began by reciting the following with his well known impressiveness:

No spell shall break his dreamless sleep,
No sound may reach his muffled ear,
Nor passion move him strong and deep,
To cause a smile or force a tear.

He continued:

There can be but one chief purpose in commending this example of the sculptor's art. It is intended to command the attention of men. It shall be a constant suggestion of the sterling character it represents. It is intended that it shall lift the aspiration of others, and imbue them with its example of right living, high purpose and useful life.

Connected with an ancillary to his noble aim is the lesser one of honor to the man, who, by his powers and his usefulness forced himself into un-eroding bronze and compelled us to remember him. This is the meaning of this ceremony today. If the great body of students of this superb seat of learning was not to profit by the scene, the occasion, the people here, the

words spoken here, by this splendid creation of the sculptor and is to take nothing from the life of the dead citizen it is now proposed to honor, it would have been better that the tool had never uncovered this magnificent form. A man's glory should answer only to the call and power of his example. For such ends the bust of Senator Harris is here given the sunlight today.

He was a clean man in thought and action. At every angle of human conduct he was always a gentleman. He kept himself abreast of the great world's acting and doing. Mild and suave in expression, the velvet hid the iron of his determination. He bent no knee nor suffered it in others. The commoner received his respect and attention, and more a potentate could not obtain. His presence was companionship and his conversation profitable. I would call him, not, another Bayard, but rather the more to my wishes and liking, an ideal representative American. His was an old time chivalry. He honored honor. In his kindly heart he held women in the highest esteem. He respected men because he first respected himself. He was the soul of honor. Had he aspired for wealth, he could have died rich, for lucre jingled its purse within reach of his hand.

In these later days, when serious tribunals are investigating the conduct of men who hold high official trusts, it is pleasant to know that the smell of smoke was never on his garments. His palms were never extended upward. His dollars were not burdened by excuse.

This college, of which he was a valued regent, knows to the fullest his practical worth and many of the students will long remember him for the useful information he imparted. Nor this institution alone. The city of Manhattan lay in the path to the Pacific of the great military route that should end the isolation of that far coast and bring California and Oregon within reach of the Nation's protecting arms. He gave his time and talent in securing that road and in building it, and the straggling village became a beautiful city.

The entire company then proceeded to the monument site where with a short address by Senator Taylor the memorial was unveiled.

I now say to this good man, good-by and leave him to the ages. At another time, in another place, answering in my own person my own summons, but few unseen leagues away, I hope to hail him "good morning."

Reprinted from the *Kansas City Star*, Oct. 28.

Edward S. Watts

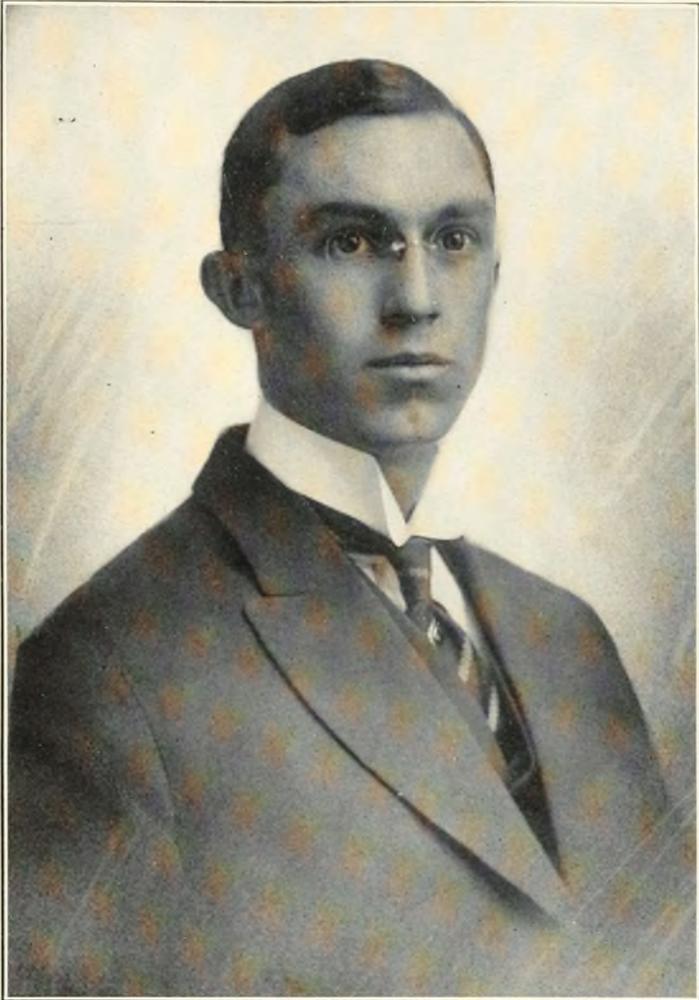
Alabama Mu, '04

By *William Kernan Dart*

A case which was recently decided by the Supreme Court of the United States is that of *Alonzo Bailey v. The State of Alabama*. The case has aroused comment equally with the Standard Oil and Tobacco Trust cases, for it is a case involving the alleged peonage restrictions of some of our Southern states. The particular interest which the case has for the fraternity is the fact that a member of our fraternity fought the battle of the "pawn in the struggle for freedom" as *The American Magazine* puts it. The counsel for the plaintiff in the case was Edward S. Watts, of Montgomery, Alabama, and of Alabama Mu, '04, chapter of $\Sigma A E$.

But before discussing Watts and his career, it is proper that the fraternity should know something of the case of *Bailey v. The State*, which has been in litigation for almost as many years as the curious legal fight made famous by Dicken's wonderful novel.

Early in April, 1908, the wife of Alonzo Bailey, a negro laborer, came to the office of Edward S. Watts, a young attorney of Montgomery, and employed him to free her husband. She stated that Bailey had been arrested and was in jail for violating a "written contract." At a preliminary hearing on April 6, 1908, before B. C. Young, a Justice of the Peace, Watts represented Bailey and Bailey was committed to jail pending the finding of an indictment by the Grand Jury. Even here the constitutionality of the statute, which it was alleged that Bailey had violated, was attacked, but, of course, without result. On April 14 following a writ of habeas corpus was sued out, and at the hearing before Hon. William H. Thomas, Judge of the City Court of Montgomery, it was admitted that at the preliminary hearing before Young only one witness, the general manager of the employer-company, was examined, and that he had testified to the execution of the written contract (which was to render personal services for one year) and to the receipt by Bailey of a consideration therefor, \$15.00, that Bailey had performed satisfactory services under the contract for



EDWARD S. WATTS
Alabama Mu '04

more than a month, and that, without refunding the consideration and while otherwise indebted to the employer, and without being given "just cause," Bailey failed or refused to perform all of the services provided by the contract. It also appeared that there was no testimony by the witness as to any bad faith on the part of Bailey.

The statute had already been before and held valid by the Supreme Court of Alabama on two occasions, viz: *Thomas v. State*, 188 Ala. 77, and *Vann v. State*, 43 Sou. Reporter, 375; 50 Ala. 66.

The statute above referred to was Section 4730 of the Code of Alabama, 1896.

Upon the hearing of the habeas corpus petition the Judge of the City Court denied the habeas corpus writ, holding Bailey in \$150.00 bail, in default of which he was remanded to jail. An appeal was thereupon taken to the Supreme Court of Alabama from the denial of the writ, the invalidity of the statute under both state and federal constitutions being urged, as it had been before the City Court. In an opinion the ruling of the City Court was affirmed in *Bailey v. State*, 158 Ala. 18, the statute was again held constitutional, notwithstanding a vigorous attack made by Watts. Meanwhile Bailey had been continuously held in jail. After this decision Fred S. Ball, another Montgomery attorney, was associated in the case, bail was furnished for Bailey, and a writ of error was sued out and the statute attacked before the Supreme Court of the United States. That court through Mr. Justice Holmes, *Bailey v. Alabama*, 211 U. S. 452, refused to pass upon the merits of the case. Justices Harlan and Day dissenting, and the decision of the Supreme Court of Alabama was affirmed. Afterwards on February 18, 1909, Bailey was tried on an indictment in the City Court of Montgomery, at which trial the constitutionality of the statute was again attacked, again unsuccessfully, by Watts and Ball. They moved to quash the indictment, demurred to it, and insisted on the affirmative charge in favor of the defendant. At this trial, as before, there was only the single witness, Borden, manager of the employer-company. His testimony was, in substance, identically the same as before. There was no other evidence. The motion to quash and the demurrers were overruled and the affirmative charge asked by the defendant was refused and the affirmative charge given in favor of the

State. Whereupon the jury promptly convicted Bailey and he was sentenced to one hundred and thirty-six days at hard labor in lieu of fine and costs. From this conviction an appeal was prosecuted to the Supreme Court of Alabama and the statute again attacked from all of the standpoints theretofore employed, but that court (*Bailey v. State*, 49 Sou. 866) again sustained the statute and affirmed the conviction of Bailey. From the last affirmance of the statute a writ of error was sued out to the Supreme Court of the United States. This and the former writ of error as well as the importance of the question involved had attracted the attention of the Attorney General. On the first writ of error Attorney General Bonaparte filed a brief in the Supreme Court as *amicus curia*. On the second writ of error Attorney General Wickersham, on his report was also permitted to enter the case as *amicus curria* and his assistant, W. R. Harr, Esq., together with Watts, argued the case orally. Briefs were filed by Fred S. Ball, the Attorney General's officer and by Watts. For the State of Alabama the case was presented by Alexander M. Garber, Attorney General, and by his Assistant, Thomas W. Martin.

On January 3rd, 1911, 219 U. S. 219, *Bailey v. Alabama*, the Supreme Court of the United States handed down a decision, Justice Holmes and Lurton dissenting, declaring so much of Sec. 4780, as amended, Code of Alabama, in so far as it makes the refusal or failure to perform the act of service, without refunding the money or paying for the property received, *prima facie* evidence of the commission of crime, which the section defines, in conflict with the XIII Amendment and with the legislation authorized by that Amendment (the peonage statutes U. S. Rev. Stat. Secs. 1990 and 5526; U. S. Comp. Stat. 1901 p. 1266 and 3715), and therefore void. The Court held that it was not necessary to examine into the other questions raised.

The case has, as we have hitherto remarked, been discussed and commented on throughout the Union. It has been compared to the famous cases of Dred Scott and Onesimus. It has been written of in nearly every newspaper in the country; it has been the subject of editorial comment as well. *The American Magazine*, the *Outlook*, and the *Independent Magazine* have made it the subject of special articles. The dean of the Pennsylvania Law School has analyzed and discussed it in his notes.

The average type of criticism made of the decision is exemplified by the following extract from the *American Magazine* (September, 1911):

"Thus in the Bailey case, another legal barrier to the progress of the negro has been broken down. The decision, however, is no final panacea. Neither individual men or races rise merely by decisions or laws. While so many negroes are densely ignorant and poverty stricken, and while so many white men are short-sighted enough to take advantage of this ignorance and poverty, so long will forms of slavery prevail, but another bar has been placed in the way of the strong white man who would take advantage of the weaker colored man. A little less slavery is possible in this world!"

The young attorney who won this notable victory was borne June 5th, 1882, in Montgomery. Prior to the Civil War, his ancestors were among the largest slave holders of Alabama. His father was Thomas H. Watts, of Montgomery. His grandfather was also a Thomas H. Watts. The grandfather was Colonel of an Alabama regiment in the Confederacy, subsequently Attorney General of the Confederate States, and Confederate Governor of Alabama during the war. His mother was Johnese B. Eddins of Tuscaloosa, Ala.

It will be seen that Watts is descended from those who have been accustomed to rule the negro, and who are now using all their efforts to develop his barbarism into a more efficient civilization.

Watts was graduated from the University of Alabama Law School in June, 1904, and was admitted to the bar shortly afterward. It was while at this university that he became a member of our mother chapter. In September, 1904, he took a post-graduate course in the law at Columbia University, and began active practice in 1905. He was county attorney of Montgomery, Alabama, from 1908 until a few months ago when he resigned from this office. He is also a member of the Alabama Epileptic Commission, appointed by the governor to establish an Epileptic Commission in Alabama.

He was married on November 4, 1908, to Miss Virginia Tyson Norwood, of Montgomery, and he is now the father of an infant son, Joseph Norwood Watts.

Such is the career of Brother Watts epitomized. He has started out in his life career with rather more success than is meted out to the average young lawyer, but it is all the more indication of greater things to come.

A Letter From an S. A. E. Explorer

Rudolph M. Anderson

Iota Beta, '05

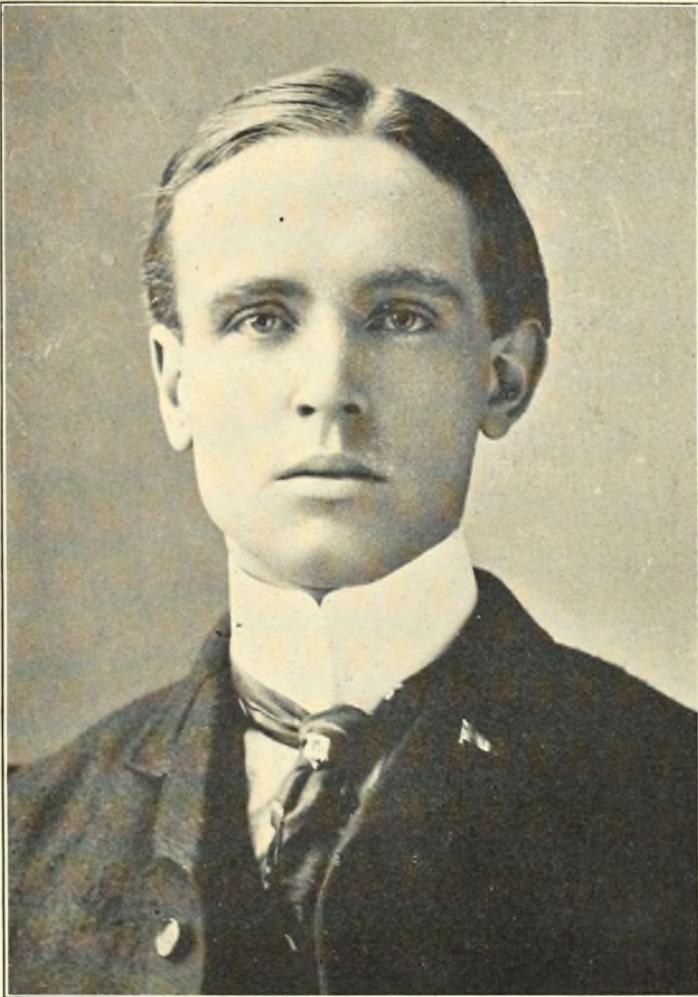
DEAR BROTHER TEETERS:

I was very much grieved to learn through letters from Brothers Rule and Riley last summer that Mrs. Teeters has passed away. She certainly was one of the best friends that the boys of Iowa Beta ever had, and I perhaps realize the loss more than any of the others, because she was a good friend of mine long before the Iowa Chapter had an existence. We all mourn, and you have our sincerest sympathy.

I believe that I am indebted to you for the only two letters received from Σ A E brethren this year (they got my address from you), and also for the annual chapter letter and banquet menu card. The latter made me long to see some of "the old bunch"—now pretty well scattered. I am glad to learn that the chapter is prospering. It makes me feel like a "granddad" to read the long roll of underclassmen I never heard of before.

My last year was not very fruitful, except in experience. As I wrote you from Herschel Island, in August, 1909, Stefansson had gone east on the "Karluk" while I was storm bound down the coast, had transferred to "Rosie H.," a little schooner which had wintered in the Arctic the year before, and been landed at Cape Parry with two Eskimos. From there he had taken the umiak (33 ft. skin boat) to Langton Bay, and hunted inland from there with good success, getting thirty-two caribou and three brown bears within a month. My party had to sail the whaleboat from Herschel Island through the Mackenzie Delta in August and September and caché it for the winter east of Richard Island. We traveled by sled along the coast to Baillie Island, Langton Bay, and Cape Parry, meeting Sefansson on Franklin Bay in November. Spent most of winter

This letter was received by Professor Wilbur J. Teeters, (Ohio Sigma, '93), at the University of Iowa. The letter was dated Langton, Bay, N. W. T., Canada, December 11, 1910 and was received by Brother Teeters October, 1911. Brother Anderson received the degree of Bachelor of Philosophy in 1903, and the degree of Doctor of Philosophy in 1906. He was captain of the Iowa track team for two years and holds the University record in the low hurdles.



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Arctic Explorer

around Cape Parry and shedded back to the Mackenzie in March and April, in company with the same "Jimmy" (Memoganna) who accomplished Captain Rosel Amundson across the Endicott Mountains to Ft. Yukon, Alaska, in 1905 and 1906 with news of the accomplishment of the "N. W. Passage." We had a hard trip, found no game, and lived nine days on seal oil soaked up in tea-grounds, seal-skin boat materials, also one fox and one ptarmigan, with twelve people in the party from Baillie Island. We were short of dogs, too, and had to help pull the sled through soft snow.

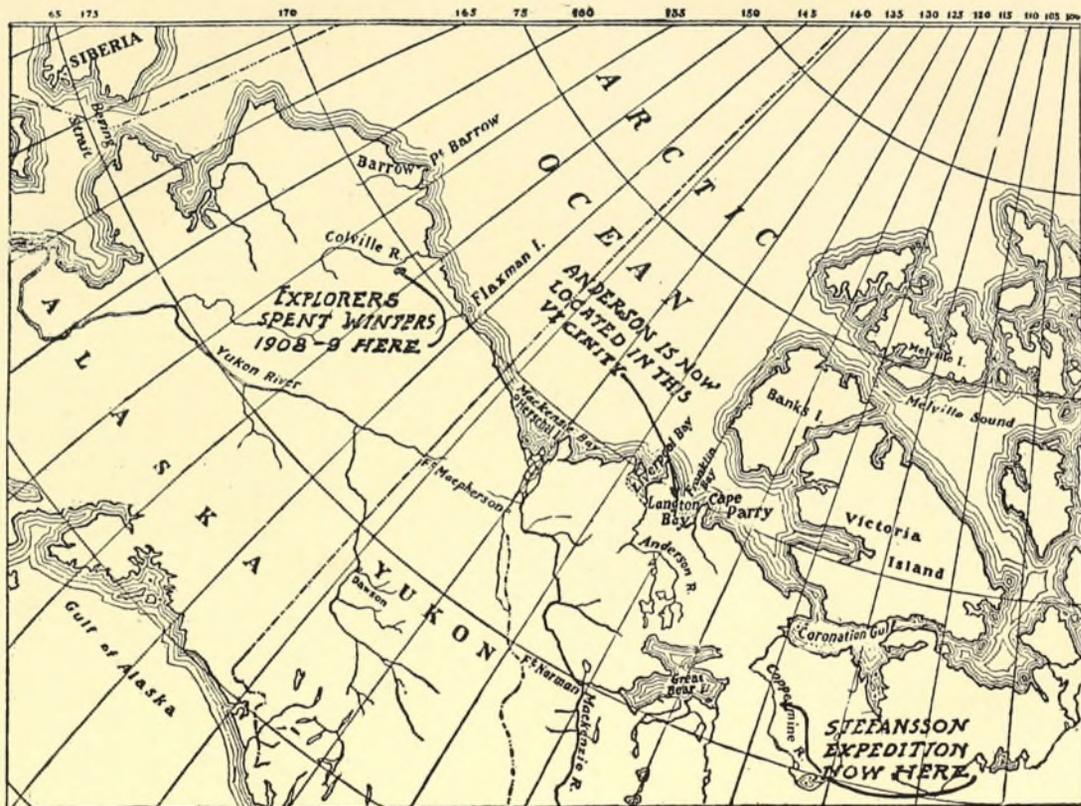
Mr. Stefansson, with all our native employees, had remained at Langton Bay, preparing for a sled trip to the eastward of Cape Lyon, hoping if possible to reach the Coppermine River region and return by sled before the ice broke in June. I was obliged to forego this trip, in order to look after our stuff on the Mackenzie. If Stefansson should not get back before fall, we should have to spend another year in the Arctic and would need certain consignments of ammuniton, fish-nets, photographic supplies which we failed to receive the summer before, and were supposed to be lying at Herschel Island. If possible, I was to bring everything to Baillie Island with an Eskimo assistant. I took whaleboat through east branch of Mackenzie and up Peel River to Ft. McPherson, and to Herschel Island later through west branch of Mackenzie. Boarded Steam-whaler "Herman" August 8th, (only one ship came east of Point Barrow), and cruised to Baillie Island and off West coast of Banks Land nearly to Cape Kellet.

Transferred all my stuff at sea to schooner "Rosie H." off Smoky Mountains, on Franklin Bay. Captain Wolki, an old friend of ours, who wintered at Flaxman Island in 1908-09, and at Booth Island in 1909-10, gave me letters brought back from Cape Lyon, April 25, 1909, in which Stefansson stated that he was about to start east from there with three Eskimos, and one sled. The other native, Ilavimik, had come back from Cape Lyon to look after the stuff at Langton Bay, and was expected to meet me with the big canoe at Baillie Island, in case Stefansson did not return before fall. Nothing further had been heard of either Stefansson or Ilavimik. Captain Wolki went back to Baillie Island, where he is wintering, unloaded his stores, and we cruised out for whales again. A big bowhead whale was killed August 24th off Cape Bathurst, but before

we were through cutting in the "whalebone" (1800 lbs. worth \$5.00 per lb.), a nor'easter had driven us nearly the whole length of Franklin Bay. Another blow forced the schooner to take refuge in the harbor, just where I wanted to land, as all our other stuff was stored in an old house there. The schooner sailed out August 30th, leaving me to play Robinson Crusoe alone until September 9th, when Ilavimik and family arrived with my boat. He had not gone to Baillie Island, because there had been too many head winds; he had expected ships to come to Langton Bay (which they had never done before in years), that no whalers would come to Baillie Island; anyhow; that he wanted to hunt for summer caribou skins. Other reasons ad. lib. He and the boy had killed forty-seven caribou (all good short haired summer skins—the only kind suitable for clothing) and had dried a few hundred pounds of meat and fat.

The evening after the ship left, I went hunting up the coast, and found the whale carcass had drifted within three miles of our house. A polar bear was feeding on the blubber, and I succeeded in bagging the animal by a single bullet. November 10th we killed three more polar bears at the same place. Soon after Ilavimik arrived we cut off a boatload of whale blubber and muk tok (black skin), over a ton and put it into the ice house, thus ensuring a winter's supply of excellent dog-food. With dogs provided for, half of the winter's "grub-rustling" was done. I had bought a small bill of supplies from the Herman (20 sacks flour, 100 lbs. cornmeal, 50 lbs. rice, 50 lbs. sugar—all the ship could spare), but inadequate if Stefansson should return, which would mean nine people to feed.

In September and October we "packed" across the Melville mountains to Horton River, and killed eight caribou and a barren ground (brown) bear, besides numerous ptarmigan. We could shoot all the latter we wanted, but shotgun ammunition is heavy to pack, when a single rifle bullet may bring in 200 pounds of caribou meat, or 600 pounds of bear. October 3rd, we returned to Langton Bay, and killed three seals and five wolves. October 28th to November 9th were occupied by a trip to Cape Lyon around shores of Dennley Bay, by Ilavimik and myself. We made a caché of food and dog-food at Cape Lyon as Stefansson had requested us to do if he failed to return before fall. He did not know at that



MAP TO SHOW THE REGION VISITED BY THE MUSEUM'S ARCTIC EXPEDITION.

time whether he would return along the coast, or follow the treeline west from the Coppermine River. As it happened he did neither. After the Cape Lyon trip we made a week's jaunt to the southern part of the Parry Peninsula to look for caribou, but found none. We hooked several hundred tomood (small fish), none over one-half pound, through the holes in the ice while camping on east side of Langton Bay.

While here at Langton Bay we have been trapping foxes very successfully. The fresh whale's carcass at our very door attracts white foxes from miles around, and we have caught fifty-seven up to date. One has to look at traps here every day, as the terrific local blizzards soon uncover traps, and only about one day in three is a "lucky day." The white fox skin is the standard of value in the Arctic—last summer they brought ten dollars each at Nome, and six dollars at Baillie Island. The "Rosie H's" schedule last winter was two foxskins—one sack of flour, or one foxskin—thirteen plugs Navy Five (a little over two pounds) tobacco. If a trapper is lucky he may catch a silver gray fox, a beautiful animal which will bring \$150.00 either from the H. B. Co. or a whaling captain.

Of course all my "catch" is made into scientific specimens but our "Injuns" trap on shares for fur. This helps pay part of their wages. If the employer hires them to trap exclusively for him, and takes all, very little of anything is brought in. Human nature is much the same the world over.

On December 3rd, Mr. Stefansson, in company with Natkushiat ("Billy") and "Johnny" Sanderson, a Slavey Indian half-breed, arrived at Langton Bay from Great Bear Lake, where he has winter quarters near the mouth of Deare River (Franklin's old Fort Confidence not far away.) They had crossed the Barren Grounds to Norton River (a large river hitherto unexplored except near its mouth) and descended it until opposite Langton Bay. The maps only indicate this river as a small creek flowing into the west side of Franklin Bay. The more I move about in the north, the less reverence I have for the geographies. Their maps are pretty, and apparently complete, but, as Josh Billings said, "it is better not to know too much, than to know too many things that ain't so."

Stefansson had made a phenomenally successful sled trip, leaving Cape Lyon late in April, visited Victoria Land, Coronation

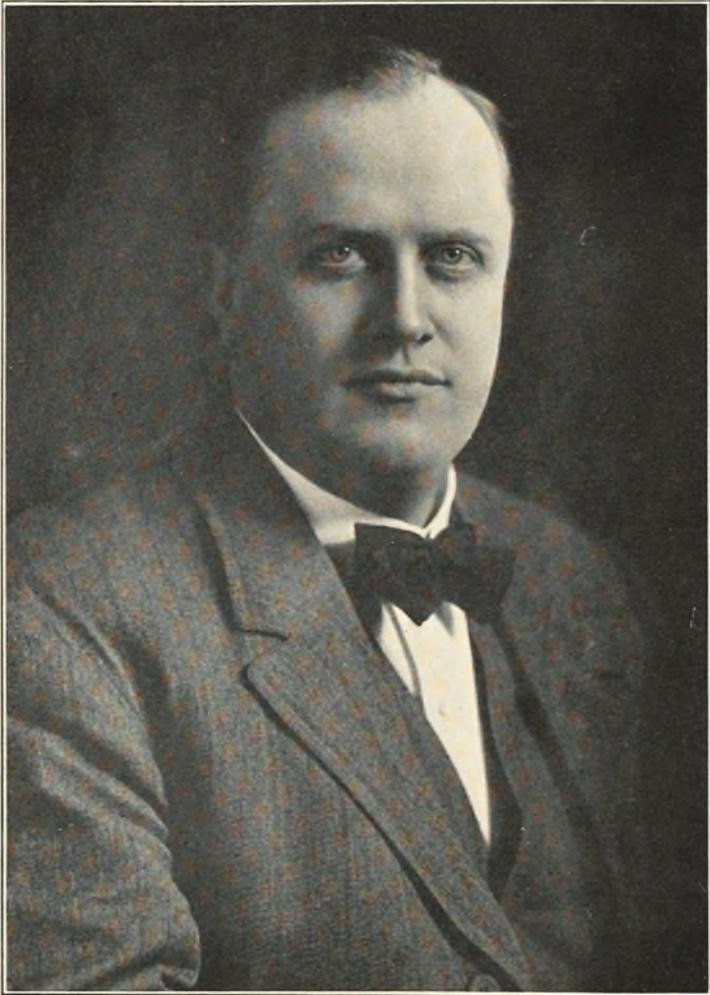
Gulf, and ascended some distance up the Coppermine River before the ice broke out. Then they packed "inland" to Deare River, Great Bear Lake, etc., living in the country all summer. He found numbers of hitherto unknown Eskimos in a region supposed to be uninhabited—people who had never seen a white man, have few iron implements and still hunt caribou with bow and arrow, and seal with the spear. A fine ethnological collection was obtained, and some extremely interesting facts were learned. That is his story, however, and synopsis will probably appear in *Bulletins of American Geographical Society*, and *American Museum Journal*.

We (Stefansson, Billy, Johnny, and myself) expect to start for Great Bear Lake in a day or two, and hope to send out mail by the Mackenzie winter mail, via Fort Norman. Expect the trip will take about twenty days. Later in the winter or early spring we expect to make an extended sled trip to the Coppermine River, Coronation Gulf, (perhaps further), and return along the coast, reaching Langton Bay again in May. Traveling along that coast is good after May 1st as plenty of seal are seen on top of ice at that season, and bears (white and brown) are abundant. If we are at all lucky, we hope to secure specimens enough to demonstrate two species of brown bears from this region; one *Ursus Richardsonii* (barren ground bear), and the other probably undescribed.

It is not remotely inconceivable that we may fail to get back to Baillie Island in time to meet the whaling ships, or ships may not come, although the talk last summer was that many ships would resume whaling. In either event, we may be detained in the Arctic for another year. If you get this letter before June 1st, 1911, I would be pleased to have you write me, addressing Baillie Island, Arctic Ocean, Canada, via San Francisco, Calif., and Barrow, Alaska. Mark letter "Please forward." Please inform "der bunch" of my whereabouts—some of the old timers may feel an inclination to write. If I get letters at all next summer, it will be in August, two or three months before I can reach the States by ship.

Yours sincerely,

RUDOLPH M. ANDERSON.



FREDERICK L. TAFT
Ohio Sigma '89

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By *Wm. Kernan Dart*

HIS name is Taft, and he is from Ohio. He also is entitled to use the prefix Judge when he so desires. Likewise he is a president, but not *the President*. And supplementary to all of these honors, he is said to be one of the brightest attorneys in Cleveland, Ohio.

He signs himself Frederick L. Taft, and he was born in Trumbull County, Ohio, December 1st, 1870. A kinsman of his now occupies the White House at Washington. But he does not rest in the reflected aureole of William H. Taft, and his laurels have all been won through his own ability. In 1886 he was graduated from the Newton Falls, Ohio, high school, from whence he entered Mt. Union College.

At Mt. Union soon after his matriculation, he was initiated into $\Sigma A E$ by Ohio Sigma chapter, that chapter which has on its rolls the signatures of William McKinley, and other eminent American citizens. He received his academic diploma in 1899 from Mt. Union College.

Immediately thereafter, he entered the Cincinnati Law School, and on his twenty-first birthday he was admitted to the Ohio bar. He took up the practice of law in Cleveland, and in 1898 was appointed assistant county solicitor of Cuyahoga County, which position he filled for three years. He resigned it in 1901 that he might devote himself more ardently to the general practice of law.

A vacancy occurred on the common pleas bench of Ohio in 1906, and Taft was appointed to the position. He served through the unexpired term, and at the conclusion of his service became a partner in the law firm of Smith, Taft & Arter in Cleveland. This firm engages in a very large general practice, and is composed of five partners.

His position at the bar of Cleveland is one assured prominence, and he is in addition an influential factor in the politics of his state.

At the recent meeting of the Ohio Bar Association, he was elected

its president. This is the greatest individual tribute that can be awarded by a body of lawyers to a contemporary, and is one which is most appreciated when bestowed by one's fellows. Judge Taft is also vice-president for the State of Ohio of the American Bar Association, another honor of dignity and prestige.

His Alma Mater has also honored her successful son. He is now a member of the Board of Trustees of Mt. Union College, the sort of honor which every alumnus most desires from his mother college.

At the present time Taft is the father of three sons and a daughter. His wife and family form a charming circle.

Politically Taft is a Republican. He was chairman of the 21st Congressional Committee in 1896, and of the Republican City and County Executive Committees in 1897. He was a member of the State Central Committee in 1900, and has been many times a delegate to Republican county and state conventions. In 1908 he was a delegate to the Chicago National Republican Convention, which nominated Taft and Sherman.

We can not more appropriately close this brief sketch than in the words of a recent article of the *Ohio Law Bulletin*: "We have briefly told the story of a busy life. Mr. Taft is a young man to be chosen to the honorable position of the presidency of the Ohio Bar Organization; but it is worthily bestowed and reflects credit upon the State Bar Association. The Bulletin congratulates both the new president and the bar association."

When a "Good Man" Goes

William Allen White in the Emporia Gazette.

A FEW weeks ago there died in a Kansas town a man in his late forties who, twenty years ago, was considered one of the coming men of the town. He was a mighty smart young man. He was too smart—that was the trouble. He thought he was smarter than the Lord. So he dabbled with the rules of the game. He put his toe over the dead line once or twice and it didn't fall off, so he thought that was easy and put his whole foot over. So he packed up and walked across. He didn't drop dead. So he concluded that the Lord wasn't on his job. Of course, folks talked; but they said he was a smart fellow, an opinion which he shared himself. Prosperity smiled on him. He won every case he took. He was brilliant and industrious and had a way with him, and so his wife left him and the woman who thought she was going to get him found that he could fool the women as well as the Lord. And that affair was over. Of course, the church people and the goody-goodies were excited; but who cares for them, when the Lord isn't working? If the people of the town didn't like his gait, they could lump it, he said.

He was the best dressed man in town, and made connection with the fellows who did things in politics at Topeka. So when, by a combination in the county convention he got the nomination for the legislature, and took his oratory out on the schoolhouse circuit, he denounced the mudslingers and character assassins who were bringing up his old domestic trouble, and by weeping a few copious lines in the schoolhouses, got the country vote, lost his own ward and went to the legislature. There he was "on the inside." He got a good committee and was a leader of the group of politicians who put things through with a rush in the last end of the session. Thus he came to have a little reputation outside of his home county, and went into state politics. The Lord still seemed to be thinking of something else, and his scandal with the young woman who went down to Topeka from a neighboring town during the legislature, had begun to smell pretty rank.

And, some way, the bright young man couldn't come to the next state convention except on a proxy, and he couldn't find even a proxy to get him into the convention after that. Moreover, most of his practice was in adjoining counties.

Some way, at home the juries refused to weep and his creditors annoyed him. He got interested in a number of stock propositions that didn't pan out, and sold out to some of his friends. He acquired a bad reputation at the bank and changed bankers. He owed a lot of bills around town and spots appeared on his fancy vests. But he was having a fine time and when business was dull, he would go away—some said to Kansas City, others to St. Joe—and come back rather the worse for wear. After every big lawsuit he would lock himself in his office and corn up; and for a day or two would go about looking frowsy and bad; then take a brace, get hold of himself, buy some new clothes and, after having himself barbered and massaged, he would appear on the streets looking as fair as a May morning; but he had a faraway look that made people distrust him. But he wasn't punished. The Lord apparently wasn't keeping books on him. It didn't seem to cost him much to lie to women, so he tried it on men and was known as a mighty slick proposition. He gave his note freely, kited his checks from bank to bank; kept within the law, and if a victim squirmed, the victim was told to test the matter in the courts.

And so the years wore on. Women couldn't fool him, so he did not marry; he knew when he was having a good time, and as he passed his fortieth birthday his face grew hard, his eyes shifty and cruel, his hand a bit unsteady at times and his friends distrustful. They said he was smart as chain lightning and they had about the same feeling of security toward him that they had for chain lightning. For he was just as treacherous. He was indorsed for a high appointive office, but his old trouble came up and was turned down. An equity in the best proposition he had went to satisfy a debt, because he could not raise any money at either bank; he finally married and the town smiled and his clothes wrinkled and bagged, and he shaved only twice a week. Then he grew cross and mean after his sprees, and made enemies. He appeared more or less in police court lawsuits, and his outside-of-the-county practice

gradually dropped, for he was found once or twice on both sides of a lawsuit.

So, in the wagonette, riding to the graveyard, the pallbearers didn't really have much to say about him. Each was afraid to speak what was in his heart for fear the others would repeat it. They planted him both wide and deep, and rode home in a happy frame of mind, talking of something else. And when his estate was figured up it was found in the Big Book that he had neither friends nor a good name; that he died a stranger in a strange land, in the very town of his birth; that he blackened whatever he touched, and that the only tears that were shed for him were by a woman who did not come to the funeral—the first wife, who remembered him in his youth, when he was clean and full of vision, before he said in his heart, "There is no God."

The newspaper containing his obituary came to the *Gazette* office this week. The article was headed, "A Good Man Gone"—a true caption; but he went twenty years ago when he poked his toe across the dead line and found it did not hurt. But now that it is all over may we not ask: in the contest between the Lord and Old Jim—did Jim fool the Lord, or did the Lord fool Jim? It is a question that young men, who think they can beat the game, should consider seriously.

Korea

By *F. E. S. Williams**

Colorado Zeta, '06.

KOREA as this land was called before it was annexed to Japan, is that finger of land which points south-east off the eastern shore of Asia. In length it is over 1,000 miles and in width from 200 to 300 miles. The climate varies from cold Manchurian weather in the north to hot and sultry in the south. There are no very large valleys, but the hills on every side have fields running almost to their tops. Up to two or three years ago most of the roads were only foot paths through the fields, for the natives never used wagons or carts, but always carried loads either on their backs by means of a gigie (pack carrying rack) or put them on the backs of cows or pack horses. There are the four seasons of the year as in America and in addition the rainy and dry seasons. The whole country is used for agricultural pursuits and very little manufacturing was carried on until recently. The country is noted for the good rice produced which is the staple article of food. Beans, barley, millet, wheat and a few other grains are cultivated on the higher lands. All of the people smoke tobacco and it is all raised here. If the natives did not cut the trees so fast, there would be plenty of timber, but as it is, the hills are barren or covered with a pine growth only five to ten feet high. There is good coal here but as the Korean does not use stoves he needs the wood to heat the mud floors of his home. There are many kinds of fruit in their wild state and in many places there are all kinds of flowers from early spring until late fall. Those of us who are introducing western plants and trees are having good success and so in a few years old Korea will not be recognized.

The people may be seen from early morn until late at night in the fields and on the hills at work. They always dress in white cotton (or what was once white). The hat is made of horse hair and except for mourning is colored black. This hat is no protection

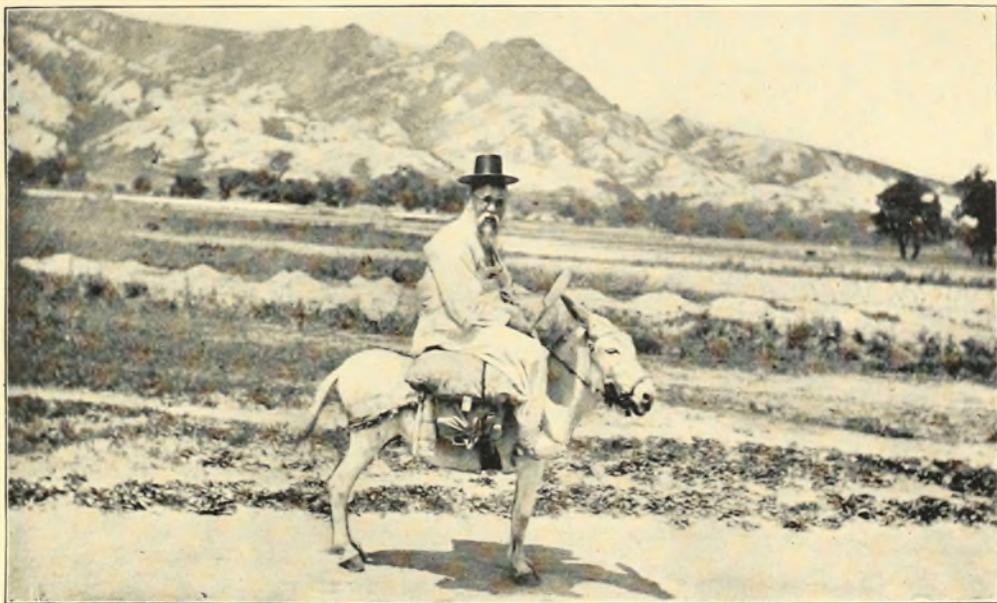
*Brother Williams is now engaged in missionary work in Korea.—Editor.

from the sun or rain, but must be protected from the rain by an oiled paper funnel shaped cap which every Korean carries when he takes a day's journey. The shoes are generally made of straw and are a kind of sandal that can be slipped off when entering the house. The trousers are very baggy being tied at the ankle and belted around the waist. The houses are always grouped in villages even though the farmer may be obliged to go a mile or so to his work. There are certain places where market is held every five days, and old and young go to market when ever they can. Here they buy and sell trinkets, cloth, paper, tobacco, and many other articles which the market peddlers have with them; and the farmers barter in farm produce. The peddlers go around the circuit of five market places giving one day to each and repeat this year in and year out. There are different days for different circuits but every market has a market every five days. There are many things too which can only be purchased on market days.

The houses are built of small timbers for the frame work and the sides lathed with corn stalks fastened by straw rope and then all is plastered with mud. The roofs are of thatched rice straw or of tile. There are three classes of people, the gentleman, the middle class and the low or working class. The class distinction used to be strictly kept, but is gradually being done away with.

The principle vices are concubinage, drinking of wheat wine, gambling, and early marriage. Early marriage has been and still is one of the greatest evils to fight against. Boys of twelve to fourteen are married to girls of the same age, but more often the young boys are married to older girls and young girls are married to older men. Thus we have so many weak men from the former and early aged women from the latter. The people are very ignorant. Not more than sixty per cent of these twelve to fifteen millions can read or write their own native script. They are very poor and always live up to, and if possible, beyond their last cent. No matter how poor a man is he must have two things—one, a fine wedding, and the other, an expensive burial. Many a man goes in debt so heavily when his boys are married, that he never gets out. His sons then go in debt to pay for their

father's funeral and are kept busy paying it off until their sons are ready to get married. For this reason in some families there is one continual round of debt. The women are very superstitious and most of the religion outside of ancestral worship, is carried on by the women, and is neither Buddhism nor Confucianism but Devil worship.



A KOREAN GENTLEMAN

Rushing in The Fifties

By *J. H. Field*

Tennessee Nu, '59

IN articles heretofore contributed I presented the principles pervading and elevating the fraternity in the early days. Suppose now, that I generalize less, and deal more in particulars and the common places.

The persons who solicited membership in Σ A E were critically studied, and were thoroughly known before their names were presented for consideration. If recommended, then it was that they became the objects of exceeding attention. Companionship was advisedly entered into with them, and often incurred a phase of solicitude in their behalf that excited their wonder.

One petitioner for membership, told me his experience. It was related something after the following manner:

"I was shown so much attention that I inferred that I was becoming very popular, and queried of myself—'why am I becoming so important that my fellow students seek my company with such an interest and assiduity. They have, after so long a time, found me out; they know, now, that I am a fit associate; why could they not see this before? I suppose they have heard something good of me from the school I formerly attended. No, that is not it, they have simply been so dull that they could not discover that I was a superior boy; what a pity one of such excellent parts, and of such promise, has to be associated with much ignoramuses!"

This same young man was invited one night to a college entertainment, called a "possum supper," and this, for the purpose of discovering how he would behave under the intimate influences there in vogue. Then and there he ate greedily, discarded knife and fork, using his fingers. One Σ A E (appointed before-hand for the purpose) took the floor, apologizing super-abundantly to him, to the effect, that the "manager of ceremonies" had carelessly failed to provide him with knife and fork. (Both knife and fork were conspicuously at his plate). He replied, "that the boss had evidently performed his duties," and after a somewhat profuse

acknowledgement of his ignorance, continued by saying—"I will be the more obliged if you will show me how these implements are used." Another host arose and said, "As our guest has eaten voraciously, I desire to state that we board at the same place and I know he is ill fed." The guest immediately arose and defended himself by replying—"I dislike to reflect upon the dead and gone, but the fact is, my carnivorous excess must be ascribed to the o-possum, for I was raised in the latitude of the Didelphis Virginiana, (opossum) and I have the common appetite and craving for the luscious meat of this animal." After the boy reached his room that night, he thought to himself, as he afterward told me—"well, I have gotten among the most squemish set of fools I have ever met with."

After several days he sent invitations to the students who had entertained him requesting their presence, at a time named, to attend an opossum supper. When the evening arrived, the table groaned under sumptuous supplies. The host said—"gentlemen, I desire that you walk into supper. There are no knives and forks so you must eat with your fingers, for knives and forks are sticklers. I especially desire that you pitch in medias res, and eat in every direction, remembering your fingers have an appetite as well as your stomachs; let them feel that they have caught the possum. and while you ravenously eat. I will undertake to make merry with a song." Accordingly, while the banquet was in progress the host stepped forward and sang a wholesome possum melody known as "Dat Possum." It was rich, rare, and racy. It was highly entertaining. He sang in the negro dialect and the song was so well rendered, caused so much merriment, that another was demanded. He readily entered into the spirit of the feast singing another song, the name of which I have forgotten, but the subject matter was, "why the Eskimo licks his fingers after dipping them into the oil of the seal." Such glee as followed is not fully expressed in the saying—"it brought down the house." One guest proposed a resolution to the effect that knives and forks be and hereby are forever discarded and abolished. The motion prevailed.

Next day, several Σ A Es discussing the banquet, and Mr. ———, the host, agreed that he was a liberal entertainer, free hearted, jolly, witty, social, and knew how to pander to the tastes of his

company. It was then agreed that the committee having in charge the matter of reporting on him, should design a scheme to test his temper. Pursuant thereto, one member met him, and after bidding him the time of day, added, "You look splendid." The answer was, "I thank you." Quickly, another met him, accosting him with, "You look very badly." He answered, "Yes, it is natural I should." A few minutes elapsed, and a third met him with the remark, "You look so handsome today." "That is not out of the ordinary, and a possum would just fix me all right," he responded. A fourth met him only a few moments later, saying, "My dear sir, you must feel very wretched, for you look like the devil." He replied very quickly, "I am very happy, my friend and cousin that you recognize me in my true colors; for I am he—the very old fellow himself. Our relationship is established, and you will acknowledge it promptly hereafter. We have much in common and can become ready coadjutors. Others in your family, your fraternity brothers, have oily tongues, very glib in flattery, for they have just assured me that I look so handsome and so well; but you bestow on me, in terms of fact, the real truth. In good fellowship—I like you, brother devil."

The committee met in council and pondered. This boy has a fine fellow feeling, good temper, does not get mad with rough handling, but is spicy and clever. The committee wondered if he were brave hearted, since he was so pleasantly evasive under taunts. They determined to ask some questions, and first he was asked about duelling. He answers quickly as usual—"I would admire and approvingly commend the practice but for one thing, and that is, it falls short of proper effect; but one in a duel rarely gets killed, when two fools are ten paces apart looking down gun barrels; both should be killed and give the world a happy riddance of both. The members of the committee agreed that this comment sounded very badly, but that at a later date, they would apply another personal test.

They now determine to ascertain his intellectual qualifications. He stands well in his studies, but how does he stand in the literary society to which he belongs. Fortunately a member of the committee is a member of the same society and informs the committee that he is a good debater, possesses an appreciative perception,

comprehends the point in issue quickly, and sustains his side with argument and skill.

The committee agrees to inquire about his sense of honor. They discover that he is just in his dealings, is fair in his opinion, and clean in his transactions. He is truthful in all respects; his habits are good, he does not drink, but smokes cigars which habit he has asserted, "redounds to my glory and happiness, for it glorifies my life and transports me to the land of dreams, where all my social inspirations are born. A cigar brings halcyon rest, in fact, I believe that the Gods only associate with the smoker."

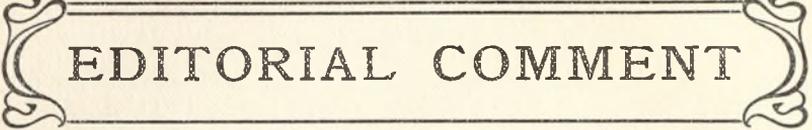
The committee, in toto, and simultaneously, exclaim—"so far, so good." One of the committee asks if any one of them knows what he thinks of women? Another member speaking, said, "I asked him that question in a conversation several days ago, and he answered—'I regard her as the higher type of the human, and at her feet I concede every thing—what she demands and what she does not demand—in fact—I worship her; but let me tell you—not long ago my sweetheart jilted me and I am in no condition to deal with this subject, in extenso, at this time.'"

The committee concluded that his reticence and failure to exalt woman to the sphere to which she belongs is excusable at this juncture of his affairs. Does any one know the style or character of books he likes best to read? A member replies—"I felt of him also on that subject and his response was—"my mother for so many years drilled me and pounded me and coaxed me and expended so much time in elucidating the Bible to me that I finally came to like and prefer it. Now, it is to my taste, not only from inculcation, but the natural barriers all broken down, I can see and do love its beauties and teachings; and besides, as I said, I can ever see mother between the lines. Shakespeare is next and if I am to tell you why, it would take my whole lift to have you know! Shelley pleases intellectual taste, gives so many objectives to reason and wears in the mind a channel for logic which we all need so much. I also like philosophical reading; but when I get on a high horse, with a cigar in my mouth, and feel like revelling among exotics, breathing perfume not native, I then take up Byron and soar away to the skies."

The committee seemed satisfied, one wanted to know his attitude towards music. The members were a unit, however, and

decided to have him voice himself upon the subject. So, one of them was appointed to interview him. The interview had, report was made, as follows—"I addressed the question relative to music and he answered, 'I love music dearly, it is a passion with me, it was inherited and constantly cultivated by its ever being in the air. In doors, members of the family, one or more of them, were ever at the piano, accompanied with other instruments or with song. Out of doors, the coons were making the air lively and vibrative with melodies. I seemed to take more kindly to the coon music, for it kept my heart dancing all the time. Music is necessary to man, it is an element in his make up, all nations and races indulge it, and in a style peculiar to themselves. The African transplanted to this country and living among the whites for over an hundred years, suffers no change in his idiomatic style. Man is perturbed, is racked by the monotony of his humdrum life, and requires that he have an ear open to the introduction of sounds that will harmonize the discordant, and that will expel from his composition the diabolical. The songs of the coon brought more riches to the South than their muscle ever did. I have a coon vein in me that's a panacea against all evil. When evils haunt me, I simply touch a key of coon memories and the goblins fly.'

The committee accepted the report and agreed to report his case favorably.



EDITORIAL COMMENT

Several chapters have taken advantage of the trial subscription to *THE RECORD* which was outlined in the preceding issue. If you are an alumnus of one of these chapters you will receive the December issue. There is a two-fold purpose in making such an exceptional offer. First, we desire each chapter to keep in touch with its alumni members. Second, we hope to secure them as subscribers to *THE RECORD*.

Trial
Subscriptions

Our purpose then, is a worthy one—and you dear brother, are expected to show your approval—by becoming a permanent subscriber.

Nearly four thousand copies of the December *RECORD* have been sent to members of the Fraternity—and—we are rather inclined to believe, that we are rapidly procuring one of the largest subscription lists in the fraternity world. It is not our desire to appeal to one's loyalty, for we are striving to produce a magazine which will interest both active and alumni members. Though of course, Love for Σ A E and the desire to keep the memories of college days ever fresh, play an important part in deciding to subscribe to *THE RECORD*. Therefore, we are sanguine of success and request that all subscriptions be sent to the editor or to the business manager. The proper address will be found in the fraternity directory in this issue.

Before the March issue of *THE RECORD* appears nearly every alumni association will observe Founders' Day. On these occasions, fraternity spirit is present in abundance. The older members, with their "glad rags," perhaps reluctantly, saunter to the banquet board, begrudging the price of a ticket. The younger men, fresh from college, eager and buoyant with youth, soon make an atmosphere of activity—and before you can say Jack Robinson—you would find it

Founders' Day
Celebrations

difficult to distinguish the old from the young. The enthusiasm is catching; college and fraternity songs are sung; college and fraternity yells are given; and instead of a reluctant, dignified "old grad" separated from the callow youths, you have one conglamorated mass of young men—all shouting the praises of $\Sigma A E$. There is nothing so good for the soul as a whole hearted enjoyment of a fraternity banquet. There is nothing which will bring back the days of yore as will a fraternity banquet. There is nothing will drive away the wrinkles and cares of business as do fraternity banquets. Then, here's hoping that each alumni association observes Founders' Day with a banquet—and gives enjoyment to all those who attend. It will push the calendar backward.

In this issue of THE RECORD, Virgil O. Barnard, the custodian of files, suggests that each chapter co-operate with him to collect interesting and important historical data. Only those having occasion to use such information can appreciate the importance of this plan. Heretofore, the fraternity has not possessed the proper facilities to preserve such documents, and, other than the efforts of Levere, Kress and Bunting, little persistent effort has been made to provide the fraternity historians material with which to work. In each chapter there is an officer known as the chronicler. It is his duty to collect and preserve in a scrap book, or by some other appropriate means, all documents, menus, newspaper clippings, dance programs, kodak pictures, anything in fact, which pertains to the chapter or to the Fraternity.

These books are intensely interesting. To the old grad, they bring back college days more vividly than most any other thing about a chapter house— and throw light on the real history of the chapter and the fraternity. It is imperative that the scrap book and its historical data be filed for use when needed. And we desire the chronicler of each chapter to send to the custodian of files any such books likely to be lost or destroyed, and ever keep in mind, the future, when Levere will write a supplement to The History.

Some fraternities have adopted the plan of publishing an engraving of each chapter at least once every year. The fraternity magazine is, of course, the medium of publication. From the standpoint of a magazine, it makes an unwieldy and overbalanced issue; for it must necessarily increase the size beyond proportion, or else crowd out reading matter entirely. The expense is almost prohibitive, and no doubt, means an assessment upon the chapters. On a recent visit to an active chapter, it was noticed that the scrap book contained a number of post card photographs of various chapters and chapter houses. We were immediately impressed with the idea, and decided to suggest through *THE RECORD*, that each chapter exchange a post card photograph of the group and the chapter house. A scrap book should be provided in which to preserve them, and we believe, such a book would be invaluable in rushing. The expense would be comparatively nothing—hence—quite practicable.

During the next few months the province organizations will hold conventions, and we take this means of pointing out a few things we feel should be accomplished. First, there should be a representative from each chapter in the province. Second, each delegate should be required to read a paper upon some phase of college or fraternity life. Third, there should be a discussion of each paper read. Fourth, each delegate should be prepared to discuss, intelligently, fraternity problems, and have some definite plan to recommend. Fifth, there should be a full and spontaneous exchange of ideas. The foregoing indicate a possible plan for an interesting and profitable convention, and as a suggestion, some of the problems which may be given serious consideration are the following: Record Subscriptions Among the Alumni; Chapter house ownership; Scholarship; Pan-Hellenic Organizations; Chapter Finances; The Chronicler; Chapter Officers and their Duties; Relations between Fraternity Men and Independents; The Alumni Problem; Shall the National Pan-Hellenic Association Have Legislative Power? The Object of Fraternity Life. In fact, we are so anxious to have good live articles about the foregoing subjects, that the editor offers a prize of five dollars to

the active member of the fraternity preparing the best article upon any of the topics mentioned.

Two members of Σ A E have been successful in their efforts to win a Rhodes scholarship. This is a small percentage as compared to the long list among other fraternities and we believe that a little information about the requirements will not be amiss. A recent issue of *Phi Gamma Delta* contains the following, which will be a sufficient guide for those interested.

There are elections of Rhodes scholars for the years 1913 and 1914; for the years 1916 and 1917, and so on, omitting every third year. The scholarships are of the value of £300 a year, and are tenable for three years. One scholar will be chosen from each State or Territory to which scholarships are assigned. Candidates may elect whether they will apply for the scholarship of the State or Territory in which they have acquired any large part of their educational qualification, or for that State or Territory in which they have their private home or domicile; but no candidate may compete in more than one State or Territory either in the same year or in succeeding years. Candidates may pass the qualifying examination at any centre, but they must be prepared to present themselves before election to the committee in the State or Territory they select to apply from. Besides passing the qualifying examination (which includes, Latin, Greek and mathematics, in the first and last of which the candidate must have passed), the candidate, to be eligible, must be a citizen of the United States with at least five years domicile, and be unmarried. By the first of October of the year for which he is elected, he must have passed his nineteenth birthday and not have passed his twenty-fifth birthday, and, by the first of October of the year for which he is elected, he must have completed at least his sophomore year at some recognized degree-granting university or college of the United States (except in Massachusetts, where the committee of selection has authority to appoint from secondary schools.)

Information as to courses of study at Oxford and as to the different colleges is to be found in "Oxford and the Rhodes Scholarships," by R. Scholz and S. K. Hornbeck, and "The Student's Handbook to Oxford and Its Colleges," both of which can be obtained at the Oxford University Press, 29-35 West 32nd street, New York City. General information as to the manner of application for a scholarship can be obtained from the Oxford Secretary to the Rhodes Trustees, 9 South Park Road, Oxford, England. Copies of a general circular of information concerning Rhodes scholarships can be obtained from the Commissioner of Education, Washington, D. C., and from the presidents of Alabama, Yale, Minnesota, Indiana, California, Kansas, Washington, Johns Hopkins, Texas, Pennsylvania, North Carolina, Michigan and several other universities.

THE GREEK WORLD

EXCHANGES

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We are glad to welcome back to our table our friends and contemporaries, though some of the familiar faces have not yet been seen this fall. We wish there were time to speak of these magazines of our sister fraternities and sororities. But there isn't, and so we can only make a little personal reference to a few of those that have interested us.

For the last word on fraternity subjects we recommend the *Scroll of Phi Delta Theta* and the *Beta Theta Pi*, without guaranteeing that the last word will always please either you or us. Perhaps in no other of our exchanges does the editor seem so evident in the magazine, unless it be in the *Caduceus* or the *Desmos* of Delta Sigma Delta, both of which have editors that are humorists in their way.

The *Sigma Chi Quarterly* is one of the heaviest, measured in ounces, but it reads well and the news notes that it culls are particularly interesting. We always expect to get some grist for our own mill out of its issue. The *Delta Upsilon Quarterly* and the *Shield* of Theta Delta Chi vie with the best selling magazines in some of their features. The *Quarterly* is ever appearing with a new cover design and remembers that even a fraternity man likes amusement fully as well as he does sermons. The *Shield* is featuring its adventurous alumni and publishing photographs of which the Geographical Magazine would not be ashamed.

For down right serious discussions of the fraternity problems we always read our feminine friends. When they don't take it so seriously as to be depressing, they are delightfully suggestive. And what picture books they do produce, and what long marriage and birth lists they publish. Who was it said that college women do not marry and make homes? The *Arrow of Pi Beta Phi* is note-

worthy as a picture book, for its splendid chapter letters, its full club and alumni news, and for its note of social service.

If the *Eleusis of Chi Omega* will let us say so, cut pages are more convenient for the reader than uncut pages are artistic. We cut them though and found essays and stories such as one would expect to find in the best college magazines, some of them having no especial appropriateness in a sorority publication. Other articles however are more to the point, and the general effect is satisfactory, quite.

The latest number of the *Crescent of Gamma Phi Beta* is unique in having articles from members of nearly every one of the sororities of the Pan-Hellenic. It is a new idea to secure original articles from outsiders; we all clip them. The *Anchora of Delta Gamma* and the *Alpha Phi Quarterly* are substantial and very neat magazines, filling the function of sorority organs and not attempting to do more. They do not bother with the news of other colleges but they must be thoroughly interesting to their own members.

The *Kappa Alpha Theta*, which arrived at the last minute, gives an account of the business and the pleasure of the Pasadena convention that is thoroughly interesting even to an outsider. It is an almost ideal convention number.

Before passing to the cream which we have skimmed for our readers, we wish to express our regret at the loss of William O. Miller, who has so skillfully edited the *Delta Upsilon Quarterly*, and who turns it over to the new permanent secretary; and of that of Frank J. R. Mitchell who resigns the editorship of the *Scroll of Phi Delta Theta* because business calls him to another country.

The *Shield of Theta Delta Chi* says:

The Executive Council has suggested two highly important things which should be accomplished this year, namely, the raising of the moral standard and increasing the scholastic efficiency of all our Chapters. The attainment of both the desired results is not at all impossible.

The *Centaur of Alpha Kappa Kappa* quotes George Ade, former Grand Consul of Sigma Chi.

The college fraternity has endured because it answers a demand of undergraduate life. The mystery and secrecy under which it is supposed to operate have very little to do with its real mission. It will continue to

endure it if proves a helpful influence to its members and is on good terms with the powers that be.

The thing for every Greek-letter chapter to do is to build a comfortable home, stock it with high-grade young men, and play fair with the faculty.

And the new Grand Consul of Sigma Chi, Hamilton Douglas, in his first official letter to the *Sigma Chi Quarterly*, reiterates the note that is being sounded by those who face the fraternity situation frankly.

Our distinguished Brother, George Ade, Past Grand Consul, most characteristically said at the last Grand Chapter that the time has come when it is up to the Fraternity to "make good." There was a time, perhaps, when some fraternities, or I should say, some chapters of some fraternities, were inclined to lose sight of the great opportunity for good inherent in any body of college men banded together. They perhaps overlooked that fundamental purpose for which they were organized, and really believed that the aim of a college fraternity was solely the promotion of good-fellowship among its members, and the social and political acquirements of honors in the college sphere. If such conditions ever existed, they have long since ceased to be. That day is gone.

Today, the college authorities of all of our institutions of learning, the legislative authorities of our government, and our entire people have put the proposition squarely up to the entire Greek-letter system and ask, "Why is a college fraternity?" While perhaps in days past they were satisfied with an answer based on the *theory* of our existence, our modern system of education demands that we show them the practical results.

Seeing the problem from the side of the "undemocratic" criticism, a recent writer in the *Kappa Kappa Gamma Key* makes a plea for democracy on the part of the fraternity woman. Change "woman" to "man" and this clipping is to the point in this connection.

One of the evils which a fraternity has to struggle against is the barrier which always exists between the fraternity women and the non-fraternity women. If this spirit of "exclusionism" or "snobbishness," as critics call it, is allowed full sway, it chokes the better things as weeds choke blossoms.

The presence and influence of this menace to the larger good to be gained by wide activity during the college course is due in part to the fraternity women and in part to the non-fraternity women. Often times the fraternity members are very much in the wrong and sometimes the neutrals fancy slights and "exclusionism" where no discourtesy is intended. The remedy, however, can come from only one source,—the fraternity women. By reason of their high position and superior advantages, they must take the initiative and spread the feeling of loyalty to a common cause among the members of the whole university or college. The fraternity women must be more courteous, more energetic, more patient than the non-fraternity women, else they have no right to the high honor which is theirs.

Democracy is in its essence unselfishness—the art of thinking of another before thinking of yourself. The fraternity woman has, therefore, a large responsibility because of her prominent position in college social life. She must learn to detect real worth among those who through one reason or another do not enjoy her privileges. Her attitude toward neutrals ought to be one of *helpfulness* rather than one of superiority. She must never for-

get that by courtesy, womanliness and tact she is not only serving the immediate end of good will and real achievement; but is also enlarging her own usefulness and thereby perpetuating ideals for which her fraternity stands.

As to the scholarship point, the fraternity magazines are talking more and more about the campaigns for advanced standing of their chapters, and chapter letters are considering the scholarship honors of the chapter as equally as worthy of mention as athletic and social achievements. Some of the fraternities are putting this branch of their work on a sound basis and giving it the dignity of official recognition as an element in fraternity life. It would be impossible to begin to quote all that is written on the subject. The practice of Kappa Kappa Gamma is definitely outlined in the recent number of the *Crescent of Gamma Phi Beta*. With modifications to suit local conditions, it is worthy of the consideration of chapters of other fraternities and sororities.

Perhaps the most interesting part of the work is the correspondence between committee and chapters. The committee aims to incite free discussion of ways and means to promote good scholarship; the chapters write enthusiastic accounts of methods and results.

Some of the suggestions that are being followed by many chapters are as follows:—

1. The adoption of a card catalogue system having a card for each study with student's name. These cards are sent at regular intervals to the professors who record the standing upon the cards and return them to the chapter committee. The cards are then kept on file in the chapter hall or the president's room, open to inspection by all members.

2. The adoption of a rule to admit no new members unless their work reaches a certain average during the first semester, or during the time preceding initiation.

3. The adoption of chapter rules to provide for a systematic scheme of work, with definite hours for study and for recreation, and a limit to the number of social engagements; and the appointment of a monitor to see that the rules are enforced.

As to results, we believe that much advancement is being made, and that chapters are gaining in scholarly attainment.

A Phi Chi speaker tries to find the one great reason why chapters fail to measure up to their best. While he does not apply his remarks directly to the problem with which we have been dealing in these extracts, the application can be readily made. Wipe out indifference on the part of every member of a chapter and see if there will be room left for the criticism of that chapter on any one of the grounds mentioned.

INDIFFERENCE. Indifference is the greatest drawback that any fraternity has to contend with and it is the quickest death for a chapter.

And then as though to answer all the critics at once, this same

speaker proceeds to show both what the fraternity can do and should do. We quote from the *Phi Chi Quarterly*, and the same is true of any fraternity, save for the emphasis on the medical feature, since we are not all medicine men.

The question arises, "What good can the Fraternity do?"

1. It can prevent a man of studious habits from becoming a mere grind, a bookworm, a recluse, by forcing him into society.
2. It can prevent a man of strong inclinations from wasting time to the detriment of his mental development.
3. It can tone up a boy of good mind but slovenly habits and tone down a dude and prevent him from becoming the laughing-stock of sensible people.
4. It can prevent vulgar language, coarse manners and loafing in the chapter house; and dishonesty and immorality everywhere as things unworthy of a Greek-letter man.
5. It can hold in check a young man of strong appetites and passions until the danger point is passed, until he has developed sufficient strength of character to resist temptation.
6. It can reach down a helping hand to a hardworking honest student who needs help and lift him up.
7. In short, it can keep constantly before its men the desirability of a well-rounded symmetrical life.
8. It can be a college, so to speak, wherein the brothers are trained to know the value of Ethics in the medical profession.
9. It can keep men up on current events and through their associations they become polished physicians and men to be respected in whatever communities they may associate with in their practice.
10. It can encourage the men and we ALL need encouragement. If it were not for the fact that every man knows that his mother, sister, sweetheart, or wife (as case may be) *cares*: what would there be in life for the most of us? No man ever achieved anything worth while unless some good woman was back of it.

"Be very careful in choosing the Elite, but, if necessary, take a long chance on Hoi Polloi."

The above is just a text taken from the October number of the *Kappa Alpha Journal*. It is the summation of an argument for the unknown as over against the well known man in the rushing season. We could begin at the end and using this for a text, write a sermonette, very interesting to ourselves, on the evils of paying too much attention to the man who brings his popularity with him. If any of our readers are curious to know what we would say, they may read an allegory on the Man Who Got His Money's Worth in the *RECORD* for March, 1908. We will spare them a repetition.

Since modesty forbids that we repeat our own remarks, we will quote some very apt ones from the *Caduceus of Kappa Sigma*.

If fraternities would cease to rely so much on recommended men or men

with high school records, and pay more attention to the unknown men, the present evils would be much diminished. More care would be made in selecting men, and thus undesirable rushees would be less likely to make a fraternity. These unknown men often have had no opportunity to show their worth. Given the support of a fraternity, they would become a credit to their chapters.

A man is not given a responsible position in business before he has proved his reliability and fitness. Why honor a man with an invitation to a fraternity until he has proved himself worthy and desirable? Why not take a junior or even a senior into a fraternity if he has proved worthy? Knowledge that only the best men can make fraternities and that one must prove his worth by deeds will cause students desirous of fraternity membership to strive to prepare for it.

It is the undesirable men who give the black-eye to fraternities and who have brought down upon them the wrath of college presidents and state legislatures. Be as careful in the selection of your fraternity brothers as you would in your choice of an employee in an office of trust, and it will be unnecessary to make apologies for fraternities. Faculties will no longer have to hold an axe over our heads and make rules for this, that, and the other thing.

The *Delta Upsilon Quarterly* has some feelings on the subject of Pan-Hellenic rules, with a dash of humor.

College fraternities may expect an investigating committee to swoop down on them at any moment for violation of the Sherman Anti-Trust Law. Inter-fraternity rushing agreements may yet come under the ban as unlawful combinations in restraint of trade.

A deeper insight into the meaning of inter-fraternity is shown in such words as these from the *Crescent of Gamma Phi Beta*.

We are Gamma Phi Betas—only a part of the Pan-Hellenic whole. Our sister societies are all about us; we have the same ideals, the same ambitions, the same standards, the same loyalty. Therefore, let us, as devoted wearers of the crescent, toast "Our friends—the enemy!"

Scarcely anything is of more importance to a chapter than the way in which it fills its offices. We were interested in the way the University of Chicago correspondent analyzed his own office in one of his letters to the *Phi Chi Quarterly*. We have picked a few of his sentences and put them together without his connecting link, but his idea has been preserved.

I believe that the general trend in our chapter elections, is to consider with too little importance, the office of "chapter editor," else I would not now be "it." Whereas on the other hand, it is my opinion that "he" is next in importance, in usefulness, and in responsibility to the secretary and treasurer. It seems to me that he should be selected in degree of his retrospectiveness, in that he may well judge the force, information, or degree of humor, of his quarterly epistle. It seems to me that he should insert a chip of his own mind, of his own ideas, concerning the national growth of the fraternity, thus making our *Quarterly* an instrument of all the chapters together, instead of an appealing note from the grand officers, to us!

Rather inspiring in the way in which it shows the possibilities open to an able and active chapter officer is this appreciation from the editorial pages of the *Delta Upsilon Quarterly*.

Our attention has of late been drawn to the conspicuous service rendered by one member to his chapter by the quiet, thoughtful and thorough manner in which he discharged the duties of chapter treasurer.

When he took hold of the books there was no adequate system of accounts and the chapter was repeatedly facing shortages and the inevitable year-end deficit, with its accompanying harangues about back-debts and coming bills.

In one year he had revolutionized the chapter accounts, not by introducing a complicated book-keeping method but by correlating the receipts and expense account, and by keeping in check the tendency to making expenditures without reckoning the final cost. In two years he was able to report to the last meeting for the year that all bills were paid and that from the receipts of the year there was a cash balance in bank of more than five hundred dollars, which would be materially increased by the deferred payment of several members' dues during the summer.

Two years ago, had any one of the Pennsylvania chapter foretold such a condition, his chapter mates would have promptly howled him down with the assurance that he was "suffering from the heat," but this is exactly what Bill Moessinger has accomplished, and no one in recent year has done the chapter more constructive good than has Bill by his practical, faithful administering of the office of chapter treasurer.

If there is one thing that is certain in the world of the Greek magazines, it is that the *Scroll* of Phi Delta Theta will have something to say about Kappa Sigma's myth, and that the *Caduceus* will come back with a few remarks about people who meddle with other people's traditions. The *Scroll* is getting quite worried about that claim of Kappa Sigma to have had its origin in Bologna some five hundred years ago. The *Caduceus* doesn't see why it hasn't a right to have itself founded any time it pleases, without permission from anyone.

The rest of us are getting amused and keeping our hands out of it, save to cheer on the *Delta Upsilon Quarterly* while it has a little fun in making a joke of the whole thing and manufacturing legendary origins while you wait. Kappa Sigma's latest utterance through the editor is to the effect that she does not really claim to be older than Phi Delta Theta, but there is a veiled insinuation that is bound to call back the *Scroll* to the charge again, and so the fun will continue.

Here is what the *Caduceus* says.

The Kappa Sigma fraternity will in 1919 celebrate the fiftieth anniversary of its founding as an American college fraternity at the University of Virginia in 1869. As such it is about the same age as Sigma Nu, and

very much younger than several others. It has never claimed to ante-date these fraternities—not even Phi Delta Theta, whom it has vastly outstripped during the past two decades, which fact undoubtedly accounts for the *Scroll's* constantly staging itself as the village scold.

The said *Scroll* springs a new one when it demands the “ritual of that mysterious order.” If the *Scroll* persists we'll just be obliged to show it to 'em, but we would like to know while remarks are passing if Phi Delta Theta possesses any unwritten work? Will they please tell us where they got it, and if they came by it honestly?

Poetry falsely so called is barred from THE RECORD, but we cannot forbear to quote a little gem from the *Alpha Tau Omega Palm* which everybody is quoting and which seems so opportune.

THE COLLEGE PRIMER

X. WOOG-LIN.

The Be-tas have a Woog-lin dog
 And, when they want to eat,
 They carve him up in lit-tle bits,
 From ears right down to feet.

Now if that no-ble Or-der rose
 From this o-blig-ing jo-nah,
 Then Be-ta Thet,' like Kap-pa Sig,
 Was found-ed in Bo-log-na.

FRATERNITY NOTES

Γ Φ Β was in convention in Boston, November 7-10, 1911.

Convention dates have been announced by several fraternities in recent issues of their magazines.

Κ Α New Orleans, La. December 27-29, 1911; Α Τ Ω New Orleans, La., December; φ Χ (med) Indianapolis, Ind., December 28-30; Θ Δ Χ Washington, D. C., April 11-14, 1912; Α φ Minneapolis, Minn., June, 1912; Χ Ω Niagara Falls, July, 1912; Κ Κ Γ Evanston, Ill., August, 1912; Α Ξ Δ Madison, Wis., October, 1912.

The establishment of the following chapters is announced: Δ Δ Δ Miami, May 27; Adelphi, June 10; Randolph-Macon Woman's College, May 30; Vanderbilt, September 16; Southwestern (Texas), September. Δ Γ University of Montana, September 7; University of Idaho, September 15. Κ Δ Coe College, June 3. Α Δ φ (sorority) Iowa State College; Trinity College, N. C. Κ Κ Γ Toronto, May 24. Σ φ Ε University of Nebraska, April 15. Α Χ Ω University of Iowa, June 13. Κ Α Θ University of North Dakota, September 23. Δ Χ Syracuse. φ Γ Δ University of Oregon. Α Χ Ρ Wesleyan. Α Σ Ρ Harvard (revived, previous existence 1850-57). Δ Τ Δ Iowa State College. Π Β φ University of Oklahoma, September 1. Σ Κ University of California, April 25; University of Washington, April 30. Α φ University of North Dakota, June 15.

The debating fraternity, Δ Σ Ρ, has established chapters at Princeton, Cornell and Swarthmore.

Δ Ζ, organized at De Pauw about a year ago, has established chapters at the University of Nebraska and at Baker University.

Σ Κ Α is a new fraternity, having chapters at the Universities of Minnesota and South Dakota, and the Case School of Applied Science.

Τ Κ Ε has established chapters at Northwestern and James Millikin after an existence as a local Illinois Wesleyan.

Α Θ Μ is a new sorority originating at Baker University.

Six women students of the University of Washington have organized a journalistic honor society, Theta Sigma Phi, which they plan to make

national. Only those women of the upper classes who have shown marked ability along literary lines and who intend to make journalism their life work are eligible.—*Crescent* of $\Gamma \Phi B$.

The thirtieth grand chapter of Sigma Chi convened in Pittsburg June 27, with delegates present as members of the grand chapter from fifty-five chapters. Good progress was reported in the matter of the Founders' Memorial which it is expected will be built this year at Miami; the question of standardizing the badge was referred to the executive committee with power to act; it was ordered that a document be prepared for public presentation, "setting forth the Fraternity's desires and ambitions in connection with its relations to the institutions where active chapters have been established"; no charters were granted. According to the *Quarterly*, "the more important constitutional and statutory changes related (1) to a clearer definition of the position of alumni chapter, (2) to the co-ordination of the work of the Grand Trustees with that of the other governing bodies, and (3) placing of greater emphasis upon the office of Grand Consul by elevating Past Grand Consuls to life membership in the corporation—the Grand Council of the Sigma Chi Fraternity."

The seventeenth convention of Delta Chi was held in Chicago in July. Important actions taken were the adoption of the biennial instead of the annual convention; the elevation of the editor of the *Quarterly* to a place on the governing board, without vote; drastic measures adopted to convince its members that it is no longer a class fraternity but general; the requirement for the installation of a chapter that the applying institution's law school shall have at least a three year course; the acceptance of an invitation to appoint delegates to the Inter-Fraternity Conference; and the granting of a charter to Syracuse.

Beta Theta Pi met in convention at Niagara Falls in July. An increase of dues was proposed but action was deferred until next year; the petition from Massachusetts Institute of Technology was not granted; it was decided to restrict the manufacture of badges hereafter to one official jeweler, but this year was allowed for the disposal of present stocks on hand; the West beat the East in a baseball game; the next convention will probably go to Detroit or Ann Arbor, though sentiment developed for the carrying of future conventions farther west and south.

Kappa Alpha Theta's convention, July 11-14, in Pasadena, proved conclusively the possibility of a successful California convention. A special train with frequent stops for side trips conveyed delegates from Chicago. The convention was the largest in the history of the sorority, every active chapter except one being represented by more than one present. It was a busy session; the district presidents were given the rank of delegates and will have a vote in the grand council on matters pertaining to their own districts; a complete revision of the constitution was ordered; steps were taken looking toward making freshmen ineligible to membership; the Pan-Hellenic was urged to develop a system of uniform scholarship reports;

a uniform system of chapter records was adopted; the scholarship fund, to provide a European scholarship, was boosted; regular students in vocational studies were declared eligible to membership, irregulars and two year students not.

The alumni of the fraternities in Westminster College, Missouri, have offered a cup to the chapter standing highest in scholarship, the cup to be awarded each year.

At the University of Kansas a freshman must have passed 75 per cent, of his college work for one term before being eligible to initiation into a fraternity.

Each fraternity in the University of California is supplied at least twice a semester with marks of its members.

Beta Theta Pi is busy with its publications. The Song Book was scheduled to go to press in October and the 1911 catalogue is announced for sale at an early date. The membership of the fraternity at the close of the late college year had reached 17,649, of whom 1,787 were actives last session.

A K X is an honorary business fraternity organized at the University of Illinois, membership supposed to be on a basis similar to that of Φ B K.

The dental fraternity Δ Σ Δ held its annual meeting in Cleveland on July 24, 1911.

The tenth national Pan-Hellenic conference of women's fraternities was held in Evanston, Illinois, early in November.

"Rushing with men" is barred by the regulations adopted by the sororities of the University of California. Is this another evidence of the extent of the suffragette movement?

After this year, a freshman at the University of Wisconsin may not join a fraternity, room in a fraternity house, or even take his meals in one. To be eligible the following year he must pass all his courses.

X Ω is planning to erect a Founders' Hall, to limit its cost to five thousand dollars and devote all money raised in excess of that sum to a scholarship fund.

Recognition pins are now being worn on the left lapels of members of Φ Γ Δ and A X P.

The engineering fraternity, Θ Ξ , has established an employment bureau for its members.

Θ Δ X announces the publication of its sixth catalogue. It contains the names of 5,392 living and 983 deceased members of the fraternity. The book consists of 444 pages, and gives three name lists, chapter, geographical, and alphabetical.

With a single exception, all the chapters of Δ K E occupy houses, and it may be that since this announcement was made the single exception has been removed.

At the University of Nebraska a trophy has been offered for the fraternity which has the highest scholarship standing each semester.

At Northwestern University, each fraternity and sorority is allowed one informal party a year.

Delta Upsilon has decided upon the employment of a permanent secretary, and the editorial and business management of its *Quarterly* will be among the duties transferred to him.

Φ K Ψ is now issuing a secret magazine known as *The Mystic Friend*.

Δ K E governs itself between conventions by a board of nine trustees, the Yale chapter being always represented and the other chapters having a representative about one-fifth of the time.

The third edition of the *Manual* of Phi Delta Theta is now in the hands of the printers.

Δ K E has only one official jeweler. Σ X had the same matter up at convention and will probably adopt a similar provision.

A prize of \$50 has been offered to that chapter of Sigma Chi which has the best series of letters in the current volume of the *Quarterly*. In addition, a prize of \$5 will be awarded for that letter which seems to be the best in each particular issue.

K A Θ has just published a new hand-book and ordered a new edition of the song-book.

By action of the board of trustees, fraternities will be allowed to build houses on the campus of the University of Kansas.

Professional fraternities now include organizations in schools of medicine (allopathic, homeopathic and osteopathic), pharmacy, dentistry, law, theology, agriculture and engineering. Also there are fraternities for students in mining courses, students in chemistry, students in electricity, students in textiles and students in veterinary science, fraternities for debaters, for writers, for athletes, and for heaven only knows what else.—*Scroll* of Φ Δ Θ.

Mu Phi Epsilon and Sigma Alpha Iota are musical sororities; Alpha Epsilon Iota, Epsilon Tau and Zeta Phi are medical sororities.—*Crescent of Γ Φ Β*.

A proposition has been put up to the trustees of the university for a number of fraternities—six or seven—to build chapter houses on the campus, a place having been set aside for such buildings in the plans of the Greater University. The trustees seem to be heartily in favor of it, and it is likely the plan will go through. Delta Chapter has taken no official action upon the matter, but a number of the prominent men are in favor of such a house for Sigma Chi. "Fraternity Circle" is expected to be architecturally perfect.—University of Georgia correspondent in *Σ Χ Quarterly*.

After more than a year spent in preparation, the collection of lantern slides depicting interesting incidents, people and places associated with the fraternity's growth and history is at last available. The collection comprises several hundred slides, which may be broadly grouped as illustrating chapter houses, views of exteriors and interiors; Δ Υ colleges, campus scenes and buildings; Δ Υ personalities, distinguished members of the fraternity, past and present; and odds and ends of interest, including convention scenes, reproductions of pins, rare publications, camp scenes, and other unusual phases of fraternal activity. This collection will be added to from time to time, so as to keep it up-to-date and comprehensive. The slides are standard size, and have been made with great care by Professor Louis Derr, *Technology*, '93.

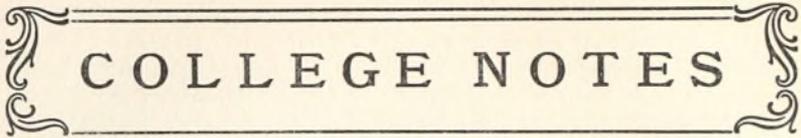
The purpose of securing the collection is to make it available for general chapter and alumni club use. Chapters may use the collection without cost, and for alumni clubs the nominal charge of five dollars is made. A deposit of twenty-five dollars for the safe return of the collection, which is carefully boxed for shipment, is required in each instance. A brief descriptive and historical sketch is also sent for use with the slides.—Δ Υ *Quarterly*, quoted in Π Β Φ *Arrow*.

A portrait of John Heath, the founder and first president of Φ Β Κ, at William and Mary, in 1776, was recently found, through a descendent in Virginia, who is a member of Β Θ Π. An engraving from the portrait, published in the *Beta Theta Pi* last year, is reproduced in the Φ Β Κ *Key* for May. This issue of the *Key* is valuable historically, as it contains a facsimile, in half-tone, of the charter-party granted by the parent chapter, December 4, 1779, for the establishment of a chapter at Harvard, and much interesting information about the establishment of the chapters at Harvard and Dartmouth and their early histories. The *Key* also publishes a part of a letter, written in 1831, to Edward Everett by William Short, the last president of the original society, which discloses the interesting fact that there was a society at William and Mary before Φ Β Κ was organized. The letter says:

"There had existed for a long space of time another society at William and Mary. The initials on its medal (P. D. A.) were understood to indicate Latin words. There was at the same time at college a youth whose

reputation as a Hellenist was so far beyond that of the others that he valued himself, as I remember well, exclusively on it. The P. D. A. society had lost all reputation for letters and was noted only for the dissipation and conviviality of its members. Whether they had refused to admit our Hellenist or he was unwilling to join them, I do not now recollect, but so it was that he determined to get up another society in opposition, and, in conformity with his own reputation, formed and adopted the Greek phrase indicated by the initials. Whether it be pure I would not now say. But at that time none of us supposed anything more pure could have been formed in Athens, such was our opinion of the great learning of our founder."

The *Key* says it is now known that the S and P in the monogram on the reverse side of the Φ B K badge stood for "*Societas Philosophiae*." It is now announced, in a press dispatch for Harrisburg, Va., that Gen. John E. Rodler, of that place, has found the grave of Elisha Parmalee, under whose direction the chapters of Φ B K at Yale and Harvard were organized, the first in 1870, the latter in 1871. The grave is on the Red Bank farm, between Mount Jackson and Edinburg, in Shenandoah County. The tombstone is serving as a stone in the wall of the barn, on what was the old Byrd place at the time that Parmalee was a tutor in the Byrd family. Members of Φ B K have long desired to erect a monument over the grave of Parmalee, but his resting place has always been a matter of doubt.—*Scroll of Φ Δ Θ* .



COLLEGE NOTES

President Thomas E. Hodges was formally installed at the University of West Virginia early in November. The occasion was notable for the presence of President Taft and the "homecoming" of alumni.

Dickinson College has a new president, Dr. Eugene Allan Noble, for the past three years president of Goucher College, Baltimore.

Washington and Jefferson expects to complete a modern Physics building in the coming spring.

The May Festival at the University of Minnesota netted \$1,500 and the Men's Union got the proceeds.

The last legislature gave the University of Missouri a larger appropriation than ever before.

The student body of Washington University has decided to adopt the honor system.

The University of Wisconsin is building an addition to the gymnasium for men, adding an extension wing to the library, adding to the chemistry laboratory, and building a biology laboratory. The legislature has appropriated \$150,000 for a women's dormitory.

The students of the University of Wisconsin last spring voted that the honor system was impracticable.

Swarthmore increased her endowment last year by several hundred thousand dollars, and is to have a new auditorium and two new swimming pools. In addition the class of '91 has given a new 24-inch telescope to the observatory.

Dean Hughes has been elected acting president of Miami University, pending the election of a successor to President Benton, who has become president of the University of Vermont.

Eight o'clock classes and monthly convocations in the armory are among President Vincent's innovations at the University of Minnesota. The latter are apt to prove more popular than the former.

Miami University has received a bequest of \$155,000 which will probably be used in erecting a commons.

Dr. E. A. Hanley has been elected to the presidency of Franklin College.

Professor Thomas S. Adams has been called from the department of economics at Washington University to the presidency of the Wisconsin Tax Commission.

The University College of Medicine, Richmond, Va., lost its main building by fire in January, 1910. It is now provided with a better home in the new building.

Final examinations have been abolished at the University of Nebraska, according to a newspaper item.

Columbia has received the gift of a seven story building adjoining the Sloane Maternity Hospital, which will add materially to the medical equipment. The donor is William D. Sloan.

The State University of North Carolina recently granted degrees to those of its old students who left to join the Confederate army during the sixties.—*Sigma Chi Quarterly*.

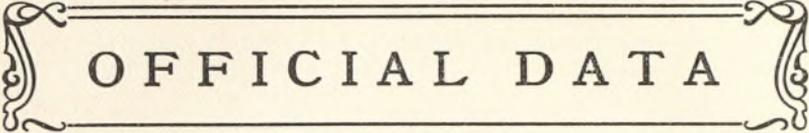
The faculty are at present agitating the question of limiting to a greater degree, the elective system in the university, in order to prevent overspecialization and its contrary evil, that of "dabbling" into too many subjects.—University of Michigan correspondent in *Arrow* of Π Β Φ.

Michigan will adopt the Harvard plan of requirements for admission. More latitude will be allowed in admitting students. The test of a student's scholarship will be in his secondary school course, which must be four years. He cannot obtain admission by scoring points or by working up examinations at one time. He must have done good work in school, according to the testimony of his teachers.—*Scroll* of Φ Δ Θ.

For the first time in the 275 years' history of Harvard University the name Harvard appears this fall on the student rolls. Lionel De Jersey Harvard of London, a descendant of John Harvard, is a member of the class of 1915.—*Key* of Κ Κ Γ.

The forty-seventh general assembly of Illinois, appropriated for the University of Illinois for the coming biennium sums amounting to \$3,519,300. This was said to be the largest appropriation ever made by a state legislature to an educational institution, and a million and a quarter larger than the largest appropriation ever before made to the University of Illinois. The general assembly not only recognized the immediate needs of the university, but it made provision for the future by levying a one mill tax for its continual support. In addition to the \$3,519,300, the university will receive, from the Federal government and other sources, funds that will bring its income to about \$2,000,000 per annum for the biennium beginning July 1, 1911.—*Scroll* of Φ Δ Θ.

The *Cornell Era* has been making a study of Cornell's alumni list, and finds that of those who achieved distinction 101 out of 107 were what are called "grinds" while in the university. That is no more than was to be expected. Diligence added to natural ability will always tell.—*The Independent*.—Quoted in the *Scroll*.



OFFICIAL DATA

Engagements

Kentucky Epsilon, '12—John Clark Leer to Louise Cray of Wellersburg, Ky.

Massachusetts Delta, '12—Chester A. Dodge to Elise H. Blanchard of Worcester, Mass.

Massachusetts Gamma, '02—James Warren Adams to Emily Treadwell Clark of Salem and Clifton, Mass.

Pennsylvania Alpha-Zeta, '13—William R. Murphy, Jr., to Emily S. Hawkins of Philadelphia, Pa.

Tennessee Kappa, '09—Nevett Lockington Saxton to Katie Lee Lockett, of Knoxville.

Marriages

Alabama Mu, '06—Thomas Howard Seay to Elise Jones, at Montgomery, Ala., 17 October, 1911.

California Beta, '14—G. A. Thompson to Crecy Lynette Stone, at Los Angeles, Cal., 28 June, 1911.

California Beta, '06—C. J. Cox, Jr., to Alice Grace McDonald, at San Francisco, Cal., 22 August, 1911.

Colorado Chi, '06—Max R. Schwer to Lucy K. Patterson at Pueblo, Colo., 18 October, 1911.

Colorado Chi, '07—Chas. D. Hayt to Edith Freeman at Denver, Colo., 26 October, 1911.

Iowa Beta, '05—John Emmett Burkheimer to Ruby Wellburn Snyder, at Seattle, Wash., 11 October, 1911. At home, 6308 Seventeenth Ave., N. E., Seattle.

Iowa Beta, '08—Fred J. Poyneer to Virginia Mann, at Los Angeles, Cal., 5 September, 1911.

Iowa Beta, '09—Carroll Nathan Kirk to Matilda Lucile Willard, at Marshalltown, Iowa, 25 November, 1911. At home after January the first, Bismark, North Dakota.

Iowa Gamma, '11—Grover C. Beiter to Vera Madeline Sibert, at Waterloo, Iowa, 1 November, 1911.

Illinois Psi-Omega, '08—Virgil Kenneth Brown to Floy Armstrong Schoonover, at Elk Point, South Dakota, 5 September, 1911.

Kentucky Epsilon, '07—Logan L. Lewis to Agnes Yeager, at Lexington, Ky., 31 October, 1911. At home in Brooklyn, New York.

Maine Alpha, '06—Raymond B. Kittridge to Ethel M. Lord, at Bangor, Maine, 7 September, 1911.

Maine Alpha, '08—Claude Petman Meserve to Irene Hudson Carr, at Bozeman, Montana, 14 October, 1911.

Maine Alpha, '08—Francis Philip Emery to Rebecca Burrall Talbot, at East Macheas, Maine, 10 October, 1911.

Maine Alpha, '09—William Henry Gilbert to Sally A. Hamlin, at Milo, Maine, 11 August, 1911.

Massachusetts Gamma, '01—S. G. Davenport to Virginia Hopkins, at Havana, Cuba, in July.

Massachusetts Gamma, '04—J. H. Torrey to Mae Lans, at Dorchester, Mass., in February, 1911.

Massachusetts Gamma, '05—David Roberts to Sadie Gillespy, at Birmingham, Ala., 26 April, 1911.

Michigan Iota-Beta, '11—Robert Lee Mehorney to Mabelle C. Hanawalt, at Kansas City, Mo., 17 October, 1911. At home after January the fifteenth, 5822 Central Street, Kansas City.

Michigan Iota-Beta, '12—William Edmund Biggers to Doris June Curtiss, at Detroit, Mich., 21 September, 1911.

Minnesota Alpha, '09—Irving McLaren Hudson to Margaret Denfield, Delta Gamma, at Duluth, Minn., 2 August, 1911. At home, Benson, Minn.

Ohio Epsilon, '08—Carl George Buchanan to Ethel Gwendolyn Rowlands, at Elmwood Place, Ohio, 27 September, 1911.

Ohio Epsilon, '11—Clifford T. Harvuot to Esther Bishop, at Austin, Texas, 21 October, 1911.

Ohio Rho, '11—Albert Langham Twitchell to Rhea Louise Mowry, at Mansfield, Ohio, 27 July, 1911.

Oklahoma Kappa, '10—Dean Harr to Flodie Olive McKay, at Guthrie, Okla., 18 October, 1911.

Oklahoma Kappa, '11—Roy Sumner Johnson to Margaret Emma Crain, at Fort Scott, Kansas, 17 October, 1911.

Oklahoma Kappa, '12—Thomas Wollard Mayfield to Minnie Lee Greenmore, at Norman, Okla., 2 August, 1911.

Pennsylvania Alpha-Zeta, '09—Donald S. Devor to Esther N. Campbell, at State College, Pa., 31 October, 1911.

Pennsylvania Alpha-Zeta, '11—John DeN. Knox to Mary O. Rugh, at New Castle, Pa., 1 November, 1911.

Pennsylvania Zeta, '03—Sylvester Dunlap to Fannie Bodine, at Muncy, Pa., 25 June, 1911.

Tennessee Kappa, '97—David Carpenter Chapman to Sue Johnston, at Knoxville, Tenn., 4 November, 1911

Tennessee Kappa, '04—Lucius Lamar Heiskell to Ruth McCall, at Memphis, Tenn., 25 October, 1911. At home 1306 Carr Ave., Memphis.

Tennessee Kappa, '04—John Henderson Caldwell to Genevieve Rice at Knoxville, Tenn., 8 August, 1911.

Tennessee Kappa, '10—Robert Waddy Ramsey, Jr., to Louisa Boyd, at Memphis, Tenn., 7 September, 1911.

Births

Alabama Mu, '12—A daughter, Melissa Dearing, to Mr. and Mrs. Theodore H. Jack, 30 October, 1911.

California Alpha, '04—A daughter, Marion Elizabeth, to Mr. and Mrs. Franklin Burris Goudy, at Silverton, Colorado, 3 August, 1911.

Colorado Chi, '99—Twins, to Mr. and Mrs. L. I. Wightman, at New York City, 28 October, 1911.

Iowa Beta, '07—A son, Russell Wallace, to Mr. and Mrs. Walter R. Sieg, at Waterloo, Iowa.

Massachusetts Delta, '00—A daughter, Mabel, to Mr. and Mrs. Richard C. Williams, at Buffalo, N. Y., 31 September, 1911.

Minnesota Alpha, '07—A son, to Mr. and Mrs. Geo. S. Langland, 23 September, 1911.

Ohio Epsilon, '05—A son, Joseph, to Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Blacker, at Cincinnati, Ohio, 19 May, 1911.

Pennsylvania Alpha-Zeta, '05—A daughter, Virginia May, to Mr. and Mrs. Doyle Allison Stout, 29 September, 1911.

Pennsylvania Omega—A son, Hugh Spalding, to Mr. and Mrs. Walter H. Fegely, at Erie, Pa., 6 May, 1911.

Pennsylvania Zeta, '99—A son, to Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Koser, Lewisburg, Pa.

Tennessee Eta, '02—A son, Lawrence Lenair, to Dr. and Mrs. Ensck L. M. Pruitt, at Ariton, Ala., 7 August, 1911.

Tennessee Kappa, '04—A daughter, Penelope Van Dyke, to Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Boyd Allen, at Knoxville, Tenn., 31 July, 1911.

Tennessee Omega, '07—A daughter, Alice Tracy, to Mr. and Mrs. B. W. Barnwell, at Luffern, N. Y., 1 October, 1911.

Tennessee Nu, '05—A son, John J. Jr., to Mr. and Mrs. John J. Hiffin, 12 October, 1911.

Wisconsin Alpha, '03—A son, Courtney Carlos, Jr., to Mr. and Mrs. Courtney Carlos Douglas, at Oak Park, Ill., 18 October, 1911.

Virginia Theta, '04—A daughter, to Mr. and Mrs. Jack Ross, at Mobile, Ala., August, 1911.

Deaths

Alabama Iota, '07—William Jasper Cannon.

Illinois Psi-Omega, '07—George Preston Derickson died at Winnetka, Ill., 5 September, 1911.

Illinois Psi-Omega, '14—Harry Nelson Staples died at Rockford, Ill., 25 October, 1911.

Kentucky Epsilon, '05—Hilton Haynes Megee died at Marshall, N. C.

Kentucky Epsilon, '10—Sterling B. Price, of Winchester, Ky., met a mysterious death in Central Park, New York City, 17 June, 1911.

Michigan Alpha, '05—Stanley Lambert died at Port Huron, Mich., 13 November, 1911.

Pennsylvania Zeta, '08—George Arthur Gebhardt died at Jermyn, Pa., 24 September, 1911.

Tennessee Kappa, '05—Chas. L. Ficklen died at Memphis, Tenn., 9 August, 1911.

Tennessee Omega, '82—Cameron Piggot died at Sewanee, Tenn., May, 1911.

Virginia Omicron, '61—Edward Crenshaw died at Greenville, Ala., 11 September, 1911.

GEORGE PRESTON DERICKSON*Illinois Psi-Omega*

George Preston Derickson was born in Chicago, Ill., May 16, 1885. He was educated in the public schools of Chicago, attended Culver Military Academy for two years, and the New Trier High School. He finished the course of navigation in the Chicago School of Navigation with high honors, never receiving a mark less than perfect in his work. He was Ensign on the training ship Dorothea in the Illinois Naval Reserves and served with distinction while filling that post.

He attended Northwestern University for one year and was initiated by Illinois Psi-Omega Chapter October 5, 1903.

He was married April 10, 1907, to Miss Rieka Smith of Winnetka, Ill. He died September 5, 1911, at his home in Winnetka, Ill. At the time of his death he was employed in the National Bank of the Republic in Chicago. He is survived by his widow, and two sisters, Mrs. John Haslam of Kenilworth, Ill., and Mrs. Roy H. Monier of Carrollton, Mo.

As a business man Brother Derickson was thorough and reliable, as a friend he was generous and faithful, as a brother in our beloved fraternity he was loyal, sincere and lovable for he was one of the kind of men that to know him was to love him. Σ A E has lost a member of high character and unswerving fidelity.

GEORGE ARTHUR GEBHARDT*Pennsylvania Zeta*

George Arthur Gebhardt, a prominent young business man of Jermyn, Pa., died at the home of his parents Sunday, September 24, 1911.

After being graduated from the high school of Jermyn, he entered Bucknell University in the fall of 1904. Recognizing at once his sterling qualities and kindly disposition the members of Pennsylvania Zeta bid him to pledgeship which he accepted, being initiated at a later date. He was graduated in the class of 1908.

Besides being a son of Minerva, "Cubby," as he was known to the boys of the chapter, was also a member of the upperclass fraternity, Phi Delta Sigma, and one of the most popular members of his class in the university. He also belonged to the Methodist Episcopal church at Jermyn and to the Bible class of the Sunday school.

The following excerpt from the Jermyn newspaper attests the

important role our late brother played in the business life of his home town: "George had become one of the prominent figures in the business life of Jerymn. To all appearances well endowed physically, and by a liberal education, equipped in every particular to meet the demands of the exacting age in which we live, people marvel at his early demise. The floral offerings at the funeral were especially beautiful and significant, the gifts of friends, relatives and employees."

In the death of Brother Gebhardt, Sigma Alpha Epsilon has lost one of her truest sons, one whose interest in the fraternity never ebbed and whose life was a benediction.

HARRY NELSON STAPLES

Illinois Psi-Omega

Wednesday morning, October 25, 1911, after a short illness, Harry Nelson Staples died of acute tuberculosis at his home in Rockford, Ill. He was born in Esmund, S. D., April 11, 1887, and after a high school education he entered Morningside College at Sioux City, Ia., from which he received the degree of A.B. in the class of 1907. Two years following graduation he was instructor in chemistry in the Webster City, Ia., and Sioux City, Ia., high schools. In September, 1910, he received a fellowship in chemistry from Northwestern University where he entered into his work with the enthusiasm of an undergraduate and soon became one of the best known and best liked men on the campus. In recognition of his ability in scientific work in May, 1911, he was elected to membership in Sigma Xi and his fellowship in the university was renewed for another year.

He was initiated into Sigma Alpha Epsilon October 16, 1910.

The following from the *Daily Northwestern* of October 26, 1911, is an expression of the high esteem with which he was held by his fellow students:

"One of the best minds and cheeriest hearts of our student life at Northwestern University was stilled yesterday. Harry Nelson Staples died at his home in Rockford, after an illness of four weeks. A friend by nature, he won friendship universally, and many heads were bowed when the cruel word came.

As a student his main strength was intellectual integrity. His mind, naturally quick and penetrating, was tempered by a rare poise and judgment. In scientific work he had built a thorough foundation and was rapidly entering the period of productive scholarship. For those who had watched this development and knew its rich promise his loss is doubly keen.

As a teacher his success was already established in his twenty-

fourth year, and he had only paused to return to the university and prepare himself for a higher usefulness. In this, his chosen field, all the charm of his generous, wholesome personality would have found expression. Frank, candid and sincere, he believed in good fellowship and drank of life's companionships joyously.

The unnumbered friends, the home, the wife, the child that would have known him, shall never measure their loss, but for us, his companions of yesterday, there is a chill in these October days and a light gone out of the sunshine, not borne of wind and weather. It comes from our breaking hearts and will only be lifted when the after-calm comes, full of rich memories of a noble character.

For the sorrowing parents we have no adequate word. May we clasp their hands silently a moment, while all that the human heart holds of tenderest sympathy for a fellow being goes out to them in its fulness. In spite of doubts and fears and apart from dogma, there is something within each of us that says such a life is not lost. 'In whatever part of God's kingdom he may find himself, he will be a hopeful man, looking upward and not downward, looking forward and not backward, ever ready to lend a helping hand and not afraid to die.'

STANLEY W. LAMBERT

Michigan Alpha

Stanley W. Lambert, assistant prosecuting attorney of St. Clair county, passed away at his residence November 13, 1911, following an attack of typhoid fever.

Mr. Lambert was born in Illinois June 6, 1880, and was educated in that state at Adrian College, and Knox College. He attended Adrian from 1900 to 1903, and subsequently was a student of Knox.

Determining upon the law as his profession, Mr. Lambert located at Port Huron in 1904 and took up legal studies with Cady & Crandall, with which firm he was associated until 1907. In that year he was admitted to the bar and commenced the practice of his profession.

He made rapid strides and soon became known as a hard-working, honest, pains-taking and successful young attorney. He took an active part in politics and was prominent in republican circles of the county. He was elected circuit court commissioner in 1909. Subsequently he was made secretary of the republican county committees. He was prominent in the Young Men's

Republican club and was one of the organizers and officers of the Townsend club which did much to send Charles E. Townsend to the upper branch of congress.

When Thomas H. George was elected prosecuting attorney for this county, he selected Mr. Lambert for his assistant. In the performance of the duties of this office, the latter soon secured an enviable reputation.

He was married to Miss Rena W. Woodward, of Appleton, Wis., on June 9, 1908. She survives him.

His death comes as a great shock to his many friends. When the news of the sad event was heard, there were many expressions of deep sorrow from all who were acquainted with him.

Upon motion of Attorney Lincoln Avery, the circuit court was adjourned this afternoon until 9 o'clock tomorrow morning out of respect to the memory of the deceased.

CHARLES L. FICKLEN

Tennessee Kappa

The unknown world constantly beckons to the sons of this planet, offering to reveal the mysteries of life and of death. It calls the small and the great, the bad and the good, and when one of our good, honorable and loyal sons answers the call, it grieves us far beyond expression.

Such a one was Charles L. Ficklen, of Memphis, Tennessee. His passing has been a great loss to the fraternity, for his life, though short, has manifested those manly characteristics we all strive to cultivate. He was born in Memphis September 29, 1884. He received his preparatory education at University School in his home city. He then entered the University of Tennessee in the fall of 1901, and was initiated into membership of Σ A E. In the fall of 1902 he affiliated with the chapter at Harvard, and after devoting two years to Harvard work, he entered the business activities of Memphis. The cotton industry first interested him, but in 1907 he became manager of the insurance department for Marten & Raive, Bankers. He had made an exceptional record in this field of work, and had developed a splendid business for his firm, when on August 9, death called, and he answered.

It is indeed a rich legacy he has left us, his fraternity brothers, and may his genuineness and goodness ever be an example for us to emulate. The fraternity and his friends indeed miss him.

EDWARD CRENSHAW

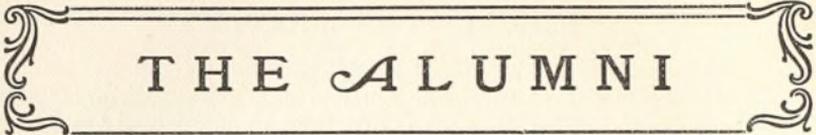
Virginia Omicron

The whole city of Greenville fell into deep sadness Saturday afternoon, September 11, when the death of Capt. Edward Crenshaw occurred. He died suddenly with a stroke of apoplexy. Captain Crenshaw was about 70 years of age, and had been in feeble health for several years. Just a short while before his death he was sitting on his porch with his family.

Captain Crenshaw was the son of the late Judge H. Crenshaw, chief justice of the supreme court of Alabama. He was born in Butler county, where he was reared. During the Civil War he fought as captain of Company A, Seventeenth Alabama infantry. He made a good soldier. Shortly after the war he took up the practice of law. He was a prominent member of the Alabama bar. For a long period he was a member of the prominent law firm of Lane & Crenshaw, of this city. He was at one time clerk of the circuit court at this place. He was always active in public life and held many offices of public trust. He was a member of the St. Thomas Episcopal church and was a vestryman of this church.

He is survived by two children, Mrs. G. H. Tatum, of Greenville, and Lieutenant Arthur Crenshaw, of the United States navy. Funeral services were held Sunday afternoon at the St. Thomas Episcopal church, conducted by Dr. Bennett, of the Trinity Episcopal church at Mobile. Interment was made at Magnolia cemetery.





THE ALUMNI

The Men of the Fraternity

HENRY SYDNOR HARRISON, New York Mu '00

A reviewer is likely to look askance upon a "first novel" of four hundred and thirty closely printed pages. Fortifying himself with Henry Ward Beecher's apothegm, that "a man need not eat a whole ox in order to know the flavor of the beef," he opens "Queed" resolved to make a bowing acquaintance with the characters, to drop in upon them at rare intervals and to join company with them on the home stretch, leaving them to their own devices in large areas of the tale.

Very soon, however—after the manner of a certain exalted personage—he finds himself murmuring "Dee-lightful!" A good place for skipping does not seem to make itself manifest; and when, about midway the volume, he comes upon the following sentence: "It's been to me like those books you see in the advertisements, and nowhere else: grips the reader from the start, and she cannot lay it down till the last page is turned," it occurs to him that "Queed" has shattered this generalization. Thenceforth, he not only reads to a finish, but straightway begins over again; for must he not see whether, after all, the conclusion is justified by its adumbration, and whether to change the desiccated Q. E. D. into a man was not too great a miracle. And must he not enjoy again, and from time to time read aloud, those delicious bits of keen observation and glancing humor, and revel in the author's inimitable way of putting things? For he is master alike of the telling phrase and the flashlight photograph.

The objection may be made that the story is too lavish of material. It has its mystery, its romance and very much besides; the local politics of a Southern city (which is, probably, a composite photograph); a great deal relating to journalism—the author's special metier; and many digressions from the main issues; such as the exquisite chapter describing a Confederate reunion, in which, by the bye, to digress ourselves, occurs a statement ascribed to *Harper's Weekly*, which is worth passing on: "The editor wrote five lines to say that, while it would be exceedingly difficult even to make 'traitor' a word of honorable distinction, it would be done if people kept on applying it to Lee. In that case, he said, we should have to find a new word to mean what traitor means now." We grant that by pruning and compression the novel would have gained in artistic symmetry, but it would have been less like a segment of life, with its many-sided pursuits and interests. The transformation of the hero, and the somewhat melodramatic developments, make the closing chapters less natural and less irradiated with humor than the rest of the book. There seems to be, too, some falling-off in the author's spontaneity, in his enjoyment of his own work. He rounds it all up a little laboriously. In truth, he is

rather hampered by his villain, who is too unmitigated to be credible even to his creator; while as for the "happy ending," we should like to know how the heroine's mother and grandmother received an alliance necessarily the most repulsive conceivable.

Queed himself is a new departure in heroes—in his entirety he is hardly more possible than Mr. Micawber of Mr. Richard Swiveller; but, like these human hyperboles, he delightfully accentuates qualities we meet whene'er we take our walks abroad, or look closely at home, especially in his attitude toward altruism—a profound puzzle to the little girl who observed the word heading a chapter of the *Magnum Opus*, and, having consulted her dictionary, thought, from her experience of his common practice, that he must be writing against it! Mr. Harrison's heroine is also a new departure, a girl of the present—self-reliant, capable, plain-spoken and with all of the charm ever possessed by any heroine of the age of sentiment. Barring the villain, the other characters also are excellent; the little schoolgirl, Fifi, most touching and dear; West, the contrast to Queed, a well-portrayed and too common type, who meant well, in a general way, but whose good intentions proved "descending paving stones," because he was "constitutionally incapable of meaning anything very hard"; the overworked woman spending hours over a novel, and compounding with her conscience by having "a casual air, like one who is only killing a moment's time between important engagements;" the young man who interlards his baldly obvious remarks with "If you know what I mean"; these and a score of like characterizations bear witness to the author's closeness of observation. Sharlee's conversation with Queed, wherein she puts him on the operating table, "anaesthetics barred," and pierces the "ego of his cosmos," reminds one of the like service done in "Daniel Deronda," by Klesmer to Gwendolyn.

Certainly one cannot dismiss "Queed" with the reviewers' stock remark, that "for a first novel it shows unusual promise." It is altogether an unusual performance in both its interest and ability; nor can we leave it without adding that it never fails to ring true, and to hold high the best ideals of character and of service.—*New York Times*, May 14, 1911.

ARTHUR J. TUTTLE, Michigan Iota-Beta '92

Shake hands with the new district attorney: Arthur J. Tuttle—of Leslie, Mich.

Col. Tuttle has come in from Leslie to take the job vacated by Frank Watson. No matter what your occupation is, the new district attorney can talk with you about it, and perhaps sell you something in your line. For, besides being a lawyer, with three law offices (counting his newest one, in which he is in partnership with your Uncle Samuel), he runs a bank, a woodyard, a furniture store, an insurance agency, an undertaking establishment—where he is always pleased to accomodate political enemies—a building and loan association; is a former prosecutor, a former state senator, a former campaign manager, a bachelor of philosophy, a bachelor of laws, and—some farmer.

Two terms in the state senate were enough. Mr. Tuttle returned to the practice of law. Gradually he gathered about him a practice he admits is worth having—an attorneyship for the M. U. R., one for the Pere

Marquette, and for several Lansing companies, among others. Then came the hereinbefore described psychological moment of Charles E. Townsend's campaign, the trip to Keweenaw point, and the rolling up of the Burrows men.

It must not be thought that in all these years these were the only activities of Arthur John Joseph Tuttle. Not on your hopes of reciprocity. He had been running those two farms near Leslie, sitting in the president's chair of the People's bank of Leslie (No. 8 of the old banks of the state; now on its second charter, having served clear through its first term of age), sitting on and with the board of directors of the Lansing Building & Loan association, acting as agent for nine fire insurance companies, running the woodyard, selling furniture to those starting in housekeeping and caskets to those going out of it, joining societies as fast as they were organized, and slipping in little trips to Europe every fourth year.

Even when touring Europe he cannot keep down an insatiate appetite for work. He has visited and studied the law courts of Russia, Norway, Sweden, Spain, Italy, Switzerland, Finland and Poland, and attended a session of the legislature in Sweden. Everywhere he goes he is a brother of some sort to everybody.

It was in 1907, while Arthur was voting consistently with 25 other legislators for Charles E. Townsend for senator, that William Alden Smith's Grand Rapids paper undertook to publish each day a character sketch of one of the legislators. The day came for Tuttle's. The sketch appeared. It gave his name, the date of his birth, the list of societies he belonged to, and the following sentence: "When he dies he'll have a fine funeral."

In all of these associations and in all the diverse callings to which he has attained or into which he has been projected, Arthur J. Tuttle has fairly burned energy, working unremittingly. Mornings, out on the farm, overall-clad, making the land pay; midday, in the courts, trying a case, or in the legislature, holding the fort against an angered executive, afternoons, directing the destinies of his business enterprises; night, in a dress suit or in a lodge regalia or home, romping with the two little girls—a busy, clothes-changing, grip-twisting life.

NEVER DISAPPOINTS FRAT BOYS

Once a year he pulls off a stunt for the Sigma Alpha Epsilon boys in Ann Arbor. 'Tis March the ninth, a cold wintry night, anniversary of the founding of the fraternity. The boys are ready to sit down to a banquet. The steward is pacing the floor; the head of the chapter watches anxiously out of the windows that look down Washtenaw avenue. Will he fail this year? He never has. But maybe he can't come this time. But surely he will. Others of the old-times come one year and drop off the next, or come two years in succession and then don't turn up for a decade. But—

Hark!

Down the street a clatter of hoofs. Brook's careening volante whirls up to the door. Boyish, eager hands reach into the cab and haul him forth. Dashing the icicles off his bearskin overcoat, he twists his fingers in brotherly greetings and leads the way to the banquet hall. There, when it comes his turn to speak, he rises and recites a thrilling tale of how he

missed the 9:42 out of Mason, got a horse and rig—or was it two rigs?—and drove steenty-ump miles across the steppes of Ingham and into Jackson, in time to catch the last coach on the last train Ann Arbor bound.

Its great! You really ought to hear about one of these wild rides! Cheers and tears and back-thumpings and handpumpings follow it. Good old Art! He never falls down! All up, fellows, with the ol' yell.—*Detroit News Tribune*, September 10, 1911.

JACK ABBOTT, Alabama Mu '93

"In electing Mr. Jack Abbott as president of the Mississippi Electric association, a recognition was extended to not only one of the ablest electrical engineers among its members, but to a central station man who has proven himself able in more ways than one. Mr. Abbott is a man who has come to be known through the many successful connections with southern central station plants and from features in connection with these plants which are the result of his own initiative and thorough understanding of electrical power plant engineering.

"Mr. Abbott was born in Chickasaw county, Mississippi, November 29, 1872. He received his early education at Barton Academy, Mobile, Ala., and attended the University of Alabama during 1889 to 1893, graduating with the degree of M.E. in the last year named. After graduation he accepted the position as engineer of the light and power company at Tuscaloosa, Ala., where he remained from 1894 to 1896. After leaving Tuscaloosa, Mr. Abbott became superintendent of the light and water works at Okolona, Miss., and remained there one year, leaving to take a position as chief engineer of the Natchez Light & Power Company, where he remained until 1898. He then entered Cornell University as a student, taking special work during the years 1899 to 1900. After receiving an advanced degree from this institution, he accepted the position as superintendent of the Ruston Light & Water Works, at Ruston, La., holding this position until 1902. During 1903 Mr. Abbott designed and erected the interurban road between Moss Point and Pasagoula. He then became connected with the Westinghouse Electric & Manufacturing Company, at Pittsburg, remaining there from 1903 to 1905 in the turbine testing department of the Westinghouse Machine Company. He was called from this position to design and erect the Lake Charles, Louisiana, Railway & Light plant, and in 1906 to build the railway and light plant at Jackson, Tenn., in 1907 he was connected with the interurban railway connecting Sheffield, Tescumbia and Florence, holding the position as chief engineer. In 1908 he was engaged in reconstruction work, and during the next two years rebuilt the railway and light plant at Jackson, Miss. At the present time he is general superintendent of the Jackson Railway & Light Company, having entire charge of the system of this company.

"Mr. Abbott has been connected with the association in official capacity since its organization, and his influence has been felt in the rapid progress which it has made in extending its membership and bringing together the central station men of Mississippi. With the association handed over to him in a growing condition, it is certain that with his wide acquaintance and organizing ability it will continue along its present lines of rapid development."—*The Southern Electrician* for August.

JAMES W. ADAMS, Massachusetts Gamma '02

James W. Adams, who recently succeeded E. J. Preston as manager of the Daily Newspaper Association, has assumed charge of his duties in a way that bids fair to fulfill the prediction of his friends that the job and the man are well met.

Mr. Adams is thirty-one years old and belongs to one of the oldest and most prominent Massachusetts families. He is a Harvard man and following his graduation he took up newspaper work, later becoming a special writer for the *New York World*. He also found time to contribute much to the magazines. For the past two years he has been connected with the American Newspaper Publisher's Association in the capacity of assistant to Manager Lincoln B. Palmer and was largely responsible for much of the free publicity matter issued from time to time by the association.—*The Editor and Publisher*, July 29, 1911.

LIEUTENANT J. H. TOWERS, Georgia Phi '06

Lieut. J. H. Towers, U. S. N., the second naval officer to receive his aviation training at the Curtiss Aviation School here, won his pilot's license today by flying over Lake Keuka. He used the new eight-cylinder Curtiss Navy hydroaeroplane, and handled the machine with exceptional skill in a strong wind that would have taxed the ingenuity of the most skillful aviator.

Lieut. Towers has been at Hammondsport for the past two months and, together with Lieut. T. G. Ellyson, the navy's first qualified aviator, has taken part in all the experiments that have been made with the navy's aeroplanes. He is a young man of exceptional skill in mechanics, and, like Lieut. Ellyson, came to the Aviation Department of the Navy from the submarine service.

Lieut. Ellyson and Lieut. Towers will leave Hammondsport with the Navy's hydroaeroplane next week, going direct to the Naval Aviation Training School at Annapolis.—*Aero Magazine*, Sept. 14, 1911.

CLYDE I. WEBSTER, Michigan Iota-Beta '99

An order from Gov. Osborn has gone through to appoint Clyde I. Webster of Detroit to the board of control of Jackson State Prison.

When asked his reason for appointing Clyde I. Webster as a successor to John S. Haggerty, on the Jackson prison board, Gov. Osborn said:

"I am governed in my action by the ruling of the attorney general. Mr. Haggerty's term has expired, and I have no comment to make upon his record during the time that he has been connected with that board. I want men about me who are in sympathy with the working of the administration, and I feel that Mr. Webster's appointment is a good one.

Clyde I. Webster said this morning that he had been tendered the appointment to the Jackson prison board by Gov. Osborn over the telephone last night, and that after half an hour's consideration he had accepted it.

"My appointment was a great surprise to me," he said, "as it came entirely unsolicited and I had never entertained a thought of being on the board. The governor has offered me appointments in the past which I have refused because they did not appeal to me, but I am somewhat

interested in prison work, and when he made the offer last night I decided that it would be an appointment to my liking.

"I am somewhat green just now as to the prison work, but I think I shall enjoy being on the board. I do not know yet when my appointment goes into effect."—*Detroit Journal*, Sept. 12, 1911.

JOHN D. BIGGERS, Michigan Iota-Beta '09

John D. Biggers, assistant secretary of the Detroit Board of Commerce since March this year, will leave Wednesday, November 1, to take the position of secretary of the Toledo Commerce club. Mr. Biggers became associated with the Board of Commerce in May, 1910, starting as membership secretary. He had refused several positions prior to his acceptance of the Toledo offer.

Mr. Biggers came to this city from St. Louis five years ago. He had spent one year at Washington University and completed his course at the University of Michigan in the class of 1909. After leaving college he entered the employ of Larned, Carter & Co., relinquishing the position of advertising manager to associate himself with the Board of Commerce. During the last year he has been president of the Detroit Alumni association of his college fraternity, the Sigma Alpha Epsilon, and also has been treasurer and member of the board of directors of the Adcraft club of Detroit.

The Toledo Commerce club is an organization about seven years old, with a membership of 1,300. By recent consolidation with the Toledo Chamber of Commerce it has become the leading commercial and civic organization in Toledo.

"Mr. Biggers will succeed in anything he undertakes. He has the training, enthusiasm and energy that can accept nothing less than success. We will, of course, regret most sincerely his loss in the Board of Commerce, but we feel that his advancement is a compliment to the organization as well as a splendid opportunity to show what he is made of in a larger field of activity. Mr. Biggers leaves with the well wishes of all his fellow workers."—*Detroit Free Press*, Oct. 28, 1911.

SAMUEL F. CLABAUGH, Alabama Mu '10

When "Sam" Clabaugh worked on *The Birmingham News* several years ago as a reporter, he was known to his associates as a young man possessing an exceptional amount of ginger, and as one gifted with all sorts of work-a-day talents, but not a man in the establishment realized that he was a worker of magic. However, in view of his achievements since leaving this paper, this distinction must be awarded him.

A year ago, Mr. Clabaugh launched into journalism on his own responsibility, going to Tuscaloosa, where he began the publication of *The Tuscaloosa News*. With the first issue he produced the neatest and newsiest small-city paper in the state, one that many observers thought "too good" to last. But it lasted, and now he celebrates the first anniversary of the founding of the publication with a special edition that has never been excelled in point of attractiveness since special editions became the fad in Alabama. It is the best advertisement Tuscaloosa ever had.

The establishment of a live daily in a city as small as Tuscaloosa is

a remarkable achievement and the people of Tuscaloosa are to be congratulated that Mr. Clabaugh selected that field when he decided to perform this feat.—*Birmingham News*.

DR. E. D. McDOUGALL, Tennessee Zeta '89

Rev. E. D. McDougall, D. D., of Florence, pastor of the First Presbyterian Church of that place, has been elected president of the Alabama Presbyterian College for Men at Anniston to succeed Dr. John W. Stagg, who resigned a few weeks ago.

Rev. Dr. McDougall is one of the best known Presbyterian ministers in the state. He has been for ten years pastor of the church of Florence, and has participated in Presbyterian councils in this state, as well as elsewhere, for years.

The election of Dr. McDougall to the presidency of the college at Anniston took place at a meeting of the board of trustees of the college held in the First Presbyterian Church in Birmingham Monday afternoon. The board includes Rev. W. C. Clark, D. D., of Livingston; John H. Frye, Caldwell Bradshaw, Dr. Sterling Foster and Rev. H. C. Kegley, editor of *The Alabama Presbyterian*, of Birmingham.

The election of Rev. Dr. McDougall was unanimous. The acceptance of the position is looked for in a short while, Dr. McDougall being expected to tender his resignation to his church at Florence. The presbytery of Alabama will hold a meeting in a few days to consider the change and to pass officially thereon.

There is probably no better known minister in the state than Dr. McDougall. Active in the work, eloquent and of sincere and earnest character, Dr. McDougall is highly regarded everywhere.

Dr. McDougall was born forty years ago. He is of Scotch-Irish North Carolina stock. He was educated in the South and went through the Southwestern Presbyterian University, at Clarksville, Tenn., securing there the degree of A. M. The honorary degree of D. D. was also conferred at the Clarksville school.

He has been for years a member of the general executive committee on foreign missions of the Presbyterian Church in the South and has been actively identified with all Presbyterian movements in the South. For the past ten years he has been pastor of the Florence church.

He has a large and strong following in Florence and in other parts of the state. Before going to Florence he was pastor for years in Georgia, in which state he is also most favorably known.

He is chaplain on the staff of Governor Emmet O'Neal, with the title of colonel. He is an athlete. In fact, he has always taken a deep interest in collegiate baseball and other sports. He was in his time a great catcher on his college baseball team and made a record in athletic work.

Dr. McDougall was in Birmingham Monday afternoon and members of the board of trustees of the Anniston college conferred with him. While his acceptance is not yet recorded, it is believed that he will accept. His close friends and many admirers express the belief that he will be a success in the new position, as he has been in the pastorate, and that while the Presbyterian church loses a strong figure in its regular ministry, the educational field has gained thereby.—*Birmingham News*.

Doings of the Old Grads

University of Cincinnati

'96. Dr. George H. Kress of Los Angeles, president of the California Tuberculosis Association, was appointed by the State Board of Health chairman of a committee to investigate tuberculosis problems in the state.

Bucknell University

'11. James A. Tyson is on the faculty of the Westfield, N. J., high school.

'11. John W. Peoples is studying law in his father's office at Jersey Shore, Pa.

'11. Walter Leach was married during the summer.

'04. P. D. Browning is now located at Orbisonia, Pa.

University of California

'11. Herbert Smith has been made assistant Pacific Coast manager of the Safety Insulated Wire and Cable Co.

University of Colorado

'11. A. J. Cunningham is practicing law in Beloit, Wis.

'11. Geo. A. Crowder is practicing law in Cripple Creek, Colo.

'11. Geo. S. Downer is practicing law in Sheridan, Wyo.

'11. J. W. Wightman is with the General Electric Co., Schenectady, N. Y.

'11. Geo. Mathews is with the Denver Gas & Electric Co., Denver, Colo.

Colorado School of Mines

'08. Hal Knight has returned from Alaska and is in Denver for this winter.

'09. Fritz Brueggemann, with his wife and baby, has located in Denver. He has a position with the Lawrence-Hensley Commission Co.

'09. E. C. Brooks is leasing at Kingsley, Mariposa County, California.

'11. John V. Harvey is located in Mexico, and was recently promoted.

'11. James A. Launon has accepted a position with the Midas Mining Co., Knob, Shasta Co., California.

Cornell University

'06. J. J. Wolfersperger has accepted a position as mining engineer with the Campanie de Real del Monte y Pachuca, Pachuca, Mexico.

University of Denver

'02. Wayne C. Williams is one of the most prominent and successful lawyers in Denver, and his name has been whispered as a possible candidate for various state offices. Besides this Brother Williams is one of the most loyal alumni of the university and Colorado Zeta.

'02. DeWitt S. Swan is a member of the faculty of Denver Manual Training High School, and is a member of the Athletic Board of the university.

'05. Henry W. Allen has a very remunerative law practice at La Junta, Colorado.

- '06. Frank E. C. Williams is a missionary to Korea.
- '06. Paul S. Worth holds the chair of Latin in Penn. State College.
- '07. Wilbur D. Steele, "the boy wonder," is gaining fame as a story writer in the national magazines of the country.
- '07. David S. Painter is engaged with his father in the newspaper business at Telluride, Colorado.
- '07. Charles C. Hawke is taking a medical course at Minnesota.
- '08. Max M. Bulkeley is conducting a very successful law practice at Wray, Colorado.
- '08. John M. Tait is general manager of the St. Louis Vacuum Cleaning Co., of that city.
- '09. Kenneth Henderson is conducting a dental practice in Denver.
- '09. Charles W. Sterling is starting a law practice at Ambrose, N. D.
- '09. Austin R. Kracaw is a physician at St. Anthony's Hospital in Denver.
- '09. Lloyd B. Neill is engaged extensively in the lumber business at Greeley, Colorado.
- '08. Charles O. Thibodeau is pastor of the Heighland M. E. Church in Denver.
- '10. Rufus A. King is starting a law practice at Delta, Colorado.
- '10. B. A. White is engaged in the haberdashery business in Denver.
- '10. Bradford R. Kirkbride is studying vocal music in New York.
- '11. Walter P. Johnson is sporting editor of the Denver News.
- '11. William H. Andrew is studying dentistry in Denver University Dental College.
- '11. Clarence A. Bailey is pursuing a law course at Columbia.
- '11. James F. North is studying law at Denver University Law School.
- '11. George R. Painter is engaged with his father in the newspaper business at Telluride, Colo.
- '11. Kenneth D. A. Allen is in the employ of the Caddillac Automobile Co., of Denver.

Emory College

'84. A. J. Smith, one of the old time hustlers of the fraternity, has recently bought St. George Island, off the coast of Florida, and it is a Paradise for the hunter and sportsman. He has organized a St. George Island Club, as a private pleasure resort and game preserve, open the year round, for hunting, bathing, boating, fishing, and the finest horses in the world. He is planning an orange and pecan grove on the basis of giving four acres of planted grove which goes to each member of the club. This is intended to produce a good income in the years to come. Mr. Smith's island is twenty miles long and is said to be one of the most beautiful places on the Florida coast.

Gettysburg College

- '85. Dr. William J. Kasten, 842 W. Ninth Ave., Baltimore, returned September 2, after making an eight months tour of the world.
- '97. Wm. R. McCartney is in the office of Collector of Internal Revenue, 23rd District of Pennsylvania, Gibsontown, Pa.
- '99. Rev. J. W. Weeter is pastor of St. Mathews Lutheran Church, Williamsport, Pa.
- '02. Rev. John G. Koser is pastor of a Lutheran Church at Freeport, Pa.

- '02. I. K. Smith is located at Summit Station, Pa.
- '04. Rev. J. W. Gentzler is pastor of Zion Evangelical Lutheran Church, Middletown, Md.
- '04. J. H. Maught is in the office of the Collector of Internal Revenue, New Orleans, La.
- '07. E. B. Musser is secretary of the Steffen-Bretch Company, Wichita, Kansas.
- '08. Rev. E. L. Manges, who supplied at Addison, Pa., during the summer, is now at Union Theological Seminary, New York City.
- '08. Geo. A. Deitrick is one of the resident physicians at the State Hospital, Fountain Springs, Pennsylvania.
- '08. G. Lauman Laverty was the Jefferson Medical College delegate to the National Convention of the Phi Beta Pi (Medical) Fraternity, which met at Detroit, Mich., in October.
- '08. G. B. King is at Union Theological Seminary, New York City, and may be addressed at 600 West 122nd St.
- '10. R. E. Bell is principal of the High School, Port Royal, Pa.
- '11. P. B. S. Rice is with the Pennsylvania State Forestry Department in the work of fighting the chestnut tree blight.
- Ex-'12, T. T. Cook is in Philadelphia office of the Bell Telephone Company.
- Ex-'13. J. H. Burdette is at his home, Charleston, W. Va.

Harvard University

- '94. William J. Pelo is editor-in-chief of Silver, Burdette & Co., Publishers, 221 Columbus Ave., Boston, Mass.
- '99. George C. Vedder is president of the America Company, 17 Battery Place, New York City. Brother Vedder is editor-in-chief of the company's two Spanish publications, "America" and "Ingenieria."
- '01. C. L. Thurston is assistant treasurer of the Export Department of the U. S. Motor Co., 3 West 61 St., New York City.
- '02. J. W. Adams has been elected manager of the Daily Newspaper Club of the U. S.
- '05. G. D. Birkhoff is preceptor at Princeton University.
- '05. George Fullerton Evans, author of "A College Freshman's Don't Book" and of the Annual Chapter Plays of the Harvard Chapter, has just finished a book of college fables, entitled "Æsop at College" (the work will shortly be published by Smith & Co., 70 Kilby St., Boston, Mass.
- '06. O. F. Langmann has been traveling in Europe for over a year pursuing the study of architecture. At present he is in Italy. Brother Langmann will return to this country in June.
- '07. Raymond Frederick Smith, formerly principal of high school, Allegany, N. Y., is one of the authors of the Huebsch-Smith Progressive Lessons in German. This text is also published by Smith & Co., of which Brother Smith is a member.

University of Iowa

- '08. Maurice Kent has gone to assume his duties at Carlton College in Minnesota.

Kentucky State University

- '00. Dr. Asbury Stamper Reese has taken up permanent residence at Pikeville, Kentucky.

'01. John Willim is now book-keeper for the Security Trust Company of Lexington, Kentucky. Residence: 335 Transylvania Park.

'01. Charles Treas is now proprietor and manager of the Aberdeen Lumber Company, Aberdeen, Miss.

'01. Guy Wickliffe Rice, in company with a number of chief engineers of the country, recently made an inspection of the Panama Canal at the invitation of President Taft, and a short time ago passed through Lexington on his way home to Lakeview, Oregon. Brother Rice is chief engineer for the Lakeview Irrigation and Power Company, Lakeview, Ore.

'04. Edgar Byron Ferguson is now owner and operator of a retail and wholesale hardware store at Benton, Kentucky.

'05. W. H. Grady has recently been promoted to assistant general superintendent of the American Creosoting Company with headquarters at Chicago.

University of Maine

'06. Raymond B. Kittredge was appointed instructor in Civil Engineering at the University of Maine.

'07. William Schoppe has been appointed professor of poultry at the University of Maine.

University of Minnesota

'11. Frank W. Beard is with the Canadian government forestry service. His address is Ottawa, Canada. Care Forestry service.

'10. Allan J. Wash is district sales manager for the Associated Manufacturing Co., at Waterloo, Iowa.

'11. F. P. Oroman is practicing law in Minneapolis.

'11. Curtis H. Pomeroy is practicing law in Moorhead, Minn.

'11. J. W. McKenzie is selling real estate for Nichols & Frissell Co., Minneapolis.

'11. P. A. Johnson has been doing civil engineering at International Falls, Minn., since graduation.

Milliken University

'10. Ellis Hudson is now located at Syrian Protestant College, Beirut, Turkey, where he has been engaged as instructor in English for a term of three years. He will not return to America until the expiration of term of service, but will study and tour Europe during the summer.

Letters from Brother Hudson tell of a very interesting trip delayed by war scare and cholera aboard the ship making the journey four weeks from Decatur to Beirut.

'10. Brother U. R. Bell leaves next week to take up Lyceum Bureau work for the season.

Pennsylvania State College

'11. Harry H. Bubb is now located at Walsenburg, Colo.

'07. J. G. Culbertson is now located at Wichita Falls, Texas. He is general manager of the Commercial Vehicle Company, which will manufacture motor trucks.

St. Stephen's College

'98. Watson Bartemus Selvage, M.A., has taken up his work at the University of the South as professor of Ethics in the Arts Department, and professor of apologetics in the seminary.

Syracuse University

Ex-'10. T. R. Howell is with the Bell Telephone Co., Syracuse, N. Y.

'11. H. F. Whipple is with the New Process Stone Co., Syracuse, N. Y.

University of Tennessee

'09. J. Walker Leach has gone into the real estate and insurance business at Knoxville.

'10. Edward J. McMillon is manager of the Standard Knitting Mills at Knoxville.

'11. F. Sim Neely is engaged in business in Memphis.

'11. Joe Summers is principal of the Washington County High School at Limestone, Tenn.

Ex-'12. Joe Thompson has entered the business world in New Orleans.

Ex-'12. Earl Ramsey holds a good position in Memphis.

Ex-'13. Joe Frances is attending medical school at Memphis.

Ex-'13. W. W. Archer is working in the Jellico coal fields.

Ex-'13. T. B. Mayfield is farming at Athens, Tenn.

Ex-'13. Paul Summers is managing Wright's Epsom Lithia Water from Moonesburg, Tenn.

ASSOCIATION LETTERS

Cincinnati, Ohio

THE summer and fall have thus far passed pleasantly, and without any events of startling note.

We did come near losing Brothers Al Leue and Arthur Gordon, who, one fine afternoon in August, while riding motor cycle, collided with the front end of a Clark Street car at Twelfth and Race Streets. Fortunately, neither one was seriously injured, and even the motor cycle is still doing service.

Alumni interest in the chapter is growing, and as, day by day, one old grad and then another drops around the house, the memories of olden days are renewed and the old fraternity spirit is kindled afresh. A new coat of paint is visible evidence that the alumni have not forgotten the chapter.

A spread to be held in connection with Ohio Epsilon's coming fall initiation is expected to bring out a bunch of the old fellows, and to inaugurate the alumni dinners at which we have had many a good time.

Brother Clifford Harvuot has recently married a fair daughter of the Lone Star State, while Brother Carl Buchanan found his bride in the culmination of a courtship that dated back to the good old school-days. Further data on these weddings appear on another page.

R. T. DICKERSON.

Detroit, Michigan

THE first meeting of the year 1911-12 was held November 20, in the Dutch Room at Richters with about thirty men present. Several of the brothers from the Active Chapter at Ann Arbor found their way to Detroit to be with us.

The officers elected for the year were Brother "Phil" Armstrong, president and Brother "Ed." Biggers, secretary and treasurer. An entertainment committee consisting of Brothers Burgess, Bear, Burroughs and the president; and secretary and treasurer, was appointed at the same time.

It is planned to have an occasional banquet or more properly called a dinner throughout the year and to have a noon-day luncheon once a month.

A considerable number of our men in Detroit are planning a visit to the "House" and Ann Arbor, November 18, the occasion of the Michigan-Pennsylvania game.

W. E. BIGGERS.

Milwaukee, Wisconsin

SINCE the writing of our last Association letter we have gained a new member, Brother Stephen J. McMahon, who was appointed assistant to the United States District Attorney of Milwaukee this fall. Brother McMahon was a charter

member of Wisconsin Alpha and is an enthusiastic Σ A E. We are glad to have him with us. This brings our membership up to 32, with the prospect of gaining several more members in the near future.

Unfortunately the attendance at our last dinner, September 16, left much to be desired, yet those of us who attended enjoyed a very pleasant evening. At this dinner we entertained our four Milwaukee pledges, one of whom, Carl Kuehn, is now a member of Wisconsin Alpha. Our next two dinners fall on December 2 and January 20.

Brother Fred Worthington has been appointed instructor of chemistry in the South Division High School, and will act as baseball and basketball coach.

We wish you all a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!

EDWIN G. LEUNING,

Sheridan, Wyoming

EVERY barbarous tribe has been doomed with the on-rush of civilization; the Indian has become more or less civilized; the cowboy is fast becoming a thing of the past; automobiles and interurbans are fast superseding the once historic stage coach.

Wyoming, far-famed for its sage brush and cacti; its bleak and barren hillsides; its pine-covered mountains and wide expanding range, has caught this spirit of progress.

Where once the pioneer and Indian met to barter and exchange, now stands the metropolis of the commonwealth. Nature, assisted by the hand of man, has converted this once desolate waste into a fertile, fruitful paradise.

Instilled with this same spirit of progress and desirous of keeping in touch with our noble order, a small band of loyal Σ A Es having obtained their charter, met on Saturday evening November 11 and organized the Sheridan Alumni Association and elected the following officers: Frank M. Downer, Jr. president; Frank Lawhead, vice-president; J. Louis Graverson, secretary; Carroll Thorn, treasurer. Other brothers present: Ralph W. Denio, George M. Downer, Henry Adams, J. C. Robinson, Jr. The meeting was a howling success.

Several social events were proposed and the outlook for a pleasant and enjoyable year is anticipated. We embrace this opportunity of extending a cordial welcome to any brothers who may be sojourning in our midst.

J. LOUIS GRAVERSON.



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, 1911. 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.

Residence	Name of Initiate	School
PROVINCE ALPHA		
	<i>Alabama</i>	
Troy	Algernon Sidney Ford	Harvard '10
	<i>Arkansas</i>	
Augusta	Ector Ralph Johnson	Harvard '13
	<i>Australia</i>	
Melbourne	Geoffrey Mallin Rollason	M. I. T. '12
	<i>California</i>	
Los Angeles	Paul E. Jeffers	M. I. T. '13
Los Angeles	Robert Beckwith Whitelaw ...	Harvard '11
	<i>Colorado</i>	
Pueblo	George Austin Marsh, Jr.	Worcester Poly '15
	<i>Connecticut</i>	
Hartford	Harold Ward Bidwell	Worcester Poly '15
	<i>Georgia</i>	
Atlanta	William Henry Mansfield	Harvard '12
	<i>Iowa</i>	
Carroll	Theodore Huff Thomas	Harvard '12
Ft. Dodge	Robert Burdette Wolverton ..	Harvard '12
	<i>Maine</i>	
Princeton	John Franklin Day	Boston Univ '14
	<i>Massachusetts</i>	
Amesbury	Herbert Foster Taylor	Worcester Poly '12
Atlantic	James Stanley Churchill	M. I. T. '14
Ayer	Alfred Page Richardson	Boston Univ '13
Beverly	Gordon Robertson	Harvard '14
Fairhaven	James Love Gillingham, Jr. ...	Worcester Poly '15
Florence	Raymond Nelson Ruiter	Worcester Poly '14

Residence	Name of Initiate	School
PROVINCE ALPHA—Continued		
Orange	Leon Carl Stowell	Harvard '14
Gloucester	William Augustus Bolger	Worcester Poly '15
Lexington	Winthrop Bailey Cutting.....	Harvard '14
Medford	Lawrence Badger Moore	Harvard '14
Methuen	William Sutcliffe Sagar	Harvard '14
Salem	Lawrence Davis Pedrick	Harvard '14
Salem	Philip Horton Smith	Harvard '11
Wollaston	Gordon R. Jameson	M. I. T. '14
Worcester	Edwin Windsor Reed	Worcester Poly '13
Worcester	William Stanley Reed	Worcester Poly '13
	<i>Michigan</i>	
Clinton	Wirt Clinton Rowland	Harvard
	<i>Mississippi</i>	
Kearney	Leonidas Whitehead Stampley.	Harvard '11
	<i>New Jersey</i>	
Jersey City	Gideon Robert Forbes	Harvard '09
	<i>New York</i>	
Amsterdam	Lauren Nelson Borst	Harvard '14
	<i>North Carolina</i>	
Charlotte	Thomas Guion Griffith	Worcester Poly '15
	<i>Oregon</i>	
Portland	Harold Alexander Mayer	M. I. T. '14
	<i>Pennsylvania</i>	
Bristol	Arthur Calbraith Dorrance ...	M. I. T. '14
Erie	Gordon Kaemmerling	Harvard '13
Erie	Gustav Henry Kaemmerling ..	Harvard '12
Philadelphia	John Langdon Jones	Harvard '13
Ridley Park	Louis Wagner McKernan	Harvard '13
	<i>Rhode Island</i>	
Pawtucket	Edgar Lionel Burchell	Boston Univ '13
Valley Falls	John Bernard Lawlor	Boston Univ '12
	<i>Vermont</i>	
Lyndonville	Homer George Watson	Dartmouth '12
	<i>Washington</i>	
Seattle	Warde R. Bowles	Harvard '13
PROVINCE BETA		
	<i>Indiana</i>	
Marengo	Peter Taylor Grant	Syracuse '06
	<i>Kansas</i>	
Hutchinson	Charles Emerson Carey	Cornell '15
	<i>Maine</i>	
Yarmouth	Edward Perry Daniels	Allegheny '13
	<i>Maryland</i>	
Hagerstown	Walter Vose Simon	Gettysburg '15

Residence	Name of Initiate	School
PROVINCE BETA—Continued		
<i>Massachusetts</i>		
Holyoke	Walter Scott Patterson	Syracuse '15
<i>New Jersey</i>		
Maplewood	Donald Bert Munsick	Cornell '15
Trenton	Charles Lamb Burtis	Syracuse '15
Ridgewood	Edwin Glaentzer	Syracuse '14
<i>New York</i>		
Buffalo	William Howard Hartley	Syracuse '15
Cooperstown	William Henry Michaels, Jr. ..	Syracuse '14
Cooperstown	Claude Winsor Simmons	Syracuse '14
Olean	Frank Wescoat Keebler	Syracuse '15
Oswego	Stanley Rowland Diefendorf ..	Syracuse '14
Skaneateles Falls ..	Cleveland Thomas Keegan	Syracuse '14
Skaneateles Falls ..	Leo Francis Keegan	Syracuse '14
Sodus	Gaylord Halett Fish	Syracuse '15
Syracuse	Harold Sission Coyne	Syracuse '15
Warner	William Victor Dixon	Syracuse '15
Watervliet	George Russell Sambrook	Syracuse '15
<i>Pennsylvania</i>		
Berwyn	Winfield Scott Wilson	Penn State, Special
Connellsville	Frederick Croft Hetzel	Gettysburg '13
Coatesville	William Nelson Hesse	Gettysburg '15
Devon	David D. Lewis, Jr.	Penn State, Special
Erie	Earl Ballard Glover	Bucknell '14
Franklin	William Dean Reading	Bucknell '14
Lebanon	George Krause Erb	Penn State '15
Meadville	Clarence James Carr	Allegheny '14
Montgomery	Ralph McGuire Tyson	Bucknell '14
Paxtong	Howard LeRue Berkley	Penn State, Special
Pittsburg	Percy Oliver Eisenbeis	Cornell '15
Pittsburg	Sidney Frederick Heckert, Jr..	Cornell '12
Punxsutawney ...	George Howe Williams	Penn State '15
Reading	Caleb Beard Dowd	Penn State '15
Reading	Harrison Franklin Harbaugh ..	Gettysburg '15
Senickley	Christopher Magee	Cornell '15
Steulton	Frank Bruster Wickersham ...	Gettysburg '15
Williamsport	Paul Raymond Wendt	Bucknell '14
Wissahickon	Robert Clifton Pyle, 3rd	Penn State, Special
Wyncote	Charles Pitcher Hubbard	Cornell '15
York	William Wertz Horner	Penn State '15
PROVINCE GAMMA		
<i>Alabama</i>		
Birmingham	Evans Dunn	Wash & Lee '15
Montgomery	William Sanders Hickey.....	Univ of Va '15
<i>Arkansas</i>		
Augusta	Duke Renel	Wash & Lee '15

Residence	Name of Initiate	School
PROVINCE GAMMA—Continued		
	<i>Kentucky</i>	
Kuttawa	Frederick Henry Skinner	Univ of Va '13
	<i>Louisiana</i>	
Franklin	Wayne Golding Borah	Univ of Va '14
	<i>Maryland</i>	
Havre de Grace ..	Robert Murray Vandiver	Univ of Va '15
	<i>Mexico</i>	
Mexico City	John Brockenridge Starr Hunt	Univ of Va '15
	<i>Missouri</i>	
St Louis	Lawrence Branch Burrow	Univ of Va '14
	<i>New York</i>	
Brooklyn	Mark Robert Miles	Wash & Lee '15
	<i>North Carolina</i>	
Ashboro	Alexander McAlister Worth ..	Univ of N. C. '14
Charlotte	Williams Jennings Brown	Wash & Lee '15
Charlotte	Joseph Lenoir Chambers	Univ of N. C. '14
Charlotte	Thomas Claiborne Guthrie, Jr..	Univ of N. C. '14
Charlotte	Junius McRea Smith	Univ of N. C. '14
Durham	Frank Lanneau Fuller, Jr.	Davidson College '14
Garysburg	Willie Jones Yong	Univ of N. C. '14
Salisbury	Francis Kenneth Brown	Davidson College '14
Statesville	William Campbell McLain	Univ of S. C. '13
Wilmington	George Carmichael	Univ of N. C. '13
Wilmington	George Thomas Clark	Univ of N. C. '14
Wilmington	Robert Strange, Jr.	Univ of N. C. '13
Winston-Salem ...	John Wesley Hanes, Jr.	Univ of N. C. '14
Winston-Salem ...	John Clark Whitaker	Univ of N. C. '12
	<i>South Carolina</i>	
Laurens	Charles Franklin Fleming	Davidson College '14
Orangeburg	Stiles Mellichamp Brunson	Davidson College '14
Pickens	Sydney Bruce	Davidson College '14
	<i>Tennessee</i>	
Chattanooga	William Dulaney Anderson ...	Univ of Va '14
Chattanooga	Edward Whiteside	Univ of Va '14
Cleveland	Joseph Earnest Dooley	Wash & Lee '14
Jackson	Charles Taylor Lile	Wash & Lee '15
	<i>Texas</i>	
Weatherford	Charles Templeton McFarland..	Wash & Lee '15
Wichita Falls	Merrill William Blair	Univ of N. C. '13
	<i>Virginia</i>	
Newport News ...	David McComas French, Jr.	Univ of Va '14
Newport News ...	Thomas Parker Host	Univ of Va '14
	<i>West Virginia</i>	
Lewisburg	Lant Rader Slaven	Univ of Va '14

Residence	Name of Initiate	School
PROVINCE DELTA		
<i>California</i>		
Los Angeles	Raymond Marsh Bennett	Purdue '14
<i>Colorado</i>		
Denver	Troy Cantrell Cartwright	Univ of Mich '13
<i>Illinois</i>		
Bloomington	Edward Morris Grady	Univ of Ill. '15
Champaign	George Danford Perry	Univ of Ill. '15
Chicago	Harold Fonseca Da Costa	Univ of Ill. '15
Chicago	Raymond John Gregori	Univ of Ill. '15
Danville	Edwin Alphonse McCord	Northwestern '14
Decatur	Harold Arthur Cole	Millikin, Special
Elgin	Charles Albert Rinchimer	Univ of Wis '14
Evanson	Merritt Campbell Gamble	Northwestern '14
Freeport	Charles Michael Sullivan	Univ of Ill. '12
Normal	Howard Walton Kelly, Jr.	Univ of Ill. '15
Springfield	George Taylor Owens	Millikin '09
Sullivan	Ansel Oswald Magill	Millikin '08
<i>Indiana</i>		
Evansville	Charles Wartmann Williams ..	Millikin '13
Fort Wayne	John Albert Bleekman	Univ of Cincinnati '14
Fountaintown	Benjamin Harrison Taylor ...	Purdue '14
Indianapolis	Walter Martin Crockett	Purdue '14
Indianapolis	Clinton Cavel Morgan	Millikin, Special
New Harmony ...	Charles Martin Kemmerling ..	Purdue '14
Shirley	Estel Herbert Yetter	Univ of Cincinnati '14
<i>Iowa</i>		
Guthrie Center ...	Frank Winfield Fordyce	Northwestern '13
<i>Kentucky</i>		
Frankfort	William Force Cromwell	Univ of Ill. '15
<i>Massachusetts</i>		
South Lee	Jeremiah Collins	Univ of Mich '12
<i>Missouri</i>		
Joplin	Richard Bell Buchanan	Univ of Ill. '15
St. Louis	Thatcher Frank Davis	Univ of Ill. '15
St. Louis	Walter Ormsby Hill	Univ of Cincinnati '14
<i>Nebraska</i>		
Wymore	Russell Brenton Kulp	Purdue '14
<i>New York</i>		
Hornell	Walton Charles Fiske	Univ of Mich '13
<i>Ohio</i>		
Alliance	Fred Ernst Neushutz	Mt. Union College '14
Cincinnati	Edgar Hubbard Baker	Univ of Cincinnati '14
Cincinnati	William Harold Beninghaus ..	Univ of Cincinnati '13
Cincinnati	Paul Wilson Boswell	Univ of Cincinnati '13
Cincinnati	George Bode Jung	Univ of Cincinnati '12
Cincinnati	George Shipley Prugh	Univ of Cincinnati '13
Cincinnati	Hugh Walter Rankin	Purdue '14

Residence	Name of Initiate	School
PROVINCE DELTA—Continued		
Columbus	Paul Gifford Larkin	Ohio State '15
Dayton	Willard Horace Marquardt ...	Ohio Wesleyan '13
Groesbeck	Arthur Stanley Helbig	Univ of Cincinnati '12
Mechanicsburg ...	Harold Miller Hopkins	Ohio State '15
Miamisburg	Benjamin Harrison Cade	Univ of Cincinnati '15
Negley	Everett Young Calvin	Mt. Union College '14
Oberlin	William Rowe Fisher	Purdue '14
St. Bernard	Louis Germain Rinninsland ...	Univ of Cincinnati '08
<i>Pennsylvania</i>		
Erie	Joseph Scott Thornton	Univ of Michigan '14
Pittsburg	Ellis Edwin Bankson	Millikin '07
<i>Washington</i>		
Ellensburg	Eugene Robert Hoffman	Univ of Wis '12
<i>Wisconsin</i>		
Antigo	Arnold Burton Millard	Univ of Wis '14
Carpentersville ...	Floyd Delmont Campbell	Univ of Wis '14
Darlington	Homer Waddington Monahan..	Northwestern '14
Hillside	Ralph Lloyd Jones	Univ of Wis '13
Kenosha	Clifford Stanley Hackett	Univ of Wis '14
Madison	John Alvin Commons	Univ of Wis '13
Madison	Daniel DuPre Smith	Univ of Wis '14
Oshkosh	Harvey Banderob Heider	Univ of Wis '14
Oshkosh	Frederick William Mackay	Univ of Wis '14
Racine	John Rees Davies	Northwestern post-grad

PROVINCE EPSILON

<i>Alabama</i>		
Augustin	Seaborn Augustin Driver.....	Southern Univ. Spl.
Birmingham	Sidney Jordan Morrow.....	Southern Univ. '15
Birmingham	Thomas O. Smith Jr.....	Alabama Poly '13
Centerville	Grady Lee James.....	Southern Univ. '15
Gainesville	William Eldridge Little.....	Southern Univ. '15
Linden	Henry Grady Gilder.....	Southern Univ. '14
Mathews	John Fuller Dillard.....	Univ. of Alabama '13
Montgomery	John Bordus Noble.....	Univ. of Alabama '15
Montgomery	Anthony Dickerson Sayre....	Alabama Poly '14
Moundville	Emmet Morgan Whatley.....	Southern Univ '15
Prattville	Leonard Graham Pearce.....	Alabama Poly '15
Union Springs.....	Frederick William McLaurine.	Univ. of Alabama '13
University	Charles Heyward Barnwell Jr.	Univ. of Alabama '15
Wetumpka	Franklin Lloyd Gaddis.....	Alabama Poly '13
Wetumpka	John William Moore.....	Alabama Poly '15
<i>Georgia</i>		
Albany	William Warren Crews.....	Mercer, Law
Atlanta	Pat Candler Dinkins.....	Georgia Tech '15

Residence	Name of Initiate	School
PROVINCE EPSILON—Continued		
Atlanta	John Cooper Harris or Davis..	Georgia Tech '15
Atlanta	Frank Arthur Hooper.....	Georgia Tech '15
Atlanta	Henry Fairfield Mangel.....	Emory College '16
Atlanta	John Tyler Montague.....	Georgia Tech '15
Bluffton	William Berrian Hattaway Jr.	Mercer '15
Buena Vista.....	James Wilkinson Roberts Jr..	Mercer '14
College Park	Baron De Kalb Gray Jr.....	Mercer '14
Douglasville	Robert Selman Duncan.....	Emory '16
Franklin	James Curren Davis.....	Emory '14
Halcyondale	William Asbery Hodges Jr....	Emory '16
La Grange	Forrest Holt Truett.....	Alabama Poly '15
Lawrenceville	Tandy Elkanah Bush.....	Emory '15
Macon	Murrah Bradford Hodges.....	Mercer '13
Macon	Solomon Hoge Jr.....	Mercer '13
Macon	Harry Grey Griswold.....	Emory '15
Macon	Roland Hall Neel.....	Alabama Poly '14
Macon	Cecil Arthur Thorpe.....	Mercer '13
Savannah	Robert Norton Groover.....	Emory '16
Reynolds	David Theodrick Montford Jr.	Mercer '15
Madison	Clay Westervelt Penick.....	Emory '14
Madison	Lee Tramwell Jr.....	Emory special
Moultrie	Robert Nichols Stokes.....	Emory '15
	<i>Florida</i>	
Pensacola	Joe Robert Duncan.....	Alabama Poly '13
	<i>South Carolina</i>	
Anderson	Sam Marshall Major.....	Alabama Poly '15
Greenwood	Augustus Tompkins Graydon..	Alabama Poly '14
	<i>Tennessee</i>	
Chattanooga	Clement Clay Shelton Jr.....	Georgia Tech '15
	<i>Texas</i>	
El Paso	Asa Porter.....	Emory College '15
	<i>Virginia</i>	
Warrenton	Daniel Pollard Wood Jr.....	Georgia Tech '15

PROVINCE ZETA

	<i>Arkansas</i>	
Little Rock	Archie Franklin House.....	Univ. of Ark. '14
	<i>Iowa</i>	
Burlington	Carl Christopher Riepe.....	Univ. of Iowa '12
Charles City	William Elmer Trudden.....	Iowa State '14
Iowa City	Walden White Patrick.....	Univ. of Iowa '14
Iowa City	Harold Close Thomas.....	Univ. of Iowa '14
Knoxville	Chester William Cunningham..	Iowa State '14
Logan	Donald Alonzo Hunt.....	Iowa State '13
Panora	Earle Glen Nichols.....	Iowa State '14
Winterset	Job Robert Cornell.....	Univ. of Iowa '14
Winterset	Ernest Cleveland Hamilton...	Univ. of Iowa '14

Residence	Name of Initiate	School
PROVINCE ZETA—Continued		
	<i>Illinois</i>	
Rock Island	Richard Whitney Carter.....	Iowa State '14
	<i>Kansas</i>	
Blue Rapids	Benjamin DeWitt Fillmore....	Univ of Kansas '14
	<i>Mississippi</i>	
West Point	Samuel Gaston Croom.....	Univ of Arkansas '14
	<i>Missouri</i>	
Independence	Fleming Pendelton Jr.....	Univ. of Missouri '14
Kansas City	Ralpha Spencer Bower.....	Univ. of Kansas '14
St. Charles	Douglas Vass Martin Jr.....	Washington Univ '15
St. Louis	Albert Eugene French.....	Washington Univ. '13
St. Louis	Roland Jay Grimm.....	Washington Univ. '14
St. Louis	Gale Evans Henderson.....	Washington Univ '15
St. Louis	Richard George Swarts.....	Washington Univ '15
St. Louis	Otto Julius Wilhelmi Jr.....	Washington Univ '15
	<i>Nebraska</i>	
Hyomis	Christopher J. Abbott.....	Univ. of Nebraska '13
Lincoln	Harry Lloyd Ashton.....	Univ. of Nebraska '13
University Place..	Carl Augustus Meyer.....	Univ. of Nebraska '12

PROVINCE ETA

	<i>Colorado</i>	
Colorado Springs.	Daniel Worth Butner.....	Colo. S. of M. '15
Denver	Roger Kane Bent.....	Univ. of Denver '15
Denver	Rollins D'Evers Chittenden..	Univ. of Denver '15
Denver	Melvin Kimball Gaymon.....	Univ. of Denver '15
Denver	Herold Bedford Jeffery.....	Univ. of Denver '15
Denver	John Edward Lee.....	Univ. of Denver '15
Denver	Fred Richard Lutz.....	Univ. of Denver '15
Denver	Walter Harvey Zeigler.....	Univ. of Denver '15
Salida	Ernest Russell Crutcher.....	Colo. S. of M. '13
Trinidad	Gilmore Sherwin Davis.....	Colo. S. of M. '14
University Park ..	Harry Christopher Meyers....	Univ. of Denver '12
University Park ..	Elmer Milton Munn.....	Univ. of Denver '15
	<i>Illinois</i>	
Newton	John Nicholas Teets.....	Colo. S. of M. '15
	<i>Michigan</i>	
Detroit	Charles Bell Ganthier.....	Colo. S. of M. '15
	<i>Missouri</i>	
Reeds Springs ...	John Fay Sinclair.....	Univ. of Denver '15
	<i>South Dakota</i>	
Belle Fourche	Alfred Tennyson Barr.....	Univ. of So. Dak. '15
Centerville	Clayton Conrad DuBois.....	Univ. of So. Dak. '14
Nemo	Arne Fredrichsen.....	Univ. of So. Dak. '15
Rapid City	Ward Soule.....	Univ. of So. Dak. '14
Sioux Falls	Ralph Kenneth Cadwell.....	Univ. of So. Dak. '15
Vermillion	Alfred Archibald Cameron....	Univ. of So. Dak. '10
Vermillion	Orville Elsworth Cushman....	Univ. of So. Dak. '12
Vermillion	Hallie Walter Woodworth....	Univ. of So. Dak. '11

Residence	Name of Initiate	School
PROVINCE THETA		
<i>Louisiana</i>		
Baton Rouge	William Morton Evans.....	La. State Univ. '14
Houma	Lawrence Herbert Dupont....	La. State Univ. '14
Minden	Joseph Hubert Brown.....	La. State Univ. '14
Minden	Felix Harland Drake.....	La. State Univ. '14
New Orleans	August Hoffman Douglas....	La. State Univ. '14
Shreveport	Joseph Alsop Redding.....	La. State Univ. '14
Shreveport	Wilbur Edward Redding....	La. State Univ. '14
<i>Oklahoma</i>		
Altus	Grover Dudley Strother.....	Univ. of Okla. '14
Chandler	Otto Earl Foster.....	Univ. of Okla. '13
Norman	Charles Boggy Johnson.....	Univ. of Okla. '13
Norman	Thomas Wollard Mayfield....	Univ. of Okla. '12
Nowata	John Edward Lambert.....	Univ. of Okla. '13
Oklahoma City ...	Truman Heaston Dunn.....	Univ. of Okla. '14
Robberson	Pleasant Addison Taylor.....	Univ. of Okla. '12
PROVINCE IOTA		
<i>Alabama</i>		
Birmingham	John Swann Moore.....	Southwestern Pres '14
Florence	Jeff Smith.....	Cumberland '12
Mobile	Claude Wilfred Whitehead....	Vanderbilt '15
<i>Arkansas</i>		
Little Rock	Robert Thomas Bryan.....	Bethel '15
New Port	Vaughn Gilbert Richardson....	Cumberland '12
De Witt	Arthur Lowe Smith.....	Cumberland '11
<i>Illinois</i>		
Cairo	David Simpson Bondurant....	Cumberland '14
<i>Indiana</i>		
Marion	Thomas Edwin Pickerill.....	Cumberland '12
<i>Kentucky</i>		
Morganfield	William Henry Miller.....	Central '15
Paris	John Keith Van Sant.....	Central '15
Russellville	Jesse Raymond Robey.....	Bethel '14
<i>Louisiana</i>		
Monroe	Edward Tyler Lamkin.....	Vanderbilt '15
<i>Minnesota</i>		
Minneapolis	Marshall Windsor Trussel....	Cumberland '11
<i>Mississippi</i>		
Aberdeen	David Winston Houston, Jr....	Cumberland '11
Charleston	Grcek Lent Rice.....	Cumberland '11
Clarksdale	Lester Cicero Franklin.....	Cumberland '11
Vance	Herbert Lee Whatley.....	Bethel '15
<i>Missouri</i>		
Bonne Terre	Howard Lewis Frey.....	Union Univ. '14
Carrollton	Harold Blaine Scovern.....	Vanderbilt '15

Residence	Name of Initiate	School
PROVINCE IOTA—Continued		
<i>Oklahoma</i>		
Chickasha	Richard Kelly Wooten.....	Vanderbilt '14
Tulsa	Frank Wells Dillard.....	Cumberland '11
Tulsa	Roy Robert Poe.....	Cumberland '12
<i>Tennessee</i>		
Chattanooga	Henry Berlin Pickens.....	S. W. P. U. '15
Clarksville	Polk Johnson Atkinson.....	S. W. P. U. '14
Clarksville	William Addison Alexander...	S. W. P. U. '15
Clarksville	Richard Rodney Carney.....	S. W. P. U. '15
Columbia	Hugh Todd Shelton.....	Cumberland '12
Dyersburg	Joe Cotton.....	Union Univ. '14
Dyersburg	Samuel Latta Gordon.....	Cumberland '11
Franklin	Joshua Crittenden Cody.....	Bethel '15
Gallatin	Charles Head Peay.....	Vanderbilt '15
Humbolt	Inman Franklin Elliott	Bethel '15
Lebanon	Herman Tyler Burnett.....	Cumberland '12
Lebanon	Kenneth Rhea Coile.....	Cumberland '14
Lebanon	Homer Ezell Shannon.....	Cumberland '14
Memphis	Marion Anderson Hall.....	Cumberland '12
Shelbyville	Clark Holman Hutton.....	Central '15
<i>Texas</i>		
Dallas	John Blackburn Muse.....	Cumberland '12
El Paso.....	Robert Emmett Horton.....	Cumberland '12
PROVINCE KAPPA		
<i>California</i>		
Berkeley	Louis Roy Turner.....	Univ. of Calif. '15
Berkeley	Esmond Fenton Wiley.....	Univ. of Calif. '15
Courtland	Stanley Tilden Runyon.....	Univ. of Calif. '15
Oakland	Lloyd Sawrie Stroud.....	Univ. of Calif. '15
San Francisco	Danilo John Tadich.....	Univ. of Calif. '15
Stockton	Orrin Loyola Gravem.....	Univ. of Calif. '15
<i>China</i>		
Shanghai	Otto Durham Rasmussen.....	Univ. of Calif. '15
<i>New Mexico</i>		
Lordsburg	Stanley Willcox Coon.....	Univ. of Calif. '15
<i>Washington</i>		
Seattle	Arthur Joseph Moncrieff.....	Univ. of Wash. '13

CHAPTER LETTERS

Chapter letters for the March RECORD must be in the hands of the Editor not later than the fifteenth of February. 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

AT last we are back to good old Maine again. For weeks we had all looked forward to seeing the old chapter house one more; greeting all the fellows and meeting new men. As we had thought of the house during the summer, it seemed to be more of a wonderful mansion awaiting our invasion. We bounced our suit cases from the car steps, and rushed up the familiar path. There was the house; just as we left it, the green lawn, the background of evergreens, in fact everything looked just the same. It seemed that we had been gone but a day.

With a jump we reached the piazza, banged open the front door and there we were—same old fireplace with the buffalo skull on the mantle—same old smoker—everything—. But we had no chance to

look further. With a war-whoop and a rush we were surrounded by a miniature mob, that pushed us up against the stairway, and insisted on our shaking hands with fifteen different fellows, all at the same time. It wasn't an assassination that was going on, just an old fashioned $\Sigma A E$ greeting; one of the kind that makes you feel good all over.

No, indeed, we were not the first to return to Maine. Several of the brothers had been here for a week, and what a week they had put in. With true $\Sigma A E$ spirit they had gone to work with a vim. They had cleaned rooms, swept floors, laid rugs, hung curtains, and put things generally to rights. And the house looked well too. Almost as good as home.

We couldn't unpack that night. Far from it. There were too many summer experiences to tell, too many tales to relate, and too many situa-

tions to explain. We almost forgot to go to bed at all.

But the next few days found us hard at work. There was plenty to do before the house could be properly called "in shape." One by one the brothers returned, until at registration time there were nineteen loyal supporters of the purple and gold at the University of Maine.

Handicapped by the ruling of the college trustees that only seven freshmen could live in each fraternity house, we set out to find seven that we could be proud to introduce to the whole fraternity as brothers. We worked hard with the result that we not only have our allotted seven freshmen, but one senior who will live in the house, and two other men who have decided to live in the college dormitory for a year. As yet we have not held our initiation, but expect to as soon as the football season closes.

As far as the college itself is concerned, the prospects look very bright. The incoming class is the largest in the history of the institution, and possesses some fine material in all lines. The administration of President Aley has been a most successful one, and will surely mean the greater growth and advancement of the university. Hannibal Hamlin Hall, the new men's dormitory was opened for the first time this fall and is proving very popular. With all the latest improvements and modern ideas, it is claimed to be one of the finest in New England.

In athletics this fall Maine seems to be making good. Although on several occasions the team hasn't done itself credit. The way in which it has beaten several supposedly stronger teams has been a source of pride to the whole college. As

things stand just now the football championship of the state rests on the next game which is between Maine and Bowdoin.

On the evening of October twentieth we held our first dance of the year at the chapter house. It was essentially a harvest dance, the decorations consisting mainly of pumpkin jack-o-lanterns, dried corn stalks and autumn leaves, with fruit hung in all available places. Light refreshments were served and everybody seemed to enjoy himself. A number of the alumni came back and helped make the affair a success.

While not as strong in college honors as at some other times in her history, Maine Alpha still has a share. So far this fall we have, assistant manager football, representative on the Presin and Agricultural Journal boards; president and treasurer of the mechanical engineering society, and five members of the college band. Brother Jackson was recently elected to the honorary engineering society, Tau Beta Pi.

In closing we wish to state that the latch string is always out at Maine Alpha, and we can assure a hearty welcome to any visiting brothers.

J. L. OBER.

Massachusetts Beta-Upsilon, Boston University, Boston

THE rushing season is now on in full force. While as yet we have only pledged two men, there is still some good material from which we expect to obtain at least three or four more candidates.

In the college activities, Brother Day has one of the leading parts in the college play which will be given in the near future. Brother

McLean was appointed an associate editor of the *Beacon*, a college publication but unfortunately he has recently been taken sick and had to resign from the position.

On October twentieth Mr. D. Herbert Murlin formerly of Baker University was inaugurated as president of Boston University. The ceremony commenced with a procession of delegates, invited guests, faculty and seniors which started at the university and proceeded to Trinity church where the inaugural services were held. When the services closed, every one returned to the university to have their pictures taken after which lunch was served to the delegates and guests at the university while the seniors had their lunch at the Hotel Vendome. The afternoon services were held in the Old South Church, where the public had a chance to listen to the speeches of such men as Governor Foss of Massachusetts, Mayor Fitzgerald of Boston and President Lowell of Harvard College. In the evening there was an informal reception to the President and Mrs. Murlin by the faculty, alumni and students.

Beta-Upsilon has strengthened itself greatly in the university by moving from its old apartment on 17 Pinckney Street to a new suite of five rooms located at 1 Cumberland Street, suite No. 2. The expense of our new rooms is considerably greater than we have been paying, however, we are able to overcome this difficulty by having some of the brothers room in the suite. Our new location is not only much more convenient but it is also situated in a fine district.

We extend a hearty invitation to all brothers visiting Boston to call at our new quarters.

STANLEY REEVE.

Massachusetts Iota Tau, Massachusetts
Institute of Technology, Boston

THE season of strenuous rushing has come to an end and five men have been pledged to Massachusetts Iota-Tau. Each one of these men bids well to become prominent in the affairs of the institute, and collectively they will undoubtedly form a valuable addition to the chapter. At the opening of the present term we were agreeably surprised to learn that Brother Alt of Illinois Psi Omega had entered Technology and determined to take a four years' course here. Last year he established a fine record for himself at Northwestern University both in scholarship and athletics. He has affiliated with this chapter and already Brother Alt has become one of its most popular members.

Again the question of a site for the "New Technology" has come up, and President Mac Laurin has stated it as his belief that unless unforeseen obstacles should appear, fifty acres of land on the Cambridge side of the Charles River and east of Massachusetts Avenue will be used for this purpose. Great plans are being made for the future of Technology and within the next four years the Institute will, in all probability, be in its new quarters surrounded by a campus, the need of which has long been felt. Unfortunately there will not be sufficient space on this campus to accommodate the fraternity houses, so land will have to be secured in the vicinity.

Our new chapter house at the entrance to the Fenway is entirely satisfactory and we are all very proud of it. Both the interior and exterior are far superior to those of any house this chapter has ever occupied. We hope Σ A Es from

other chapters as well as our own alumni will visit us in our new home.

ARTHUR C. DORRANCE.

Massachusetts Gamma, Harvard University, Cambridge

MASSACHUSETTS Gamma has been very fortunate this fall in being able to welcome back not only a goodly number of graduate members who are attending one of the several graduate schools, but we have had the pleasure of receiving several affiliates in our clan. The latter include Little from Alabama Mu, Seelback from Kentucky Kappa, Carston from Illinois Theta, Thomas from Iowa Beta, Fuller from Georgia Epsilon and Halsell from Oklahoma Kappa.

The first initiation of the year has just taken place and the prospects of getting some more good men before the Christmas vacation are very bright.

The question of securing a new home for the chapter stands paramount this year in our minds and through the work of a very active committee, of which Brother Buckman is chairman, we hope soon to have definite plans to submit to the graduates for approval. This committee comprehends the following sub-committees: notification committee, lot committee, finance committee, plans committee, committee to meet graduates. Several houses and lots are within proximity of the Yard have been inspected and priced, and the committee is diligently at work securing more data before making its final report.

An innovation which is being tried this fall in order to bring the under graduate members in closer touch with the alumni of the chapter are the "Saturday Luncheons." So far on every Saturday a luncheon has been held at a restaurant in Boston

at which the undergraduates were given an excellent opportunity to meet the alumni and talk over chapter matters in general. These luncheons have been well attended and may be said to be fully accomplishing their purpose, thanks to the enthusiasm of Brother "Lank" Smith.

The Biennial Province Convention meets here at Cambridge on November 18 and we are looking forward to welcoming the Province Officers, the delegates from the various chapters, and as many brothers besides as can find time to visit us.

Within the next week or two a "Hook-Night" is to be pulled off at which an opportunity will be given to our embryo actors for displaying their as yet concealed talents. And furthermore we have the good time at the Fall Auburndale to look forward to.

Besides these events of a joyful nature Massachusetts Gamma has one of a sadder nature to anticipate. Before long Brother George Evans intends to leave us and it is with sincere regrets that we will all bid him adieu. For the keen and constant interest which Brother Evans has shown in promoting the welfare of the chapter, Massachusetts Gamma feels a great indebtedness. It is to him that we all are grateful for the many wise counsels and numerous delightful entertainments which he has given us.

In closing Massachusetts Gamma extends to all the chapters the best wishes for a very successful year.

ALFRED G. LANGMANN.

Massachusetts Delta, Worcester Polytechnic Institute, Worcester

THE brothers of Massachusetts Delta began the year by reporting from their summer vacation two days before the opening of "Tech."

Those two days were devoted to getting settled and looking up new men. The rushing committee was right on the job looking after the interests of the chapter and the first smoker was held on the evening of September 20, with about twenty freshmen present.

The first initiation of the year was held on October 6, and Brothers Taylor, Reed, Bidwell, Marsh, and Griffith were welcomed into $\Sigma A E$. Another initiation on October 26 gave us Brothers Gillingham and Bolger; thus the active membership was increased to twenty-five.

The first house-dance was held on the evening of November 9, with a jolly crowd of about twenty-two couples attending.

Massachusetts Delta is exceptionally strong in football this year. The brothers connected with the regular team are Potter, manager, Fower, captain, Clough, Wulf, Ruiter and Bidwell and Armour, a pledge man, as assistant manager.

The chapter extends greetings to all sister chapters, her alumni, and a warm welcome to all brothers who may be able to honor us with a visit during the coming year.

RAYMOND A. WULF.

New Hampshire Alpha, Dartmouth
College, Hanover

NEW HAMPSHIRE Alpha returned to Hanover this fall with twenty-one brothers, having lost nine men by graduation and one other, Brother Davis, '14, who has entered Columbia University. Later in the fall Brother Lute left us to continue his work in the medical school at McGill University. In addition to the active members of the chapter we have with us Brother Holzer, Caroll, Smith, and Morton who are doing work in the graduate schools; and Brother Scarlett, '10, who is an

instructor in the chemistry department of the college.

The chapter has been more alive than ever during the present rushing season and on Chinning Day, November 1, we pledged fourteen good men. We are not only fortunate in the number of "pledges" which we have, but also, in the fact that they are all men who we believe will do things for the fraternity and the college. Our initiation banquet is to be held on November 25, and we are hoping to have representatives from all the chapters in the province and several of the province officers.

The chapter has been well represented in college activities this fall. Brother Belknap, manager of the freshman baseball team has been conducting the freshman-sophomore series, and Brother Cook was in his old position at first base on the 1914 team, the place which he held so consistently last spring. We are ably represented by Brothers Hoyt and Cook on the musical clubs and Brother Brady and Mulcahy have been on the football squad this season.

The college is larger than ever before, having a total enrollment of 1310, and at a recent meeting the trustees voted not to restrict its growth. They also appropriated \$120,000 for the construction of a new dormitory which will add greatly to the appearance of the campus. The football team has had good success so far this season. We have a strong team and an exceptionally good coaching staff so we are confident that the team will make an unusually good showing in its games with Princeton and Harvard which are yet to come.

We wish our sister chapters the best of success and a very pleasant college year.

LINCOLN E. MORTON.

PROVINCE BETA

New York Alpha, Cornell University,
Ithaca

THE 10 of September found the brothers of New York Alpha back on the job, scraping together the little furniture saved from the fire, and putting our temporary lodge in shape for rushing season. This did not start for a full three weeks, affording ample time to get settled. Twenty-four men returned this year and we have pledged five good freshmen.

At the present time the new house question is constantly in our minds. Plans have been made for a wonderful structure to be built upon the ruins of the old Hill Crest, and a finance committee composed of alumni is hard at work accumulating the cold cash to make the dream a reality.

This year we will have the initiation and the annual meeting of New York Alpha Association upon the same dates and hope to make it a memorable occasion in the history of the chapter. Following the Cornell-Michigan football game on the 11, is the "big swing" out at Rogue's Harbor. And then there will be the good old banquet with Brothers Mac Elroy, Almy, Cowdry, Husted and others to tell how they used to do it. Following this, we will once more repair to the lodge room, and as the bell peals the hour of midnight, we will burn the mortgage, as well as a number of bonds on the property, that were contributed for the occasion. Then the spirit will be aroused which will build a house, that we may well be proud of. Brothers Cowdry, Almy, Kent, Mac-Elroy, Thomson, Marland, Mellowes, Wadsworth, Rice, Vawter, Husted, Goodman, Carter and Pitcher will

be on hand, and we are also expecting representatives from the Michigan and Syracuse chapters.

Among the university activities, McCormick and Lawrence are on the football team, while Hall and Tilson are out for track and lacrosse respectively. Lawrence is in the glee club, and Snyder and Husted are in the mandolin club. Snyder also fiddles in the university orchestra. Henderson is in the cast of the Masque play "The Conspirators" to be produced during the Christmas vacation. Dillon is an associate editor of the 1913 *Cornellian* and Hall was elected cheer leader. McCormick has made Aleph Sumach, the junior honorary society, and Lawrence is a member of *L'Ogive*, and *Gargoyle* the architecture societies. The freshman, too, are all interested in some activity; Hubbard playing on the football team, and Hubbard, Carey and Munsick all making their class rush team.

The work on Alumni Field is progressing, and a steam shovel, twenty teams and one hundred men are rapidly transforming the 55 acres into well planned athletic fields. A great deal of building is being done upon the campus, and in the College of Agriculture alone, buildings to cost in the aggregate \$400,000 are in the course of erection or will be started in the near future. Rand Hall, which is to house our new shops, is well under way.

We had enjoyable visits from Brother Fred C. Moore of Washington City Rho, and Brother George Emmert, Jr., of Pennsylvania Sigma Phi, and we were very glad to entertain Brothers Deon, Honier, Hoover, Williams, Shelley, Clark and Rickenbaugh of Pennsylvania Sigma Phi, who accompanied their

football team here. Of our alumni, Kent, Wadsworth, Mac Elroy and Johnson have made visits. We hope to report even more guests in the next RECORD.

THOMAS J. CAMPBELL.

New York Mu, Columbia University,
New York

WITH the advent of cold weather, fall baseball has come to an end. Not, however, until the senior class baseball team with Brother Schede and Captain Fairhaven had carried off the Eddie Collin's medals for the inter-class baseball series. In tennis, out of seventy-five entries in the university tournament, Brother Comston, lately affiliated with us, emerged victorious, while in the position of manager of the fencing team, we have Brother White.

By the fall elections, Brother Findlay is president of the junior class, and Brother J. A. Thomas, Jr., secretary, while as for honors in academic work, we boast of Brother W. White and W. H. Haines as newly elected to Tau Beta Pi.

Last Saturday night we held a very successful initiation banquet in the Peacock Room at Murry's for W. White, C. Taylor and W. Taylor, who became $\Sigma A E$ s the preceding night.

With the new men anxious to make good, and every $\Sigma A E$ working hard, the fraternity is still in the front in campus life, where she belongs.

We extend a most hearty invitation to all $\Sigma A E$ s to come and see us, whenever they are over this way.

E. H. DOWNES.

New York Sigma-Phi, St. Stephen's College, Annandale-on-Hudson

THE college year opened at St. Stephen's on September 19, and, although weakened numerically by

the loss of ten of our best men, we hope through continued perseverance to maintain the efficiency which has been characteristic of the chapter in the past. Somewhat of a damper was put on the rounding up of new men by a mutual agreement of the chapter and the two local societies to defer all pledging until the Monday after the Thanksgiving recess. This agreement was made at the wish of Dr. Rodgers and the members of the faculty, but was afterward broken by one of the local societies, and pledging was again resumed. We had, however, pledged six men before any agreement was made, two of which have since left college. It has been decided to postpone the fall initiation until Friday, December 8, and the banquet will probably be held at the Hoffman Inn at Red Hook. We hope that several of our alumni will be with us at that time.

One of the pleasant features of the summer vacation was a "Round Robin" in which all the active members of the chapter participated, and as a result we were able to keep in touch with each other in regard to prospective students. From our own experience in the matter we would urge the adoption of the same plan in other chapters. Three of our pledged men were thus sought out, and will undoubtedly make promising material.

The chapter tennis-court has been in splendid condition all fall. A new wire-screen at the northern end gives it an added value, and the court continues to have the reputation of being the finest on the campus. The doubles of the tennis tournament, which were postponed in June on account of the inclement weather have recently taken place, and a good share of these contests were held on our court.

The chapter is well represented in



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at St. Stephens College, Annandale-on-the-Hudson

the glee club, and the prospects for securing engagements for concerts this winter are excellent. Several trips are being planned for including one in the vicinity of New York City.

The junior ball was held in Preston Hall on Friday evening, November 3, and was a decided success. Heretofore this event has taken place in June, so that its occurrence at this time was quite a novelty. Guests were in attendance from many places in New York and New Jersey and all gave evidence of having a most delightful time. Half of the junior class is made up of $\Sigma A E$ s and they certainly did their share in making this occasion a memorable one.

It is very seldom that any of the men of other chapters pay us a visit. Annandale, we know, is rather obscure and shut off from the outside world. Brother Levere mentions in the history the fact that he had a great deal of difficulty in locating the lost town, but we assure all our brothers that Annandale, even though small, exists, and we would be glad to have any of them stop off occasionally when journeying between New York and Albany.

And here's hoping that all will have a very Merry Christmas, and a pleasant and profitable New Year.

ROBERT J. PARKER.

New York Delta, Syracuse University
Syracuse, N. Y.

AT the opening of college this fall twenty-two active men returned filled with $\Sigma A E$ spirit and with the determination to uphold the standard of New York Delta. With this in mind we entered into a rushing season which has known no equal here and as a result we have placed on the scroll of $\Sigma A E$ eleven as likely men as have entered Syracuse

University. They "are comers" and we are surely proud of them.

At our initiation banquet which was the most successful in our history, we had a rousing good time. Fifteen of the "old boys" were numbered among the fifty-three that were present.

In society we have upheld our reputation by giving two informal dances, the most prominent of which was the Hallowe'en dance where we introduced our freshmen to the society of the hill.

It was with great pleasure that we welcomed Brother Abrams, '11, and Brother Tefords, '13, after a year's absence. Brother Abrams made an extended trip of nearly ten thousand miles through the west, visiting many of our sister chapters. Brother Tefords was compelled on account of diphtheria to leave college last year. He rowed four on his freshman crew and is a promising candidate for the 'varsity this year. Both of these brothers do much to balance the chapter.

Syracuse is represented by a football team which early in the season had poor prospects, but which has developed into a fast football machine. Yale, although victorious, was played to a standstill, Michigan, our western rival, was held to a tie score, and the slogan at present is, "Now for Carlisle," the sensation of the football world.

Brothers Hartley and Patterson, '15, are playing guard positions on the undefeated freshman team and Brother Fish end.

In the political arena New York Delta has taken a very active part. Brother Quin, '12, has been elected chairman of the senior executive committee; Brother Witzel, '13, president of the junior class and Brother Keebler, '15, chairman of the freshman executive committee.

In closing New York Delta sends

her greetings to all sister chapters and extends to any visiting brothers a most cordial welcome.

A. E. WITZEL.

Pennsylvania Omega, Allegheny College,
Meadville

THE nineteenth of September saw all of the old men of Pennsylvania back, with one exception, determined to make the new year the best ever. And the beginning already made certainly looks promising. With a body of seventeen strong men, we entered the rushing season with a determination to get the pick of the freshman class and we have not been disappointed. As a result of about two weeks strenuous work, we landed the following pledges: Glenn D. Horn, Garland; Ward Yocum, Meadville; Chas. Wolf, Connelville; Malcolm Palmer, Meadville; Harry Grant, Meadville; Theo. Hill, North East; George Shauer, Butler; Robt. Downing, Meadville; Robt. Koehler, Reynoldsville, and Frank Deemer, Lisbon, Ohio. These are all strong men and have already begun their record in Allegheny. Wolf is president of the freshman class. Horn is captain of the 'varsity second football team. Deemer is substitute on the 'varsity football squad and Wolf, Shauer, Downing, Palmer, and Koehler are candidates for the glee club. They are all of good scholastic standing, an attribute we are very insistent upon in choosing our men.

The brothers take pleasure in introducing to the fraternity Edward Perry Daniels, '13. Brother Daniels was initiated this fall, this being his first year in Allegheny. For the past two years he has been a student at the Meadville Theological School. Previous to that he attended Michigan Agricultural School. He

is a fine fellow and will, we are sure, be a worthy addition to Σ A E. At present he is a member of the 'varsity second football squad.

From the stand-point of college honors, we have been far from idle. Brother Thomas, '12, is president of the senior class, president of quill club, the college literary society, and editor-in-chief of the 1912 Kaldron, the college annual. He is also a member of the mandolin club and of Duzer-Du, the college dramatic club. Brother Nodine, '12, is a member of the Kaldron Electoral Board, is leader of the mandolin club, secretary-treasurer of Duzer-Du, and is a member of the senior debating team. Brother McClure, '12, is secretary-treasurer of the athletic association. Brother Love, '12, has already a fine schedule for this season's basketball team. Brother Hunt, '12, is president of the oratorical association and is treasurer of the senior class. Brother Graham, '14, is treasurer of the sophomore class and a member of his class debating team. Brother Miller, '14, and Townsend, '13, are members of the 'varsity football squad, Miller playing left half-back and Townsend right end. Both have been playing star games this season, Brother Galbraith, '13, who is assistant football manager, has been managing a successful season for the second team.

A number of changes have been made in the college, among the most important being the opening of Alden Hall, the new chemistry building. This is now one of the best equipped chemical buildings in the state. Wilcox Hall, formerly devoted to physics and chemistry, has been completely remodeled and is now entirely devoted to physics. The new athletic field, however, proved a disappointment owing to the dam-

age done by two heavy floods. The damage has now been almost completely repaired and we feel sure of having the new field for track and baseball in the spring. When finished it will be one of the best college fields in Pennsylvania. President Crawford is now busy raising the \$500,000 endowment fund. If this is raised before Founders' Day in April, an equal amount is to be given by the Carnegie Educational Fund. From the last report, the amount was being contributed as rapidly as had been hoped for and the prospects seem very bright.

We were very much pleased to have as a recent visitor, Brother Hawes of the Harvard chapter. While in the city, he was the guest of Brother Doane of the Meadville Theological School, also a Harvard graduate.

Pennsylvania Omega is now making preparations for an informal party to be given the first week in December. We are going to give the party in the chapter house and intending favors of some fraternity nature. Plans are already on foot for the Province convention this coming spring. It is our hope that this will be one of the most successful province conventions ever, and, in order to make it such, we want to urge the other chapters to work with us towards that end.

The brothers of Pennsylvania Omega wish to thank the alumni of this chapter and of other chapters for the interest they have shown towards us in recommending new men to us. However this movement is not yet active enough among the alumni. The time has come when we have to look to them more and more for help along this line.

GLENN H. DAIVSON.

Pennsylvania Sigma-Phi, Dickinson College, Carlisle

PENNSYLVANIA SIGMA-PHI was greatly handicapped by having only nine old men back to guide the destiny of $\Sigma A E$ during the coming year. Yet, these came back early and with the determination to make it a most successful one. The beginning of our success was a very good rushing season, having initiated Brothers Bachman, Everingham, Garey, Jefferson, Nichols, Sadler, Shearer and Walley, also having Tabor pledged.

We held a very delightful informal dance in Mentyer Hall in the latter part of September. It being our annual stunt for our initiates, we gave them an early taste of the social activities of the fraternity. Everyone is looking forward to another dance after our Thanksgiving vacation. The Comus Club, an organization of the leading fraternities of the college, gave their fall dance on Friday evening November 10. There were about forty couples present and $\Sigma A E$ as usual, had a very good representation.

The college is very enthusiastic over the fine showing the football team is making. The team won from Franklin and Marshall 6-0 and defeated Gettysburg, our great rivals, by the score of 11-0. $\Sigma A E$ is well represented on the team. Brother Dunn is playing half back, and a wonderful game. He made an eighty yard run through Gettysburg's line for a touchdown. Brother Brown is said, by men of authority, to be the best guard Dickinson has had for many years. Brothers Stafford and Shearer are each playing a fine game at end, while Brothers Barnitz and Sadler are working hard for a position on the team.

Σ A E in Dickinson is represented in almost every line of college activity, but football has full sway at present. Brother Stauffer has been elected president of the Musical clubs and secretary of the Comus club. Brother Garton is a member of the Senate. Brother Brown is assistant manager of basketball and Brother McIntosh manager of the sophomore team.

We had a very delightful visit from many alumni and the Pennsylvania Deltas the day Gettysburg played Dickinson. I wish to extend a hearty invitation to all Σ A Es to visit our chapter, and am sure you will receive a royal welcome.

G. H. SADLER.

Pennsylvania Alpha Zeta, Pennsylvania State College, State College

WE returned this fall fewer in number than usual sixteen being the total number of brothers here when college opened. However all were back on time, in fact most of us were here a week or so before hand, so we had things in fine shape for the rushing season. We went right after it and were very successful in getting new material for Σ A E, initiating eight good men. They are: W. W. Horner '15 of York, Pa.; G. H. Williams '15, of Fanshutawney, Pa.; G. K. Erb '15 of Lebanon, Pa.; C. B. Dowd of Reading, Pa., R. C. Pyle, Philadelphia, Pa.; H. L. Berkley, Harrisburg, Pa.; D. D. Lewis, Devon, Pa., and W. S. Wilson, Berwyn, Pa.

The college has grown considerably during the past year, there being now over 2000 students an increase of 300 over last year. Several new buildings are being erected also. An annex to the engineering building to contain special testing laboratories and class rooms and a build-

ing for the use of the students in horticulture. Beaver Field has also been improved considerably, the latest addition being a grand stand for the baseball diamond, erected as a memorial by the class of 1911.

In college activities we are well represented as usual. Brother Clark is holding down the center position on the varsity football team. Brother Haddow is basketball captain and Brother Devor is baseball manager. Brother Tangay is president of our dramatic club, "The Thespians" and Brothers Hooven and Murphy are members.

In the social line we are also on the front rank. We started things this year with a week end house-party and dance at the time of the Gettysburg-State game on October 7, and it surely was a great success. We are now planning for our regular house-party which celebrates Pennsylvania Day, and continues from November 16 to 21. This is one of the big events of the year and from the present outlook things look promising for a decided good time.

Pennsylvania Alpha Zeta is always glad to welcome brothers to her home at State College and extends a hearty invitation to all who may be in her neighborhood, to pay her a visit.

ALBERT M. HOOVEN.

Pennsylvania Zeta, Bucknell University, Lewisburg

SINCE last heard from we have enjoyed a most prosperous period and the high standards which Pennsylvania Zeta has established at Bucknell have been well sustained.

In September we returned to school with fourteen members, Brother Ralph Tyson, '14, having

decided to enter Jefferson Medical school at Philadelphia. With rushing season over however, our pledge buttons were found on five of the best men in the freshman class; Moyer, of Muncy; Bell, of Williamsport; Muffly, of Turbotsville; Beard-sley, of Philadelphia; and Hoke, of Emmitsburg, Md. Stetler, one of the most popular men in the class of '13, is also pledged to us and we expect to be able to initiate him in the near future.

Brother S. G. White, of Pennsylvania Delta, is now a student here and, we are glad to say, expects to affiliate with us shortly.

Socially we are easily upholding our prestige in the school and town. During rushing season we entertained a large number of new men one evening with a smoker at the chapter house. A number of our alumni from this section of the state were with us for the event. Early in October we entertained a large number of young ladies and friends from Lewisburg and nearby towns at a most delightful card party.

On Friday evening, November 10, we held our annual fall informal dance in the Armory. The hall was tastily decorated with banners, the music was excellent and dancing was indulged in until a late hour. Brothers Peoples, of Jersey Shore, and Johnson and Murdock, of Milton, were with us for the occasion. The young ladies from out of town who were here were entertained at dinner at the chapter house Friday evening.

The athletic standing of the chapter is being well sustained, Zehner, '13, being recently elected varsity basketball captain for the coming season. "Whitey" has been a varsity "B" man in basketball both of his previous years in school and last spring received a letter in baseball. On the 'varsity football team the

chapter is represented by Reading, '14.

The freshman football team found two of its best men this year among our pledges, Beard-sley and Muffly having regular berths on the line.

A few weeks ago the parents of Brother Rooke, '13, entertained the men of the chapter and pledges with a most sumptuous turkey dinner at their home. The event was one that will long be remembered by every one present. We had the pleasure of having Brother Felch, of Ohio Theta, with us for that evening.

In class and literary honors Pennsylvania Zeta is more than holding her own. Steele, '13, was recently the unanimous choice for president of the junior class while Still, '13, was elected editor-in-chief of the "*L'Agenda*", the school year-book, for the coming year and Reading, '14, is feature editor of the "*Orange and Blue*," the college weekly.

Our latch-string is always out and visiting brothers will find a most royal welcome awaiting them should they at any time come to Lewisburg.

WILLIAM D. READING.

Pennsylvania Delta, Gettysburg College,
Gettysburg

WITH a working force of thirteen men to begin this year's school. Pennsylvania Delta has increased to seventeen active and three pledges. Harbaugh '15, Hesse, '15, Wickersham '15 and Simon '15 are the new men, while Wright '15, Thomas '15 and Bream '15 are the pledges. We are also fortunate in having Professor Rice '08, teacher in the prep department, with us again.

With the past in our memory, and still more, the future before us, we are unselfishly working for the chapter. After the busy rushing season

was about over, another delightful dance was held in Recitation Hall. Among the college offices thus far, Wright '15, pledged, is representative of his class on the Student Council, Harbaugh '15, manager of his class football team, and Wolf, '14, delegate to the Lafayette convention from the Y. M. C. A., represent Pennsylvania Delta. On the 'varsity football team the chapter is represented by Beegle '13, Dayhoff, '14, Black '14 and Diehl '13, on the scrubs by Spangler '13 and Wright '15.

We came, we saw, but we haven't as yet conquered the house proposition. Nevertheless, it will be a reality next fall if the trustees of the college, who meet this Xmas say that the fraternities dare room in the houses. Pennsylvania Delta's corporation will meet here in Gettysburg this Thanksgiving, which we hope will have some good news for us.

In the campaign that is now taking place to increase the alumni subscription list to the RECORD, Pennsylvania Delta will send a copy to forty-five of her alumni. It is our sincere wish and hope that these men will read the RECORD and renew interest in their chapter and fraternity.

This is the first year for the engineering course at Gettysburg College, which was endowed by Mr. Burton Blough of Harrisburg. Since Dr. Granville became president of the college he has succeeded in securing \$25,000 more of the \$200,000 that he is endeavoring to raise for the college. Thus far \$56,000 and the promise of \$50,000 from John D. Rockefeller have been realized.

Many old brothers and some from sister chapters have visited Pennsylvania Delta this fall. Every Σ A E is welcome to our hospitality.

Come, and we'll show you around the battlefield.

ROBERT J. WOLF.

Pennsylvania Theta, University of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia

WHILE most of the chapters of Σ A E are resting after a season of strenuous rushing, Pennsylvania Theta chapter finds itself still at probably the most critical point of the season. We have a bunch of good freshmen lined up and are now redoubling our efforts with them, as in three weeks we send our bids in and we want every one to be accepted.

We have twenty men in the chapter who were here last year, and in addition to them we have with us Brother Sibley, who has returned to college after having been out for four years, and Brother Edmund Pendelton who came to us very highly recommended by many Σ A Es in Georgia and we initiated him on November 3.

All of us are doing our best to further the interest of the chapter and the fraternity at the university. Brothers Harrington and Jerndet are doing splendid work on the varsity football team, Brother Ingersoll is manager of the cross-country team, and belongs to the Friars senior society and is one of the big men around college; besides these three representative men we have Brothers who are on the staff of the college papers and others who are out for the various managerships, minor sports and all kinds of college activities.

We wish to thank all the brothers who have sent us letters recommending men. We hope they will keep up their good work also assure them that on every opportunity we will pay them back in kind.

EDWIN HARLE.

 PROVINCE GAMMA

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

SINCE our last letter the University has opened and by this time all the classes are well organized. The several departments are located the same as they were last year, the Law Department being in the Masonic Temple, the Medical Department in their own building on "H" street, the Veterinary College on 14th street, the Political Science College on 15th street, and the Arts and Sciences at 1624 to 1632 "I" street. The classes in chemistry are taking all their work in the Medical Building, while all the classes in history go to the College of Political Science. Everything looks to a most prosperous year at the school, the opening enrollment being larger this year than the registration at any time last year.

The annual house-warming was held on September 30, and it was a most enjoyable affair. The chapter house at 1400 Chapin street was crowded to the limit with rushees, active men, and alumni. On this occasion, the members were particularly gratified with the number of the old alumni who dropped around to enjoy the evening. A smoker was held every Saturday night during October, with the exception of one night when a dance was held. We were favored by a rare treat in the way of musical entertainment by Brother Coburn, who made arrangements to bring a male chorus from the "Old Homestead Company," which was playing at the Columbia Theatre. An elegant supper was served, after which the chorus rendered a number of selections. Hallowe'en party was held on October 31, which was indeed

a pretty fair. The house was tastefully decorated in true Hallowe'en style with autumn leaves, pumpkins, and weird lights. The pledges were dressed as ghosts and greeted the people at the "Main Entrance". A most enjoyable time was had.

In the early part of September the chapter was favored by a visit from Brother T. McN. Simpson, Jr., of Lynchburg, Virginia, Province President. A special meeting was called in order that he might meet all the men who were in the city. He expressed himself most favorably upon the looks of the chapter house and the condition of the chapter. We enjoyed his visit very much and hope that he will return soon and stay with us for an extended visit.

Initiation is to be held on November 17 and 18. Eight men are to be initiated and great preparations for the same are now completed. A great many alumni from out of the city are expected to be present at this one great yearly event in our chapter.

C. ALBERT SELEGUE.

Virginia Omicron, University of Virginia,
University Station

ALL hearts in college are now beating in unison, and football is the unit about which they are beating. Virginia has had a more successful year than ever the most optimistic enthusiasts could hope for. While Brother Finlay is taking care of one end of Virginia's line, Caldwell and Webster will be waiting impatiently on the rescue squad. We may be South Atlantic champions and champions of America—who knows? But that is looking into the future and may have been too hastily said.

Looking a little into the past, we recall initiation night, and see two "goats" recovering from a slight fainting spell, two others attempting to collect their stupefied thoughts, and two others, more hardy than the rest rather enjoying the scene. But they are now real brothers and we are glad to publish their names as such: Brothers Slaven, Hickey, Burrow, Hunt, Vandiner, and French. We had the pleasure of causing many turn-downs, without receiving any ourselves.

There are now twenty-six men in the chapter and we are well represented in all branches of college activities. Finley has recently become an "Eli" and Anderson a member of *Phi Rho Sigma*.

We are glad to have affiliated with us this year Brother Burkett Miller from Tennessee Omega.

JOHN W. DUN, JR.

Virginia Sigma, Washington and Lee University, Lexington

VIRGINIA Sigma commenced work under very favorable circumstances this year. We returned sixteen men and very soon had six "goats," making our chapter twenty-two strong. I take pleasure in introducing to the fraternity, Brothers Evans Dunn, Robert Miles, Charles T. Hile, Charles T. McFarland, Duke Revel and William J. Brown. Brother W. F. Barnard has returned to complete his law course, and the chapter was exceedingly glad to have them back with us.

We are all very much interested in football just at present, and we undoubtedly have the best team that has worn the white and blue in years. Brother Miles is starring at tackle and seems to have a mighty good chance for All-South Atlantic. Brother Brown has been alternating at end, and Brother Hile is play-

ing in the back field. Both have played in a majority of the games, and are almost certain to make their monograms.

Recently Washington and Lee suffered a very great loss. Dr. G. H. Denny, our president, resigned and accepted a call to the University of Alabama. As yet no successor has been elected. Dr. Denny's loss will be felt very keenly, we fear, for he has made the school what it is today.

We were unfortunate in not being able to rent our house this year upon the same terms as last. Some of the brothers room on the second floor and we have a meeting and lounging room there also, but we were unable to re-rent the lower floor.

We are all looking towards Thanksgiving with great anticipation. Two university dances will be given and we will have our annual reception. A number of the brothers have invited young women guests and from present indications the social side of the chapter will be well taken care of.

W. F. MILLING.

North Carolina Xi, University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill

ON September 15 twelve old men answered the call of North Carolina Xi, and by the affiliation of Brother Erwin of Tennessee Nu, we had thirteen veterans to enter the contests for new men. All went to work with a vim and cast the ill luck, which our number is said to always carry with it, upon our rivals. We extended bids to eight men who were much sought after by all the strongest Greeks here, and as a result, a few days later initiated the following: Whitaker, Hanes, Worth, Iong, Smith, Guthrie, Chambers, and Clark. With our chapter of

twenty-one the greatest harmony prevails.

In football we are represented on the 'varsity by Brothers Tillett, Chambers and Strange, and on the Scrubs by Brothers Erwin and Shofner. Brother Tillett, by his brilliant work at quarter, is becoming the hero of the day, while Brother Chambers at half and Strange at end are doing fine work. Six games have been played so far and our goal remains uncrossed. We feel quite confident of landing in Richmond on "Turkey Day" with a clean record and, incidentally, of taking Virginia's scalp.

On the Glee Club we are represented by Brothers Smith, Worth and Shofner, the latter being a member of the quartette.

Of course it is a little early to make any definite statement as regards basketball, but from present indications it seems almost impossible to avoid being prosecuted for violating the Sherman Law. Brother Hanes, J., Smith and Tille, having won their sweaters last year, are sure of their places, and Brothers Erwin and Chambers will fight it out for the only vacant place, the fifth man, being captain and a "barbarian".

Many other college honors have come our way. Brother Hanes, R. was elected a member of the student council; Brothers Whitaker and Hanes, J. are on the staff of the new college journal, "The Tar Baby", Brother Chambers is vice-president of the sophomore class and a member of the "Tar Heel" board; Brothers Strange, Tillett and Carmichael made the junior order of "Gimghouls, and Brother Murchison the junior order of "Gorgon's Head."

The first dances of the year will take place during the first week of December, at which time Brother

Tillett will show his ability as a German Leader and the other brothers as dancers.

The university is having one of its best years. She has an enrollment of about eight hundred, and is making marked improvement in all lines. A handsome new Medical Building is almost completed, and contracts have been let for several other buildings which will be erected in the near future.

North Carolina Xi too, is keeping pace with the university. The new brothers especially are taking an interest in making our home as attractive as possible. A considerable fund has been raised, the expenditure of which will make ours the most attractive chapter house on the "Hill".

We have been fortunate this year in having a great many of our alumni and brothers from other chapters visit us. We hope this will continue as we are always glad to have any visiting brother in our midst.

H. B. SHOFNER.

North Carolina Theta, Davidson College,
Davidson

THE first meeting in September heard six men answer to the roll-call in the old chapter-hall, but our number has now reached the normal size by the addition of three new brothers, and so we introduce to the fraternity, Brothers Stiles Mellichamp Brunson of Orangeburg, S. C.; Charles Franklin Fleming of Laurens, S. C., and Frank Launeau Fuller of Durham, N. C.

The chapter feels that she has added several names to her well-honored alumni, by the graduation of Brothers Huske, Allan, Sprunt, and Irvin. Brother Huske is teaching in Westminster School, Brother Allan is in the law school of the University of South Carolina, Broth-

er Sprunt is doing post-graduate work at Yale University while Brother Irwin is taking a course in earning a living. The chapter misses these brothers who have fought for her in every phase of college life, and we miss their faces when the clan gathers on Saturday night.

Brother Hamer, '12, failed to return and is coaxing the soil at his home in South Carolina.

We wish them all luck and are ever interested in their welfare. Let us hear from you.

Our football team is good, having won three games and lost two, but we hope to do better in the remainder of the games. Brothers Salley and Fuller are both playing good ball, and we hope to see them make their letters.

There is a very interesting race between the fraternities for a cup which is to be given to the chapter making the highest scholarship average for ten years. With Brother Lynch as her mainstay, North Carolina Theta hopes to see it in her hall in 1922.

In the tennis tournament which came off in October, Brother James was a close second.

We are all looking forward with much pleasure to the province convention which is to be held in Charlottesville, Va., in January, and hope to have a large representation there.

The freshman class is unusually small this year but we are looking at several good men and hope to take in the usual number after Christmas. SYDNEY BRUCE.

PROVINCE DELTA

Michigan Iota-Beta, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor

IF there is any truth in the old saying, "Well begun is half done," this should be another big year in the history of the chapter. It was feared by a number of our friends that the conquests of 1910-1911 would mean a dull year in 1911-1912. Results thus far indicate that their fears are groundless. On the contrary, last year's success is serving as an impetus for better work and higher attainments. If example and experience has taught us anything, it is that the chapter which depends upon its past reputation for its future triumphs is lost. Though this is true for any chapter at any school, it is especially true at Michigan, where a man is judged by what he can do, and not by the shape of his fraternity pin.

We have come through a strenuous rushing season with flying colors. Our pledges are men well worthy of the badge and capable of one

day guiding the course of the chapter to still better things. The "hot sands" are nearly hot enough, and the goat well fed and eager. The initiation committee has decided that the temperature of the "sands" and the wrath and hunger of the goat will reach the right point on the twenty-fifth of this month, so the victims will be handed over on that day.

Two months of school have brought with them many honors. Classes were hardly well under way when Brother Cox was chosen for the managership of the Michigan Union Opera, a great honor and a position involving no end of work and responsibility. Soon after, Brother Learmonth was elected president of the University of Michigan Athletic Association by unanimous vote. Brother Borleske was recently initiated by Michigamua and Vulcans, and Brother Ratliff by Triangles. We have five men in the musical clubs, Brothers Daron, Will-

liams, Codman, Braun and Spring.

On the twentieth of October as many of the boys as could spare the time from the arduous pursuit of their studies and the requisite amount of cash from the purses, went to a dinner given by the Σ A E Alumni Association of Detroit. According to all reports they had the time of their lives. Those of us who have partaken of the hospitality of the Detroit alumni know that as hosts they leave nothing to be desired. At the meeting which followed the dinner, Brother Phil Armstrong was elected president of the association to succeed Brother "Jack" Biggers, who left Detroit recently to take a position in Toledo, Ohio.

At the present time, Ann Arbor is impatiently awaiting the coming "Penn" game. On the eighteenth of the month, 1408 Washtenaw will become the Mecca of many a brother who has been away from the chapter for years. All of the "old men" who can do so, return on the day of the Pennsylvania-Michigan game to the scenes of college days. Brothers made famous by oft-told stories, men who have gone down in the history of the chapter, come back once more to enjoy again the pleasures of days gone by.

As we near the close of the old year, and approach the beginning of the new, the prospect is indeed an encouraging one. Each succeeding year seems full of promise for the chapter and the fraternity. "Michigan Iota-Beta and Sigma Alpha Epsilon," said a brother of the class of ninety-six at our last Founders' Day Banquet, "are bound to grow ever stronger and do ever greater things in the years to come, because they were founded on the right principles." "Dad" Brown was right—they were.

PAUL H. MILLER.

Michigan Alpha, Adrian College, Adrian

THE school year for Adrian began September 13 with the most excellent prospects for the college for many years, and probably in its history.

The chapter began the year rather handicapped in the fact that seven of our sixteen men of last year did not return. Brother Pratt, who took his B.M. degree in 1909, is now located in New York City; Brother Westerman is attending the university at Ann Arbor; and Brother Wilson is preaching at Connellsville, Pa. Of the undergraduates Brother Lake is located in Muncie; Brother Abling in Adrian; Brother Graham in Detroit, and Brother Knisley is in school at Valparaiso, where he is pursuing a special course of study.

Nine men are back full of Σ A E spirit and enthusiasm which has given us a good, hard working chapter, whose efforts are bringing success. "Spikes" Gray, Leckemby, and Vrohman of last year are also with us, and while they have not yet entered into the mysteries their enthusiasm is continuously manifest, and in the near future they shall be wearing that pin, the sight of which makes our blood tingle and our hearts throb with pleasure.

Adrian has this year the best football team in her history. In the five games played to this date all have been victories. And in addition to this pleasure we are proud in the fact that our Stump is honored in the captaincy. Brother Beem is playing center, with "Spike" James on end—and the team never had a better man in the position.

Our rushing season was probably a little more strenuous than the usual, but with the good time of it all we have secured some excellent material. The new men of the pur-

ple and gold type are James, Stump, Percy, Ayres, Priddy, and Templeton.

We wish our sister chapters a successful year, and hold out a welcome hand for any $\Sigma A E$.

GALE HOWARD FISHER.

Ohio Sigma, Mt. Union College, Alliance

OHIO Sigma of $\Sigma A E$ has started the college year of 1911-12 with brilliant prospects. Three of our former brothers, H. L. McCarthey, Harry Strickler, and Claude Leonard have returned to school, making a total of twenty-two active men. All are filled with the proper fraternity spirit and Ohio Sigma is in better condition this year than ever before.

In rushing season we were especially successful. Under the new faculty regulation, we were forbidden to pledge any of the new men for four weeks. The purpose of this ruling is to give the new man a chance to look over the fraternities, and also to give the fraternities a chance to look over the new men. When the day for pledging arrived we successfully pledged every man that we bid, except one.

The football team of Mt. Union-Scio College has made a splendid record, having been defeated only twice, once at Western Reserve and once at the Michigan Agricultural School. They have successively defeated such teams as Bethany, Buchtel, Wooster, Kenyon, Michigan Freshmen, Allegheny, and Hiram, by large and decisive scores. Ohio Sigma has six representatives on the regular team, viz, Brothers Pritchard, Woolf, Monnier, captain, Carson, Newshutz, and one of our pledges, Beck. All of these boys are playing star games and we feel justly proud of our representatives on the team.

Along scholastic lines we are doing our best. The new additions to the faculty are exceptionally competent and we cannot but feel that the present corps of professors is stronger now than ever before. A new club, called "Blackstone Literary Clubs," has been formed and several of the brothers are taking an active interest in it.

We are all working to make this the banner year for Ohio Sigma of $\Sigma A E$ and any of the brothers from neighboring chapters will be royally welcomed at our chapter house on South Union Ave.

W. LESLIE MILLER.

Ohio Delta, Ohio Wesleyan University,
Delaware

WITH a chapter roll of twenty and seven pledges, Ohio Delta made excellent progress in all lines since the opening of school on the twentieth of September. In the rushing season, one of the most strenuous of many years, we secured seven excellent men. In college activities—'varsity and class football, class elections, college journalism, and debate—we are well represented. Everything points to a good year.

At present our chapter membership is above normal. The loss of eight men by graduation next June, and of several more who will not return made it advisable to pledge more than our usual number of new men. Of the seven pledges, Winters and Ross are sophomores, and Blanks, Cook, Harris, Miller and Walker are freshmen. Ross attended Miami Military Institute last year and Winters comes to us from Oberlin. Nineteen old men and one affiliate compose our list of initiates. Brother Marquardt, of Dayton, failed to return to school this year. Jester, of Cleveland, reentered school

after one semester's absence. Brother A. L. Blanks, Tennessee Nu, '06, is our affiliate. He is teaching French here this year and is also taking special work in oratory.

In athletics, we are proud of our record this fall. Shepherd, Rathbun, Rathmell, and Briggs are regulars on the 'varsity eleven. Davis, Ton Velle, Martin, Myers, and Winters are members of the 'varsity squad. The last four are also on the sophomore team. Others of our chapter participating in class football are Vawter and Read on the senior team; Marting on the junior team; and preps Harris and Blanks on the freshman team.

In scholarship, Brother Hall was honored with election this fall to the Phi Beta Kappa society. Hall was the only fraternity man on whom this honor was bestowed this year. The general standard of the work of the rest of the chapter has been very good.

The election of Vawter as president of the senior class, of Prep Harris to a like position in the freshman class, and of Dubois as a member of the Honor Court, indicates the value the student body places upon our men. A number of competitive honors have come our way also. Blanks, Dubois, Jester and Winters are members of the university glee club, Marting and Elliot have won places upon the 'varsity debate squad.

On the evening of October tenth, the chapter was the guest of Brother J. C. Messick and wife at a six o'clock dinner. Brother Messick, who is professor of Latin here, entertained the bunch in royal style. Outside of a few small informal dinner parties we ourselves have done nothing in the entertaining line thus far.

University affairs are prospering. This year's enrollment shows an in-

crease of about seventy over last year. The freshman class is the most promising of many years. Mention should be made of the death of Professor L. L. Hudson, the head of the School of Business. He died on October tenth, following an operation for septicaemia.

Ohio Delta extends fraternal greetings and good wishes to all its sister chapters.

M. E. MARTING.

Ohio Epsilon, University of Cincinnati,
Cincinnati

SINCE the last chapter letter, college has opened, and things are doing again. In the rushing, Ohio Epsilon fared well, and by the time this goes to press hopes to report as brothers the ten best men in the freshman class. Twelve men of last year's chapter have returned to college, and together with our new men we are looking forward to a successful year.

The House Painting Committee, with Brother Broeman as chairman, by diligent effort has solicited enough subscriptions to have the house painted, which also involved some repair carpenter work. Repairs and painting are both finished, and the house certainly looks "something like." The color is red brick with stone trimmings. Ohio Epsilon wishes to take this opportunity to acknowledge its obligation and indebtedness to the alumni. Hurrah for the old grads! What would we or any other chapter do without them?

The wearers of the red and black are playing some football this season, having won four and lost one. There are four more games to go, all of them hard ones, with Ohio State at the end of the list. Brother Buchanan is playing a hard,

fast and consistent game, and it is almost sure that he will again earn his "C" this year. Brother Hall is also on the squad. Brother Frank Mitchell is managing the team. Several freshmen give promise of making the 'varsity next year, and among these our prospective brothers Evans, Clyde and Baehr look good.

Among college honors, we are pleased to record that Brother Arthur Gordon has been elected business manager of the *Cincinnati*, '12, and also holds the position of associate editor on the *Weekly News*. He has also been elected to membership in the honorary society, Sigma Sigma, whose purpose is to boost the university.

In the annual flag rush, the sophomores won handily in the short time of $2\frac{1}{2}$ minutes. Among the freshman coaches was Brother Buchanan, '13, while Brother Hall, '12, helped coach the sophomores.

The three new buildings which have been under construction during the past year are nearly finished and have wrought a marked change in the appearance of the campus. The Engineering Building, while not quite completed, is already partly in use. The Gymnasium, one of the finest buildings of its kind in the Middle West, will be ready for occupancy about December 1. The new power plant is entirely finished and in active service. These additions bear ample evidence of the growth of our *Alma Mater*, and give promise of wider scope in the future.

WM. O. HALL.

Ohio Theta, Ohio State University,
Columbus

THANKS to an alumni association with a heart so big that it covers the pants pocket Ohio Theta has realized its dream and is now living in a house all its very own—a house

second to none at Ohio State. Glory be.

The plan for financing the proposition was carried out through the efforts of Dr. F. A. Lambert and if Abou Ben Adam's angel ever hits Columbus we are going to put Brother "Ike" to sleep and then wake him up in time to have his name recorded at the top of the list of those who love their fraternity.

School opened on September 12. We were unable to get into our new house until the first of October. Imagine, if you can, a rushing season without a house and you will see what we were up against. The fifth of September saw sixteen of us take one last rub at the worn spot in the carpet under mother's dining-room table, pack our grips and start for Columbus with fear and trembling in our hearts, warts on, and blood in our eyes, realizing that this year our job was not to "Let Phi Alpa ring" but to put our shoulders to the wheel and MAKE her ring. We were unable to rent a house or even rooms in which to do our rushing but we went to it just the same. We rushed in the Ohio Union; we rushed on the campus; we rushed on the streets and down town; we rushed any place, anywhere, any time and all the time, while the rest of the Greek world stood by and wondered at our nerve. As a result, when the season closed we were able to sing the pledge song to a bunch of nine as good men as ever lined up and sang "There is a Hell for Freshmen." Truly, when we look at our pledges and think of the handicap under which we worked we know that the gods are with the right.

The active chapter this year is composed of thirteen of last year's men, two affiliates and Brother Lawrence A. Warner, who has returned

after two years in the "cold cold." Brother Roland L. Schmitt, Ohio Rho, '14, is enrolled in the College of Agriculture and Brother Vernon E. Vining, Ohio Delta '11, is enrolled in the College of Law. The pledges are: John Scatterday, Harold Taylor, and Arthur S. Keifer Columbus; John L. Porter and Donald R. Demorest, Marysville, Ohio; Clarence J. Leifeld, Celina, Ohio; Pearl O. Nichols, Grove City, Ohio; Maxwell M. Scarf, New Carlisle, Ohio; and Earl R. Neff, Kingston, Ohio.

Ohio Theta is more than holding its own in football. Brother "Whitey" Foss is living up to the standard set by his brother "Beau" back in '06 and the "Tothead, bless his dear little toe" has all Ohio guessing. Brother Barrielow is playing an All-Ohio game at tackle. Brother Cooley arrived at school a month late but was still able to make the squad. Preps Neff and Keifer are on the freshman team.

Brother Warner has been elected to the Triangle Club, honorary engineering society. Brother Kennedy and Prep Nichols are members of the college orchestra. Prep Nichols is also a member of the band. Brother Sutton is a member of the mandolin club and Brother Vining has been chosen reader for the glee and mandolin clubs.

Ohio Theta is insisting upon good scholarship this year and no freshman will be initiated until a report of good standing is given by the university.

Thank fate and the generosity of our alumni, our new house is too modern to have a latch-string but our address is 1934 Indianola Ave., Columbus, Ohio, the door-knob turns either way, the door swings in and a "Sig Alph" pin just south of the second shirt button is the "open sesame." Get hep.

HAROLD M. HOPKINS.

Ohio Rho, Case School of Applied
Science, Cleveland

ON September 26 Ohio Rho began the school year with a membership of twelve, having lost by graduation eight of our members. The rushing season was a lively one, for the freshmen class was the largest one in the history of Case, in the opinion of all the fraternities, contained the best material. Ohio Rho was very successful in pledging, having put our pin on eleven of the very best men. Two of the pledges are out-of-town men, Poister of Elwood City, Pa., and Reagle of Wellsville, Ohio. The remainder are from Cleveland, Ohio, O'Riely, Conkey, White, Wills, Brown, Garrett, Sword-out, Fenner and Pond. All are freshmen except Reagle who was formerly of Grove City and Pond who is a sophomore at Case. Since being pledged only seven have expressed their intention of being initiated this fall, the others because of parents objections, cannot be initiated until next fall. On November 19 the ritual will be given to the seven men, Reagle, Pond, Sword-out, White, Wills, Poister and Brown.

The college report of the first month showed a very good standing in scholarship on the part of our pledges. To encourage a continuance of this good standing, two of our alumni, Hudson and Voss, have agreed to keep a card system report of each member, and to give advice, encouragement or censure to whom it is needed.

Ohio Rho gave its annual Hallo-we'en Party on October 31, at which about thirty couple were entertained. This function was its usual success.

The social committee has decided to give three dances this year. The first was held November 11, the

occasion of which was the Case-Wesleyan football game.

Among the social functions of Ohio Rho are to be included a smoker to the football men, a Valentine party and the annual reception to the faculty of Case.

Two men from Ohio Sigma, Auer and Shern, will affiliate.

Financially the chapter is a success.

Taking all into consideration, it looks as if Ohio Rho will have a very successful year.

H. C. BRANCH.

Indiana Alpha, Franklin College,
Franklin

INDIANA Alpha began the fall term with fourteen old men "on the job" and ready for the rushing season. Through the good work of the spiking committee several "prospects" had already been lined up so that by doing some hard rushing together with the help of our loyal alumni, seven of the most promising men were recruited to the ranks of Minerva and our rivals got the "leavin'." We are glad to present the following pledges for we believe they will bring honor to the name of $\Sigma A E$, Reed McCain, Virgil Eickenberry, Russell Duncan, Frank Wood, Willard Hall, Maurice Saunders, and Ralph Lukens.

We are in the same old house but the quarters are so crowded that we cannot accommodate all the men there. However, our alumni have devised a splendid house proposition and have arrangements well under way for the purchase of a larger and more suitable house which we hope to occupy about the first of January, as several men are anxious to come in then.

The chapter is in an unusually good condition this fall and we are

holding our own in all student activities. Brothers Burton, Ross, Vandiver and Duncan are representing us on the football team. Branigin and Vandiver are associate editors of "The Franklin." McCain and Whitcomb made the quartet and Johnson, Duncan and Staff are in the glee club. A number of the brothers are also holding various class offices. In scholarship, too, the standard has been raised considerably.

On October 20 we gave an autumn party at the country home of Brother Saunders and proved to our lady friends that we had not forgotten how to entertain.

Under the leadership of Dr. Hanley, the spirit of Franklin College has improved remarkably in the past few months and the movement for a Greater Franklin promises to be no idle dream.

We trust that all the chapters have had the same success in rushing that we have had and again welcome all $\Sigma A E$ s chancing this way to drop in and see us.

ELMER B. WHITCOMB.

Indiana Eta, Purdue University, West
Lafayette

OWING to the fact that seven of our men graduated last June and three others failed to reappear this fall, we were sadly handicapped in regard to membership. To add to our discomfiture Brother Montfort, who played third base on last year's 'varsity so well, left us and went to enter the University of Wisconsin. Things looked rather discouraging at first but the proverbial silver lining soon made its appearance and what had appeared to be a very strained condition of affairs very shortly brightened, by the exertion of a little consistent effort into

a rosy prospect for an exceedingly prosperous year. Our membership was notably augmented by the affiliation of Brother Miller of Ohio Epsilon and Brother Anderson of Tennessee Zeta, both of whom immediately won their way into the esteem of the entire chapter.

Every one lent a hand during the rushing season and in a surprisingly short time we had eleven men with buttons on. Several of our alumni came back to assist us and in particular Brother Webbe, our province president aided very materially in this campaign for men. We believe that we are justified in our convictions that each and every man we have pledged will fully realize the standard of our beloved fraternity. However, we do not intend to stop here as we still have several very promising men in view.

We still maintain our prominence in university affairs through Brother Campbell, who was elected president of the Pan-Hellenic council and editor-in-chief of the 1912 *Debris*, and Brother Bruce, who was made art editor of the 1913 *Debris*. Brothers Fletcher, Dilts, Taylor and Mr. Miller, our latest pledge, represent us well on the gridiron. Brother Fletcher, at the position of quarterback, has shown himself to be a field general of the greatest talent.

On the night of the eleventh of November we held our annual Harvest Party dance which was voted to be a success throughout. Several of our best beloved alumni were present besides three of our Illinois Beta brothers to whose attendance we attribute a large share of the evening's pleasure.

Scarcely any changes have occurred in the university in general except that it was fortunate enough to receive a good sized appropriation for a new library and a handsome bequest of land and money, which was

made to the agricultural department by a friend of the institution. We were highly pleased over the appointment of F. W. Greve of Wisconsin Alpha to an instructorship in hydraulics.

The doors of Indiana Beta are always anxious to open to our brothers in Σ A E and it merely remains for us to remind you that we extend a permanent invitation to all of you to favor us with a visit.

DAVID S. OAKES.

Indiana Gamma, University of Indiana,
Bloomington

WHEN Indiana Gamma came back this September and prepared for rush season ours was a rather gloomy outlook. We had just lost eleven men by graduation, and, with only fifteen men to return, for a time we were somewhat discouraged. But we put forth our best efforts and have now the following list of pledges: J. M. Arthur, S. Hildebrand, W. Huntington, and C. L. Pierce, of Indianapolis; Ernest Dryer, of La Grange, Ind.; N. Lawhead, of Auburn, Ind.; McCarthy, of Washington, Ind.; W. Saylor, of Monticello, Ind.; and Hempheld, of Renssalaer, Ind. With these men as material it is our hope in 1915 to be able to turn out another class of seniors that shall at least begin to compare with our of 1911.

One of the latest social events at Indiana Gamma has been our Harvest Home dance in which we combined a Hallowe'en party and a rush dance.

The latest happening in this vicinity, however, has been our excursion to Indianapolis to the Illinois-Indiana Game. Almost our entire chapter turned out. At Indianapolis we were the guests of the Σ A E Alumni Association at a luncheon

at the Commercial Club. These alumni are "live wires" through and through and still have just as much of the good old college spirit and fraternal love for $\Sigma A E$ as we who are several years their junior. Our alumni have this informal luncheon every Saturday noon at the Commercial Club at Indianapolis and through us they invite and $\Sigma A E$ s to join them.

We at Indiana Gamma throw our doors open to our brothers on November the twenty-fifth, the date of the Purdue-Indiana football game. We extend a cordial invitation to all $\Sigma A E$ s to our chapter house at any time but especially on this date when we will overlook, for the time, whether or not you are "rooting" for old gold and black or the crimson and cream and we will join all together in a rousing "Phi Alpha."

VENICE D. KEISER.

Illinois Psi-Omega, Northwestern University, Evanston

OUR chapter of twenty-eight has again fallen into the swing of school life. Since October 12th we have had the help of three brothers: John R. Davies, post graduate of Carroll College; Frank W. Fordyce, '13, from Grinnell College; Merritt C. Gamble, '14, from Lewis Institute. We have seven sturdy pledges: Geo. Green, '15, of Freeport, Ill.; Howard Greer, '15, and Sidney Goltra, '15, of Evanston; Philip Peterson, '15, of Mess, Arizona; A. Van Vlissingan, '15, of Chicago; Wayne Allen, '15, of Pontiac, Ill.; G. Warren, of Seattle, Washington. They started the year with proper spirit by giving our annual freshmen smoker.

This fall we lost by death George Preston Derickson, ex-'07, and Harry Nelson Staples, post graduate (who was in the chapter until October 1).

These two brothers gave us every reason to be proud of them. We will always cherish their memory.

Besides scholastic matters, there are plenty of other interests on the campus. "Light" Brown, '12, has charge of the *Daily Northwestern*. E. J. Peterson, '13, "Medium" Brown, '14, and Frank Thomson, '14, have editorial places on the paper. R. G. Southworth, '13, is business manager of our year book, the *Syllabus*, and is also in line for the 'varsity debating team. Dysart, '13, Monahan and Ackerburg, '14, have been playing on the football squad. Allen and Peterson are on the 'varsity freshman football team. Peterson, '13, the two Browns, Robertson, '13, and Green, '15, have been playing class football, in which great interest has been taken this year. Schwarz, '13, and Monahan, '14, are out for 'varsity swimming. Hubbard, '13, is on the cross country team. Carlson, '13, is on the glee club, and is vice-president of the Y. M. C. A. Ballew, Thomson, Brown and Robertson are in the dramatic club.

The chapter is fortunate in having so many alumni in town who can be around the house often. In fact, they do not seem like "alumni" at all. Last month they gave us the best dance we have had this year.

We hope that of all the brothers who go through Chicago around Christmas time, there will be many who can stop and pay us a visit.

J. T. DALE.

Illinois Beta, University of Illinois
Champaign

ILLINOIS Beta held its first regular meeting with twenty-one of the old men present, which was an inspiring feature with which to commence another year. We also had the pleasure of greeting an affiliate from Virginia Theta, Brother Bald-

win. After the rushing season was over, we found that we had eight freshmen, who will, we think, apothecize the name of $\Sigma A E$. The following are the initiates: George Sanford Perry, Chicago; Harold Fonseca DeCosta, Chicago; Raymond John Gregori, Chicago; Thatcher Frank Davis, St. Louis; Howard Walton Kelly, Jr., Normal, Ill.; Richard Bell Buchanan, Joplin, Mo.; William Forcee Cromwell, Frankfort, Ky.; Edward Morris Grady, Bloomington, Ill.

The social season of Illinois Beta started off by having every national sorority over for "informal" during rushing season. Since that time we have had the pleasure of entertaining Indiana Beta and Illinois Psi-Omega. Our fall festivities will close with the Christmas party on December 16th.

We have been extremely fortunate in keeping $\Sigma A E$ represented in university activities. Brother Light won the junior class presidency by a large majority and Brother Sullivan is business manager of the *Illini*. Brother Gillan has added to his long list of laurels by annexing a *Tau Beta Pi* key. Brother Ward has been appointed business manager of the *Siren*, a new periodical featuring the lighter side of college life. Brother A. J. Bradley is a member of the senior memorial committee, while Brothers E. P. Bradley and Sullivan are members of *Shield & Trident*, a senior honorary society. Brother Sladek represents us well in the military department by being regimental adjutant.

We are looking forward to the second annual fall homecoming with no little interest. The present indications look as though our alumni will return *en masse*. We like to have the old members come back and look over our freshmen, and see

what we have been doing while they have been gone.

Illinois Beta wishes her sister chapters the success that will make Sigma Alpha Epsilon the cynosure of all college activities. She extends an invitation to all $\Sigma A E$ s to come and visit her.

HOWARD A. MATTHEWS.

Illinois Theta, University of Chicago,
Chicago

WHAT have we been doing this past month? Working hard. All the brothers came back five days before school opened, as had been arranged during the summer, to settle our new home and look over material then on the campus. Three of last spring's pledges came a day later and then everyone went to settling the house.

As a result of good hard rushing by each brother $\Sigma A E$ stood second in the number of pledges of fraternities here in Chicago. The names of pledges are: Charles Hobbs, J. Robert Allais, Donald D. Delaney, Charles McCumber, Gorten W. Taylor, Clyde E. Watkins, Edward Kixmiller, William M. Gray, Leon B. Walker, George Gray, Clyde W. Gebhardt, Clare Sexsmith and Henry L. Holmes. All the above men are showing the true $\Sigma A E$ spirit and getting into things on the campus. The pledges have been given the pledge ceremony and have organized a pledge chapter which meets every Monday evening, the same as the active chapter. About two weeks ago they gave a smoker to all the fraternity pledges and thus are fast getting acquainted in their class. Pledge Kenneth Murphy will be back for the winter quarter and thus increase the number of pledges to fourteen.

Illinois Theta is also glad to announce that Ralph E. Fields, one of

last year's pledges, has been initiated into the ranks and adds one more brother to our circle.

In university activities Σ A E stands as usual. Brother Leisure and pledge Walker are both on the 'varsity squad and pledge George Gray is playing half-back on the freshman team. The basketball work this year will be cared for by Brother Leisure and Smythe and pledges Watkins, Kixmiller and Holmes. Brothers Morton, Glascock and Shilton were made charter members of the university glee club and pledges Delaney and Gebhardt were made associate members. Three men are in the band, Brothers Harper and Morton and pledge Delaney. Pledge Watkins is playing lead in the mandolin club and pledge Allais passed the dramatic club tryouts.

In social events the chapter is doing its share. Two smokers have been given, one house dance and a large alumni dinner and smoker will be given after the Cornell game. The E. C. is now working on a card index of all Σ A E alumni in Chicago and through this hopes to get the chapter and alumni better known to each other.

There has been some talk about the Chicago spirit in the past, but now I can say it is showing up strong. All the fraternities are working together to have regular organized cheering at all games and in the last few games their work has given fine results. Maroon hats are now being sold by the hundreds for the Cornell game. The campus is showing the effects of the cold weather, but still remains green in many places. The Harper Memorial Library is fast nearing completion also the new addition the Ryerson Laboratory.

Illinois Theta sends greetings to all sister chapters, in closing and extends a cordial invitation to all

Σ A Es passing through Chicago to visit her in her new home.

O. K. MORTON.

Illinois Delta, Millikin University,
Decatur

ILLINOIS Delta returned ten active members, and three pledges this fall. Several of the brothers were unable for various reasons, to get back. With the loss of these and five seniors of last year it seemed at first our prospects were not very brilliant, but we soon found our stride and have pledged six good freshmen. Everything is moving nicely.

The freshman class this year is the largest in history of school but there are quite a number of upper classmen who did not return. The total enrollment however is quite an increase over last year.

Our two new buildings are well under way. The gymnasium is about completed, and the conservatory of Music which was delayed for some reason is progressing rapidly. On the whole the year promises to be the best Millikin University has ever had.

At the first meeting of the Faculty Council this year, a code of several rules for regulation of fraternities and sororities was enacted. The principle ones of which are: a freshman shall not be initiated into Greek letter organizations until he has successfully carried one semester's work; a regulation for closing of social functions and in regard to chaperones. These we feel on the whole are advantageous to the chapter, especially the first.

Two of our local sororities have good prospects of soon being granted a charter from two good sororities. The Kappa Delta Chi local fraternity is petitioning Kappa

Sigma, but what success they are having we do not know.

Athletics took a rather bad start. The football team lost the first two games, but Coach Ashmore has been giving his men strenuous practice since, and they are planning to win the remaining games of the schedule.

On October 14 a small banquet was given at the chapter house for the new men. A number of talks were made for the benefit of pledges endeavoring to show them what the fraternity stands for and what is expected of them. Brothers Ashmore and Galloway of the faculty were present.

The following brothers have visited the chapter since school opened: Brother Grimes of Peoria, and Brother Hayes and Ribinson of Northwestern, Brothers Light and Bullard of Illinois.

The chapter extends a hearty welcome to all passing brothers.

GROVER W. YODER.

Minnesota Alpha, University of Minnesota, Minneapolis

FIFTEEN active men returned the second week in September to start the year for Minnesota Alpha. Rushing began immediately and we soon had eight fine fellows wearing pledge pins. To this number have been added two more whom we expect to initiate in the near future. Everything points to a bright and prosperous year for $\Sigma A E$ at Minnesota.

Although we sorely miss the brothers who have not returned to us this fall both because of graduation and for other various reasons, we feel that we have made an excellent start in the school year. Already the freshmen are taking an active interest in bringing $\Sigma A E$ to the front in school activities. Pledgman Headge is playing end on the

"scrub" football team, while others of the freshmen are candidates for the lacrosse, football and basketball squads. Pledgman Cole and Brother Mulligan have tried out for the glee club. The inter-fraternity basketball season will start in a few weeks and we are going after the cup "tooth and nail". We lost it last year through hard luck, by the narrow margin of four points. Brother Geib and Dopp are also candidates for the varsity basketball team.

Professional and honorary fraternities seem to have a liking for men of $\Sigma A E$. Brother Dopp, S. Lund, Hawke and freshman Benson are all either pledged or initiated into professional or honorary fraternities, adding four more of our men to the six $\Sigma A E$ s already members of such organizations. We seem to have lost our military officers by graduation for at present Brother Moore is the only officer we have in the cadet corps.

On Saturday October 14 we held an informal at the chapter house which was attended by about thirty active men and alumni. Everyone had a big time as it was the first party of the year. A very successful rushing party was held at the same place on the night of November 3. Brothers Quinn and Durham furnished entertainment by trying to settle an old wrestling score. On Wednesday, October 18 the University of Minnesota was the scene of one of the most momentous gatherings of notables in the history of education. It was the day of President Vincent's inauguration and college and university presidents were here from Scotland to San Francisco; forty-two of them in all. The line of Ph.Ds and L.L.D.s etc. reached in double file from the Armory to the Library building. The inauguration services were most impressive

and the new Prexy was cheered to the echo. In the words of President Emeritus Northrup, "No other man ever stepped into a like office with the unanimous approval and backing of all the people, everywhere. He is the right man in the right place at the right time." The campus the night before was the scene of the most magnificent demonstration ever seen at Minnesota. Between 6000 and 8000 students and alumni marched in a torch-light parade, a mile long, which reached completely around the campus in line of fours. The evening was concluded by an exhibition of fireworks.

The annual inter-fraternity banquet was held October 27 and four hundred fraternity men were present. $\Sigma A E$ was represented by twenty-five men; next to the largest delegation. Brother Horn was "chief cook and bottle washer" of the arrangements. On Wednesday, October 25 President Taft spoke to 3000 students in the Armory. His speech was very well received.

Everyone who has followed conference football knows Minnesota's record so far this season. We have a wonderful team and the way that new material has been whipped into shape to take the place of the veterans we lost, is nothing short of marvelous. After every game the sororities and fraternities hold open house and it has proved to be one of the best ways of promoting acquaintance and good fellowship among the students at Minnesota. Another medium to the same end are the inter-fraternity, senior, junior, sophomore and freshman clubs, which meet every month and hold dances often during the year. At the Tillikum informal November 10, $\Sigma A E$ was represented by seven men.

The first six weeks of school are over and the burning of the mid-

night oil is not quite so evident. Every year there is a great scramble to keep the freshmen above grade in their work so that they can be initiated at the end of the six week's probation. This year $\Sigma A E$ came through with flying colors, not a man being down in his work. "Rough house initiation" took place at the chapter house on the night of November 11 and everything was pulled off in the most approved style. By the time this letter is read we expect to have formally initiated at least seven fine fellows into $\Sigma A E$. One freshman, John Benson, who comes to us as a senior law from Wisconsin, is at present in the hospital recovering from an operation for a bad case of appendicitis. He is already out of danger.

In all we have fared very well in everything so far this year. We are in a position to take our pick of the best in college and we feel that we are going to do it. As the weeks pass by enthusiasm and $\Sigma A E$ spirit seems to grow and we will soon be hitting a pace that will make them all sit up and take notice. We are always glad to see our alumni. In fact we don't see enough of them at any time. As for visiting brothers, our house is always wide open to them and we would indeed consider it a gross neglect if they did not look us up at 1121 University Ave. S. E. Our slogan is "Nothing is too good for an $\Sigma A E$."

ALLEN L. MOORE.

Wisconsin Alpha, University of Wisconsin, Madison

TWENTY active chapter men returned to Wisconsin Alpha at the beginning of school this year. Besides this number, Brother Bainbridge returned to finish his course. Claude Catlin of Washington Alpha,

H. M. Montfort of Indiana Beta, W. S. Carpenter of Michigan Iota-Beta, and C. Mark of Illinois Beta entered school here this year. These together with eight initiates Karl Kuehn of Milwaukee, Wis.; Grover Wynne of Sterling, Ill.; E. S. Toomey of Helena, Mont.; Karl C. Person of Buffalo, N. Y.; H. Clayton of Monroe, Wis.; Omar McMahon of Milwaukee, Wis.; Wayne Johnson of Rockford, Ill., and Albert Smith of Oklahoma City make up the ranks.

We have had the pleasure of entertaining several alumni and visiting brothers so far this fall. A large number were present for the Minnesota game.

We are now occupying our new

home on Lake Mendota, which is considered the best location in Madison, and have given several very successful dances. The house is arranged in such a way that it makes it possible to give dances and we expect to have a number during the year.

Several new university buildings have been planned and one, the Biology building, is nearly completed. The Agriculture College is growing the fastest and has laid out three new buildings.

We have started out with the prospects of a fine year and we wish all the rest of the fraternity success in work.

DAVID W. WEART.

PROVINCE EPSILON

Georgia Beta, University of Georgia,
Athens

GEOORGIA Beta moved into the chapter house she recently bought, on September 1. Several of the brothers voluntarily came over about a week before college opened and arranged the house in perfect order for "rushing season". This was a very successful year and Georgia Beta was very fortunate in obtaining so many good men.

We are pleased to announce the following initiates and affiliates. Initiates: Pierce Merry, Augusta, Ga.; Alfred M. Martin, Augusta, Ga.; Edward D. Barnes, Atlanta, Ga.; Montgomery Francis, Atlanta, Ga.; Julian Erwin, Athens, Ga.; Gerdine Lumpkin, Athens, Ga.; Henry Nickerson, Athens, Ga.; Edward Barnet, Washington, Ga.; Dudley Hull, Savannah, Ga.; William C. Bunn, Cedartown, Ga.; Willis B. Sparks, Macon, Ga.; Robert C. Maddox, Rome, Ga. Affiliates: Basil Wise, Georgia Psi, Macon, Ga.;

Joseph Neel, Georgia Phi, Macon, Ga.; Joseph Cutler, Tennessee Omega, Macon, Ga.; Clair Tomlinson, Georgia Phi, Jacksonville; James Maddox, Georgia Phi, Rome, Ga.; Hiles Hamilton, Georgia Beta, Rome, Georgia.

Our chapter roll now contains thirty names of loyal brothers—all who are truly ready to work for $\Sigma A E$ and filled with the true spirit of the fraternity. The chapter contains five seniors, six juniors, four sophomores, thirteen freshmen and two special students. The chapter numbers among its members three men on the quartette, three men in the dramatic club, one man on both the *Georgian* board and the *Red and Black* staff, the captain of the basketball team, the president of the German club, and two men who have carried off debaters medals. The chapter owns its house and is nicely installed in it.

However many honors her members may carry off Georgia Beta holds brotherhood, not honor as the

aim she strives for. Our chapter is filled with congenial brothers who represent the best in very branch of college endeavor.

With a farewell hope that every Σ A E will continue to know that they are always welcome at Georgia Beta.

EDGAR B. DUNLAP.

Georgia Psi, Mercer University, Macon

FRANKLY, Georgia Psi started the year with most discouraging prospects. With but two old men back and one affiliate, it can hardly be said that our outlook was roseate. However, there was one thing that overcame all obstacles and that was our young alumni. These boys, every one of them working hard, dropped work and everything else to aid Georgia Psi and by liberal expenditure of time and money put the chapter where it should be. We landed ten good men after a long fight and we are proud of the record.

The great difficulty we have to work against is the short college life of our average member. Whether this condition is peculiar to us in particular, frat men here in general or at the college universally I am unable to state as the figures are not to be had. However, it is a problem that must be solved, through just how cannot be foreseen at this time.

Our new hall is completed and all debts paid off. It is a gem and we feel that our enthusiasm is justified. We sincerely hope that every brother who can will come to the Province convention here Christmas, feeling certain that all who do will agree with us about the hall. But whether you intend agreeing about the hall or not, come to the convention and see what an Σ A E welcome really is.

W. C. TURPIN, JR.

Georgia Epsilon, Emory College,
Oxford

THE rushing season is far in the past, but the new faces in the chapter are continual reminders of our successful campaign. We are able to say that we got our share of the finest fellows who entered college this year.

The following were initiated into the mysteries of Sigma Alpha Epsilon: Tandy E. Bush, '13, of Lawrenceville, Ga.; Clay W. Penick, '14, of Madison, Ga.; Lee Trammell, Jr., '15, of Madison, Ga.; Robert S. Duncan, '15, of Douglasville, Ga.; Asa Porter, '15, of El Paso, Texas; Robert N. Stokes, '15, of Moultrie, Ga.; Harry G. Griswold, '15, of Macon, Ga.; Robert N. Groover, '16, of Savannah, Ga.; H. Fairfield Manget, '16, of Atlanta, Ga.; and William A. Hodges, Jr., '16, of Halcyon-dale, Ga.

The following alumni visited us during the rushing season: Brothers I. A. Garrett, of Lithia Springs, Ga.; J. B. Jones, of Atlanta, Ga.; T. A. Wilson, of Hampton, Ga.; B. S. Heard, of Jonesboro, Ga.; D. L. Garrett, of Warrenton, Ga.; T. F. Crowell, of Atlanta, Ga.; J. L. Duncan, of Atlanta, Ga., and L. W. Foreman, of Atlanta, Ga.

Emory is not allowed to play inter-collegiate athletics, but much interest is manifested in inter-class athletics and a large number of the students participate in them. The relay race took place last month. The freshman team, which covered the ten miles in sixty minutes, won the race,—the juniors came second. Despite the rain, a large bon fire was prepared that night on the athletic field by the upper-classmen, and a very lively scrap between the freshmen and sophomores took place. This is an annual event and is al-

ways enjoyed by many spectators.

Four games of football have been played. All the class teams are showing up well. There are several stars on the teams, and we believe, if we were allowed to play in the S. T. A. A., we could put out a team, which would be able to walk over many of the teams in that league. Brother Asa Porter is manager of the freshman team, and, also plays fullback on his team.

The seniors enjoyed a barbecue on the night of November 3. This was the annual fall term feast for the seniors. But it is the first time in years that the juniors did not make an attempt to break it up. The barbecue was finished and the seniors had returned to town before the juniors knew that it had even been planned.

On the night of the twenty-fifth of this month, Georgia Epsilon is going to have a possum hunt. A possum supper at a farm house about three miles from town will be waiting for us, when the hunt is finished. About twelve of the alumni will be with us on that night.

We are expecting a good year, and will be glad to have any of the brothers, who may be passing through these parts, to pay us a visit.

HARRY E. McNEEL.

Georgia Phi, Georgia School of Technology, Atlanta

GEOORGIA Phi after a successful season and settling down to college duties experienced a fact not seen here for several years. This fact in not having the honor of the largest enrollment of the fraternities at Tech is duly caused by having in the last two years graduated ten men. Although this is something to feel proud of it is quite a drain on the chapter.

The chapter was reinforced by

the addition of two affiliates: C. C. Shelton, Virginia Sigma and J. F. Gay, Alabama Alpha-Mu. We have initiated five men, all of the best Σ A E calibre. These men are: D. P. Wood, F. A. Hooper, P. C. Dinkins, C. C. Harris and J. T. Montague, we also have one pledge, E. P. Hoffman. The chapter enrollment numbers twenty-three which is practically as large as any at Tech.

As stated in our last letter we are occupying a new house which is a decided improvement over last year's. As heretofore we are eating in the house and with all our living rooms filled everything looks prosperous along this line.

In athletics there has been a revival especially in football. Starting out with a team composed mostly of new men it looked as if we would be ranked as second raters. But by ardent coaching and a spirit which no other team at Tech has displayed in years Tech bids fair to have a team which may be ranked among the leading teams of the south. We are represented on the team by Brothers Patterson (captain) and Elmer (left tackle). Brother Gay is showing up well on the scrubs but will be unable to play varsity ball on account of the one year rule of the S. I. A. A. Along the other lines of college life Σ A E is occupying her usual prominent position.

Out at Tech everything is on a boom, the enrollment in all departments is larger than ever before. The hospital has been completed and is now ready for occupancy. Also the new Shop building is practically finished and the Y. M. C. A. building, donated by J. D. Rockefeller and the city of Atlanta, will be ready to throw open its doors by the beginning of the second term.

The fraternities are all prosperous, as last year all of them had chapter houses. Almost every fra-

ternity at Tech has been giving informal dances at their houses. We have had two so far; these dances are very enjoyable, about a dozen couples being present. We will give our annual chapter dance just before the Christmas holidays on December 21. As most of the colleges are closing for holidays about that time, and Atlanta is a very convenient place to reach we hope to have a number of out of town brothers with us on that night.

W. HAWKINS LAMAR.

Alabama Iota, Southern University,
Greensboro

THE rushing season of 1911 is a thing of the past. While most of us are glad of this fact, still we look back to that time as one of the most exciting and profitable experiences of our fraternity life. We succeeded in landing five, fine fellows, this year, who are standing well in both college and fraternity life, and bid fair to be an honour to Σ A E.

We number now nine strong men, and we can truthfully say that we have never had a more congenial or better bunch of men since Alabama Iota was established. We are taking pride in our class room work, and have our E. A. to see the different members of the faculty at least once a month, and report back to the chapter each man's standing in his different studies. We find this most effective. It is not only inspiring the men but it is placing the faculty in a more sympathetic and interested attitude toward us. We commend this movement to the consideration of any chapter.

As is our custom each year the old men gave the new fellows a stag banquet. This was a most enjoyable occasion, and had the effect of bringing about a more congenial spirit.

Right now the Southern Univer-

sity is in the midst of football season. Brother Jerry Austil of Alabama Mu as coach has succeeded in turning out a very good team considering the size of the school. As it now seems Alabama Iota will be well represented in basketball and baseball. Brother Cleveland is manager of basketball team and Brother Carr manager of baseball team.

The Southern University is in a flourishing condition. The enrollment of the freshmen this year was larger than usual, and everything is pointing toward a very successful year.

H. GRADY GILDER.

Alabama Mu, University of Alabama,
University, Ala.

“STEP up, look pleasant, and make your best bow!” We take pleasure in introducing our four additions to the ranks: C. H. Barnwell, Jr., J. F. Dillard, F. W. McLaurine Jr., and J. B. Noble. If they can't keep step, we have lost our sense of form and promise not to play the ponies any more. But speaking of keeping step, after the way they crept up in the dark with examinations last week, some of us are so lame that we are not going to call any names and our freshmen will be safe from the critical eye for some time.

Except for the monumental and all-absorbing fact that we have our best football team for four years, there is nothing to tell. We are represented in this Homeric group by McDowell and Keller, both of whom are attracting much favorable notice.

And oh yes! there is something else, a mere trifle in comparison to be sure, but it may find a place here! We are going to have a nice, new president for our university! Dr. Denny who is now at the head of Washington and Lee has accepted the position left vacant by the resig-

nation of Dr. Abercrombie and will take charge in January. Dr. Denny is unanimously considered to be the man for the place as his executive ability has already been demonstrated, and it is believed that the university will take on a new growth under his hand.

The chapter has rented a house on University Avenue, about half-way between college and town, and extends a cordial invitation to any brothers who find themselves in Tuscaloosa to pay us a visit.

L. B. HALEY.

Alabama Alpha-Mu, Alabama Polytechnic Institute, Auburn

SCHOOL opened on the sixth of September with the largest number of matriculates ever known at the A. P. I. Twelve men of our last year's chapter reported on time and we went to work "rushing" the men that we wanted to pledge. We met with great success, getting every man that we went after, and in two weeks time we were down at work with a total number of twenty-two.

Malone, '11, is back with us this term taking post-graduate work and managing the football team. On the team we have "Rip" Major, regular and Woodburn, substitute. Major, Jr., the young "Rip" is one of the best on the reserves and promises to some day wield the toe in like manner unto his big brother.

Basketball practice has begun and Duncan and Anderson are showing good form. As soon as football is over "Rip" Major will also take his place in this game.

In military, Thack is regimental major; Rumph, captain; Smith, lieutenant; Davenport, first sergeant; and we are looking for some appointments to corporal from the bunch of "rats" we have here.

And in all college work and activities our bunch stands near the top. Rumph and Major represent us on the board of editors of the college paper, and Thack on the annual. All in all I believe we have begun one of the best years in history for Alabama Alpha Mu.

H. E. SMITH.

PROVINCE ZETA

Missouri Alpha, University of Missouri, Columbia

MISSOURI Alpha began the year with fourteen old men back, four seniors, three juniors and seven sophomores. We were greatly pleased to have Brother Armstrong of Massachusetts Iota Tau affiliate with us. His name increased the chapter roll to fifteen.

Although the house was not finished when school began and we had to live about town, we began rushing with a vim, and before the lapse of two weeks, ten freshmen were pledged to Σ A E. Seven of these, Wornoll, Jones, Knight,

Vance, Peppers, Pugsley and Sanburn are from Kansas City and the other three, Jewell, Phillips and Peyton are from Springfield, Mo. With the four that we had last semester, we have fourteen pledges, a goodly number to be initiated next year. On account of a faculty rule, we cannot initiate freshmen or allow them to live in the house but this rule does not apply to eating in the house and seven pledges are boarding with us.

November 1, we moved into our new house. After six weeks of boarding houses we could hardly wait until it was finished. The following Saturday it was opened in-

formally with a dance. The well waxed floor, the glow and warmth from the fireplaces and the convivial crowd combined to make the party a delightful success. We are planning to give a formal reception in the near future.

The chapter is well represented this year in student activities, both athletic and non-athletic. Brother Wallace represents his department in the student council and Brother Thomas is president of the junior law class. He also made the honorary legal fraternity, Phi Alpha Delta this year. Brother Hackney, our "All Missouri Valley" fullback who was leading the team from quarterback position this year, was severely injured in an early game and is out for the season. Brothers Barton and Groves are on the team and have prospects for an "M."

The university is making rapid strides toward intellectual perfection. With the elimination of those who could not pass in 58 per cent of their work, the general standing has greatly improved. Several new buildings have been erected upon the state farm. This department is becoming stronger every year.

Our football team started off well, but Captain Hackney's injury soon seemed to cause an irreparable loss. There was no one to fill his position and the team became disheartened, however in the last few games they have come back with a fighting spirit and now all hopes are centered upon the Missouri-Kansas game here the 25th. We expect to see many of our alumni here at that time and are preparing to entertain all Σ A Es who attend. Our track team put up a good fight in the "Valley" cross country at Lawrence but were unable to take first. They came out second best.

It always gives the chapter pleasure to entertain visiting Σ A Es.

We extend an invitation to our alumni and to all brothers in Σ A E to visit us and we wish our sister chapters the best of luck for the year.

R. D. GROVES.

Missouri Beta, Washington University,
St. Louis

WHEN the university opened in September we thought that, since only three men were lost through graduation, there would be at least fifteen men back to carry on the good work; but with Brother Mitchell transferring his affections to Michigan Iota-Beta, Brother Wilson matriculating at St. Louis University and Brothers French and Galt dropping out for a year, only eleven men were on hand. However we did not become discouraged but got down to business and soon pledged five good men—men who can compare most favorably with the other freshmen of the university. The new brothers I now introduce are: Gale Henderson, Richard Swarts, Otto Wilhelmi and Roland Grimm, all of St. Louis and Douglass Martin Jr. of St. Charles, Mo.

One fact which was omitted in the last chapter letter was that Brother Brodix won the university tennis championship, was runner-up in the Iowa state championship in doubles and won the Indiana state championship, also in doubles. Brother Nipher is right half back on the 'varsity and was proved himself to be one of the best all-round men Washington has ever had. Brother Barnes is sub-guard and will doubtless win his "W" as he has played in four of the six games played; Brother Bryan is also on the squad. In the class elections Brother Bryan was elected president of the junior class and Brothers Sell and Martin were elected year book representatives of the sophomore and freshman

classes, respectively; Brothers Martin and Wilhelmi are on the freshman dance committee.

Five of the brothers: Nipher, Chivvis, Barnes, Gray and Bryan went with the football team to Bloomington, Indiana, and spent an enjoyable evening as guests of Indiana Gamma. All were surprised to find Brother Casey, who had entered the business world in St. Louis and who had made our chapter many visits, back at his Alma Mater.

Brother Young of Wisconsin Alpha is professor of economics and has the distinction of being the first "Frater in Facultate" that has been at Washington in many years.

Because of the fact that the university has threatened to make an investigation and restrict the initiation of freshmen, unless the scholarship of the fraternity men improves, Missouri Beta has determined to do her share toward precluding such an investigation and so far she has succeeded, all of the brothers having passed their first quarter's work.

With our latch string always out we will welcome with open arms any brothers who may find themselves in this "neck o' the woods."

JAMES S. GRAY.

Nebraska Lambda-Pi, University of Nebraska, Lincoln

A GREAT many incidents all for the betterment of Nebraska Lambda Pi have transpired since the last issue of the RECORD. At the close of last semester the members of our chapter scattered to all parts of the country, and consequently some of the older men were justly doubtful as to how many men would return. This anxiety was no doubt made more manifest by the fact that we were building a new home and imagined as in the past that we had a little bit more on our hands

than we could attend to; but such was not the case. We were also worried for fear said house would not be completed and hereby force us to do our rushing in tents or by means of alley conclaves.

At the beginning of registration eighteen men were back and we immediately went over our plans for rushing season. Two weeks later rushing started and I can truthfully say that competition was never so keen, and in some respects the most bitter I have ever witnessed. At Nebraska we have only a week to pick our men and that short time seems to be a signal for a great many, to jump in, cut throats and swing the big "meat axe" in general. It seems too bad that this is necessary and we hope by means of our inter-fraternity council to reach a conclusion in the near future as to what shall be the policy of the various fraternities in school as regards this matter; whether they will line up with the "anvil chorus" or whether they intend to strive for the opposite. The latter many think impossible, but I think not, at least, it may be remedied a great deal. If we are able to accomplish this, it will do away with much of the ill feeling of men belonging to different fraternities while in school, and above all, while rushing is in progress.

On the eighth day of this said strenuous season we pledged nine men all of whom we feel justly proud. Two of them have been voted into the freshmen inter-fraternity organization and two others have made the freshman squad.

In school activities we are heard of every once in a while. In football we have Brothers E. and O. Frank and Lofgren on the 'varsity squad; they are all playing stellar ball. O. Frank, especially, is playing the best game of his career this year and time and again has brought the

spectators to their feet by his open field work. On November 18, Nebaska plays Kansas, her old time rival at Lawrence, and the following Saturday she plays Michigan. This will no doubt be the biggest game in this section of the west and we wish to invite all brothers who will be in attendance at the game to stop with us.

JOETH POMERENE.

Arkansas Alpha-Upsilon, University of Arkansas, Fayetteville

AT the first meeting of Arkansas Alpha-Upsilon, only eight men answered to roll call. Every man came back with the determination to do his best for the chapter, and rushing has begun in earnest. On account of faculty ruling, we cannot pledge anyone until the twelfth of February, but, nevertheless, we are already sure of getting seven or eight of the most promising freshmen. It has been the consensus of opinion among the fraternities that the freshman class, this fall, has offered very poor material. Consequently every fraternity has been making bids for the few good men.

The enrollment at the university is not as large this year as the preparatory department has been abolished. In the university at large, football probably holds more attention than anything else at present. To date, November 9, we have won all of our games, except one, which was lost to Texas. It is the opinion of many that the game was lost through over-confidence on the part of Arkansas. Although we are not represented on the football team, we have a number of men keenly interested in various branches of college activity.

Our first social event of the season was a dance given to non-fraternity men on October 16. It has

been our custom for some time to give a dance to the rushees as soon after the opening of school as possible, and it has proven to be of vast benefit to the chapter for rushing purposes.

Of the graduates who left us last spring, we hear promising reports. Brother Creekmore is with the Lesser Goldman Cotton Co., St. Louis, Mo. Brother Warner is studying law at Harvard, while Brother Dickinson is with the Big Rock Crushing Co., Little Rock, Ark.

A Pan-Hellenic banquet is to be given on the eighth of December. Several speeches are to be delivered, and everyone is looking forward to it with much pleasure.

We have been honored with the presence of several visiting brothers since the opening of school, among them were Brothers Southmand, Dinsemore, Chamber and Burrows.

SAM G. CROOM.

Kansas Alpha, University of Kansas, Lawrence

KANSAS Alpha had a very successful rushing season this fall. Since the last issue of the RECORD, we have pledged the following freshmen: Thomas Taylor, Humphrey Biddle, Edgar Welsh, Chester Dunham, Thomas Root, Albert Teed, Kenneth Hamilton, William Howden, and Harvey Poole. We initiated DeWitt Fillmore, who has pledged last spring. Two of the freshmen, Root and Teed, have left school on account of sickness. This leaves seven freshmen and the following old men who returned this year: Frank Davis, William Hamner, Bliss Darnall, William Wellhouse, Lee Riley, Jr., Rialdo Darrough, Frank Theis, Samuel Fairchild, Ray Stockton, Sandy Hamilton, Hal Rambo, DeWitt Fillmore, Walter Lambert, and Harold Callender.

By a Pan-Hellenic rule, we cannot initiate the freshmen until the second semester. They are required to pass in 75 per cent of their first term's work before they are eligible to be initiated.

The fraternities at the University of Kansas have agreed to abolish the custom of entertaining with spring parties. At a meeting of the Pan-Hellenic Association November 12, this was decided upon. Instead of each fraternity giving a formal party every other year, the fraternities will unite and give a big Pan-Hellenic party in Robinson Gymnasium each year. This is to be given the same week as the junior prom and the sophomore prom, and there will be three holidays that week for these events.

The Province Zeta Convention meets at Lawrence December 1 and 2. We hope to have a large crowd of Σ A Es here then. There will be a smoker Friday night, December 1, and a banquet the following night. Friday and Saturday will be devoted to business meetings. We hope to see a large crowd of the brothers here then, whether they are from the province or not.

HAROLD CALLENDER.

Iowa Beta, University of Iowa,
Iowa City

IOWA Beta returned twelve men this year with ranks sadly depleted by the graduation of ten or eleven men who had done so much in the upbuilding of the chapter from the days when Σ A E at Iowa was a new institution. All the men entered into a strenuous rushing campaign, which, when completed, found pledge buttons upon fifteen men, four of whom have already been initiated and are proving loyal sons of Minerva.

The University of Iowa started the new year with a new executive at the

head of affairs. John Gabbert Bowman, for several years secretary of the Carnegie Foundation, succeeded Geo. E. MacLean as president. The new president was greeted warmly by both faculty and students and a new spirit is already evident in the university.

The Pan-Hellenic council has decided that freshmen must complete two-thirds of a semester's work before they can become eligible for initiation. This rule will be rigidly enforced and all the freshmen are "boning" hard in order that they may become sons of Minerva without any delay.

Brother O'Brien represents us on the football team and has already become the sensation of the Western Conference by his wonderful drop-kicking ability. The big boy negotiated two drop-kicks in the Minnesota game that reminded one of the palmy days of Pat O'Dea. A drop-kick from the forty-seven yard line and one from the fifty-two yard line is a pretty good performance for one afternoon. The Iowa football team is enjoying a fairly good season and are being pointed for the game with the Iowa State College which is the big contest of the state. If Iowa wins this game the season will be counted a glorious success.

The Delta Delta Delta sorority house was badly damaged by fire November 10. A number of the brothers extended helping hands of chivalry to the unfortunate young ladies who lost temporarily one of the finest houses among Greek letter folk at Iowa. Iowa now boasts of a new national sorority, Alpha Chi Omega which granted a charter last May to a petitioning local.

Iowa Beta is taking a prominent part, as usual, in university affairs. Two of our freshmen have been elected to Si Mu, the honorary freshman society. Edwin Shrader and

Lawrence Martin were the favored ones. Wright Weeks has been appointed humorous editor of the 1912 *Hawkeye*. Brothers Riepe and Vincent and members of Phi Delta Phi. Carrol Martin, Ernest Hamilton and Wright Weeks are sergeants in the university cadet corps.

The chapter had the pleasure of entertaining Brothers Ray Berry of Illinois Beta and Okerlin of Iowa Beta a short time ago.

Iowa Beta extends best wishes to all sister chapters and extends a most cordial invitation for visiting brothers to make the chapter house their headquarters during their stay in Iowa City.

HAMILTON JOHNSON.

Iowa Gamma, Iowa State College,
Ames

THIS semester finds us with 17 active members back. Besides these are four pledges who were held over. This term we have put the button on five of the most promising freshmen on the campus. Brother G. H. Lellier, '10, makes his headquarters at the house, and Brother Sutherland of Illinois Theta, now in the chemistry department, is also staying here. Brother Hubbard, assistant coach, is still with us.

We are well represented in various lines of college activity. Chappel, '12, is holding down right end on the 'varsity for his third year, is a member of the "Cardinal Guild," a local honorary organization, and was recently elected to lead the basketball five for the coming season. Hunt, '13, is playing 'varsity left tackle for his second year, and is a member of the athletic council. Cunningham, '14, Fedderson, '12, and A. C. Sloss, a pledge, are also on the 'varsity squad. Lessel, '12, is on the reserves and is secretary of the "Alpine" club. Reeve a pledge,

is on the reserves and vice-president of the freshman class. Garst, a pledge, is a member of the reserves and of the sophomore fall track team. J. Sloss, a pledge, is also a member of the reserves. Nordstrum, '13, played on the junior class team. Allstrand, '13, is secretary and treasurer of the Pan-Hellenic council, and a member of the "Bomb" board. Whitehead, '12, is on the "I. S. C. Student" staff. Porterfield, a pledge, is president of the freshman Pan-Hellenic association.

The faculty ruling requiring that freshmen make an average grade of eighty-five per cent for the whole year before they can be initiated, has been changed to eighty-two and one-half per cent. This gives fraternities the pick of nine out of ten men and works out much better in practice than the old rule.

The local Hawkeye fraternity was granted a chapter of Delta Tau Delta, which was installed November 5. This makes nine national college fraternities here now. Phi Kappa Phi, an honorary scholarship fraternity, was installed by President E. E. Sparks of Pennsylvania State on a recent visit.

Building on the campus still continues as active as ever. The new veterinary buildings are almost complete, and the new gymnasium is one story high at present. Foundations are laid for a new live stock pavillion to accomodate the increased agricultural enrollment. A great deal of work has been done lately beautifying the campus in building bridges, grading new roads and making changes in the landscape.

We were pleased to receive visits from Brothers Barton and Groves of Missouri Alpha, Walker of Illinois Psi-Omega, Berry of Illinois Beta, Nelson of Nebraska Lambda-

Pi, Hyland of Iowa Beta, Horne of Minnesota Alpha and several of our own alumni.

Brother Baker was with us during the month of September and assist-

ed in the agricultural faculty. We cordially welcome Brother Σ A Es at all times.

H. H. WHITEHEAD.

PROVINCE ETA

Colorado Chi, University of Colorado,
Boulder

AT the close of the second month of school Colorado Chi has an active chapter of seventeen men and ten freshmen pledged. This is the second year that our rule of not initiating until the second semester has been in effect and we wish to heartily commend its success to sister chapters. It creates a double incentive for the freshman to keep up in his school work and it saves the chapter from any disastrous mistake that is so apt to occur during the heat of rushing season. Thus, it is an advantage to all concerned.

One new department was added to the university this year, that of the school of pharmacy. It is located in the old Anatomy Building where modern laboratories have been fitted out. Although this year's attendance is small its start gives promise of a good future.

On November 4 the 'varsity met Colorado College on Gamble Field and in one of the most hotly contested and cleanest games of football ever witnessed in this region, defeated them by a score of 8-2. This practically determines the Rocky Mountain championship in favor of the university.

Owing to a faculty ruling all organizations are limited to two dances a semester. This semester we gave a very successful harvest dance and on December 15 we give our annual Christmas dance. The dark hours of the night for a week previous are always spent in getting

fir trees from the hills. A new custom that will be made annual was started this year, is that of giving a smoker to the bachelor members of the faculty of the university. It serves to increase the good feeling between faculty and students.

GEO. H. SHAW.

Colorado Zeta, University of Denver,
Denver

LIFE at the University of Denver is at flood tide this year. With a fifteen per cent increase in student body, and a winning football team, everybody is proud to be a part of the school.

Colorado Zeta has at least had her share of this success. We started the school year with sixteen active men, besides Andrew, North and Sterling, who returned late. In a short snappy rushing season, we were exceptionally successful, landing eight good men, which are the cream of the freshman class. We take pleasure in introducing to our sister chapters, Brothers Munn, Bent, Jeffery, Lutz, Gaymon, Ziegler and Mayers. A few days ago we pledged Green, one of the best men in law school.

Our social stunts thus far have been few and simple, in anticipation of some big functions to be planned later. Besides open house on two or three occasions when there was something doing at the university, we had a dance and party on Halloween night. This was rather a novel affair, being a seven-mile hayrack ride out to the Elkhorn ranch. For

refreshments we served cider and pumpkin pie. Everybody had a good time.

On December 20, which is the date of the twentieth anniversary of the founding of Colorado Zeta, a big banquet and reunion will be held at one of the down town hotels. At this time we are going to make an effort to have every active man and every possible alumnus of Colorado Zeta present. We want to make it a big get-to-gether stunt, and one that will adequately celebrate the twentieth anniversary of Colorado Zeta.

In athletics we are proud of our standing, having five men on the football team: Volk, Meyers, Taylor, Sterling and Card. The captain having had a nervous break-down after the third game, Volk will be acting captain for the balance of the season. We have a championship team, and barring flukes and conference difficulties in deciding, we have a very good chance for the championship.

In college activities we have been rather unsuccessful. Not due, however, to lack of material for college offices, but rather to existing political conditions which have existed at the university for the past two years. Notwithstanding this, we have almost our share of college offices and honors. If we continue to pull together and maintain good scholarship, there is no reason why this will not be a banner year for Colorado Zeta.

LLOYD W. KING.

Colorado Lambda, Colorado School of Mines, Golden

WE held an initiation October 7. One affiliate from Wisconsin and the five initiates brought the chapter roll up to nineteen.

Only 38 freshmen entered school this fall, the smallest enrollment in

many years. The enrollment of the whole school is not more than 250 students.

A new class schedule has gone into force. The first class is called at 8 A. M. The periods are still fifty minutes but the intermissions have been cut to five minutes. This arrangement permits an afternoon dismissal at 4:10 P. M., and is a great help to the football players.

In spite of the small enrollment there is a good supply of football material. We lost the game with Wyoming, 5-0 and the Utah game 15-0, but managed to clean up on the Colorado Aggies by a score of 27-0. Our next game is with Denver University. We hope to win, and, win or lose, expect to give Denver University a run for its money. Brother Harper plays quarterback. Brother Mertes coaches the freshman team. Brother Butner and Brother Gouthier are our representatives on the freshman team.

There has been little happening this fall. We had a very pleasant house party for the first social club dance on November 4. Ten couples made up the party. This party and an occasional visitor from the alumni are the only breaks in the monotony. Brother Talbot, a rising young attorney of Denver, tried a case in Golden not long ago and came over for lunch. We certainly did enjoy his visit.

The junior mining class went to Breckenridge to visit the placers there. The temperature reached eighteen degrees below zero and the juniors reached home somewhat the worse for wear.

Brother Strong was elected to Tau Beta Pi, the engineering honor society. He was elected from the sophomore class and had the highest record for his class.

The football games and their attendant festivities in Denver are the

only excitement booked for the coming month. The freshman ball is to be given on December 15. The Christmas holidays commence on December 21. School opens again January 4. W. W. CURRENS.

South Dakota Sigma, University of
South Dakota, Vermillion

SOUTH DAKOTA Sigma began the fall of 1911 with seven old men back. We were few in number but got in on the ground floor and pledged eight freshmen. We initiated six of our pledges on November the first. The new brothers are: Clayton DuBois of Centerville, S. D., Alfred Barr of Belle Forche, S. D., Arne Fredrichsen, Nemo, S. D., Ward Soule, Rapid City, S. D., Ralph Cadwell, Sioux Falls, S. D., Orville Cushman, Vermillion, S. D. An elaborate banquet followed the ceremony. Brother Scott Burton acted as toast master. The new brothers responded to toasts as did many of the old men.

South Dakota Sigma has two men, Morgan and Goddard on the 'varsity football squad. The football record this fall has been far in advance of that of any other year. Of all points scored we have one hundred and thirty-six to our opponents fourteen and two more games to be played.

Quinby and West, two pledges, are our only candidates for basketball, and promise to make good 'varsity material.

Croal and Hooper of Sisseton, S.

D., and Gregory, S. D., respectively, found time to absent themselves from their law offices to visit us several days after the opening of college. Brother Stadstad came down from Duluth, Minn., to take part in the initiation and help start the new brothers in the right path. Brother Vetter of Illinois Theta came to affiliate with us. Business called "Dad" Cameron home, so now we have fourteen active members in the chapter.

The chapter gave a harvest home dance on October 21. The hall was tastefully decorated in available products of the farm. Several alumni were present. They expressed themselves as very well pleased with the results of our first rushing season in which $\Sigma A E$ figured.

Some of our men have been able to visit Minnesota Alpha and Colorado Zeta this fall and express themselves as very much pleased with the chapters there.

The chapter expects to send three delegates to the Eta Province convention held at Denver during the mid-year holidays.

At the conclusion of this letter two brothers come in with the welcome report that they have been able to pledge one of the men we have been rushing the past few weeks. This is Charles Sheldon of Watertown, S. D.

South Dakota Sigma extends a welcome hand to all brother $\Sigma A E$ s passing this way. Drop in and see us.

LINDSAY Z. FLETCHER.

PROVINCE THETA

Louisiana Epsilon, Louisiana State University, Baton Rouge

LOUISIANA Epsilon began the year by initiating seven men and affiliating one. As she returned twelve men from last year's chapter

this makes a chapter of twenty-one, the second largest in her history. Our new brothers are: J. H. Brown, J. A. Redding, W. E. Redding, T. H. Drake, W. M. Evans, L. H. Dupont, and A. H. Douglas.

Louisiana Epsilon has her share

of honors this year also. Brothers Evans and Dupont are on the football team; Brother Sanders is the editor-in-chief of the college annual, and will be the valedictorian of his class, and Brother Baysinger is cheer leader.

This year Louisiana State University renews her athletic relations with her old rival, Tulane. There is promise of a hot gridiron battle on the ninth of December. The "dope" so far gives Louisiana State University the advantage.

The chapter is hard at work trying to build a chapter house. We have only met with fair success so far, as we are finding it as hard to get money out of our alumni as water out of a stone. The active chapter is, however, to be congratulated for the substantial help it has given the building committee. We hope to have it complete for the Province Convention which is to meet here next spring, and would like as many of you as possibly will to come to Louisiana State University then.

V. J. GIANELLONI.

Louisiana Tau-Upsilon, Tulane University, New Orleans

NOT boastfully nor at random, I beg to state, that at Tulane, from present indications, in 1911-1912 the most successful year in the history of our chapter, in particular, and of activities of the school, in general, has been formally opened. Of last year's men only two of our number were graduates. These are Brothers Rice and Stapleton. Brother Rice is now at Oxford, England, as Rhodes scholar from this district, while Brother Stapleton is a practicing physician in a small place in Mississippi. With only these two missing and with seven new men in the way of initiates we may rank our chapter as one of the largest and

strongest chapters at Tulane.

We have leased our place of last year, 46 Audouon Place, for another year. The house is being kept on a saner financial basis than ever before. Eight of our number board here and find no inconvenience whatever, for the place is modern, up-to-date, and conveniently located to the university.

On Thursday night, October 12, our annual initiation was held at Odd Fellows' Hall. Invitations to the affair had been extended the alumni. Aside from the initiates, over forty Σ A Es were present. As expected this night proved a thorough success. The Odd Fellows' Hall proved an ideally equipped place for holding the initiation, thus making the evening particularly appreciable. Seven men, as stated above, were taken in on this occasion; and we are glad that Σ A E will always feel a pride in every man of the entire number. After the initiation the new sons of Minerva were entertained at a banquet in a down town restaurant. Some thirty odd men were around the table. Brother Boatner Reily served as toastmaster. Talks from the alumni and the initiates were especially enjoyed. Brother Jeff Cole thoroughly sustained his reputation as a speaker on this occasion. We are happy to say that the entire evening passed without mishap, was a success and must be placed in the annals of Louisiana Tau as the banner occasion to date.

Among our new men two have already taken prominent stands in their classes, namely, Brothers Palmer Davidson and Burrows Johnson. Brother Johnson was elected president of his class, while Brother Davidson now serves as vice-president. In athletics, Brothers Graves, Corbin and Woodward uphold the name of our fraternity. Although a first-

year man, Brother Randolph Corbin is a likely candidate for a place on the 1911 team. Brother Woodward was a member of last year's team. He is playing the best football of his career this year and is a shining star in Tulane's back-field. We are sorry that Brother Conway, on account of parental objection, cannot play this year, for last year Brother Conway was considered among the best that the team boasted and predictions were made that in him Tulane had a coming star of the southern gridiron. However, Brother Conway's ability in football has not been totally lost this year. He has been coaching the scrubs; and in this way has indirectly aided the team.

Tulanians and Σ A Es especially are proud in saying that the Tulane football team of this year is a real team. To date of five games played, our goal has been crossed once and on this occasion by Sewanee, a team that for years past, has been a strong contender for the championship of the south. The remaining games include Alabama, Mississippi A. and M., and Washington and Lee; and finally, on December 9 "the" game of the season, Louisiana State University -Tulane, will be played at Baton Rouge. If the team loses all other remaining games and wins on the ninth of December, football at Tulane, for 1911 will be reckoned as an absolute success. Here's hoping for a glorious ninth!

To date we have held only one dance. This was on Friday night, October 20, and it proved enjoyable. Our next dance will be given Friday night, November 17.

Of much importance to Σ A Es here is the meeting of the Supreme Council, that will be held in New Orleans the latter part of December. Louisiana Tau trusts that she may be able to render some service, in

any manner to the members of the council while here.

J. BURRUS MUNN.

Mississippi Gamma, University of Mississippi, University, Miss.

THE fall term at Mississippi opened on September 21 and at that time, seven of last year's chapter reported. To these were added Brothers James W. Buchanan and W. C. Henshaw, affiliates from Tennessee Zeta and Kentucky Iota respectively. Brother H. O. Holt is also in school and intends affiliating in the near future. According to the ruling of the board of trustees, there can be no more initiation, so very probably no more additions to the chapter roll.

In the faculty we have a new brother in the person of Professor W. L. Purdue, Alabama Alpha-Mu, who has taken Doctor Kennon's place in the department of chemistry. He has taken an active interest in the chapter and is quite an aid to us.

Doctor Stauffer has developed a splendid football team this year. We are conceded second place by all the sporting writers, and if able to defeat Vanderbilt will be champions of the S. I. A. A. Brother Mitchell is captain and a splendid backfield man. Carter plays right tackle. "Chuck" Trotter is assistant coach.

In the recent senior law-class election Trotter was elected president and Jordan representative to the Honor Council. Among other honors Trotter is on the board of editors of "Ole Miss," the annual, Jordan is business manager, and Mitchell is president of the board of directors. Trotter and Mitchell are also members of the board of control of athletics. Bridgeforth won a place in Sigma Kappa Beta

for scholarship last year. Several other honors, too numerous to mention, have fallen to the brothers and we expect to have still others to report in the next letter.

Early in October, Allen L. Williams left school and is now located with his brother in the drug business at Clarkesdale. Alexander M. Powe of last year's chapter is studying medicine in Louisville, Kentucky. The other graduates of last year, H. H. Johnson and Paul P. Lindholm are practicing law in Lexington, Miss.

The fraternities here have not given up hope of being reinstated, and are working to this end. They have abandoned the policy of last year, that of withdrawing from all college activities, and have thrown themselves, with old-time vigor, into college life. Consequently campus life remains as usual save the rushing of freshmen. ALLEN BRIDGEFORTH.

Texas Rho, University of Texas, Austin

TEXAS Rho had her usual amount of good luck in rushing this season. To begin with eighteen old men returned, the majority of these being on hand several days before the season opened and were quite settled and ready when the work began. From the very start we went in with a vim which boded ill to our rivals. We picked out men who were already strong and who did not need development to make them characters in their surroundings, and went after them in a way which we have not done for years. It was absolutely essential that we should get a good bunch of freshmen as we will lose eight men by graduation this year. We got them and as a result are running on a safe schedule for next year. At present we have three new initiates, whom we have just put through, four pledges and one excellent prospect.

We were rather handicapped by being in temporary quarters, due to the fact that we intend to build in the very near future. Practically all the plans and preliminary arrangements have been completed, and all we are now waiting on is to finish the last payment on our lot. This done we expect to rush the building through to completion in a very short time. Our house will be a \$15,000 structure of the most modern type designed for fraternities. We hope to announce by the time the next RECORD comes out the completion of our last year's work.

Politics are working us all very hard at present. George Polk is candidate for president of the Final Ball, and we are all trying our best to shove him over the goal. The election comes off the second week in January, which leaves us only a month and a half to work.

We have not had our usual prestige on the gridiron this year as only one man made the team. We lost our two stars last year. However, we have excellent prospects for a showing next year, as we have several men among the "scrubs" who are developing nicely.

Texas University is taking her usual stand among southwestern universities as a leader in football, and is not only developing a reputation for skillful but also for fair and square playing.

Texas Rho hopes that all her sister chapters have had as fair luck as she has had, and that their prospects for the future are as bright. She wishes all a very prosperous year.

LOUIS MOHRHARDT.

Oklahoma Kappa, University of Oklahoma, Norman

OKLAHOMA Kappa began the school year with fifteen brothers and two pledges of last year. With a number of good rushing stunts

and some good hard work, we pledged eleven new men. Three of the pledges, Pleasant A. Taylor of Roberston, Earl Foster of Chandler and Charles B. Johnson of Norman, who were in the university last year, were initiated on the night of October 28.

Soon after the close of rushing season, we had a very successful house warming reception. A large number of the members of the faculty and students of the university called during the afternoon and were entertained and shown through our new home and many made very kind remarks regarding it. Much of the credit for the success of the formal opening of our new home is due our patronesses. They are: Mrs. Herbert B. Dwight, Kappa Kappa Gamma, wife of Brother Dwight of the School of Engineering; Mrs. Julien C. Monnet, the wife of the Dean of School of Law and now acting-president of the university and Mrs. Edwin De Barr whose husband is vice-president of the university and head of the department of chemistry.

The chapter is especially well pleased with our new home. Brother Jenkins remained in Norman during the summer and looked after our interests in its construction. As a result, nothing was omitted that would add to its comfort and convenience. It accommodates twenty men. We find that by all of us being together, we get into things better. This is especially noticeable in the matter of singing.

The chapter is keeping up its work in good shape in all departments. The last report of the scholarship committee showed all the men to be well up with their work. Also, in student activities, the brothers have again assumed their accustomed place. In the class elections, Brother Mayfield was elected president of

the senior laws, Brother Taylor was elected president of the second year medics and pledge Neil Johnson is president of the freshman class. Also Brother Brown was elected as captain of the law football team, Brothers Taylor of the medics and Brother Elmer Capshaw of the freshmen. On the 'varsity Brother Fred Capshaw is captain and plays right half, and pledge Mahaffie is on the squad. Mahaffie will also be a strong contender for tennis honors in the spring. Before entering the law school of the university, he represented Kingfisher College at several of the state inter-collegiate meets. On the track Brother Taylor will lead the team as its captain and Brother C. K. Jones will direct its destinies as manager. Among the journalists, Brother Foster is editor-in-chief of the college paper, "*The Umpire*" and Brother Tolbert and pledge Gill are members of the staff of the *University of Oklahoma Magazine*. On the glee club, Brothers Dunn and Strother and pledges Keenan and Peterson are doing good work. Brother Dunn is one of the soloists. In the "try outs" for the inter-collegiate debates which occur soon, Brothers Mayfield and Foster, who were on the squad last year, as well as several other brothers, will try for a place this year. Among the other organizations, Brother Fred Capshaw is president of the athletic association and Brother Tolbert is president of the Sooner Bar. Brother Joseph J. McConnell Jr. (Iowa Beta '10) is with us again this year as general secretary of the Y. M. C. A.

The Holmes Club, of which five of the brothers are members, has sent out its petition to Phi Delta Phi and their prospects for securing a charter seem very encouraging.

Oklahoma Kappa has at last come

into her own in the way of marriages. One of the active men, Brother Tom Mayfield, set the precedent during the summer and Brothers Dean Harr, '10 and Roy Johnson '11, followed suit in short order. In this connection, the chapter has also set a precedent by deciding upon a permanent and uniform wedding present which is to be given to each brother upon his marriage.

The 'varsity eleven, led by Brother Capshaw has been making a great record this season and has piled up a score of 255 to our opponents 6. Both Missouri and Kansas were beaten by good scores on their own grounds. By defeating Texas on Thanksgiving, Oklahoma will have good claim for the championship of the west and south.

The "Dope Sheet" which we have been publishing and sending out to the members of the fraternity in the state has met with much approval and encouragement.

At a meeting of our alumni which was recently held in Oklahoma City, a permanent organization was effected and a committee appointed to apply for a charter. There are about fifty members of the fraternity in Oklahoma City and a strong alumni chapter should be maintained. There has also been organ-

ized in Oklahoma City a Pen-Hellenic association, composed of all the fraternity men of the city. Brother J. L. Timmons (Georgia Epsilon) is one of the officers of the organization.

We have had the pleasure of entertaining quite a number of visiting brothers since the opening of school. Among those enrolled in our guest book are: Mac Tracy (Oklahoma Kappa '10) of Elk City; H. W. Foster (Iowa Beta '10) of Oklahoma City; Ralph K. Dunn (Arkansas Alpha-Upsilon '08), Oklahoma City, Oklahoma; Jess T. Owens (Oklahoma Kappa '10) of Guthrie, Oklahoma; L. A. Peterman (Oklahoma Kappa '09) of Oklahoma City; W. H. Sloan (Kansas Alpha '10) of Oklahoma City; Dean Harr (Oklahoma Kappa '11) of Ardmore, Oklahoma; Shelly Tracy (Oklahoma Kappa '11) of Oklahoma City; E. D. Richardson (Indiana Gamma '06), Oklahoma City; Roy S. Johnson (Oklahoma Kappa '12) of Newark and Russell S. Hobbs Illinois Theta '06) also of Oklahoma City.

In closing Oklahoma Kappa sends her greetings to all sister chapters and extends a cordial invitation to all traveling members of the fraternity to visit us in our new home.

RAYMOND A. TOLBERT.

PROVINCE IOTA

Kentucky Kappa, Central University,
Danville

THIS fall we returned ten men having lost nine. Brother Fagan who was with us year before last has returned and Brother Sorry who was formerly a member of Tennessee Omega is with us this year. We have taken in four men this fall, namely Brothers Hutton, Miller, Van Sant and Peters.

Nine of us are living in the house

and are much more pleased with it than the old one.

We are represented on the football team by Brothers Clark, last year's star quarterback, Coleman, and R. Lassing. We will also be well represented on the basketball team. Dasker, the only old man returned, should be elected captain.

The new gymnasium looks like a sure go and will be built soon.

We have plenty of room at the

house and would be glad to have any brothers make us a visit while in town.

C. W. LASSING.

Kentucky Iota, Bethel College,
Russellville

THE year for our small chapter is a very successful one so far. School opened with six old men back and they have now initiated six others, but one is gone, leaving us only eleven. This is a small number, but $\Sigma A E$ does not stand for numbers only, it stands for quality also. With that in mind the six old fellows sought the new ones and have landed the best. As ever, the $\Sigma A E$ boys are among the leaders here in every line of college life. They have four regular men on the football eleven and three others who have been subs a part of the season. They also hold their share in class honors and are leaders in society. McArthur is captain of the football team and Gary has been elected manager of the basketball team for the coming season. Wishing the best year of all to all of our fellows in all chapters, I am fraternally yours,

H. E. GARY.

Kentucky Epsilon, Kentucky State University, Lexington

KENTUCKY Epsilon opened the year with only seven men—a number very much below the average for the chapter. Along with this, the work of securing a house has made this one of the hardest years for us. Notwithstanding this, we have been able to secure a goodly share of the fraternity material (nine pledges) and by the close of the year we hope to be in first class condition again.

The university is enjoying one of the best years it has ever had. The increase in number and personnel of

the student body is flattering indeed for the university authorities, and as its support and maintenance was one of the issues of the Democrats in their recently successful State campaign, it looks as though the university will share liberally in the appropriations of the coming session of the legislature.

The university is taking her place along the side of the leading universities of the country as is evidenced by the demand for her graduates. Already, a number of her graduates have been drafted for high positions. At the recent National Dairy Show in Chicago, out of six trophies competed for, Kentucky won four, competing with teams from ten states, including teams from Cornell, Ohio State, Wisconsin, Iowa, Missouri, Minnesota and South Dakota.

The fraternity material at State this year is perhaps the best in the history of the institution. Most all of the fraternities have fared well. Pi Kappa Alpha have some fifteen pledges; Phi Delta Theta twelve or fourteen and $\Sigma A E$ nine while the others have come in with smaller numbers.

The Pan-Hellenic, which is composed of all the fraternities represented at State, at its last meeting, adopted a rule whereby no pledges can be initiated until after January 1, 1912, and with a further provision that no pledge can be initiated who has failed in more than one study during the first semester. This rule is intended to raise the standard of the fraternity men, and the Pan-Hellenic will soon take up questions of like nature for the purpose of bettering the fraternity system at State.

Brother Thiesing has brought honor to the chapter by winning membership into Tau Beta Pi.

Brother Ball, class '10, has accepted a position with the Kentucky

Agricultural Experiment Station. He has also been made a member of the board of trustees of the chapter.

The pledges are taking an active part in college work and a number of them promise to make good records for the chapter and fraternity. The preliminary work of initiation in the form of an examination prepared by the board of trustees is being given pledges and will extend over until January 1 when all the eligibles will be given the final and complete work.

The chapter is comfortably located in an eight room, new brick house on the corner of Rose and Rose Lane, one block from the university campus. Don't forget the location and that the latch string always hangs on the outside to every $\Sigma A E$ and we invite you to make our home your headquarters when in Lexington.

CHARLES H. SPINKS.

Tennessee Zeta, Southwestern Presbyterian University, Clarksville

TENNESSEE Zeta opened the year with a rather discouraging outlook. Brother P. J. Atkinson and the local alumni association rendered valuable assistance and we are now in a very encouraging position. Fraternity work is new to most of us, but we find it fascinating, and before the year ends, we expect to be old veterans.

It is with much pleasure that we introduce to the fraternity Brothers J. S. Moore, H. B. Pickens, R. R. Garvey and William A. Alexander. The chapter is now composed of mostly four year men, so we have a strong nucleus for the next few years. With our best wishes to our sister chapters.

WILLIAM A. ALEXANDER.

Tennessee Lambda, Cumberland University, Lebanon

THE 1911-12 session of Cumberland University opened with a very favorable outlook for Tennessee Lambda.

Although we returned only six old men, and two pledges, the affiliation of Brothers Burrow, (Tennessee Nu and Virginia Sigma) and Weber, (Alabama Iota) gave us a strong nucleus about which to build a chapter.

We passed through a very strenuous rushing season, and came out with eight pledges, all of whom have been initiated.

At present we have a chapter of seventeen men, Brother Thomas who was with us in '08 and '09 having returned to take a course in law.

The idea of having a football team was abandoned early in the season owing to the fact that in recent years the students have not taken enough interest in football to enable the university to put out a winning team. However, our chapter expects to be well represented in basketball.

Our chapter has given several smokers and dances, but our dance given on the sixth of October was said by many present, to be the best ever given in Lebanon. An Italian orchestra from Nashville furnished the music and the presence of many visiting young people added much to the occasion while the manner in which Brothers Burnett and Muse juggled plates while serving refreshments was a source of amazement to all, but clearly demonstrated their talents.

Although our chapter entertains very frequently, we are not averse to work, and taken as a whole, we have a studious crowd.

Owing to the fact that the non-

fraternity men of the university have organized and are waging a strong fight against fraternities, it has been impossible for a member of any fraternity to get elected to any office as only about eighteen per cent of the men in school are fraternity men.

Kappa Alpha Delta a local legal fraternity organized recently, has rented a house and has a flourishing chapter. Seven of our brothers are members.

Brother Woolwine, an alumnus of this chapter who has been very busy "busting trusts," in the west was with us recently, and made a very interesting talk before the law class. The chapter gave a smoker in his honor.

The chapter also enjoyed a visit from Brother Bushyhead recently.

At the close of the last term, Professor A. H. Buchanan, Dean of the college for some fifty years, resigned, on account of his health.

We are planning to give a swell dance on the twenty-fourth of this month. Many brothers from neighboring chapters have already signified their intentions of being present, and we are expecting a great time.

W. B. WILKES.

Tennessee Nu, Vanderbilt University,
Nashville

LAST year some verdant freshmen longed for the time to come for another initiation, that they could behold from a different "view-point" those mystical proceedings. One more time has come and gone, and Tennessee Nu reports that five men have gone through the most trying ordeal, and four more pledges stand outside our door. The initiated are: Brothers R. K. Waatten, Jr., H. B. Scarnern, Charles Peay, Claude Whitehead, and E. T. Lamkin, Jr. Just as soon as entrance conditions

are removed, the chapter will initiate J. A. Tate, J. R. Ryals, Jr., John Ingle, R. A. Ress Jr. These are excellent young men, and we are proud to have them with us.

Brothers Theodore Pinson, and Frank Lack have returned to the university, after a few years in the business world. Brother Lack is studying law, while Brother Pinson has one more year on his B. S. degree preparatory to his study of law.

Brother J. R. Slater, (Georgia Phi,) has affiliated with us. He is a good $\Sigma A E$, and we are glad that it is we who profit this time by Georgia Phi's loss. Brother Slater makes the twenty-second man on our active list this year. Are we awake? Just wait and you will hear from us.

Brother A. A. Swann, '10, was here during rushing season, and his work was greatly appreciated by the chapter. Brother Swann is in Cornell this year.

Brother Horace and H. M. Sherrill, James Wilson and Pete King have made us visits this fall. Thanksgiving will bring us many welcome visitors.

The chapter has received announcements of the approaching marriages of Brother R. E. Halt, '07, to Miss Edith Sutton, and Brother M. B. King, '10, to Miss Margaret Moody. The day set apart for these weddings is November 22, 1911. Please notice that the idea must have struck the couples about the same time.

Brother Thomas's idea of getting the alumni more interested in fraternity work is a good one, and his plans for securing subscriptions to the RECORD have been heartily endorsed by this chapter. We want the alumni to realize, always, that they are a most important factor in our great fraternity, and that their co-operation with us is necessary to make ours the best fraternity there

is—we are no longer satisfied with being as good as any other fraternity.

This year we expect to realize what has been the dream of Tennessee Nu for ages, that of occupying a house which we can call our own. It will be a house that the whole fraternity will be proud of, for it will be a real $\Sigma A E$ chapter house "built to order." It will be completed by the middle of next term, and, with thanks to our alumni, Nu will then immediately move in.

And our new home will be wide open to all our visiting brothers. Here's best wishes from Tennessee Nu.

V. G. BRATTEN.

Tennessee Kappa, University of Tennessee, Knoxville

TENNESSEE opened this fall with a larger attendance and brighter prospects along every line of improvement on the campus, larger attendance, a better spirit among fraternity and non-fraternity men and last but not least a fine bunch of freshman fraternity material. The new Carnegie library caused many improvements to be carried out on the surrounding buildings and grounds. Thanks to Professor Fenir of the engineering department a "Good Roads" movement has been started on the "Hill." Before next spring we hope to have a fine drive-way around the "Hill" which will bring Estabroah Hall more into the public eye.

Sixteen old men returned this fall and with Brother Ayres lured back from Richmond to take law the roll was brought up to seventeen men. It did not take Brother Ayres long to get into the harness of university as well as fraternity work. He is now trying to work up a scheme to bring all of the fraternities into closer relationship.

Brothers Saxton and Ayres are seen together very often these days working on schemes for the 1912 "Volunteer" as they hold the honor of being editor-in-chief and business manager respectively. Brothers Henegor, Van Gilder and Staub are athletic, exchange and junior editor respectively of the "*Orange and White*." Brother Saxton, Van Gilder, Staub and Henegor are members of the glee club. Henegor being business manager and Van Gilder vice-president of the club. Brother Henegor is our representative man on the athletic council and is captain in military affairs this year. Brother Craddock is manager of the football team, Brother Carroll and Hayley being members of the Varsity, Fulmer is captain of the scrubs, Adams manager law athletics, Aperson manager freshman track, Hurt manager sophomore track.

Our chapter holds the presidency of two academic classes, Fulmer being president of the junior and Hayley of the sophomores.

During the summer our town brothers got together along rushing lines; as the result of their labor six men were pledged. After school opened, six other men were added to the wearers of the pledge button. These men were all rushed by other fraternities and some of them received bids from nearly every fraternity on the "Hill."

They are very active in student affairs, holding freshman class honors and athletic prominence. Kappa has not been inactive in scholarship while indulging in other affairs. Brother Ayres is a member of $\Phi K \Phi$. Brother Staub and Saxton will make that scholarly distinction this year, Brother Staub being second in the sophomore class and Brother Saxton holding the second prize in junior law. Brother Hurt

is holder of the freshman scholarship given by the university. Everything seems to tend towards better class work among our men. This is one point which we are trying to instill into our pledges.

N. L. CARNEY, JR.

Tennessee Omega, University of the South, Sewanee

THE "rushing season" is over, and we have come through that strenuous and exciting period with results of which we are justly proud. Returning only six old men, some of whom got back late, we have doubled our number. And we are glad to inform the members of the fraternity at large to give the grip to the following new brothers at the first opportunity: Ward Greene, of Atlanta, Ga.; Israel Noe, of Wilmington, N. C.; George Eckert, of Memphis, Tenn.; Vona Parker, of Gibson, Tenn.; William Hamilton, of Shreveport, La.; and Jennings Gillen, of Sewanee. The old men are Brothers Walker, Bennett, Farish, Guerry, B. W. Cobbs and N. H. Cobbs.

At the beginning of the year Brother Enoch Ensley returned to Sewanee with the idea of staying one more year for the degree of M. A., but, after some hesitation, he finally decided to go to work, and left for Memphis, where he is engaged in the cotton business. We all miss Brother Ensley. He was very prominent in many university activities, and his absence is a big loss to the chapter.

The 1911-12 session of the university has opened favorably. The freshman class is the largest in several years, and it is a fine crowd of fellows, too. The new hospital is going up steadily.

President Taft's visit to Sewanee on November 10 was one of the most

important events that has occurred here in many a day. He made a speech in which he paid a high tribute to the University of the South and her alumni, and then outlined in a very interesting way his policy of international arbitration.

Brother W. B. Selvage, formerly of New York Sigma-Phi, is one of the new additions to the faculty. He takes a great interest in the chapter, and we are extremely glad to have him with us.

Σ A E is more prominent on the football field this year than she has been for some time. Brothers Gillem, Farish, Eckert, Parker and Noe are on the 'varsity squad, while Brothers Bennett, Greene and Guerry play on the second team.

Christmas brings with it, besides many other good things, thoughts of our next national convention, to be held in Nashville, December 1912. Already Σ A Es in this state are talking of and planning for that great gathering with keen interest. We all want to be there.

In conclusion Tennessee Omega extends to all good Σ A Es best wishes for a merry Christmas and a happy New Year.

SUMNER GUERRY.

Tennessee Eta, Union University,
Jackson

TENNESSEE Eta began the new year with six old men and we are glad to announce that Brother Howard Frey was initiated at the first regular meeting of the chapter September 16. Brother Medling who was unable to enter school at the beginning has reported for work and the chapter is now composed of eight men who are ever ready to work for Sigma Alpha Epsilon.

We have three pledges, two of whom can be initiated after Thanksgiving. We think that in these we have selected good men who will

hold up the standard of Tennessee Eta maintained by our predecessors.

During the summer months Brother R. A. Kimbrough, who is an alumnus of Tennessee Eta, was elected president of Union University. He immediately took charge of the institution and we hope that Union will prosper under his leadership. Brother J. Clay Walker, of Tennessee Lambda, still holds the chair of modern languages.

Tennessee Eta is well represented in every branch of the school work. Brother Fite was unanimously elected manager of baseball for 1912. He is also a member of the 'varsity eleven, vice-president of the senior class, president of the Missionary Society, and a reporter for the *Cardinal and Cream*, the college weekly. Brother Owen was selected by the faculty as the winner of the 1910-11 freshman scholarship. He is also president of the sophomore class. Brother Moore is the associate editor of the *Cardinal and Cream* and he is also president of the Appollonian literary society. Brother Medling is a member of the university quartette. Brother Frey is the champion

tennis player of the school. Alexander is business manager of the *Cardinal and Cream* and he is also vice-president of the sophomore class. Two of our pledges are also making good on the 'varsity eleven; one is playing end and the other is playing half back.

We think that so far we have received our share of the honors but we are not satisfied and we intend to win honors through the entire year as we have the first two months. In a short time the editorial staff of the annual will be elected and we hope that we will be well represented on it.

We are looking forward with a keen interest to the biennial convention of province Iota which meets with us the first and second of January. We hope and expect that every $\Sigma A E$ who possibly can will attend this convention.

We trust that all the sister chapters have had a successful rushing season and we wish them much success throughout the year. We extend a hearty invitation to all brothers who are in our vicinity to visit us.

R. E. ALEXANDER.

PROVINCE KAPPA

California Alpha, Leland Stanford, Jr.,
University, Stanford

FROM the fifteenth of October to the eleventh of November has been a month of new and original experience for the brothers in California Alpha. For the first time at Stanford, a system has been instituted whereby the football team spent the last month of training together, living in the same house, and $\Sigma A E$ came gallantly to the front and gladly offered her domicile. Her offer was accepted and on the memorable morning of October 15, all the brothers (but four who remain with the team) took the bandana

and all their wealth and started out in quest of a new abode. Most of them had already made arrangements for a stopping place and by next day they were to be found in other fraternity houses, boarding houses and the Eneina Hall.

We have been treated the very best by everyone on the campus, who appreciate the giving up of our house to their team.

We are well represented on the football squad this year. At the training table are Brothers Erb, Captain Partridge, Cabot and Wasrick, and we have four other men on the 'varsity squad, Brothers Sim, Wines, Erb and King. Brothers Sim, Wines

and Erb played a good game for the freshmen and won their numerals.

All is excitement now, on the "Stanford Farm," as the time for the Stanford-California game draws near, taking place on November 11. We have suffered defeat at the hands of California for the two preceding years, and we have firmly made up our minds not to let this happen again. The team is getting into fine shape and all the student body is in back of it.

Two weeks after the "Big Game" California Alpha holds forth with her formal dance and it promises to be very ultra and one of *the* affairs of the year. At this festive time a great many of the alumni make an appearance and all the crowds on the campus are well represented.

Our freshmen have proved to have the stuff in them and the year has started out in fine shape. Of course, fraternity activity has somewhat lagged since we have been out of our house.

It may rightly be said that California Alpha is up to her regular standard in everything.

MARTIN LUTHER.

Washington Alpha, University of Washington, Seattle

FOURTEEN of last year's bunch answered roll-call on September 15, with all kinds of "pep" to start things going and incidentally pledge the best to be had in the freshman class. It was pretty nice to be able to drop one's trunk in a brand new house and call it home for nine months or more. Five more returned during the first two weeks, making a chapter of nineteen. Just eight men had answered the "call of the wild" and, of these, three will return the second semester and two next year. Then, too, our

alumni were of great assistance and we couldn't help grabbing the ten best. Four pledges hail from Tacoma, one from Spokane, two from Seattle, one from Ellensburg, another from Victoria, B. C., and still another from Kansas. Two brothers from Nebraska Lambda Pi are registered, Jess Runner, who has affiliated, now taking law and Joseph Runner doing undergraduate work in geology. Clark Burkheimer from Iowa Beta is with us as is Thomas Hammond of Massachusetts Gamma.

On Washington's championship football team are Sutton and Staatz, sub. Yesterday when Washington defeated Oregon 29 to 3, Sutton was the individual star and will undoubtedly be the choice for all-Northwest end. Knapp, Thorpe, Drummond and Betterton are on the freshman football squad and Ward is tackle on the sophomore team. Jones is chairman of the freshman frolic committee. Nesbit is chairman of the floor committee of the 'varsity ball. Elliott is in charge of the cartoon department of the university annual. In the basketball turnout are Staatz, Betterton, Henton and Word.

On December 1, we give our formal dancing party at the Hotel Sorrento. In October we opened our house with a fine informal and every week end have either entertained some sorority or in turn been guests at such affairs.

This year the university adopted a higher standard of scholarship and entrance requirements and the result is that study is on the bill of fare morning, noon and night. Particularly is this noticed in the law school in which there are ten embryos from our house.

In closing we ask the brothers visiting Seattle to remember that we have open house for them day and night at 4714 Seventeenth Ave.,

N. E., with spare beds on the famous sleeping porch awaiting them.

VAN M. DOWD.

California Beta, University of California,
Berkeley

THE college year opened in the middle of August with all of our active men of the preceding semester back, with the exception of one. At that time we had three pledges and went right into the rushing season determined to get only the best men for $\Sigma A E$. After several weeks we had pledged five more men and on the 9th of September, we held our initiation putting eight men through.

In college activities we have been very well represented this fall, having three juniors, John Stroud, "Shorty" Wheeler and Ollie Wyllie, and one freshman, Lloyd Stroud, on the glee club. John Stroud, '13, played on the 'varsity football in the big game against Stanford, which we won and was afterward elected to captain of the 1912 'varsity. He has followed in the footsteps of his brother Ben, '04, by being captain of both his freshman team and then of the 'varsity. Norton, '13, is out for the basketball team and Jack Barnett, '11, played on the second 'varsity again this year making a hard try for the first team honors. Buckley was connected with sophomore hop being chairman of one of the committees. Feely and Conklin have been out for fall baseball.

Since the last letter the following members have been initiated into

honor societies: Stroud into the "Winged Helmet" and "Skull and Keys." Two other juniors Wyllie and Wheeler into "Skull and Keys."

We have with us this year four affiliates J. Ruwalda from Washington Alpha who came back this year, after an absence of six months caused by sickness at home; R. L. Jones from Colorado Zeta, Charles Blood from Illinois, and Reis Ryland from Kansas Alpha.

Everyone is working hard in order that the formal dance which is to be given at the house will be a big success. Around the time of the big game many of the alumni of the university came back to be present at the game, hence we have seen many of our alumni the past week or so. Brother Bell, '09, came down from Alaska to spend the winter, Brothers Boour, '06, Kinsman, '09, Dunn, '10, and others have paid us visits and we hope others of our alumni and those of other chapters will come and see us.

The new Agricultural Building has been taken over by that department and is a great improvement over the building which the department used before. The old library or Bacon Hall as it is now called, has been remodeled and is now being occupied by the geology department. There is to be an addition to the Chemistry Building by putting up a large lecture room adjoining the present structure.

When in these parts any and all of the brothers are cordially welcome at 2519 Ridge Road, Berkeley.

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