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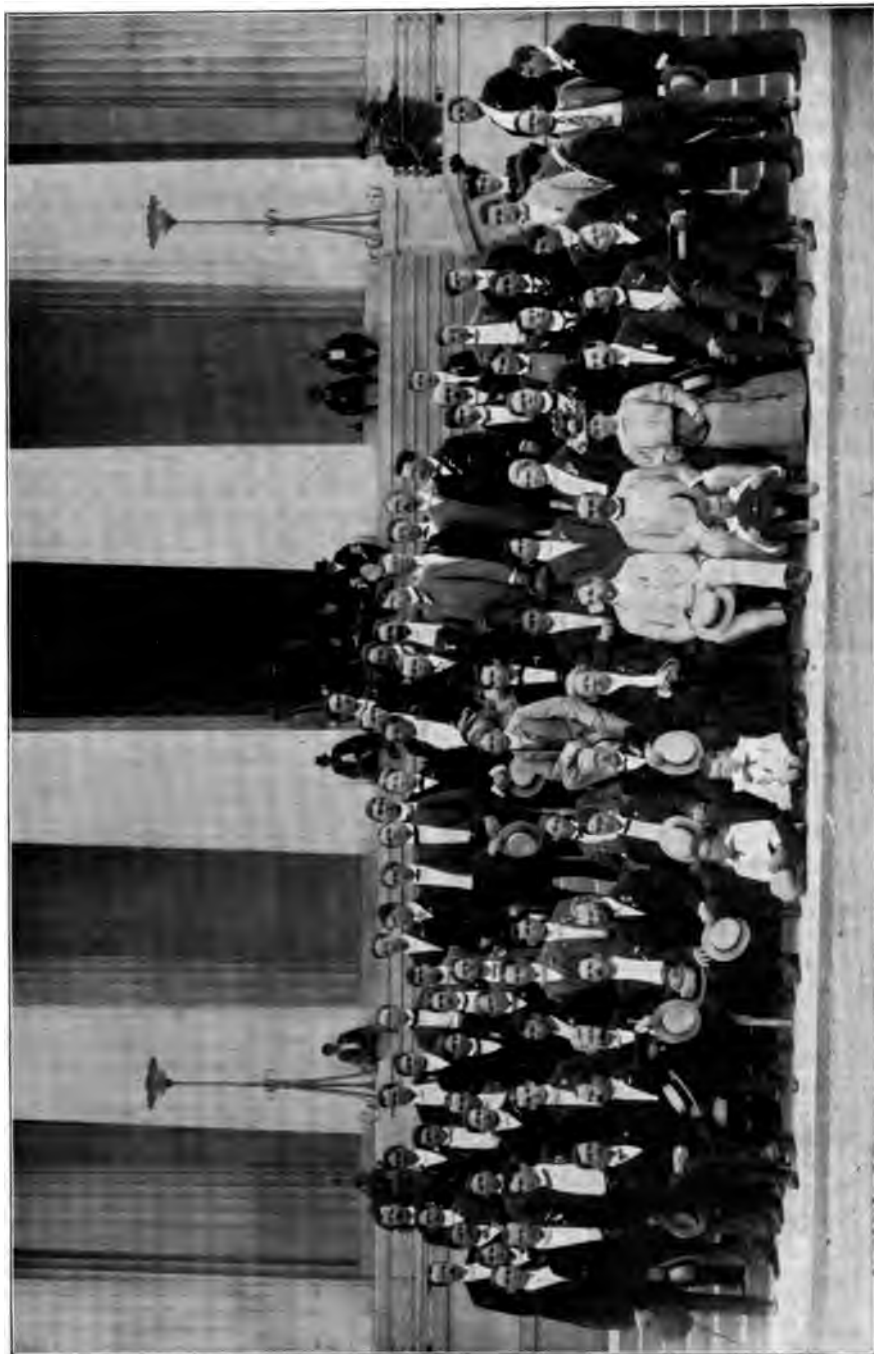
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## WHAT AND WHO WE DID AT NASHVILLE.

By SAM. R. IRELAND, Theta Theta, '89.

A REPORT OF THE TWENTY-THIRD GRAND CHAPTER, AUGUST 25-28, 1897.

Sometime between noon of Monday, August 23d, and the Wednesday noon following, a procession of about one hundred and thirty animated emery-boards might have been seen working a weary way through the crowds at the Nashville Union Station. Train and depot "hands" first turned pale, then ran to see and finally merely grunted sarcastically and spat as, ever and anon, there arose a shrill din which, to the man slouching along the tracks with a wheel-tunker in his hand, seemed a Chinese war-cry or a Navajo death-chant: it was the Sigma Chi yell—it greeted every grimy, grinning face as its owner stepped from the car. After hasty introductions to the ribbon-bedizened reception committee on reaching Nashville, my first impressions were a hazy amalgam principally composed of wonderment at the rapidity with which that crowd gave the yell, of how few hacks and how many bathtubs I wanted to get into, of how my face was cracking with each gritty grin, and if I had really, at last, met E. Dick Slaughter in the flesh. Visions of reunions with old "Sigs" I knew and of meeting new ones I wanted to know began to turn on my optimism, and the night-mare about my wife's shoe polish and my dress suit began to fade into a mere breathless prayer that the trunk-tray *had* been true to its trust. The Maxwell House was Dawson City in this Klondyke for "Sig" seekers after the golden gifts of fellowship and hither we betook ourselves via trolley cars with twelve year old skippers snatched from the Kindergarten at the dead hour of noon. Soon we were busily engaged in removing the stratigraphical geology from our travel-racked dimensions, and the visible supply of soap in Nashville suffered a severe shrinkage, while fishermen in the Cumberland below town said afterwards that the river suddenly took on the consistency of graphite—be that as it may, it is "another story" as R. K. would say. Down in the rotunda on all sides were extended "glad hands" with our especial Sigma Chi deformity distorting them and



Welcome peeped through the door cracks and key holes and was everywhere in the air, either painted on banners, yelled or simply exuded from heart-pores and detected as one breathed it in with the lungs of his soul. After dinner some of the men went out to see the wonderfully fine illuminations at the Centennial grounds, and others began to scale the vine-clad hills of Cherry Street seeking glacial formations and the "Eidelweissnit" where it blooms in its icy beds of mint. Those of us who had traveled long spent the first night in evening up with Messrs. Pullman and Morpheus, and in gathering strength for the coming days.

Wednesday morning the Twenty-third Grand Chapter of Sigma Chi met in earnest for business with pleasure carrying only a twelve-hour handicap and likely to pass business at any time. Of the deliberations of the Convention, which were really deliberative, I am not to tell. There was a great deal of social by-product to the Convention proper: detached groups of non-delegates lounged on big sofas and talked old times at school, and it was all very pleasant and warming to heart-cockles. There was some electioneering, a few inter-roasts on speech-making efforts, some whispered plannings for night-fall, some sneakings-off to the Hermitage Club, and over and through it all the constant patter—as of side-arms in action—of Judge Ferris' gentle gibes and callings-down for everybody in sight of that terribly serious mask he wears in front of his wonderfully unserious soul. But it was a *business* Convention, mind you, the best we ever held. More delegates and spectators gave more attention to every detail as it arose than was ever given before and you may read in the *Bulletin* of all that it so thoroughly accomplished.

Delegates from forty-eight of our fifty active chapters were present in person, in addition to representatives from six alumni chapters which in itself was a wonderful achievement. I would like to write at length and in detail of the magnificent new constitution which was adopted, of the beautiful new ritual, the White Rose fraternity flower, the new Coat-of-Arms and the other policies and schemes of much novelty and ingenuity, which were initiated by us into the Greek world. I would also like to make much over the showing of that financial wizard and king of treasurers, Joseph C. Nate, when he told us that every chapter was square with the Fraternity and that the parent body owed not a cent in the world. But these matters are reserved from me for lack of space. We met in the Senate Chamber of the Tennessee State House, which is up on a hill that beats the Capitoline at Rome. When one had walked up there with the thermometer beating his brains out, he didn't blame General Jackson's bronze horse for kicking and no dulcet invitations to

drink, with the price *in sight*, could induce him to go down town again until adjournment, hence—but I remember that I am not writing for the *Bulletin*! Wednesday night we were welcomed with an oration by Brother J. J. Stowe of Alpha Psi. In a voice, beautifully modulated, and in a manner full of grace and earnestness, this fine brother of ours told us how glad they were to have us with them and touched every heart and eye by his pathetic allusions to the days of disunion when Nashville was a storm centre, of the triumph of the Sigma Chi faith over all that strife and travail and of our meeting again on that historic ground, brothers yet and brothers ever. Orators from the cardinal points of the compass and from the alumni replied to Brother Stowe, each in behalf of the chapters of his section and, finally, the sparkle was given to the wine of good fellowship in that ample loving-cup by a characteristic bit from the ready lips of the only "E. Dick." The address of welcome and responses were followed by a splendid oration by Brother George Peck Merrick, of Chicago, who, in a serious and lawyer-like vein told of the good things Sigma Chi means to a man. Next morning the newspaper accounts of the poem read by Brother Walter Malone paid glowing tribute both to the verses and their gifted author, but were shy in one small, though not unimportant detail, viz.: that Brother Malone was not there, and his poem remained unsung—so much for write-ups of entertainments from programs and not from visual or aural proof.

Thursday morning the Convention was called to order by Grand Consul Judge John S. Alleman, of Harrisburgh, Pa., an old Theta man (I mean "old" as to Theta—not old as to Alleman) who showed the proper "Sig" spirit by coming all the way from seaboard allurements to warm Nashville, and by bringing his lovely wife and handsome boy, who is a Sigma Chi chrysalis.

On Thursday evening we were tendered a reception at the Women's Building on the Centennial grounds and were greeted, pampered, "iced and punched," by the fairest of that divine coterie of beauty which God loaned Nashville and for which Paradise is disconsolate. The white and airy building stood like a ghostly confection—the wraith of an Athenian dream, while from its up-tos't portals streamed golden lights out across the beauty-sprinkled and laughter-dotted lawn. The lucky Nashville "Sigs" who knew girls by their first names, made the heads of the girly men whirl and addle as they flitted them from one beauty show to another. From somewhere up on the sky line of that palace of delight a band swung out melody on the night air as perfume from a censer and down beneath many a dazed freshman struggled to keep his mental

balance while his ears and eyes were full of Cheminade or Strauss, of black eyes and lace. I remember one little dark-haired Titania who held court in the shadow (I almost believe she perched on a mushroom) and who greeted each fellow with — “Oh, I am so glad to meet you” — as if, with his coming, there had opened a dawn of new love for her, and her life had known its first sweet pang. That “Oh” did it and I thought it very clever as a piece of finesse by lantern-light. There were decorations in blue ribbons and yellow flowers in the reception room and they made everything very “Siggish” that night, until one almost felt that it had all been built and schemed with our crowd solely in view and that after us — “the deluge.” We were beginning to feel that Nashville knew we were in town and was glad of it.

Friday, business again, with the happy diversion of an address by Governor Taylor in his most graceful and hearty style, to which words of stately greeting and compliment, Judge Ferris made one of those felicitous impromptus for which he has an interstate reputation. In the afternoon we boarded a special train, arranged through the courtesy of President John W. Thomas and Dr. W. L. Dudley, and rolled out to Belle Meade Stock Farm, six miles in the suburbs. We found a well-kept, modern establishment for horse breeding, vast in extent and sketched in with long reaches of limestone wall, vine-covered and suggestive of twilight partings and lizards. Not to be outdone by the other kindly elements, the weather featured itself that afternoon and showed us what a really “hot time” we were having. The ladies honored us again and gave color, beauty and gentle gaiety to the occasion. We deployed down a long lane, looking a little way off, like a sinuous snake with straw hats and parasols for scales and a bunch of Zeta Psi men, bringing up the rear, for rattles. On each side of this Acadian way were little box stables each containing a horse, pedigreed, recorded and famed, some of them worth the sign-manual of ten petty kings. Suburban, Futurity and Grand Prix winners were paraded for inspection, the coat of each having been rubbed and sleeked within an inch of his life by the garrulous old negroes who exploited their turf achievements in a sing-song story, in which the names of English and French races were twisted shapeless. When Charlie Alling asked a hostler if Iroquois was “a trotting mare,” the old fellow spake not a word, but glared as though wondering if the Grand Tribune thought he had won the Derby and St. Ledger on a bicycle. Three or four fellows whom I could name, but will not, had a disappointing race of a hundred yards up a dusty road only to find it was a “deer” and not a *beer* park whither we were wending. Someone, evidently a mean person or a capper for a Keely

Institute, led us past a mint bed and an ice house to—a dairy! A wholesale raid upon a low, rakish-looking load of warm watermelons wound up this novel outing and we took the train citywards.

Friday night was held a business session attended principally by delegates and men with pet schemes to further, while the camp followers of the Convention, the aimless, airy, persifleurs and troubadores were not there. These latter betook themselves Expositionwards, won from the temple of wise Minerva by the siren coo of the megaphone out to where the bright scarves and green vines floated from Venus' balcony 'mid music and poesy and where Bacchus leered in vinous glee. There were also occasional sideswipes at Terpsichore, Thalia, Couchee-couchee, Pabst and other Goddesses and things they had let loose in Vanity Fair.

Saturday morning we elected Grand Officers for the ensuing two years and did our work well. You read in the last *QUARTERLY* about Grand Consul Dudley and of what stuff he is made; now that he's Grand Consul, you'd do well to read it again—it doesn't do him justice. Grand Quaestor Joe Nate received an ovation that should keep him awake o' nights thinking about it, as a fellow does who would have had a straight flush if he had stayed. From noon on until you chose to call it a day's work and quit, it was Sigma Chi day at the Fair, and the big fireworks cross by the lake that night was not more lurid than the time we had. It was also Sigma Chi night at the Fair, and then came Sunday and rest and bromides and the Grand Chapter was a thing of the past—a lovely, beautiful, colorful, everythingful dream. A kaleidoscope, a harlequinade, a bouquet, a ravishment, a delirium of color, movement, music, viands, speeches, tears (the kind you shed, not the ones you go on) and every kind of emotional and sensational episode was run in the gamut of that last day, which wound up with the banquet, and my pen and brain would stop a-way short of attempting to describe it.

Shortly after noon, when we were all feeling good over the election of such splendid officers and at the accomplishment of so much signal good for Sigma Chi, we gladly sat in the sun to be photographed. They posed us on the terrace leading up to the Parthenon. This noble structure, an exact replica, in form and color, of the original in old Athens, is the key and focal point of the Exposition and a marvel of awe-inspiring beauty. To the right of us on the green sward of the terrace slope was a big Sigma Chi Cross artfully picked out in flowers and foliage plants which, besides being beautiful to look at, went to show the ever-progressive "Sig" spirit abroad even in the Exposition powers of control. There was quite a poetical suggestion in the grouping of this

body of modern-world Greeks at the foot of that monument to the memory of old Greece, from whence came so many of our inspirations and our name. After the photographic exploit the crowd broke up into small groups; some "did" the Art Gallery, some the exhibits of every kind, while others listened to the luring megaphones and drifted off to where breezes blew across verandahs where there were tables with things on them. Some "teetered" in the big see-saw, or strolled through Vanity Fair with the clang of Chinese gongs and the thump of tom-toms assailing their ears in a foreign and suggestive din, and all went in for the time that was meant by the Committee when it said—"the whole thing is yours today." This thing was indulged in, in all variations and degrees of which the average "Sig" Convention crowd is capable until seven o'clock when we met in the roof-garden of the Casino by the lake for the banquet—our last formal gathering, which was to close the list of "fixed festivals" of this memorable Convention. The banquet, as Berry said at Cincinnati, was "up to the standard," both materially—as to the very select menu—and spiritually—as to the wit and good fellowship which flowed freely. Judge Ferris sustained his reputation as a graceful toastmaster when he tries to be, and as a terrible roastmaster without trying. He introduced the following toasts and responders, each of whom was charged with the awful responsibility of sticking to his subject:

"The Only Three Ring Circus," Dr. William L. Dudley.

"What has cheese to do with the transit of Venus," George L. McAvoy.

"In Vino Veritas," George D. Harper.

"Cactus and Caramels," E. Dick Slaughter.

"Wind from the Lakes," Charles Alling, Jr.

The greater part of the speeches and Convention talks during the week having been freely tintured and garnitured by references to the "dear brothers," "the grand old Fraternity," "Alma Mater," etc., etc., it was deemed time to shut off all such "effusive tommyrot," as it was termed. Hence the scattering and somewhat irrelevant toast-texts assigned the set victims and these were followed by a number of impromptu speakers, singled out by the unerring, eagle-eye of Ferris, and woe unto him who drifted into the "dear brother" business, or swelled his chest to say what he had always been "since my earliest youth!" Some degree of respectful attention was paid to the wise and affectionate utterances which *would* now and then slip in perforce through the pleasantries indulged by the scholarly Brumback, the dignified Farnham, the earnest Acker and the suave and polished Dudley.

There was another exceptional omission to the hazing maelstrom which engulfed the sentimentally-inclined and that was when the last speaker—tall, white-haired, soldierly General Runkle, arose to close the function with a word of loving farewell to us who were unborn children in Sigma Chi when he, with the other six, made our Greek existence possible.

During the course of the feast we were pleasantly interrupted to look at a fire-works display made in our honor, conspicuous in which was a mammoth Sigma Chi cross in wonderful verisimilitude, and which brought forth most enthusiastic approbation from every throat.

When the banqueters left the "banquet hall deserted" they were again "personally conducted" through the Streets of Cairo, Vanity Fair, Old Vienna, new Milwaukee and other places where many a blond-tressed Terese hurried quickly to and fro, a laughing warp across the woof of melody spun out by the strings and brass of many a German band.

Finally, when the stars grew pale and night-watchmen slumbered in the eerie shadows of Doric porticos and some of us were tired, we straggled in small groups through the Minerva-crowned gates of "the Only Three Ring Circus" out into the moonlight and Nashville, waiving a fond adieu to that fairy City of Pleasure, and it was all over.

My reminiscence of the week is intershot with many bits, serious, gay, sad, or amusing. It was a great pleasure and honor to the men to have with them one of the founders of the Fraternity—eloquent, brave, affectionate General Ben. P. Runkle. No "Sig" should experience a thrill of gratification at the advantages of his fraternity connection without coupling with it a reverential thought for the men who made that experience possible. I think we cannot esteem and cherish them sufficiently unless we are thoughtless ingrates, which we are not. Our parties en route, and our festivals were graced by the presence of loyal "Sig" ladies in the persons of Mesdames Runkle, Alleman, Ferris, Brumback and Ireland, and the Misses Ferris and Brumback, while the sisters of Alpha Psi were present on occasions to demonstrate their loyalty. One cannot say enough of the boundless hospitality of the people of Nashville, the Exposition officials and, above all, of our Alpha Psi brethren. They more than fulfilled the promise of their invitation, and it is things like this Convention and our entertainment there, that go a great way toward silencing forever flaunters of "the bloody shirt." Brother W. D. Thomas who gave us the Hermitage Club and other good things, deserves "a diploma and special mention," as they say in art catalogues, for the unhesitating and instantaneous manner in which he fairly

unbelted himself for our sakes. George Harper will never, he tells me, forget a little dinner which Thomas gave the members of the P. C. before they left Sunday night. "Jupey" said to me—"Say Sam, that fellow Thomas is all right! What do you think he gave us, eh?" And then followed a Lucullian account that made old Gastronimous turn over in his grave. All Nashville knew we were in town, even to the newsboys who quickly spotted the bunch of buttons and colors on our lapels and yelled as we went up the Maxwell steps—"Evenin' Banana—all about de Sigmy Shy Conwenshun! Poiper, mister?" And Nashville deserves all we can tell the world about their Exposition; it is a big, beautiful, honest, money-making, wide-open success. Ask any "Sig" who was there, and if you can get his talk off of Vanity Fair and Old Vienna long enough, he will tell you it is the best Exposition he ever saw, not excepting the Streets of Cairo. The going-away scenes of Sunday and Monday brought out the best and most lovable side of every fellow. Men you had never heard of five days before, hugged you by your first name and swore they loved you. The first crowd to leave was sent off by a bigger group, who stayed a while longer. We yelled good-bye and Godspeeds, and the last thing in their ears as the train pulled out was the ever dear and inspiring "Sig" yell. The next men were seen off by a smaller crowd and so on until Monday morning four of us, the last to go North, were bidden adieu by a little group of Nashville "Sigs," whose hospitality never flagged nor wavered to the last. We four parted at Louisville, and people on the train must have thought us walking delegates for an asylum from the way they gaped when we gave the yell, adding as a tiger another wierd cry beginning—"Gazoom, Gazoom, Gazoom!" That left little Marshutz, from Champaign, and myself; we two felt we were a sorry little frazzling from the big fabric of hearts woven together in the Convention loom. But Marshutz is a dear little boy and has a fine Sig heart in him, so, when he saw me off that night, he sturdily gave the yell and I know the train crew thought him wild as a hare. And thus, each of us finally took his lonely path home again with his mind and heart full of memories of the great Nashville Convention, glad he was alive, glad he was there and, above all, thanking God and the old Miami seven that he was a Sigma Chi.

## ADDRESS OF WELCOME.

By J. J. Stowz, Alpha Psi, '94.

*Worthy Grand Consul, Fellow Sigma Chis, Ladies and Gentlemen :*

It is indeed a high privilege and great pleasure to welcome to the City of Nashville the Grand Chapter of Sigma Chi. Most heartily we say welcome to each and every one, thrice welcome to all!

We welcome you to our loved and sunny Southland, to our State, great in heroic deeds, celebrating now her hundredth birthday, to our Centennial City, thronged by multitudes from far and near, to our great and growing University, to our open homes and warm hearts we bid you welcome, thrice welcome, this evening.

During this Centennial season, conventions, congresses, and conferences of many kinds have convened in our city. Hayseeder from the hills have discussed the kinds of crops to raise and conditions of the market, the Populist here has propounded plans for founding a modern Utopia, the Gold Bug in the name of a Nation's honor and a sound currency has pawed the ground and clawed the air, while the silver voice of the advocate of free and unlimited coinage has oft been heard in the land. Men representing every department of industrial, economic, and educational effort have gathered here—lawyers, doctors, scientists, artists, merchants, teachers, preachers, men of every class and condition have come. But surely none are more worthy of a royal welcome than you who come wearing the Cross of Sigma Chi.

We welcome you for your own intrinsic value—for what each is, and will be. If it be true that,

"There is nothing great on earth but man, and nothing great in man but mind,"  
then surely it is no ordinary audience I face this evening, but you the pick and flower of our educational institutions,—

"Heirs of all the ages  
In the foremost files of time,"

are indeed the possessors of possibilities for this world's weal, which no man may measure.

*Men*, men of youth, strength, of broad minds and brave hearts, we welcome you. Then we welcome you as Sigma Chis. With us it means something to wear the White Cross, and he who comes with our badge upon his breast has a passport to our homes and hearts.

We believe, as you do, that our Fraternity is founded upon principles more perfect in agreement, more abiding in nature than the seven stars



which blaze upon our badge ; that our motives are as free from stain as the white of the enamel; our brotherhood as firm and warm as the grasp of the hands, as indissoluble as the links of the golden chains binding arm to arm. You having been found worthy to wear this White Cross we greet with feelings which no words can adequately express.

From whatever section or city you come, whether from the busy centres of life or from the quiet of academic halls, from "earth's green fields, or ocean's wave-beat shore," undergraduates or alumni, you are welcome, thrice welcome !

In behalf of the South we love so well, the land of sunshine and of song, we welcome you who come to us from afar.

In behalf of the old Volunteer State, the home of Andrew Jackson, of James K. Polk, and of Andrew Johnson, a State whose century's history has been so nobly and clearly written that he who runs may read ; in behalf of Nashville, the educational and religious centre of the South, which now you find our Centennial City, bright and beautiful as young love's dream of life, we welcome you. In behalf of our local alumni we welcome you, and in behalf of Alpha Psi! Ah! Alpha Psi, who that has ever feared the horrors of her initiation, or felt the joy of her fellowship can ever forget her. We would make no invidious comparison, nor would we be found among those who praise themselves, and yet we feel that with pardonable pride we can point to Alpha Psi's record during these five years. Founded in a University already full of fraternities, under the wise leadership of Brother Ricks, Alpha Psi, in one short season forged her way to the forefront of college and fraternity life, and no fraternity in Vanderbilt during these years has captured so many prizes or carried off so many honors as Sigma Chi. Among you who in other places have won many victories by and for the White Cross, we of Alpha Psi are not ashamed to stand.

In behalf of our local "Sig" sisters, if I may presume to speak for those who speak so eloquently for themselves, I bid you welcome! The "Sig" sister, everywhere a very paragon of loveliness, is found here in her full perfection. No truer, purer heart ever beat beneath, no brighter, fairer face ever bent above the White Cross of Sigma Chi than here you find with the Nashville sister Sigma Chis.

Brothers in Sigma Chi, we stand on sacred soil. Out there sleeps James K. Polk, once President of these United States. Yonder, twelve miles away, you will find the grave of Old Hickory, the man before whose skill and courage the fierce Indian of the forest and the pride of the English army alike went down in defeat; out there close beside the wife he loved so tenderly "after life's fitful fever, he sleeps well."

" His work is done,  
 But while the races of mankind endure  
 Let his great example stand  
 Colossal, seen of every land,  
 And keep the soldier firm, the statesman pure  
 Till in all lands, and thro' all human story  
 The path of duty be the way to glory."

This old Capitol in which we are gathered has withstood the cannon shot and the torch of the invader. A generation ago these hills trembled beneath the tread of charging columns, and yonder bluffs threw back the cannon's thunder and the shouts of victors and of the vanished. But where our sires, some under the stars and stripes, some under the bonny blue flag fought so fiercely, we their sons are gathered like brothers, true and tried. Well has our Grand Consul General Runkle said from experience that "the welcome of that day was a warm one;" permit me, General, to say that warmer than the war welcome you received then from our fathers is the welcome of peace and love which we extend this evening. You conquered them by force and of numbers and of arms, you conquer now by the motive which brings you and the love you bear.

We believe that our Fraternity stands for principles which will help to make impossible forever a repetition of those terrible days, for we desire to hasten the time when "they shall beat their swords into plowshares and their spears into pruning hooks, nation shall not lift up sword against nation, neither shall they learn war any more."

"When the war-drum throbs no longer, and the battle flags are furled,  
 In the Parliament of man, the Federation of the world."

It has been said that, "The land that wears a laurel crown may be fair to see, but twine a few sad cypress leaves about the brow of any land and though that land be barren, beautiless and bleak, it becomes consecrated in its coronal of sorrow and will win the sympathy of the heart and of history." This land has known the shade of the cypress, but rejoices to-day in her laurel crown; and so, amid surroundings so suggestive, under conditions most auspicious, we have met for the good of Sigma Chi, to enlarge the place of her tent, to stretch forth the curtains of her habitations, to lengthen her cords and strengthen her stakes, to make

"That which we have done but earnest of the things that we shall do."

Well has our Grand Consul reminded us that the Cross we wear should help us be true, not only to our brothers among men, but also to Him who first brought to earth the idea of a real brotherhood. May we who wear the White Cross above our hearts wear also His cross upon our hearts, belonging to the fraternity of which Christ is the founder and Grand Consul where are initiated only sons of the King. I trust that we shall be such men and members that when one by one we are called to join the silent "Sigs" upon the other side, with each it shall be

"Like one who wraps the drapery of his couch about him and lies down to pleasant dreams."

Then another shall bid us welcome to the Grand Chapter meeting held in our Father's house.

## RESPONSE TO THE ADDRESS OF WELCOME.

By ROBERT FARNHAM, M. D., Epsilon, '64.

DELIVERED IN BEHALF OF THE ALUMNI.

*Most Worthy Grand Consul, Ladies, Brothers in Sigma Chi :*

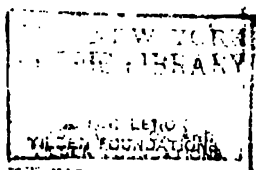
It always gives me great pleasure to attend any gathering of Sigma Chis, and especially a meeting of the Grand Chapter, for I then come in contact with the delegates representing the different chapters, meet old friends and make new ones. On this occasion I am here simply as an old Sigma Chi, who loves his fraternity and takes an abiding interest in its welfare.

We have assembled here from all parts of the land, in honor of Sigma Chi, to strengthen the ties of youth, to form new ones, and to offer up a loving tribute at the "shrine of friendship." Whatever may be our lot in life, it does not prevent us all from joining in a song of praise; there can be no discord here; all is harmony and devotion to our cherished Fraternity. It has been many years since I was enrolled under the banner of the "White Cross," and the days have gone by as a mist, and many of my old associates, who loved this order, have passed away to join the "Grand Chapter" beyond. Since my advent into the Fraternity, a mighty brotherhood has grown up in this land, and like "Minerva," who sprang full-grown from the head of "Jupiter," this Fraternity has leaped into full manhood, and stands to-day a worthy rival of all others.

Sometimes I hear the remark, "What is the Sigma Chi Fraternity?" If we consult our constitution, it will tell us that this Fraternity "consists of active chapters in American colleges," and yet I should feel very much hurt, and quickly resent it, if anyone should say that I do not belong to the Sigma Chi Fraternity, for I believe when I entered my chapter and took the vows of our order, that I never could lose my identity, but that I became a member forever; neither time, age or conditions could alter my allegiance, and I must fully agree with the Editor of the QUARTERLY that this Fraternity consists of "*men, not chapters.*" When I joined this order, now over thirty-three years ago, it was then in its infancy; we had only about six active chapters, with a membership of but a few hundred. We were, however, a loyal band of united brothers deeply interested in the cause of Sigma Chi. I shall always remember the first convention I attended. It was after the close of the



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war, when our Western and Southern brothers assembled in Washington. Oh! what a noble set of boys they were, how everything of the past unpleasantness was forgotten. We had met to bind up the broken cords that had been severed by the fortunes of civil war, and entertained but one idea, which we were bound together by the greatest of all ties, that of Sigma Chi.

Since that time I have always tried to keep in touch with the order. I rejoice and feel proud of its success and prosperity, and grieve at its trials and struggles. But I think all is now working in a harmonious manner, as we have overcome many difficulties and stand today a strong fraternity, governed by a wise and judicious administration. Just here let me say that in regard to our financial condition, we stand at the head of all other similar organizations. We owe this to the noble and indefatigable efforts of that Prince of Sigma Chis, Brother Joseph C. Nate, and I congratulate the Fraternity upon the bright outlook of affairs. Then, too, we are a grand national fraternity, knowing no East, no West, no North, no South, but a band of loving brothers cemented together by the ties of true friendship. And to you, my young friends, if you will only have the true conception of our order, it will be a life-long pleasure, for the ties you form now will not soon be broken.

Therefore, boys, be true, be loyal to Sigma Chi. When you depart from college do not turn your back upon your Fraternity, but keep in touch with it, and believe me, when you are as old as I, you will never regret it, but will bless the day you were made a Sigma Chi.

One of the most loyal brothers I have ever known was a Sigma Chi all over, and loved this Fraternity as he loved life. (I refer to the late Dr. H. L. Ziegenfuss, a charter member of Theta Chapter.) We were on one occasion standing in front of the tomb of General Washington at Mt. Vernon, admiring the "Sigma Chi Ivy" overhanging the tomb, which was planted by the Eighteenth Grand Chapter in 1890, as you may remember. He was telling me how he loved this Fraternity, of the great benefit it had been to him in life, and how his heart vibrated with pleasure when he beheld our beautiful badge upon the breast of a brother, how it spoke without words and stirred up the memory of happy days and cherished friends. He said: "I belong to a great many organizations, religious, masonic, etc., but after all, they are not Sigma Chi. None of them can come up to it." I mention this incident to show you, my young brothers, that the alumni have always taken a deep and lasting interest in the Fraternity. We love Sigma Chi, for it has been the means of giving us many happy hours in the past, and when we come together as we have to-night, and see the loyalty and enthusiasm mani-

fested by our brothers, it carries us back to our youth, and we live over again the old days which were so dear.

We want to help and encourage you by our presence, and nothing gives us more pleasure than when a young brother consults us, and gives us his confidence. We alumni want to see this a united fraternity. We want to see it the greatest fraternity in the land. We want to see it honored and respected by all other fraternities, and we want to see it maintain a high standing in all colleges; and it rests with you, my young brothers, to see to it that our hopes are fully realized. It also rests with you, to see that in obtaining new material for this order, that you go slow, and select those who are companionable; take a boy for what he is, not what he can do; not because he is a great athlete, but because he is a congenial, unselfish, high-minded boy, with a soul of honor; in other words a first-class fellow. Let it be distinctly understood that it is an honor to be a Sigma Chi; an honor to which few attain. Let the Fraternity seek the man.

I have recently visited some of the active chapters, and, while I found the boys all that could be desired, yet there was a lack of knowledge concerning the affairs of the General Fraternity; the members did not seem to be sufficiently in touch with other chapters. Pardon me for making the suggestion, but if the brothers would study the history of the Fraternity and the history of the chapters, and this can easily be done by carefully reading the Catalogue, and would keep up more inter-chapter correspondence, not depending entirely upon the QUARTERLY and *Bulletin* for information as to how the chapters are progressing, when the meeting of the Grand Chapter is held, delegates would not be strangers to each other, as is often the case.

You have come together at this Twenty-third Grand Chapter to consider many matters of deep interest to the Fraternity. I trust you will see the importance of considering well every measure that is to be brought before the convention, always with an eye single to the welfare of Sigma Chi. Let not selfish, jealous, or sectional ideas influence you in any of your deliberations, but do all for the best and greatest good of this grand Fraternity.

This is the first time I have ever had the pleasure of attending a meeting of Sigma Chis in the South. I cannot find words sufficient to express my feelings for the kind, generous and hospitable manner in which we have been received, and for the cordial words of welcome which have been extended to us to-night. My Southern brothers, you have entered into our hearts, and we will never forget you, and this occasion will always be remembered as one of the largest and most enthusiastic reunions Sigma Chi has ever experienced.

But I must not inflict myself longer upon you. Let my excuse be my love for my first sweetheart, Sigma Chi. We have at the National Capital a band of loyal alumni, who take a deep interest in all that concerns the Fraternity. We occasionally come together and pledge anew our allegiance, and we shall always be glad to see any brother who may come our way, and will give him a hearty welcome. And now in conclusion, let me say, as regards myself, I will not be able much longer to take a very active part in the affairs of the Fraternity, but my interest and loyalty will never waver, for I believe that my connection with Sigma Chi has been the means of making me have a kinder and better feeling, not only for my Sigma Chi brothers, but for my fellow man in general.

Having already passed the meridian, I will ere long be travelling toward the setting sun, but along down the vista of life I hope always to behold the beautiful rays of the Blue and the Gold blended, out of which shall appear that noble emblem, dear to the heart of every Sigma Chi, the White Cross, and standing out in front of everything else, our sacred and secret watchword, Sigma Chi, Sigma Chi.

May God bless this fraternity, and give it continued success, and unite our hearts closer and closer in the bonds of true brotherhood; and when at last the evening of life shall be upon us, and "we have fought the good fight, have finished our course, and have kept the faith," may we all lie down to rest and peace with "clasped hands" above the "seven stars" at the foot of the White Cross of Sigma Chi.

Nashville, Tenn., August 25, 1897.



THE ORATION DELIVERED BEFORE THE TWENTY-  
THIRD GRAND CHAPTER OF THE  
SIGMA CHI FRATERNITY.

By GEORGE P. MERRICK, Omega, '84.

Each recurring anniversary of our Fraternity's birth is a time of gladness. Then is the long anticipated opportunity to meet and clasp again fraternal hands, to revive old memories, sing the old songs, recount the achievements of the past, welcome the neophytes, become young once more ourselves. Here and now we can exchange ideas, make new plans, and counsel together. This work-a-day world is now forgotten, and the slumbering fires of youth are reawakened and replenished with all the fervor of youth's unquenchable enthusiasm, and we are college boys again, with every prank remembered as vividly as 'twere yesterday. Especially is it a pleasure to meet in this city of the Southland, crowded with historic scenes, memories and traditions. Here we bear in mind the fraternal ties forged and welded in the Constantine Chapter, rather than that here was the scene of fratricidal war. But beyond and above such enjoyments, such a congregation furnishes food for reflection. Emerson, the seer, has regretted that our age is retrospective, but should we so regard it? Is not man's chiefest pleasure to be found in his ability to enjoy again, through memory, the pleasure of other years? Is not man's chiefest education derived from recollections of his own, and recollections of others handed down to him in verse, in history, and in letters? Let us then temper our exuberance with reflection and consider soberly the lessons of our past.

No one, however great, should forget his origin. No nation, however mighty, should disregard its history. To every American the phrase "pilgrim fathers" is pregnant with realizations of their hatred of oppression, love of justice, their endurance and valour. To every patriot the names Bunker Hill, Saratoga, Trenton and Yorktown are fraught with impressions of a conflict for justice, liberty and independence. To every reflective student of American history the labors of Washington, Madison, Franklin, and their fellows in the Convention of 1787, out of which a disorganized confederation was created one organized union, calls for unqualified approval and measureless gratitude. The constitution then framed, still unimpaired, guides the nation, has guided it for a century, will guide it ever.

It may be trite, but it is none the less true, that the early environments of youth direct, mold or modify the subsequent character of the man. We recall the copy-book aphorism regarding the inclination of the tree depending upon the bending of the twig. We should be mindful here that in old Miami in '55 a chapter twig was bent from which has sprung the sturdy tree which here we represent. Has the trend there given changed? We must not forget that less than fifty years ago, in the resolute hearts of seven college men, was born an order now numbering thousands, dedicated to the principle of advancement in moral and mental work in college life. The fatal asterisk of death has graciously spared the names of most of these and they are yet alive to receive from us, their descendants as well as brethren, our love and gratitude.

Is it not well for us to stop and consider carefully the ideals held by these men, and to ask ourselves whether these ideals have been adhered to? In the forceful diction of one of these immortal seven, we learn that the ideal then in mind consisted in building up a character, based upon certain conditions. These conditions were four-fold. At a gathering such as this, in a sister city, thirteen years ago, the lamented Jordan, in delivering the annual address before the Grand Chapter, gave expression to this thought: "In my judgment our fraternity has grown to be what it is by adhering to the principle with which we started in the beginning, of admitting no man to membership in it who was not believed to be a man *of good character, of fair ability, of ambitious purposes, and of congenial disposition.* Read, mark, learn and inwardly digest these four cardinal attributes of an ideal Sigma Chi. Lowell, that flower of American belles-lettres, has somewhere said that the only irremovable basis for the real must stand upon the ideal. By this I take it that he means to say that the aim must be high, else the result will be low, mediocre; or, if high, but accidental. And he is right.

Our ranks are recruited from young men whose characters are yet unformed. The average matriculate in nearly every university is young, unsophisticated, unpolished, unread. The four years spent by him within the college walls are meant to accomplish a metamorphosis. Sometimes the process is reasonably complete and the result a success. Oftener the youth leaves the college walls but little changed, except in years and such a smattering of information as a more or less competent faculty is able to furnish. One of the best opportunities for the development of a student's character is an association, while in college, with such an institution as ours. I believe I shall not be contradicted when I assert that the young man who allies himself with a respectable fra-

ternity will show a greater development of character, greater maturity in thought, greater polish in manner, than one who, for one reason or another, is debarred from such advantage. This is a selfish world; and nowhere does the young man need so much the aid of friendly counsel as when in college; and nowhere will he then be so likely to receive such as in this Fraternity.

There is, or should be, in every chapter of Sigma Chi, a reciprocal duty—that of the member to the chapter and of the chapter to the member. It is the duty of the member to reflect credit upon his chapter, and the scope or object of the chapter to guard, counsel, befriend, and assist the member. The absence of this reciprocal relation must of necessity work failure.

It will be agreed that the task of selecting desirable members is the most difficult that confronts a chapter. Let us consider the four essentials in the order given—the first prerequisite being “good character.” It is fairly safe to say that, with but few exceptions, every student who comes to college is yet too young and too poor to be of evil character, for poverty is a wonderful restraining influence. Nothing so militates against the up-building of a youth's character as the unrestricted use of money. He is young and innocent, and probably of spotless morals. It is, or ought to be, the duty of every chapter, however, not to take for granted that the respective candidates are of good character, good family, good habits, but to make reasonable investigation. And this is by no means difficult, although with great universality this precaution is overlooked. In business life we investigate new associates rigidly. In a life-long relation, cemented by secret and oath-bound ties, should we be less careful?

Second, the youth should possess “fair ability.” This may be learned after a few months association in the class-room, in his “daily walk and conversation” in the literary society,—for merit is quickly discernible in youth. The practice of selecting members early in the term is pernicious in the extreme.

Third, (and to my mind this is of the highest importance) the candidate should be, as Mr. Jordan has told us, of “ambitious purposes.” Note carefully the words “ambitious purposes”; not ambitious in the evil sense—not charged with the greed of what ambition may bring forth, but that his “*purposes*” may be aspiring, lofty; that is, that his purpose may be to accomplish all that it is honorably possible to accomplish within the time allotted to a university course. These ambitious purposes can be readily ascertained by a mere observation of the youth's habit of thought, habit of study, habit of conduct. These ambitious

purposes should be encouraged and stimulated in the chapter. I hold it to be a truth that no one should go to college unless ambitious to do so. No one should remain in college unless ambitious to excel therein. No one should be taken into a fraternity or retained therein, unless ambitious to reflect honor upon himself, his friends and his fraternity. That his ambitious purposes should have a goal, are created in every institution prizes of various kinds; in scholarship, in literary endeavor, in athletic sports. I would that every undergraduate in Sigma Chi should compete earnestly and zealously for every prize to which he is by his rank and class entitled. These four years in college are plastic years; and what the man shall be, may, with almost unerring certainty, be foretold by what he was in college. Do we not recall with vivid memory the strong and weak points in our classmates? Do we not intuitively prophesy the future of each man? Do we not remember in after years the part in college played by those who achieve distinction or suffer failure?

I did not mean this to be a lay sermon, nor do I wish to scold or censure; but it has been to me something of a study to watch the development of student character in college, both during my own course and since my graduation. There is a tendency now to promote athletics. With this I make no quarrel, I believe that while the mind is being schooled, the muscles should also be trained. But with it all there should be a temperance, without which excess is sure to follow. A graver danger than athletics has crept into and stands a menace to our institutions of learning; that is the craving for social distinction. Students are not sent to college to be wearers of clothes and leaders of cotillions, and to purr sweet accents in a maiden's ear. It is a crime against one's parents, who often sacrifice themselves that their son may become a scholar, to frivol away one's time and means in unscholarly pursuits. The time to shine in society comes after, not before, the conferring of the degree. There is, it seems to me, a marked departure from the course marked out by our forefathers in Sigma Chi in creating within the Fraternity an ambition to excel in literary endeavor. Do the chapters now engage in literary effort in their chapter sessions? Do members strive to win prizes for scholarship, in debate, in oratorical contests? I *fear* there is too little of this. Our chapter letters do not record so much the winning of prizes for excellence in scholarly pursuits as they report the more important news that Brother A is quarter-back on the football team; that Brother M is the son of Midas the pork-packer; that Brother Z is on the Junior Promenade Committee, or was the floor manager at the Pan-Hellenic ball. Boys are not sent to col-

lege to prepare themselves for professional ball-players, dancing-masters, and Beau Brummels. Young gentlemen are sent to college to fit themselves for acquiring an honest livelihood in the professions, in trade, and in the sciences. I would not give a Bachelor of Arts desk room in my office whose chief claim to distinction consisted in the crease of his trousers, his unbroken record as a pole-vaulter, or his skill in leading a german. Let not our future poet sing "You have the Pyrrhic dances yet, where has the Pyrrhic phalanx gone?"

The fourth desideratum is a congenial disposition. And such an attribute is, of course, essential; but just what is meant would be difficult to say. Absence of congeniality in a chapter is to be deplored, and to be avoided—and generally can be. The greatest difficulty, however, is that chapters are organized ordinarily, or at least recruited upon the basis of congeniality more than upon anything else. It is safe to say that the average young man of fair ability, good character, and ambitious purposes will be of congenial disposition. If not, he is certainly a *rara avis*, not in good health, or a freak of nature, distorted by some congenital or acquired affliction which will invariably be obvious.

I believe that what is meant by the fourth qualification is that the candidate should be a gentleman, or that he should be at least a gentleman in embryo. The grand old word of *gentleman* has many exemplars. It is difficult of definition. It is not alone that a man should be of good presence, of affable manners, and correctly attired to be entitled to be called a gentleman. These outward and visible signs of a supposed inward and spiritual grace are always conspicuously present in the rankest rogue. Do not despise the "hayseed!" He may outgrow his awkwardness and leave you far behind. Spurn not the rustic. Our best and greatest men were neither city born nor city bred. The farm's the place to start ambition in a winning race. One must be unselfish, kind, considerate,—especially of the feelings of others—noble purposed, pure minded, to be entitled to be called a gentleman, even in embryo.

"Be noble; and the nobleness that lies  
In other men, sleeping but never dead,  
Will rise in majesty to meet thine own."

Nor will three generations invariably produce the species sought. I have a faith in heredity, but I believe still more in culture. It is not enough to be well born. It is more essential to be well bred. Those truly descended from the Mayflower passenger list need much beyond that patent of nobility.

"The grand old gardener and his wife  
Smile at the claims of long descent.  
How'er it be, it seems to me  
'Tis only noble to be good.  
Kind hearts are more than coronets,  
And simple faith than Norman blood."

The duty of the chapter to the member has already been alluded to. A chapter is an organization, a union, a source of strength, not only to itself, but to its members. As a body, it should stimulate and encourage the efforts of its members. It should support by its sanction the proper purposes and accomplishments of its members, and rebuke, kindly but firmly, all evil that may be indulged in—*suaviter in modo, fortiter in re*. It should counsel, direct, and assist in every branch of laudable effort the otherwise unassisted and disorganized work of its individual members. In the absence of such concerted action and such fostering care, it would be useless to belong to any such organization, for that is of the very essence and purpose for which it is created.

Above and beyond all this there is the responsibility of the chapter to the general order. We spell the word Nation with a big N. Use another letter, and we should do the same with the General Fraternity. The action of every chapter should be taken with due regard to its sanction. It should consider itself, not an isolated entity, but one of a federation, and in all that it does should be kept a purpose single to the advancement and renown of the Fraternity which gives it a standing; otherwise it becomes merely a local society or club—a ship without a pilot, aimlessly drifting, of few days and full of trouble.

There is another thought closely allied to the requirements or essentials of an ideal Sigma Chi, and that is what constitutes an ideal fraternity. If it was in the minds of the founders of this Fraternity that its members should possess high attributes, it must follow that it was also within the minds of the founders that the whole order should partake of the same character as the individual members. With the growth of the country, institutions of learning have sprung up like mushrooms, and many of them have been created which should never have known the light. We now have a Fraternity of fifty chapters—some of them in magnificent institutions of learning, some of them in struggling, unimportant seminaries, called by brevet colleges or universities. It is unreasonable to expect that chapters that would be of service, or reflect dignity upon the Fraternity, could survive in unendowed and obscure academies. I believe it better that we should decrease the number of chapters we now have than to extend into fields already too fully occupied or unable to support any Greek letter society whatsoever. It costs men and money to maintain a chapter in the most modest way. Students are proverbially poverty stricken, and chapters struggling against adverse circumstances are but a drag, an incubus, upon their flourishing sisters. Each chapter should be self-sustaining and beyond; otherwise it will wither and fade and pass away. In the small colleges

or seminaries, material must be poor. I confess frankly that exceptions exist. We all recall the eulogism of Webster in the Dartmouth College argument before the Supreme Court. When opposing counsel twitted Dartmouth with being a small college, the god-like Daniel, with a pathos in his cadences that moved the bench to tears, replied; "I know it is a small college, but there are those who love it." But Dartmouth in the early twenties compares favorably with many of our struggling institutions of today. We have too many colleges in barren fields, too many unendowed schools with underpaid faculties. Let us seek rather to grow inwardly than to spread outwardly. Let us rather improve that which we have than aid all chapters of doubtful ability to survive. The struggle for existence in life becomes with advancing civilization difficult and still more difficult. What is true here is true everywhere,—as true of a college as of a factory. The doctrine of the survival of the fittest has become axiomatic. It has applied itself *nolens volens* to every rank and condition of life. We must stand the same test and the same strain.

Two and forty years have passed. The results accomplished must far exceed the wildest expectations of our founders; but in our growth we must not lose sight of the fact that we were not intended to be numerically great, but to be exclusively excellent. The tone of the Fraternity must be kept at concert pitch. This can be done only by the exercise of unrelenting and unremitting effort and vigilance. We still owe much to our founders and to those who followed them in the management of our Fraternity. They have done this practically without pay or hope of reward. These men who have gone before us and accomplished these things are richly deserving, and we are not ungrateful. If we are to be and remain a great fraternity, every one who becomes a member of the society should become imbued at the outset with a realization of the dignity conferred upon him. He should live up to that dignity; and, if within his power and by the exercise of earnest effort, stimulated by ambitious purposes, he can add new lustre to the name of Sigma Chi, he will do no more than he ought to do, and only that which is rightfully expected of him.

The early members of this Fraternity necessarily stood upon their own reputations and characters. Those who follow can point, as the politicians do, with pride to the order of which they are a part. These men who have gone before are models for us to emulate. We should not only imitate them, but we should endeavor, while according to them their just deserts, to excel if possible, and in every reasonable and honorable effort to make the name of Sigma Chi more celebrated by our own personal and individual efforts and examples.

To you, young gentlemen, officers and delegates, I bring you greetings from many of our brethren unable to be here; they are watching over us, and will hear and read what we do and what we say with a loving interest. We should deliberate wisely, legislate carefully—keeping in mind constantly that we have not only our own reputations, but the character of the Sigma Chi Fraternity in our sacred keeping. Yours is a representative body. Every member of the order is here by you represented. Let us keep this fact of responsibility and representation in mind in everything that we do; in everything that we say; to the end that when we shall return to our respective chapters we may each truthfully say: “I have kept the faith,” and have accorded to us: “Well done.”

A final word before I close. I fear that my earnestness in advising you may be misconstrued. If in my zeal to warn, I seem to chide, pray you forgive. Conscious of your zeal and fire, I have only sought to moderate with temperate counsel the ardor of youth. Regard me, if you choose, as “a doctor of the old school,” an older brother, addicted to conservatism, yet with a sister’s charity, a father’s fondness, a mother’s indulgence. Above all, do not for a moment think that I have naught but fault to find with what I am prone and proud to call my Fraternity. All that has been said, expressly or impliedly, by way of criticism, if you so esteem it, is merely meant to be but loving admonition. The memories that cluster ’round my own experience forbid that I should speak unkindly. Indulge me but a moment, that I may offer proof of the sincerity of my affection for the order. Twice ten years have nearly passed since first I crossed the mystic circle. Swiftly have flown these years, but even now their memories sweet crowd thick upon me. Within this circle I clearly see by memory’s glow the face of one who has forever gone. I yearn with him who sighs in vain for “the touch of a vanished hand, the sound of a voice that is still.” His memory is to me a solace; his indomitable courage gives me strength; his buoyancy cheers me in time of trouble; his character in those plastic days gave shape and strength to mine. I see another form, also gone never to return. Bold he was, and brave; ambitious and resourceful. Poor he was and acquainted with grief, but proud and strong and self-reliant. He wrought in a sad sincerity, but better than he knew. True, he is gone, but he is not forgotten. These are but a few of the jewels that irradiate my vision of the past and shadow forth the future. Among the richest heritages stored in my mind forever are fond recollections born within the sacred shrine of Sigma Chi. The most cherished friends I ever knew, the dearest friends today, are brothers of the Cross, reared and schooled



within the chapter hall. For this Fraternity I have an abiding love, and for her sons the warmest heart.

The history of this Fraternity is already splendid. We have in two score years achieved magnificent results. Our membership has steadily increased; has steadily improved. Our membership is here reflected by the number and personnel of this Grand Chapter, unequalled in the history of all the Conventions that have preceded it. Our list of chapter homes and lodges invites the envy of our competitors and commands the admiration of our friends. Our magazine stands unrivalled in its field. Our material resources and assets give us a standing and stability that bids to fear defiance, to forebodings scorn. Can the future be in doubt? Not if we can trust in the lessons of the past; not if history is the lamp of prophesy. We have done well; we will do more than well. We began modestly but determinedly. We continued bravely and earnestly. We still continue hopefully and proudly. We look the future boldly in the face without dismay, without fear, without regret, with confidence and with courage and with buoyant hope, with every promise of a fruition full, fair, and foremost of its kind.

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## GRAND CHAPTER NOTES.

## ITEMS OF INTEREST TAKEN AT NASHVILLE.

Among those who contributed not a little to the success of the Twenty-third Grand Chapter were Brothers John S. Alleman and Harry Beach Carré. The former was elected Grand Consul and the latter Grand Annotator. Upon these two officers rests a large share of the responsibility connected with the business end of any Sigma Chi Convention, and it is not saying too much when we state that the careful and painstaking attention which was manifested by these gentlemen, undoubtedly accounts for many of the accomplishments of the recent meeting.

Brother John S. Alleman's home is in Harrisburg, Pa. He is an alumnus of the Theta Chapter and comes from a family which has been well known in the social and political history of Harrisburg for many years. His father was Samuel Alleman, who was at one time a member of the Pennsylvania Legislature, and his grandfather served as a soldier in the Revolutionary War. He received his early education at Missionary Institute, Sellingsgrove, Pa., and entered Pennsylvania College, Gettysburg, in the autumn of 1871. During his college course he received numerous honors, among others that of Class Historian, and was graduated in 1876 with the A.B. degree. Three years later the degree of Master of Arts was conferred upon him, after which he read law for a time in Philadelphia, and then completed the law course of the University of Pennsylvania, receiving the degree of LL.B. in 1879. He was at the same time admitted to the bar in Dauphin County, Pa., and to practice before the State Supreme Court. In 1882 he was married to Cordelia I., daughter of Rev. Samuel Domer, D. D. Mrs. Alleman will be very pleasantly remembered by many of the delegates at the last Convention, and she seems to be full of true Sigma Chi spirit, such as will inculcate the proper enthusiasm into the teachings of Master Alleman. Brother Alleman has been actively identified with local Republican politics for a number of years in Harrisburg, and aside from this he is prominently associated with the Evangelical Lutheran Church, having served as delegate to the National Synod at Hagerstown, Md., 1895. While Brother Alleman has not been well known to the Fraternity at large, he has always been interested in its general welfare and has been in close touch with his old Chapter at Gettysburg. The polite and genial manners of both Mr. and Mrs. Alleman won for them a warm place in the hearts of all who visited Nashville.

Brother Harry Beach Carré was born in New Orleans, La., June 19, 1871. He attended various public and private schools until he was thirteen years old, when he entered business in the employ of W. W. Carré, a lumber merchant. At the age of eighteen he entered the Tulane High School, with a view to entering the Christian ministry. He graduated here with first honors in two years, and entered the College Department of Tulane University. In college he was president of his class during the freshman, sophomore and senior years. He was also class editor of the *Tulane Collegian*, the University magazine, and was a member of the executive committee of the Oratorical Association. He was also Secretary of his college literary society, in which he won several medals for debate and oratory.

At the beginning of his sophomore year he was initiated into the Alpha Omicron Chapter, and during his entire college course was actively identified with the various interests of the Chapter. He was graduated in June, 1895, with the degree of A. B. In September of the same year he entered the Theological Department of the Vanderbilt University, where he at once became associated actively with the Alpha Psi Chapter. At Vanderbilt he has taken prizes for hymn and scripture readings, and proficiency in Hebrew. Aside from the advanced work which he has done at Vanderbilt, he also spent a portion of the years 1896 and 1897 in graduate study at the University of Chicago.

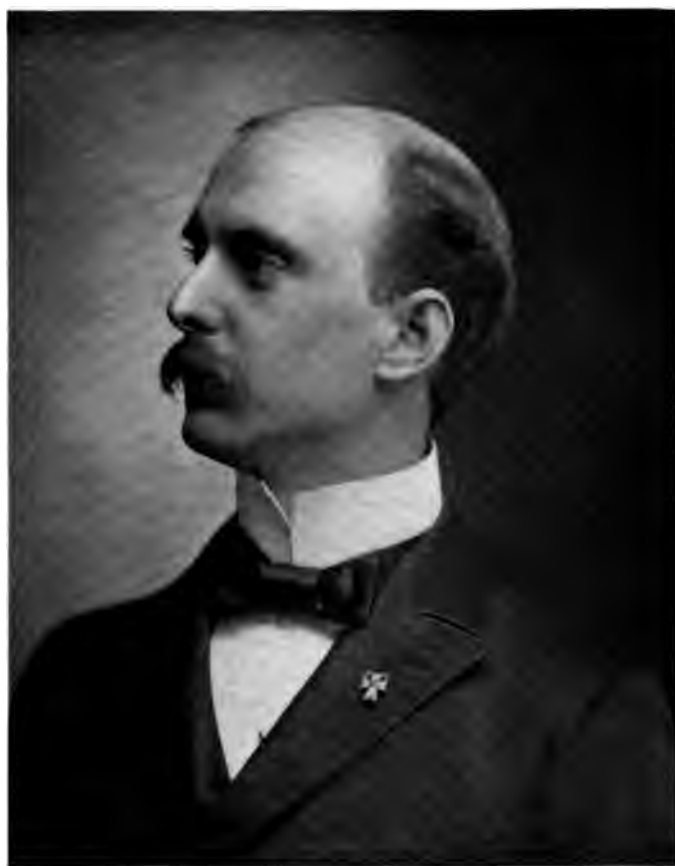
The office to which he was elected by the Nashville Grand Chapter and filled so admirably, is one which is not coveted by the average pleasure-seeking delegate, and Brother Carré certainly deserves great credit for the faithful attention which he gave to the duties of Grand Annotator during the Convention, and for the clear and concise report of the proceedings which he has given us, as published in the *Bulletin*.

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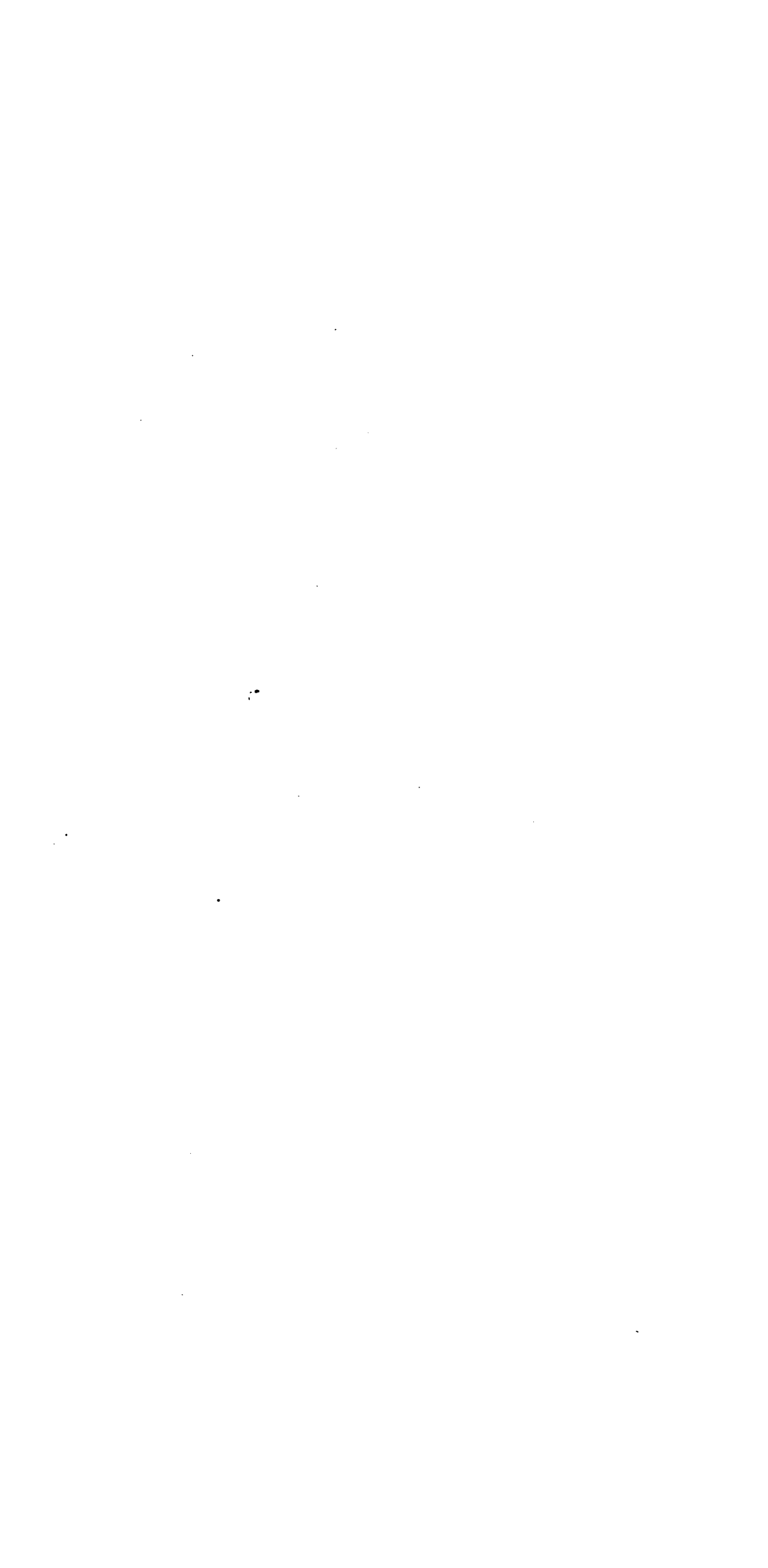
The Nashville daily papers were very generous in the space which was allotted to the Convention. The *Banner* was particularly favorable in this respect, and in its Sunday edition prior to the meeting, an extended account of the history of the Fraternity and many of its individual alumni was given.

The following account was given in the *Nashville Banner*, August 26th, of the public opening of the Convention :

“At eight o'clock last evening the members of the Fraternity and a large number of their friends, among whom were many ladies, assembled in the Senate Chamber at the Capitol and after a few rousing cries of ‘*Who, who, who am I? I'm a loyal Sigma Chi,*’ General Runkle



HARRY BEACH CARRÉ.  
GRAND ANNOTATOR, TWENTY-THIRD GRAND CHAPTER.



called the meeting to order. In a few well chosen words he spoke of the hearty reception given the Fraternity in Nashville, and he referred beautifully to the days of the sixties, when he was in Tennessee a wounded Federal soldier. 'No men in all the annals of history,' he said, 'ever made a more brilliant record in battle than the brave soldiers who fought for a cause they believed to be right. No Southern soldiers fought more willingly and more nobly than the Southern Sigma Chis. Eighty per cent fell struggling for their cause and their homes.'

"General Runkle gave an interesting account of the brave struggle of the little band that organized the Fraternity in 1855, at Miami, and his eyes filled with tears as he spoke of old comrades and old associations. He expressed the pride that he, one of the founders, feels in witnessing such a splendid result, so far surpassing the expectations of the men who builded the foundations."

We are particularly indebted to the *Nashville American* for a complete report of Governor R. L. Taylor's address before the Convention, on Friday morning. The speech was published on the morning of Aug. 28th, verbatim, and was as follows :

"*Mr. President and Gentlemen of the Sigma Chi:* In these gay and festive days, when the Capitol City of the Old Volunteer State is the theatre of happy gatherings, when welcome is upon the lips of all our people, there is no greeting more pleasing to us than that which flows from our hearts to the college fraternities. Next to the memorials which hang around our homes like the fragrance of roses which are faded and gone, are the precious recollections which hallow the days of our college life. In the classic halls of our Alma Mater ties of friendship and brotherly love are formed which bind the souls of men together so firmly that death alone can break them. Memories are born which will live as long as hearts throb, and these precious memories not only sweeten life and make our hopes brighter for the future, but they make our courage stronger to meet the trials and difficulties which must confront us all. And more than this, they are the bulwarks which protect us from sin.

"I congratulate you upon this happy meeting today and hope that it will add new memories to the old, and that you may depart from each other with fresh courage to meet the battles of life. The world is rapidly drifting into fraternities. These fraternities are seeking to elevate our race, and I believe they are reaching glorious results. I bid this college fraternity God-speed in its efforts to preserve the friendships and associations which began when the mind was drinking in the first



lessons of life, when the heart was feeling the first sweet pangs of love, and when your upper lips were wearing the first thin coat of down."

"The college days are the brightest of all. It is true that they have their thorns of Greek and Latin and mathematics, but from among the thorns we gather sweets for the souls from the flowers which only bloom for us in our youth; they have their icebergs in the frowns of old professors and inexorable rules of college government, but the icebergs have no power when the sophomore basks in the sunshine of some fair maiden's face, and holds her hand in his for an hour, and never says a word; they have their sorrows and their pains when the brain is probed on examination day, but the pains and sorrows are all forgotten when the senior steps upon the theatre of active life with his sheepskin in his hand, outshining Solomon in his wisdom, and overshadowing Bismarck and Gladstone in his greatness. But the most pathetic day of college life is the day when the last farewell is said. It would be a thousand times sadder still if it were not for the joyful reflection that we shall be drawn together again by the college fraternity, to live over again the happy days when we were college boys."

"Gentlemen of the Sigma Chi Fraternity, I hope you may everyone live to a good old age, and that from among the thorns and icebergs of life you may all gather the flowers and fruits of happiness."

We are very sorry that the apt response of Judge Howard Ferris could not have been preserved for future reference by members of the Fraternity. The remarks made by Brother Ferris at that time were to the point and were fitting in the highest degree. The *Nashville Banner*, of August 27th, reports Judge Ferris as follows:

"I congratulate you sir, upon your magnificent address. If you had been a college man, and especially if you had been a Sigma Chi, I dare not try to imagine what we might have heard. Sigma Chi tries to develop the social side of man. "Sigs" are chosen because they are men, they are scholars afterwards. We have never lost sight of the fact that 'a man is a man for a' that.' Sigma Chi endeavors to prepare young men for the action of life. It is a fraternity that is a brotherhood of man, and that respects the fatherhood of God."

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Those who attended the Convention will not soon forget the genial hospitality extended to all of the visitors by Brother W. D. Thomas. Aside from taking an active interest in all of the business affairs of the Grand Chapter, Brother Thomas made a home at the Hermitage Club for many wandering Sigma Chis which cannot be duplicated in all Nash-

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THE PARESIS CLUB—NASHVILLE, TENN., AUGUST, 1897.

ville. At any hour of the day or night during the week groups of "Sigs" could be found about the spacious club rooms. Aside from this, Brother Thomas entertained a number of the delegates who remained in Nashville over Sunday, at dinner at the Duncan Hotel. Brother Thomas is well known in Nashville business circles, and is engaged with one of the leading tea distributing houses of the South.

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One of the jolliest crowds at the Convention was what was popularly known as the Paresis Club. This was composed of eleven congenial "spirits" who were thrown together for the first time at the meeting, and it is generally conceded that what the members of this club do not know about Nashville and its suburbs by gas light, is not worth knowing. The club roll is as follows :

Orville E. Bailey, Kappa, '96; Dickson Q. Brown, Alpha Theta, '98; Finlay F. Ferguson, Alpha Theta, '98; Joseph H. Marshutz, Kappa Kappa, '98; C. A. Wiltsee, Mu, '97; R. A. McCulloch, Nu Nu, '99; W. B. Grant, Alpha Omicron, '98; Tharon H. Huckins, Eta Eta, '97; George L. McAvoy, Phi Phi, '99; F. A. Moore, Jr., Alpha Omicron, '97; George L. Edwards, Epsilon, '94.

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Those who were not fortunate enough to fall in with one or the other special Convention trains, missed not a little of the real sport connected with the Nashville trip.

The "Sigs" from the Northwest, including the Chicago alumni and the neighboring chapters had a special car by way of the Monon and Louisville and Nashville Railways. The arrangements were perfect, and no pains were spared by the railway officials to make the journey comfortable. The largest excursion came from the East, the same having been worked up by Brother Sam. R. Ireland from Washington, D. C. The Chesapeake and Ohio route was used and from all reports the party had a most delightful time.

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Those who visited the Woman's Building at the Tennessee Centennial, and were fortunate enough to wander into the Atlanta Room, will long remember the hospitable treatment which they received at the hands of Miss Edith E. Brown, the attendant in charge. During the entire week a neat and tasty register trimmed with Sigma Chi colors, was furnished, into which the names of many Sigma Chis found their way.

It is to be regretted that owing to a misunderstanding as to time a number of those who attended the Grand Chapter do not appear in the picture which was taken on the steps of the Parthenon Saturday afternoon.

The pictures may be ordered through Brother Harry Beach Carré, Wesley Hall, Vanderbilt University, Nashville, Tenn.

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The Cincinnati delegation occupied a house by themselves in High street, where they entertained their friends, and made merry over many good things picked up in Kentucky en route for Nashville. The party consisted of Judge Howard Ferris and family, George D. Harper, Louis Ireton, and James M. Sprague, with whom were associated a portion of the time, P. M. Griffith, Percy C. Pickrell, and Sam R. Ireland.

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A noticeable feature connected with the Twenty-third Grand Chapter was the unusually large number of alumni who were accompanied by their families. Among the ladies who were present were Mesdames John S. Alleman, Orville S. Brumback, Howard Ferris, Robert Farnham, Ben. P. Runkle, Sam. R. Ireland.

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Two most enterprising manufacturing jewelers, D. L. Auld, of Columbus, Ohio, and Roehm and Son, of Detroit, Michigan, were represented at the Convention, and furnished the delegates with neat souvenir buttons. The idea was novel and met with great favor.

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The management of the Maxwell House deserves the thanks of all for the kind and courteous treatment which was extended to the members of the Convention. The old hostelry certainly sustained its well known reputation as the best hotel in Nashville.

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The following is the list of delegates in attendance upon the Nashville Grand Chapter :

DELEGATE.	CLASS.	CHAPTER.	ADDRESS.
J. D. Garrett .....	'98 .....	Alpha.....	Hillsboro, Ohio.
Lester Domigan.....	'97.....	Gamma.....	Delaware, Ohio.
F. L. Biscoe.....	'97.....	Epsilon.....	Washington, D. C.
N. S. Fitzhugh.....	'99.....	Zeta .....	Charleston, W. Va.
H. F. Fisher.....	'98.....	Eta .....	Moss Point, Miss.
H. B. Erdman .....	'98.....	Theta .....	Macungie, Pa.

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Orville E. Bailey	'96	Kappa	Washington, D. C.
W. C. Bradley	'99	Lambda	Bloomington, Ind.
C. A. Wiltsee	'97	Mu	Cincinnati, Ohio.
N. G. Rogers	'97	Xi	Trenton, Mo.
Blake Irvin	'96	Omicron	Brookville, Pa.
F. M. Towles	'99	Rho	Indianapolis, Ind.
D. Boogher	'98	Tau	Salem, Va.
J. R. Voris	'87	Chi	Bedford, Ind.
Robert Porter	'99	Psi	Charlotteville, Va.
A. B. Harbert	'94	Omega	Evanston, Ill.
W. C. Young	—	Alpha Alpha	
E. A. Edwards	'94	Gamma Gamma	Rockville, Md.
E. G. Crozier	'96	Delta Delta	Madison, Ind.
E. F. McElroy	'97	Zeta Zeta	Springfield, Ky.
Malcolm McAvoy	'97	Zeta Psi	Cincinnati, Ohio.
T. H. Huckins	'97	Eta Eta	Plymouth, N. H.
C. F. Delbridge	'99	Theta Theta	Detroit, Mich.
J. H. Marshutz	'98	Kappa Kappa	Champaign, Ill.
J. M. Graves, Jr.	'00	Lambda Lambda	Lexington, Ky.
C. F. Holden	'99	Mu Mu	Clarksburg, W. Va.
R. A. McCulloch	'99	Nu Nu	New York, N. Y.
Murray Phillips	'99	Xi Xi	Columbia, Mo.
P. M. Griffith	'97	Omicron Omicron	Sabina, Ohio.
D. T. Stuart	'98	Sigma Sigma	Mobile, Ala.
G. L. McAvoy	'99	Phi Phi	Willimantic, Conn.
	—	Alpha Beta	
D. M. McDonald	'99	Alpha Gamma	Wellsville, Ohio.
J. C. Nate (proxy) Alpha Iota	'90	Alpha Epsilon	Chicago, Ill.
Dwight Whitney	'98	Alpha Zeta	Beloit, Wis.
F. F. Ferguson	'98	Alpha Theta	Norfolk, Va.
H. J. Leight	'97	Alpha Iota	Bloomington, Ill.
G. C. Vogel	'98	Alpha Lambda	Milwaukee, Wis.
E. D. Slaughter	'95	Alpha Nu	Dallas, Texas.
J. C. Nate (proxy) Alpha Iota	'90	Alpha Xi	Chicago, Ill.
F. A. Monroe, Jr.	'97	Alpha Omicron	New Orleans, La.
Frank Roudenbush	'98	Alpha Pi	Albion, Mich.
D. W. Miller	'99	Alpha Rho	Covington, Ky.
M. H. Gerry, Jr.	'90	Alpha Sigma	Minneapolis, Minn.
G. N. Kirby	'96	Alpha Tau	Raleigh, N. C.
L. R. Garrett	—	Alpha Upsilon	Los Angeles, Cal.
J. A. Caldwell, Jr.	'99	Alpha Phi	Cincinnati, Ohio.
	—	Alpha Chi	
W. P. Connell	'96	Alpha Psi	Nashville, Tenn.
L. R. Garrett	—	Alpha Omega	Los Angeles, Cal.
Newman Miller	Alpha Pi, '93	Chicago Alumni	Chicago, Ill.
Judge Howard Ferris	Mu, '76	Cincinnati Alumni	Cincinnati, Ohio.
F. D. Ader	Alpha Iota, '84	Indianapolis Alumni	Greencastle, Ind.
George Eustis Robertson	Omicron Omicron, '93	New York Alumni	New York, N. Y.
Dr. S. Lewis Ziegler	Kappa, '80	Philadelphia Alumni	Philadelphia, Pa.
G. B. Overton	Alpha Psi, '95	Louisville Alumni	Louisville, Ky.

The following is a list of others who attended the Grand Chapter and registered at the headquarters in the Maxwell House :

John S. Alleman, Theta, '76, Harrisburg, Pa.  
 Charles Alling, Jr., Chi, '85, Theta Theta, '88, Chicago, Ill.  
 William R. Alling, Chi, '89, Chicago, Ill.  
 George N. Acker, Theta, '72, Washington, D. C.  
 Theodore H. Brewer, Alpha Chi, '96, Louisville, Ky.  
 Charles B. Burdick, Kappa Kappa, '95, Chicago, Ill.  
 Dixon Q. Brown, Alpha Theta, '98, New York City, N. Y.  
 John Diell Blanton, Sigma Sigma, '79, Nashville, Tenn.  
 David O. Bridgforth, Eta, '99, Pleasant Hill, Miss.  
 Orville S. Brumback, Beta, '76; Theta Theta, '79, Toledo, Ohio.  
 Henry Beach Carré, Alpha Psi, '98, New Orleans, La.  
 Frank Crozier, Chi, '92, Theta Theta, '94, Chicago, Ill.  
 William S. Daune, Gamma Gamma, '98, Trevitius, Va.  
 Dr. G. Brenner Dantzler, Alpha Psi, '96, Mobile, Ala.  
 Dr. William L. Dudley, Psi, '76, Nashville, Tenn.  
 Fred R. Ewing, Lambda, '99, Princeton, Ind.  
 George L. Edmunds, Epsilon, '94, Washington, D. C.  
 William Lloyd Evans, Alpha Gamma, '92, Columbus, Ohio.  
 Dr. Robert Farnham, Epsilon, '64, Washington, D. C.  
 N. B. Grant, Alpha Omicron, '98, New Orleans, La.  
 Joseph L. Gaines, Jr., Alpha Psi, '00, Nashville, Tenn.  
 W. A. Heath, Kappa Kappa, '83, Champaigne, Ill.  
 George D. Harper, Zeta Psi, '91, Cincinnati, Ohio.  
 H. Hardeson, Alpha Psi, '97, Nashville, Tenn.  
 H. W. Hauten, Alpha Psi, '97, White Sulphur Springs, Va.  
 G. H. Hamton, Zeta, '90, Catlettsburg, Ky.  
 Sam. R. Ireland, Theta Theta, '89, Washington, D. C.  
 J. B. Johnson, Lambda Lambda, '99, Lexington, Ky.  
 Justin M. Kunkle, Mu Mu, '96, Morgantown, W. Va.  
 S. R. Knox, Eta, '98, New Albany, Miss.  
 Griffin M. Lovelace, Alpha Psi, '98, Louisville, Ky.  
 E. Williamson Miller, Alpha Phi, '96, Newark, N. J.  
 H. H. Miller, Alpha Psi, '98, Covington, Ky.  
 D. Irving Miller, Alpha Psi, '98, Covington, Ky.  
 George P. Merrick, Omega, '84, Chicago.  
 T. C. Meadows, Alpha Psi, '93, Columbia, Tenn.  
 F. W. McReynolds, Alpha Chi, '92, Washington, D. C.  
 Dr. Raymond J. Nate, Alpha Iota, '94, Chicago, Ill.  
 Percy C. Pickrell, Omega, '98, Evanston, Ill.  
 R. L. Peck, Zeta, '92, Springfield, Tenn.  
 W. M. Palmer, Alpha Psi, '00, Murfreesboro, Tenn.  
 Gen. Ben P. Runkle, Alpha, '57, Washington, D. C.  
 Ray C. Rickly, Delta Delta, '00, Ottawa, Ill.  
 Rev. W. B. Ricks, Alpha Tau, '90, Alpha Psi, '94, Jonesboro, Ark.  
 William D. Rhea, Alpha Psi, '95, Nashville, Tenn.  
 P. A. Spane, Lambda, '98, Princeton, Ind.

S. H. Sheldon, Alpha Lambda, '98, Madison, Wis.  
 Arthur D. Stansell, Theta Theta, '99, Detroit, Mich.  
 Lauren F. Smith, Theta, '90, Hagerstown, Md.  
 J. J. Stowe, Alpha Psi, '95, Nashville, Tenn.  
 Rev. Ruter W. Springer, Omega, '87, Fort Thomas, Ky.  
 James M. Sprague, Mu, '95, Cincinnati, Ohio.  
 H. Worthington Talbot, Alpha Theta, '99, Rockville, Md.  
 W. D. Thomas, Chi, '83, Nashville.  
 Robert Wendel, Zeta, '95, Murfreesboro, Tenn.  
 T. H. Yost, Mu Mu, '97, Amos, W. Va.

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SINGING A SIGMA CHI SONG.

BY ORVILLE S. BRUMBACK.

AIR—"BRING BACK MY BONNIE TO ME."

1. Once more we have all met together  
 And now that we've talked loud and long,  
 Let's all "take a rest" for a moment  
 And join in a Sigma Chi song.

CHORUS.

All sing, all sing  
 Sing Sigma, Chi Sigma, a Sigma Chi song,  
 All sing, sing *all*,  
 All sing a Sigma Chi song.

2. We all know the words and the music  
 And all have lungs that are strong,  
 So come ev'ry royal good fellow  
 Just "tune up" and join in the song.

CHORUS.

We'll sing, we'll sing  
 Sing Sigma, Chi Sigma, a Sigma Chi song,  
 We'll sing, sing long  
 We'll sing a Sigma Chi song.

3. Among us there may be some singer  
 Who goes at it "hammer and tongs,"  
 Just wait till he gets to the Chorus,  
 "*He's all right*" in Sigma Chi songs.



*THE SIGMA CHI QUARTERLY.*

CHORUS.

He'll sing, he'll sing,  
Sing Sigma, Chi Sigma, a Sigma Chi song,  
He'll sing, sing *right*  
Singing a Sigma Chi song.

4. Whenever we want *real sweet* music  
We call the "Sig" girl in the throng,  
She knows how to play the piano  
While singing a Sigma Chi song.

CHORUS.

She'll sing, she'll sing,  
Sing Sigma, Chi Sigma, a Sigma Chi song,  
She'll sing, sing *sweet*  
Singing a Sigma Chi song.

5. In fine you can hear the notes ringing  
From 'Hampshire clear round to Hong Kong,  
By those who are rousing the echoes  
In singing a Sigma Chi song.

CHORUS.

"Sigs" sing, "Sigs" sing,  
Sing Sigma, Chi Sigma, a Sigma Chi song,  
Sing song, song sing,  
Singing a Sigma Chi song.

6. And now that we've sung all our singing  
If any part has been sung wrong,  
Remember the best part is *jingling*  
When singing a Sigma Chi song.

CHORUS.

Singing, jingling,  
Ringing and jingling, jing-ling, ting-ling,  
Ringing, jingling,  
Singing a Sigma Chi song.

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DR. WILLIAM LOFLAND DUDLEY, PSI, '81.  
GRAND CONSUL.

**Editorial.**

As we are about to enter upon another two years of Sigma Chi work, no better salutory can be given than to congratulate the Fraternity upon the success and achievements of the Twenty-third Grand Chapter. Alpha Psi Chapter and the loyal alumni of Nashville deserve great praise and many thanks for the admirable manner in which all of the arrangements were carried out, and for the cordial spirit of co-operation in the plans of the General Fraternity, which was manifested on all sides. One of the most commendable actions was the election to the office of Grand Consul, Dr. William Lofland Dudley of Vanderbilt University, Nashville, Tenn. It is probable that there is no man in the South who is better known among all circles today than Brother Dudley.

His reputation has been won chiefly in scientific fields, and he stands among the foremost educators in America as a student and teacher of Chemistry. Dr. Dudley's activities are not, however, confined entirely to science, and his genial and cordial manners have won for him an enviable reputation among business and professional men of all classes in Nashville. This is so much the case that, when the Tennessee Centennial was decided upon, Dr. Dudley was at once looked to as the man best fitted for the office of Director of Affairs.

He became a Sigma Chi while a student at the University of Cincinnati, and has been actively identified with the Alpha Psi Chapter at Vanderbilt University since its inception.

An extended biography of Brother Dudley will be found in the July number of the *QUARTERLY* (1897) and should be read by all.

The enthusiastic manner in which his election was received by all of the delegates at Nashville bespeaks for him the co-operation of the entire Fraternity during the coming two years in carrying out the duties of his office.

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The work inaugurated by the committee on constitutional revision of the Twenty-second Grand Chapter at Cincinnati was completed at Nashville by the adoption of the report of a special committee which has been working during the past two years upon a new constitution and revised statutes for the Fraternity. The committee which had in charge the preparation of the new document was appointed by Gen. Ben. P.

Runkle, Grand Consul, after careful deliberation, and was composed of some of the best known men in the Fraternity.

The work as completed aims at simplicity, and with the aid of past experience, an attempt has been made to furnish an instrument which will meet all requirements and at the same time place us upon an easy working basis. We shall have occasion from time to time in the future to call special attention to certain features of the new constitution, and we hope that all active members, at least, will familiarize themselves with the same as published in the last number of the *Bulletin*.

The committee certainly should be commended for the faithful manner in which it has carried out its duties, and moreover, is to be congratulated upon the concise and at the same time inclusive instrument which has been furnished. This, with the new ritual which was presented by Brother R. W. Springer and adopted by the delegates, furnishes us with a complete up-to-date set of official regulations which will undoubtedly answer all the purposes of the Fraternity for some time to come.

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Many members of the Fraternity will be glad to know that the question of an official Coat-of-Arms, which has been agitated for a long time, has finally been settled by the adoption of the report of the special committee composed of Brothers Henry H. Vinton, Delta Delta, '88, and Sam R. Ireland, Theta Theta, '89. The report as adopted provides for the official recognition of the Coat-of-Arms which was published in the QUARTERLY in 1894. Considerable correspondence was at that time printed, and the design met with general favor. Briefly described, the new emblem consists of a seal with a blue back-ground, on which appears a white cross, the whole being surmounted by a crest in the form of an eagle's holding a golden key. The original plate is on steel, and has been copyrighted by Mr. R. B. Lockwood, college fraternity and class engraver, 203 Broadway, New York City. We present a fac simile of the design on the cover of this number, and trust that all members of the Fraternity will endeavor to see that this emblem is used in preference to other unofficial cuts which are being circulated by unofficial engravers. Mr. Lockwood is prepared to furnish stationery and inserts for college and chapter publications at a reasonable price, and will be glad to give estimates at any time.

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There are some interesting features connected with the statistics of the Twenty-third Grand Chapter when compared with those of previous

Conventions. While not as large in point of attendance as either the Indianapolis, World's Fair, or Cincinnati meetings, it was, however, more representative in character, in that there were fewer proxies; and moreover, when actual results were considered, it was undoubtedly the most important Convention held in many years. Forty-eight active and six alumni chapters were represented, and the total attendance during the week reached 107.

The following table shows the total attendance upon Grand Chapters since 1892, when the Sigma Chi register was used for the first time:

YEAR.	GRAND CHAPTER.	PLACE.	ATTENDANCE.
1892.....	19th.....	Indianapolis.....	116
1893.....	20th.....	New York (special).....	25
1893.....	21st.....	World's Fair ".....	109*
1895.....	22nd.....	Cincinnati.....	147
1897.....	23rd.....	Nashville.....	107

The following table gives the attendance of regularly accredited delegates from active and alumni chapters at conventions since 1888:

YEAR.	GRAND CHAPTER.	PLACE.	TOTAL CHAPTERS		
			REPRESENTED.	ACTIVE.	ALUMNI.
1888.....	17th.....	Chicago.....	22.....	21.....	1
1890.....	18th.....	Washington.....	25.....	24.....	1
1892.....	19th.....	Indianapolis.....	27.....	22.....	5
1893.....	20th.....	New York (special).....	34.....	32.....	2
1893.....	21st.....	World's Fair ".....	38.....	31.....	7
1895.....	22nd.....	Cincinnati.....	36.....	29.....	7
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The unusually large number of delegates present from active chapters at the Twenty-third Grand Chapter is accounted for by the fact that the Twenty-second Grand Chapter provided for a traveling expense fund, from which the transportation expenses of delegates should be paid. This year the fund amounted to more than enough to pay the railroad expenses of the active delegates, in accordance with the statute regulations.

### THE ENDOWMENT FUND.

The Fraternity has reached a point in its history where a permanent Endowment Fund seems a possibility, a fund which over six thousand alumni members can make a splendid success if they will heartily respond to a reasonable demand soon to be made upon them.

In July, 1896, at Put-in-Bay, Ohio, a special committee on the revision of the constitution of the Fraternity laid the necessary ground-

\*This number should be much larger, as it is known that there were many Chicago Sigma Chis who attended some of the meetings but failed to register.

work by providing for an Endowment Fund, to be used strictly as such, and by providing for the incorporation of the Fraternity, and thus protecting each member in his right to insist upon all enactments being properly carried out. Subsequent to this action and prior to the Nashville Grand Chapter, Grand Quaestor Nate sent out about fifty circular letters to prominent business men of the Fraternity, suggesting a plan of alumni contributions to the permanent Endowment Fund, and requesting opinions as to its merits. Answers were promptly received and many encouraging endorsements and suggestions resulted. In addition the personal support of the various writers was assured, conditioned only upon the necessary co-operative legislation of the Twenty-third Grand Chapter.

The Grand Chapter, in convention assembled, unanimously approved and adopted the constitutional enactments of the Put-in-Bay committee ; it also abolished the old Catalogue and Chapter House Funds, ordering the present balance of the same to be turned into the Endowment Fund. By further legislation the fees of initiates will hereafter accrue to the Endowment Fund, adding seven hundred dollars to the same annually. Documents showing in detail the situation and prospectus are to be placed before the general Fraternity shortly, although principal features of the plan are already before the members through the Grand Quaestor's report in the recent edition of the *Bulletin*.

The plan promises success, and it rests with the alumni of the Fraternity to decide the matter definitely. The committee on constitutional revision, the alumni whom it has been possible thus far to consult, the Grand Chapter, and the national officers of the Fraternity have all done much and stand ready to do more for the enterprise. With your active and general co-operation the proposition can be made an unqualified success.

#### THE SONG BOOK.

The Sigma Chi Song Book, the publication of which has been vigorously agitated by the last four administrations, seems now to be in a fair way to become a reality before the end of the present year.

After negotiating with several individuals, the matter was taken in hand early this year by the Grand Triumvirs, and before the end of last June the committee having the same in charge reported the book ready for publication. Owing to the difficulty of obtaining the necessary appropriation for the expense of publication, it was decided to postpone printing the book until the Grand Chapter could take action on the matter and provide the necessary funds in a regular manner. The commit-

tee spared no pains to properly advertise the new book among the delegates of the recent Convention, and among other things prepared an attractive prospectus containing ten songs. The Convention was thoroughly canvassed and orders for about 400 books were taken.

When the matter was up for discussion before the Grand Chapter there seemed to be a disposition on the part of the delegates to request the committee to procure more songs, and acting upon the resolution which was then passed, an effort has been made during the past two months to procure additional contributions. Songs have been written to about fifty tunes, and contributors are requested to send further material to Brother Herbert C. Arms, Chairman of the Song Book Committee, 5410 Washington Avenue, Chicago, before November 30. The book is promised for distribution at the opening of the new year, and it is hoped that all who are expecting to contribute will respond promptly.



## Letters from Active Chapters.

### FIRST PROVINCE.

#### EPSILON—COLUMBIAN UNIVERSITY.

The opening of the new college term promises more for Columbian than has any in her history. Every department of the University shows a registration of students larger than that of any previous year, while a greater interest in athletics, especially among the students of the law and medical departments, is helping to bind the University together and to foster true college spirit.

Our football team, on account of the lateness of our opening, has but just gotten on the field. A good schedule has been completed and we hope to have a very successful season.

The summer has brought forth many changes for us; the old academy, having outlived its usefulness, has been abolished, and a new hospital for the medical school has been substituted; the law course has been lengthened to three years, two new chairs have been established in the college, besides many changes have taken place in the faculty. One of these we all sincerely regret, since it takes from us our old friend, Dr. Montague, Dean of the College, who has accepted the Presidency of Furman University at Greenville, S. C. Everyone who has known Dr. Montague during any of the twenty-two years which he has been connected with Columbian will sympathize with us in our grief at losing such a true friend and eminent scholar.

Epsilon begins the year with the following men: Brothers Clarke, '98; Cutter, '99; Everett, '99; and Coburn, '00; not very large as far as numbers go, to be sure, but most enthusiastic, for that very reason perhaps, to work for the good of our chapter and the White Cross. We have not initiated anyone this term, but have several fine fellows pledged, whom we hope to lead through the realms of Hades in the near future. We shall introduce them in our next letter.

Three of our brothers of last year have matriculated at other colleges. Brother Biscoe is at Georgetown Medical School. Brother Lowry Farnham is at Gettysburg, and Brother Croissant is at Princeton.

We have just received a visit from Brothers Brydon, Mitchell and Booker, all of Tau Chapter. Brothers Brydon and Mitchell are at the Fairfax County Theological Seminary, Virginia, while Brother Booker was stopping with them on his way North. We spent a very pleasant evening together, and can heartily congratulate Tau on turning out such fine fellows and loyal "Sigs."

HARRY C. COBURN.

Washington, D. C., Oct. 15, 1897.

## THETA—PENNSYLVANIA COLLEGE.

Theta began the collegiate year with eight active members, the following having returned: Erdman, '98; Keith, '99; Lawyer and Dale, 1900; Rosensteel, Loudon, O'Neal, and Leisenring, 1901. We lost by graduation Brothers Bikle and F. S. Leisenring, who are reading law in Gettysburg and Chambersburg, respectively.

As yet we have no initiates to report, but our membership has been increased by the affiliation of Brother Farnham, of Epsilon, who has entered the class of 1900. We have three men pledged whom we soon expect to introduce to the Fraternity. We are sure all of them will make ideal "Sigs." On Friday evening, September 10, Theta Chapter entertained at the lodge their fair friends among the Gettysburg maidens. It was a gala affair throughout, and from the time the first cab rolled up to the door of the hall until the last rolled away, "all went merry as a marriage bell." Jolly tete-a-tetes, lovely music, the mazy waltz, and, to use a classical expression, good "*grub*" all conspired to make a perfect evening; and when at last, all too soon, came the time to separate, you might have heard the enthusiastic "*Who, who, who, am I? I'm a loyal Sigma Chi,*" echo from the heart of every lassie. From the way the "maid in the moon" smiled on us one would have thought that she, too, had a soft place in her heart for Sigma Chi. Yes, it was a grand success, and an occasion long to be remembered in the history of Theta.

It has become our duty to announce the defection of our esteemed brother, John B. McPherson, from the ranks of jolly bachelors. On September 8th, he abandoned his rights in the estate of single blessedness and was united in marriage to Miss Cornelia Wright, at Marblehead Neck, Mass. The bride is a daughter of Hon. Carroll D. Wright, United States Commissioner of Agriculture. It is a happy coincidence that in the September *Cosmopolitan* Brother McPherson appeared as a contributor. We are certain that every chapter will join with Theta in congratulating this loyal son of Sigma Chi, and in wishing his bride all happiness.

This chapter has been honored by the election of Dr. P. M. Bikle, one of its charter members, as an honorary member of Phi Beta Kappa.

Brother Damuth has relinquished his work in Topeka, Kas., and has gone to Philadelphia to become assistant rector of St. Mark's, one of the largest Episcopal churches in that city.

We report with much pleasure the visit of our noted brother, Robert Farnham, Epsilon, '64. His short stay was much enjoyed by all of the boys. Brother L. H. Clements, Theta, '76, of Salisbury, N. C., spent several weeks in Gettysburg during the summer.

Theta is represented on the football team by Brothers Dale, captain, and right half-back; Lawyer, quarter-back, and Loudon, end.

We acknowledge visits from the following: Brothers Rodgers, Kappa; Pellman, Kappa; Boak, Alpha Chi; Loudon, Theta, '96, now of Phi Phi; Heindel, ex-'96; Bixler, ex-'98; A. M. Bixler, ex-'99, and Leisenring, '97.

With greetings to all sister chapters.  
Gettysburg, Pa., October 14, '97.

WILL G. LEISENRING.

#### KAPPA—BUCKNELL UNIVERSITY.

Since our last letter we have initiated Simon P. Wolverton, Jr., of Sunburg, Pa. He is a son of Hon. Simon P. Wolverton, Sr., who is one of the trustees of this University. "Sim" is a good fellow and will prove a credit to the Fraternity as well as our chapter. We have also pledged three good men, and expect to have two more on our list soon. Those pledged are Samuel Clark, Glen Campbell, Pa.; Amos P. Reid, Clarion, Pa., and Frank Ward, Ridgway, Pa., who is a promising candidate for the 'varsity football team.

Our football team has been playing exceptionally good ball this season. In two games with the University of Pennsylvania we were defeated by the scores of 17-0 and 33-0. One game with the U. P. Reserves was a tie, 6-6. We defeated Williamsport High School, 49-0. On Saturday, 23d inst., we played the strong Leigh team at Williamsport, defeating them by a score of 28-20.

The date for the Pennsylvania State-Bucknell game has been fixed for the 13th of November at Williamsport.

We have had visits from Brothers Baily, McGaigee, Boyle, Wentz, and De Silvei, all of Phi Phi, also Brothers Ryan and Hyatt, ex-Kappa. Brother Guie, who graduated last year, and is now studying law at his home in Catawissa, Pa., was over to see us the beginning of the year. Brother Vorhees Anderson also visited among old friends a few days. "Andy" has many friends in Lewisburg, who always give him the "glad hand."

A glee club is being organized under the directorship of Dr. Aviraquet. This is the first attempt Bucknell has ever made in this direction.

We are sorry to report the death of Brother W. D. Himmelreich, of Lewisburg, one of our most enthusiastic alumni. He died very suddenly in New York City last Friday, while there on business. Brother Himmelreich was engaged in the lumbering business, in which he accumulated a large fortune. He has always been very generous, having

established a free library in this place, beside doing many other charitable deeds. Further notice will appear in the obituary department of the next number of the *QUARTERLY*.

After the University of Pennsylvania football game a reception and dance was given in the armory in their honor. All present expressed themselves as having a delightful time.

With best wishes to all Sigma Chis, I remain,

Lewisburg, Pa., October, 26, 1897.

BRUCE H. TRIMMER.

PHI PHI—THE UNIVERSITY OF PENNSYLVANIA.

Nothing of importance has transpired since our last letter, with the exception of at last having our house furnished.

We lost by graduation three brothers, namely, Shimer, who is at present resident physician at St. Luke's Hospital, Bethlehem, Pa.; Hughes, who holds the same position in the Mercy Hospital in Pittsburgh; and Mitchell, who is practicing medicine in Memphis, Tenn. Our chapter is enlarged by the affiliation of Brothers King, Alpha Epsilon; Geary, Omicron; and Nichols, Alpha Phi.

Although we have held only one initiation, we have several fine men pledged. We wish to introduce to Sigma Chi, Brother P. D. Overfield, '99 College, who refused bids from five fraternities in order to become a "Sig." He is the center rush on our football team, and is considered by experts as the finest center in the country.

Our football team has far exceeded expectations, and is considered one of the finest teams that Pennsylvania has ever turned out. Aside from Brother Overfield, Sigma Chi is also represented on the team by Brothers Boyle, left end, Dr. Silver, and your scribe substitutes for tackle and guard.

We gave a Fraternity smoker recently, and it was such a success that we have decided to make it a monthly affair.

Brother McAvoy reports a very enjoyable time at the Grand Chapter. At the next meeting we hope to be represented by the whole chapter. The Fraternity is certainly to be congratulated upon the selection of Brother Field, Omicron, '93, as Praetor of the First Province. A more enthusiastic "Sig." than Brother Field could not have been found.

Brother Boyle has for the third time being elected captain of the "Varsity" crew.

Gettysburg, Dartmouth, University of Virginia and Pennsylvania State College have played here this year, and we were very glad to see Sigma Chi well represented on each team.

"Sigs." will always find a welcome at our home, 3712 Walnut street, and we hope to see many in the future. We wish all sister chapters a prosperous year.

PERRY WENTZ.

Philadelphia, Pa., October 30, 1897.

## ALPHA RHO—LEHIGH UNIVERSITY.

Of the fourteen members representing Alpha Rho last year all are back except two, whom we lost by graduation. The rushing season is at its height, and we hope before long to place the White Cross upon several promising men.

The great interest which is taken in football at this season of the year is not lacking at Lehigh, and our team at present is playing a very fast, snappy game. Although lacking in weight, we expect to make a good showing against the other colleges. Brother Horner, who so ably represented us on the team last year, is not able to play on account of a broken ankle.

At a recent election Brother Reed was chosen Athletic Representative-at-Large for the University. Brother Reed was also center-fielder on the baseball team, and champion heavy-weight wrestler last year. As we had four men on the championship lacrosse team, it is evident that Alpha Rho stands in the front ranks in regard to athletics. But we stand high in other lines as well, having "Sigs" in important class offices, on the editorial board of one of the college papers, and on the college annual. The Banjo Club is already reorganized, and we hope, as in past years, that its good reputation will be sustained. Brother Edgar plays guitar in the club.

We have been very much pleased with visits from some of our alumni recently. Early in the fall, Brother Cooke, '96, spent a few days with us, and later Brothers Macalla and Miller, '96, and Brother Sykes, '94, favored us in like manner.

Alpha Rho sends best wishes to all the chapters for a prosperous year.

GEO. A. HORNE.

Bethlehem, Pa., October 17, 1897.

## ALPHA CHI—PENNSYLVANIA STATE COLLEGE.

Alpha Chi began the term with six active members, and has already added to its number the following brothers: Arthur L. Campbell, '01, Port Royal, Pa., brother of W. M. Campbell, Phi Phi, David L. Eynon, '01, Philadelphia, and John Hunsicker, Jr., '01, Lebanon, Pa. We feel elated over our success in securing these men from the hands of other "frats."

College interest is now centered on our football team, which has a very hard schedule, including Lafayette, Princeton, University of Pennsylvania, Cornell, and the Naval Academy of Annapolis, besides other smaller colleges. "Old State" players are acting as coaches. The team is heavy, but fast, and altogether the students are very sanguine

as to its prospects. Brother Diehl, at right end, is putting up his usual good game.

The track team is in training and we expect to hold an inter-class meet during the present month.

Dr. Lawrence M. Colfelt, Iota, '69, Preacher to the College, has accepted a call from Cambridge, Mass. Since he has been here he has won the hearts of the boys, and his place will be hard to fill. We can say the same of Brother H. A. Lardner, Alpha Lambda, '93, who fills a responsible position with White, Crosby & Co., electrical contractors at Buffalo. Brother R. W. Thompson, '97, is one of Professor Lardner's assistants.

Alumni members visiting us and aiding in our recent initiation were: Brothers Pond, Dunkle, F. Dale, Montgomery and Tetterolf. We have also been favored with visits from D. Dale and Loudon, Theta.

We send greetings to our sister chapters, and wish them all possible success for the new college year.

ROLAND DILLER.

State College, Pa., October 16, 1897.

## SECOND PROVINCE.

### ZETA—WASHINGTON AND LEE UNIVERSITY.

Washington and Lee began her session with a smaller number on her roll than usual, caused, in the most part, by the raising of the entrance requirements. It is hoped, however, that what now seems a blow may eventually result in good for the institution.

We returned five men, and have initiated three. Our initiates are as follows: John Kirkpatrick Graves, Lexington, Va., William D. Bonnie, Louisville, Ky., and John William Jones, Idaho.

On September 15th the inauguration of Hon. William L. Wilson as president of the institution took place. Among the speakers of the occasion were Dr. Cameron of Princeton, Chancellor Kirkland of Vanderbilt, President Gilman of Johns Hopkins, and ex-Secretary Herbert.

On Saturday, October 16th, we were entertained at the house of Brother C. A. Graves. The occasion was the birthday of his son, whom we have the honor of introducing in this letter. The house was prettily decorated in blue and gold. After an elegant supper the crowd went on a tally-ho ride. On leaving, our regret was that birthdays come too seldom.

We have had a very pleasant visit from Brother Arthur Wilson, Epsilon, '94, who has been visiting his father.

Our football team has made a very creditable showing. Thus far,

two games have been played with the following results: October 8th, Washington and Lee University vs. Columbia University, 12-2; October 16th, Washington Lee University vs. Alleghany Institute, 30-0. Brothers Snyder and Fitzhugh represent us on the gridiron. Brother Houston is editor of our weekly paper.

GORDON HOUSTON.

Lexington, Va., Oct. 17, 1897.

#### TAU—ROANOKE COLLEGE.

It is with the best wishes for a successful session during 1897-'98 that Tau greets her sister chapters. The opening of Roanoke this fall was far beyond expectations and it is with a feeling of pride that we can say as much of old Tau.

Thus far we have been making haste slowly, and cannot yet introduce to Sigma Chi any new brothers; but hope, in our next letter, to announce the initiation of several.

At the present writing our chapter consists of seven men. Last June we lost Brothers Owens and Mitchell by graduation. Brother Logan, '97, is taking a post-graduate course, and is therefore still with us. Brothers Owens and Mitchell are pursuing their studies at the Theological Seminary at Alexandria, Va. Brother Meredith, after a years absence from college, is again with us and will remain one year to complete his course.

It is with a feeling of regret that we announce the departure of Brother Boogher from among us. He will go to New York, and will there probably take up the study of law. Although we miss the genial presence and ardent support of our brother, we hope that wherever he is he may be as deservedly popular and beloved as at Roanoke.

Our football team has been considerably delayed this season on account of the lack of a coach. The team began practice this week, but we hope in a short time, with faithful training, to put up a good game on the gridiron. Sigma Chi is represented by Brother Eagle, and it is to be hoped that Brother Meredith can be induced to play. Our team last year was not as successful as we hoped it would be, because it was composed largely of new men, but from the present outlook, Roanoke's prospects on the football field look far brighter than ever before.

JOHN M. HAMILTON.

Salem, Va., Oct. 14, 1897.

#### PSI—THE UNIVERSITY OF VIRGINIA.

Another collegiate year has rolled around, and the old Arcades re-echo once more with the greetings of friends of former years. But the happiness is not unmixed with sorrow. The very presence of some

brings to mind the absence, so deeply felt, of others, who have gone elsewhere to win their laurels and take their place in the world of men, for which they have been so well prepared by old University of Virginia. It is ever thus by the inevitable law of nature. All things change—old ties are broken and new friendships formed. As our eye runs over the returning old men, Psi counts nine of last year's chapter, Brothers Morrison, Trinkle, Lyman, Sperow, Moore, Martin, Schoolfield, Silliman and Griffin. We regret the non-return of Brothers Watts, Holt, Penn, Porter and Royster. The chapter has, however, been strengthened by three transfers, Brothers Robertson and Sayer of Sigma Sigma, and Drewry of Gamma Gamma.

As a result of our labors so far, we have succeeded in taking from the ranks of the "barbarians" and from the solicitous care of other Greeks, three new men, whom we feel confident will wear with honor and true manhood the White Cross of Sigma Chi. It gives us great pleasure in presenting to the Fraternity, P. P. Steptoe, of Culpepper, Va., R. T. Anderson, of Greenville, Ohio, and G. W. Frazer, of Nashville, Tenn. They are all men of true worth, and are known for their gentlemanly bearing and courtesy. We were much pleased to have with us at the initiation Brother Stuart, of Sigma Sigma, and Brother King, of Alpha Phi. Brother King may decide to remain with us and take the medical course. The initiation and banquet afterwards was much enjoyed by all, and a night of "rollicking, rousing good cheer" was brought to an end in the early morning hours, with the yell re-echoing back from the surrounding mountains.

Psi is well represented in every department of college life and the wearers of the White Cross are prominent in literary, social, and athletic affairs. Brother Morrison is captain and full-back on the football team, in which Brother Martin also plays. Brothers Lyman and Griffin are substitutes in the team. Brothers Martin and Steptoe played on last year's baseball team, and Brother Trinkle is managing editor of *Topics*, a paper published mainly in the interest of athletics.

The University has recovered splendidly from the disastrous fire, and the new buildings and improvements are nearly completed. Additions have been made in every department, and the historic old University bids fair to continue in its glorious path for the furtherance of education and the enlightenment of mankind.

Our football team is doing splendid work. Franklin and Marshall was defeated by the score of 38-0, and St. Albans fell beneath our banner by a score of 14-0. The game with University of Pennsylvania resulted in defeat to the Orange and Blue. Games have been ar-



ranged with all the leading colleges in this vicinity, and Virginia will undoubtedly, at the end of the season, still retain her proud position as "Champion of the South." Psi sends warmest greetings to her sister chapters.

P. H. DREWRY.

Charlottesville, Va., Oct. 19, 1897.

#### GAMMA GAMMA—RANDOLPH-MACON COLLEGE.

Prospects for the chapter at Randolph-Macon were decidedly gloomy at the opening of the present session. Only one man, Southall, returned to fight it out with the other fraternities. The latter all returned large numbers, and started out with flying colors. Only Sigma Chi pluck, and the untarnished reputation of the Fraternity and the chapter brought victory out of defeat, and put the chapter on the most substantial footing it has enjoyed for two years. Thanks to the devotion of our Lynchburg alumni, and the good taste of the men themselves, two fellows from that town consented to join the ranks. With one man from the far West and still another from our own Virginia, the chapter stands five strong today. We leave it to the judgment of our other chapters if five from one isn't pretty much of a rise. We take great pleasure in introducing to the Fraternity Henry Lyman Johnson and James D. Adams of Lynchburg, Jesse N. McClees, of Wichita Kas., and Joseph Hugh Neville, of Portsmouth, Va. These, with Ashton Conway Southall, compose the chapter. Gamma Gamma celebrated her good fortune in her usual style on Saturday night, October 9th. There was an unusually large number of visitors, and the trembling candidates had a time which they will not soon forget. The chapter's suite of rooms were gaily decorated, and after the more serious exercises were concluded the visitors were entertained at a superb spread. After the discussion of a menu which was the epitome of good taste, a jolly good time was the order of the evening, and the festivities were not concluded until the sleeping "sisters" of the chapter had been rudely aroused from slumber by a most sonorous chapter yell, just to remind them of the white roses and the ribbons which they were to wear on the morrow. This latter is a pretty and time-honored custom of Gamma Gamma's, whose new men are always hailed by white blossoms and gay streamers.

Besides the candidates, there were present at the ceremony: Lee Trinkle, Henry Schoolfield, and P. H. Drewry, all of Psi Chapter, University of Virginia, William Scott Daune, Gamma Gamma, '95, W. Wallace Bennett, Gamma Gamma, '90, and A. H. Licklider, Gamma Gamma, '97.

The "rushing" season has been unusually exciting this year. Our own men were steadily rushed up to the very day of the initiation. Fraternity life promises to be very pleasant during the session. Several of the chapters are rather large, especially considering the very scant supply of real fraternity material which the freshman class of the session afforded. We frankly admit, and do not offer this as in any way an apology, that the chapter here is only small on account of its conservatism. Even other chapters here are willing to admit that this is true.

The active life of the College has already begun in earnest. The classes have started out with the usual vigor, and there are decided improvements in equipment everywhere. A very noticeable one is the complete renovation of the chapel, which, with its new and beautiful decorations, memorial windows and marbles, will be an artistic gem.

The football team for the year is rapidly getting into form. The Athletic Association organized at the outset of the session is actively at work. The eleven has been in steady training under Carr, of Richmond, and the outlook is good for a successful season on the grid-iron. The second eleven give the first excellent practice, and the two put up some really good games. With greetings to all chapters.

Ashland, Va., October 10, 1897.

A. H. LICKLIDER.

SIGMA SIGMA—HAMPDEN-SIDNEY COLLEGE.

Sigma Sigma began the Fall Term with four men. Since the opening of college we have added to our number John Wilson Somerville, of Rapidan, Va., whom we take pleasure in introducing to Sigma Chi. He is a fine fellow and was rushed by nearly all the other "frats."

We were very much disappointed in the poor fraternity material among the new students, and stuck fast to the motto, "Quality before Quantity," feeling that by so doing we would always retain the high standard of our chapter. Though our roll consists of only five names at present, the true fraternity spirit lies in our breasts and we intend to continue to hold our chapter up to its usual place among the best and foremost in college. We believe in being very careful in the selection of new men, and hence the small number of men in the chapter.

We enjoyed the visit of Brother Ferguson, formerly of this chapter, but now of Alpha Theta, very much, and wish we could have kept him during the whole session. Brother Bennett, Gamma Gamma, also paid us a flying visit recently. Our football team this fall is one of the best we have had in some years, and before Thanksgiving rolls around we hope to have a number of victories credited to our college. Sigma Chi's

only representative on the team is Stuart, at quarter, who is also captain.

We are sorry not to have Brother Southall and Mason with us this year. Their presence added much to our enjoyment last year, and their genial company will be missed very much, and especially at the Fraternity meetings. Sigma Sigma sends best wishes to the other chapters, wishing them a most successful and prosperous year.

Hampden-Sidney, Va., October 13, 1897.

D. T. STUART.

#### ALPHA TAU—THE UNIVERSITY OF NORTH CAROLINA.

The present session finds Alpha Tau with a force of nine men thus far, four new and five old. Brothers Kirby, '96; Edgerton, '97, and Hall, '98, failed to return, but while sorrowing that such should be our lot, we rejoice to introduce to the Fraternity Brothers Claude H. Weir, Medicine, John M. Hayes, Medicine, W. S. Vaught, 1900, and R. A. McEchearn, 1900.

The goat has not yet exhausted his pristine vigor, and so he may be heard from later. We have every prospect of a prosperous year ahead of us, although our ranks are necessarily thinned by the fraternity regulations which prevail here.

Two hundred and ten new students have registered to date. Two new departments, Pharmacy and Minerology, have also been added to the college courses.

Our doors were opened last year to women, but thus far only five have registered. Nominally only the post graduate courses are open to them, but our Southern hospitality interpreted the spirit rather than the letter of the law and they are free to enter nearly every department.

Hoping to hear from our sister chapters, one and all, we beg them to accept the best wishes of Alpha Tau.

CHARLES E. J. JONES.

Chapel Hill, N. C., October 4, 1897.

#### THIRD PROVINCE.

##### ALPHA—MIAMI UNIVERSITY.

With a new man at the pen we feel that we have a perfect right to expect the indulgence of the faithful editor and our sister chapters. The new year just opening before Alpha chapter at Old Miami, is but another gorgeous banner to be brilliantly tinged with signal successes in every department of her work, both in fraternity and college life.

At the very beginning of the season, which at our school is synonymous with the beginning of the biggest fight of the year, we had

eleven old men back, together with some of our alumni, every man hot on the track of the poor freshman who might bear the unmistakable sign of a true gentleman, and one worthy of the "sacred emblem"—and they were not upon the trail in vain. We succeeded in pledging just the men we wanted, and, at the same time, some of the best.

McClintock and Thackwell, 1900, Campbell, Lang, Hayner and Howard, 1901, are the trophies of our successful campaign. Of this number, Campbell and Thackwell have been initiated. We can well afford to be conservative.

In college politics and athletics the "Sigs" are very active. They are well represented on the college paper, in the local Oratorical Association, and in the literary societies. Brother Garrett, '97, is captain of the football team, and we have four other men on the team. We also have the baseball manager for next season. At the last convention of the Ohio State Oratorical Association, we captured the Presidency, and Brother Watt won the contest of the evening before.

The fact that "we lead, others follow," is peculiarly demonstrated, and forcibly impressed upon our mind, by seeing the 'varsity band coming down street headed by no one but "Sigs," and you will find them scattered along all the way back to the drums. We have rather more musical talent than any fraternity in college.

In social life the "Sig" seems to be very much alive to the situation, which in our school has been compared to a mule placed between two haystacks. We have a female college on either side of us, and were you to visit either these "fairly lands," and note the windows from which the old "Gold and Blue" so majestically floats and the "shirt waists" upon which the White Cross glitters, you could not but conclude that the "Sig" of Alpha was a man of great social distinction.

We hope our zeal will not be taken as a boast, for that would be a serious mistake, although we have an undisputable right to do so. We have attempted to faithfully and modestly portray the flourishing condition of our chapter. Alpha sends her best wishes to all her sister chapters.

G. W. SULLENBERGER.

Oxford, Ohio, Oct. 18, 1897.

#### GAMMA—THE OHIO WESLEYAN UNIVERSITY.

Greeting! Gamma salutes the galaxy of true brothers and tenders them a greeting. Our corkscrews of intellect are again pushing their way into the walls of erudition. We have just given a farewell look to the enchanting environs of a summer vacation. The summer girl, the times of romance, are left to the garden of enjoyment, and glimmer after

us only as a picture of memory. We are cheered and reanimated by the buoyancy and ardor of our expectations; our prospects this year are big with promise.

When we convened at the opening of school, we were gratified to see within our circle a goodly number of old members. We begin to struggle with the dark angel of futurity with a zeal that knows no surrender. We clasp the hand of Brother Linebaugh and bid him welcome. His presence fills us with inspiration, for he has done much in the past to make the White Cross illume with praise. Brother Frank Bennett, of Omega, and Brother Yost, of Mu Mu, have been ushered into our affiliation, and have found a home within our walls. We pour out our unmeasured thanks to our sister chapter for these brothers. They bespeak the characteristics of royal "Sigs," and we cannot speak too commendably of them. Brother Bennett carries with him a society air, and in the garden of the "fair" he demonstrates much aptitude in taking care of a plant. Brother Yost is coach of our 'varsity eleven. Along this line he has proven himself to be a football genius of large caliber and versatility. There seems to be a marked improvement among the team along the road to scientific football. Her progress is unmeasurable. Her showing against the University of Michigan not only demonstrates the effectiveness of well-trained men but the efficiency of a well-versed coach, and although the score was 0-0, yet it was a virtual triumph. Brother Yost must be recognized as the most efficient coach that has ever had our team under supervision. There are many conjectures as to what the season's outcome will be, but we are sure, that if it is commensurate to our coach's knowledge of the game, nothing but the most flattering results will attend them.

Ohio Wesleyan University finds her enrollment somewhat smaller than last year. The completion of her new library building is near at hand and it is a thing of beauty. The interior charms the beholder. The walls are frescoed in gold and azure, the balustrade of brass around the ellipse of the second floor glitters with an array of ornamentation, and the portraits of the celebrities in the sky-light are symbolical of the highest attainment. It certainly is an inviting edifice, where strangers in the path of knowledge may find a welcome.

The Gamma boys are holding their own in college politics. Brother Domigan is manager of the "eleven," and Brother Koepple stands behind the line ready to push the pigskin through.

We congratulate ourselves upon our new pledged men, Messrs. Manley and Hoffman. They have the true steel in them, and in the future we look to them to perpetuate the glory of the White Cross.

Brother Crawford and Brother Allen gave us a visit, and to say we were pleased to see them is not adulation. Brother Crawford often sees fit to come to our city, but when we consider the attraction, his intentions seem to be "fair." Brother Allen while with us gave us a fine speech, and the nucleus of his remarks was "that we must consider well the men we desire to become members, as our future success is dependent upon them."

Gamma did nobly last year, and although her success is outlined dimly for this year, yet the spirit of being the first predominates each member. If any wandering brother happens into our midst let him knock at our door and he will receive a hearty welcome. We send our best wishes to all, and unite in, "Long live Sigma Chi!"

Delaware, Ohio, Oct. 15, 1897.

D. H. LEVAS.

#### MU—DENISON UNIVERSITY.

Denison begins the school year under very favorable circumstances. There is a decided increase in attendance over last year, and several new departments have been added to the University.

The "Sigs" returned early and proceeded to get things in shape for a good year's work. Brother C. A. Wiltsee, '97, came back with the boys, and gave an enthusiastic account of the Convention, and the same was enjoyed greatly. Brother George Austine is the only member of last year's chapter not to return. He has entered the Cleveland Medical College for the coming year. His gentlemanly manners and true Sigma Chi spirit will be greatly missed in our circle, but the best wishes of Mu go with him in his new work.

Although the year is young, we have succeeded in obtaining a few honors. Seven of our number hold offices in the military company, ranking as high as Captain. Brother Massie is manager of the football team, and hopes to make a good showing on the gridiron this season. We have pledged Frank Lewis, of Toledo, Ohio, and have initiated John Harmon, of Warren, Ohio, and Percy L. Wiltsee, of Cincinnati. All are good men, with the true stuff, and we take great pleasure in introducing them to the Sigma Chi world. We now have twelve active members and the prospects for a good year are very promising.

Granville, Ohio, Oct. 16, 1897.

H. W. AMOS.

#### LAMBDA LAMBDA—KENTUCKY STATE COLLEGE.

Kentucky State College opened this year with a very encouraging outlook, and with a number of good men out of their element by being among the "barbs."

Thus far we have initiated only one man, and we take pleasure in introducing to the Fraternity Charles Blessing, 1900, of Carrollton, Ky. We have several other fine fellows pledged whom we hope to introduce later on. We lost a number of good men by graduation last spring, but we have an enthusiastic crowd left, and hope to do good work this year.

We were favored with a visit from Brothers Lyle, Lambda Lambda, '96, and Labouisse, of Alpha Omicron, at our last initiation, and are always glad to see any brother who may come to the "blue grass" country.

Our football team is very good this year, and is improving daily under Coach Eton of the University of Cincinnati. Lambda Lambda sends her greeting to all sister chapters, and wishes them a happy and successful year.

J. MADISON GRAVES.

Lexington, Ky., Oct. 14, 1897.

\*ZETA PSI—THE UNIVERSITY OF CINCINNATI.

CINCINNATI, O., Oct. 18, 1897.

*Newman Miller, Esq., The University of Chicago:*

MY DEAR BROTHER—Please excuse the delay of the report of the Associate Editor because the chapter has none at present. The letter mailed by you recently fell into the hands of the Philistines and was found only last Saturday, and then had been opened "by mistake" by others. The "dark waters dampened the feet of Zeta Psi" this fall, but the alumni brought forth the towel and she is now on a fair road to recovery.

The University opened the new year with not a Sigma Chi in the school. However, Brother F. Sanford Brown was equal to the emergency. He saw that our charter was in danger of becoming defunct, so he promptly registered for a post-graduate course. By the hardest kind of work Brother Brown, assisted by other alumni, pledged six men and initiated them in glorious style at the Bradford Shinkle Farm—a delightful place way back in the Kentucky highlands.

The new men are the best in the freshman class, and were rushed hard by other fraternities. They are, Otis M. Stock, of Linwood, Ohio, James L. Richardson, Glendale, Ohio, Louis B. Blakemore and Ernest Diehl, Avondale, Ohio, Charles Kinsey, Wyoming, Ohio, and Grear H. Baker of Cincinnati. They are all members of the freshman class, and

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\*N. B.—The following letter was not written by Brother Harper for publication, but we take the liberty of printing the same, in the hope that it will be an item of interest to many, and as an example of what a body of loyal alumni may do for the Fraternity in a time of emergency.—*Editor.*

as fine young brethren as ever graced the halls of Sigma Chi. Brother Stock has been elected President of the freshman class.

We have never had a harder fight on our hands in Cincinnati, and were never more victorious. It is hard for the General Fraternity to understand what we have done during the past month, and I know it will be a long time before Zeta Psi is in such a precarious condition again. The thanks are due to the Cincinnati alumni for their loyalty and energy for the Sigma Chi Fraternity this fall. The new chapter is bringing pressure to bear on three more desirable men, with excellent prospects for capturing them. Zeta Psi will be small this year, but the foundations are solid and the future very bright.

The Cincinnati Alumni Association moved into new rooms in the Pike Building last month and are at home to all Sigma Chis.

Faternally,

GEORGE D. HARPER.

#### MU MU—WEST VIRGINIA UNIVERSITY.

Another vacation is gone, and these autumn days again find us in our old places at college, tormenting the sad shades of long-departed worthies by unholy translations, and vexing dignified professors by presentations on abstruse subjects that would baffle the combined wisdom of the East.

Never in its history has the West Virginia University opened under more auspicious conditions, or with brighter prospects for the future. The enrollment has already reached 470, while circumstances indicate a certain 600 before the year is over.

The Board of Regents have given much zealous work to the institution this year, and with the co-operation of the faculty a great transformation has been wrought. Departments of Elocution, Art and Music have been added and competent instructors provided.

The University will be open throughout the year, only a week's vacation will be given between each of the four terms, which will consist of twelve weeks. The Faculty has been strengthened by nine competent men, and the number increased over last year by seven.

Jerome Hall Raymond, Ph. D., was chosen President in August and duly inaugurated October 13 and 14. A very elaborate program was rendered, and listened to by a large and appreciative audience. Among the prominent features were addresses by Presidents Harper and Andrews, of Chicago and Brown Universities, respectively.

Sigma Chi begins the year full of the old spirit and enthusiasm. We have fourteen active members, all good strong workers. In whatever sphere they may be found they are at the front. Brother A. P. Romine is



manager of the football team, while Brother Henry White is captain. In addition, the Fraternity is represented by Brothers Krebs and Yeager, who are among the best players who have ever attended the University.

Brothers Ice and Holden, who won the debate and oration in the inter-society contest last year, are both in school, hard at work, that the future may not find them without "lamps trimmed and burning."

All our graduates of last year are successfully at work except Brother Ice, who returned to his Alma Mater to study law.

Brother John G. Knutti has been elected a member of the faculty in the Fairmont State Normal, Fairmont, West Virginia.

Brother Yost is coaching, with marked success, the football team of the Ohio Wesleyan University.

Brother Swisher, the remaining member, has invoked the aid and blessings of old Father Herodotus, and is preparing a history of his native county, Hampshire.

Brother Cutright, class '95, is taking post-graduate work in economics at Columbia University, New York City.

Mu Mu has not taken in any new members as yet, but has an eye on some of the best men, and when she finds one worthy of her steel he will be honored with the Cross.

With best wishes to sister chapters for success and victory in all undertakings of the year.

A. LEE POST.

Morgantown, W. Va., Oct. 20, 1897.

#### ALPHA GAMMA—OHIO STATE UNIVERSITY.

The beginning of the collegiate year finds us with six of the old men and Brother Eddie Allen, Gamma, who is with us in the Law Department. Considering the number of men, we have been able to pledge five fellows, all of whom we will introduce in our next letter.

We have also moved from the old hall in the Hosler Block to the second floor of the Naughton Building, at 122½ South High street, where we will be glad to meet any and all "Sigs," especially on Saturday evenings.

There is an effort on foot to organize an Alumni Association here, and if we succeed this will be one of the strongest centres of Sigma Chi in Ohio.

Our football team this year is seriously handicapped on account of faculty regulations. Alpha Gamma will, however, be represented by two men, Brother Jones, in center and Benedict, who is a pledged man, will play right half.

We wish to extend greetings to our sister chapters, and should any Sigma Chi happen in Columbus we would feel very much disappointed if he does not make himself known.

WILL C. DAKIN.

Columbus, Ohio, Oct. 14, 1897.

## FOURTH PROVINCE.

## LAMBDA—INDIANA UNIVERSITY.

The University has opened with more students than ever before, and the outlook for a good year is very bright. The football team has done good work, having played three games, winning two and tying the third. Brother Cooper plays a good game at left half. The Glee and Mandolin Club has five "Sigs" in its personnel. Brother Mitchell being violin virtuoso. The club will tour through the northern part of the state during the holidays. The editors of the college papers and annual have been announced. Sigma Chi will be represented by Brothers Smith, Wiltson and Bradley on the *Student*, and by Brother Bordner on the *Arbutus*.

Although we lost ten brothers last spring by graduation, our roll now shows sixteen good fellows. Brothers Bordner, Moore, Kline, Smith and Nicholson have returned after being out some time. Brothers Smith and Nicholson have been at Harvard one and two years respectively. Brother Cooper, of Rho, has entered the University and is now "one of the boys."

We held an initiation October 2d, and as a result, two more loyal "Sigs" wear the White Cross. Let me introduce them—Brother Edwin C. Hill, of Aurora, Ind., and Brother Everard N. Wetzel, of Indianapolis.

We have enjoyed visits from several alumni, and will at all times welcome visiting brothers to our "mugs, pipes and songs."

With greetings to all sister chapters.

M. C. BRADLEY.

Bloomington, Ind., October 15, 1897.

## XI—DE PAUW UNIVERSITY.

De Pauw University opened September 22nd, with about the usual attendance, and the quality of the work exacted from the students will be of the same high standard as heretofore.

Xi Chapter entered the hard "spike" with eleven old men back. Of course our efforts were crowned with the utmost success, and five new men have been initiated as the result into the mysteries of Sigma Chi, namely, Paul McFadden, Bainbridge, Ind., Geo. F. Fisher, Anderson, Ind., Chas. Hamrick, Belville, Horace Hanna, Plainfield, Ind., and Harry Messer, Charleston, Ill.

These are all bright men and will undoubtedly bring additional honor to our Fraternity.

After a spirited but orderly struggle with the faculty, athletics in

general, and football in particular, were put upon a sure footing. De Pauw has a good team and will surely win new laurels this season.

Xi Chapter is well represented in this field, having five men upon the team, Brothers Williamson, Haines, Fisher, Thomas and Messer.

In the other departments of student enterprise she is also represented. The position of general news editor of the De Pauw *Palladium* (the college weekly) is held by Brother Beem, while Brother A. J. Hamrick is the publisher.

Brother Lane holds the position of literary editor of the *Mirage*, the annual published by the junior class.

The social season at De Pauw has hardly begun. The sororities have been giving bicycle parties, tally-ho rides, hay-rides, etc., during the course of the "spike." Xi chapter has given a number of "jimmies" or informal parties to the usual number of the fairer sex.

We regret very much that Brothers Cole, Studebaker, and the Castleman twins cannot be with us this winter, but hope to see them back next year.

Brother David Cole, formerly of Rho, is here in college, and of course, affiliates with us.

HENRY H. LANE.

Greencastle, Ind., October 15, 1897.

#### RHO—BUTLER UNIVERSITY.

This year has opened with brighter prospects for Rho than ever before. Although we lose Brothers Cooper and Cole, what has been our loss has been our sister chapter's gain. We start with four active members, and two "pledges" which is just double the number with which we commenced last season. The tide of prosperity has reached us, and everything indicates a successful year.

Our record of never having lost a "spike" is still unbroken, and the men we wanted are ours.

Erle Showers, of Indianapolis, special, Ovid Butler, '02, son of the President of the college, and Hunter Rickey, '03, son of one of Irvington's prominent citizens, are the new men we have deemed worthy to pledge. Brother Showers was initiated on the night of the 16th instant, a number of alumni from the city being present.

The men who returned are Brother Walton, ex-'98, Brother Towles, '99, Brother Dyson, special, and Brother Powell is expected to return later. Besides these, Walter Butler and Alvin Frazier are the two pledged men who are still with us. This makes a total of ten men who wear the Blue and Gold at Butler.

Some plans have been made in regard to the building of a lodge, but

as yet they have not matured, although over a thousand dollars has been raised for that purpose. We are greatly in debt to the alumni of Rho who are agitators in the matter.

Brother Towles, our delegate to the Grand Chapter, and myself join in extending congratulations to the Nashville Sigs, and especially the local chapter, for the excellent success they had in making every one have a royal good time.

Trusting all our sister chapters have had successful openings for the new year, I remain yours sincerely,  
 JOSEPH IRWIN SWEENEY.  
 Irvington, Ind., October 21, 1897.

§ CHI—HANOVER COLLEGE.

Chi wishes to state to her sisters that her letter did not appear in the last QUARTERLY, owing to a misunderstanding between two of the brothers.

Last commencement, Chi was unusually fortunate in carrying off honors, and we ended the year with the swellest banquet ever known in the history of the college, at which time we had with us many honored alumni "Sigs." We also wish to introduce to the Fraternity, Brothers Melville H. Keil, Lewis C. Needham, and John Borden.

We will not continue with what took place last year, but will gladly tell what has happened to Chi since College opened. There was an unusually large increase in the number of students this year, and after careful consideration Chi extended the invitation to seven of the new students to wear the Blue and Gold.

Our first initiate was Brother Frederick Crane Alling, the youngest brother of that famous family of "Sigs" of whom Chi is duly proud. We also take pleasure in introducing Brother Thomas B. MacGregor, son of Brother John MacGregor, Lambda, '75. We also have pledged Raymond Miller Keil, Hanover, Ind., John Holmes Graham, Madison, Ind., Spencer Norton, Bedford, Ind., George Clarence Hickman, Fort Wayne, Ind., James Markley Wright, N. Madison, Ind., and Chauncey Depew Lewis, Madison, Ind. We were watched with envious eyes as we plucked, one by one, these typical "Sigs," and pinned on their breast the Blue and Gold.

We are represented on the athletic field by Brothers Schley, Needham, and Borden. Chi has taken special pains in entertaining the new brothers, and is contemplating a banquet in their honor. We are making preparations for the Provincial Convention to be held here in the spring, and we promise a rousing good time to any and all who will accept our invitation to come.

We regret very much the non-appearance of Brother Applewhite, who did not enroll the first of the year, but he has promised to return later.

With our loyal sixteen, including pledged members, we are the happiest and most congenial crowd of fellows in southern Indiana, enjoying the benefits of our roomy and well-furnished chapter house.

Chi closes with love and best wishes for success to the Sigma Chi world.

JOHN BORDEN.

Hanover, Ind., October 15, 1897.

#### DELTA DELTA—PURDUE UNIVERSITY.

We opened the session this year with twelve of the most enthusiastic "Sigs" that ever wore the Blue and Gold, viz.: Bryan, Gilman, Fernald, Valentine, Earheart, Tozzer, McGaffy, Schliechur, Flynn, Bond, Rumley and Rickly.

Although the entering class is larger than usual this year there is a scarcity of material. We have, however, pledged the prize man of the class, William Atkins, '01, Indianapolis. As a matter of fact our prospects are very bright and we look forward to a year of prosperity. Our idea is to get good, substantial men, and in this way keep the chapter on a firm basis.

On the evening of October 9th we held a very pleasant smoker in our hall where cider and cigars were served, and stories told by both young and old Sigma Chis.

Purdue's football team this year is composed largely of new material, and the problem of its ultimate success is more largely a matter of speculation than has been the case for years. Brother Bond is showing up splendidly at left tackle and will probably hold the place for the season. The first game of the schedule was with the State Normal of Illinois, and resulted in a victory for us by a score of 28-0, while the second game furnished a complete surprise for us. Oberlin defeated us by a score of 22-6. Since then the team has been strengthened by the return of several old men, and we look forward to more success under the coaching of Church, Princeton's star tackle.

We were glad to have had a visit from Brother Guy Cramer, Delta Chi, who was on his way to join the Shore Acres company.

Delta Delta sends her warmest greetings, and best wishes to her sister chapters.

ROY C. RICKLY.

La Fayette, Ind., October 16, 1897.

#### FIFTH PROVINCE.

##### OMEGA—THE NORTHWESTERN UNIVERSITY.

The smoke of battle has lifted; the bleatings of "Sir William" have died away in the distance; the groans of the victims have ceased; in short, all is over, and we are now able to count up our captures. We

have "spiked" and initiated eight new men. Their names are as follows: Steven C. Rawlins, Wallace W. Cumnock, Floyd M. Condit, Albert W. Leonard, Clarence A. McCarthy, Wm. L. Eaton, Paul W. Cleveland, and Lucian E. Smith. Each one is a fine fellow and every inch a "Sig." By the initiation of these new men our active membership for this year is swelled to eighteen, so we are more than happy.

But we have still another thing over which to rejoice. Our chapter-house has been entirely renovated during the summer. Hardwood floors, the gift of Brother Butterfield, have been laid, the walls have been newly papered, and the ceiling beautifully frescoed. We expect to break in the new floors before long when we give our annual Hallowe'en party.

Omega is well represented in college affairs. Brother Sloan plays fullback upon the football team. Brother Van Doozer is coach. Brothers McGrew and Barnard are on the Banjo Club, and Brother Pickrell is Manager of the combined musical clubs.

Omega has made a good beginning this year, and in closing hopes that her sister chapters have done as well.

Evanston, Ill., Oct. 15, 1897.

CARLETON H. PENDLETON.

#### THETA THETA—THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN.

"We are back for work," was the answer given by our boys during the last week of September to every one who asked why they had returned so early. College opened on October first, but a week before our chapter had held its first meeting of two-thirds its active members present. Ten men, all anxious to "get at" the freshmen, answered to the roll-call. The fact that one '00 man and eight '01 men have been pledged shows that the boys worked hard. The amount of fraternity material was large this year, the names of at least thirty men having been suggested. Those who are pledged are all good men and have won many honors and friends in their respective high schools. In our next letter we hope to introduce them as full fledged "Sigs" and worthy wearers of the White Cross.

Fifteen of our last year's chapter are back and pleasantly located at 611 Church street, within a block of the campus. We have fourteen men in the house and still have room to spare for any stray "Sigs" who may chance to visit Ann Arbor.

Since college opened we have enjoyed visits from many loyal "Sigs." Brother Tallman of Alpha Lambda was with us for a few days. Louis Stoneman, Theta Theta, '94, and James H. Bartley, Alpha Pi, '92, also called to see us on their way through Ann Arbor. Brothers Sollars, Koepfel and Devoe were here with the Ohio Wesleyan football team,

which was managed by Brother Domigan and coached by Brother Yost. When Ohio State University met Michigan we had the pleasure of meeting Brother Jones and Mr. Benedict, a pledged man of Alpha Gamma. We were sorry they could not stay to the initiation which took place in the evening. We expect to meet many more "Sigs" after the games which are still to be played.

Athletics are hardly under way yet, but we expect to have a strong team, as several new men have entered. Brother Richardson is trying for end. On October 8th the annual football mass meeting was held. Speeches were made by some of the professors and men on the team. There was music by the University band—a new organization last year—and singing by the Glee Club. Then subscriptions were called for to pay the \$1,400 debt against the Athletic Association. It was an enthusiastic meeting, and the amount necessary was raised. The meeting adjourned and then followed the Sophomore-Freshman hat rush. As usual, the freshmen got the better of the sophomores.

We have men who are out to capture many of the honors of the coming year, but it is too early to say what success they will have. But what we can say is, that our boys are back for work. They are enthusiastic and ambitious. Our prospects are bright; every one is satisfied, and the determination pervades all to make the coming year a telling one for Sigma Chi in the University of Michigan.

Theta Theta heartily indorses the action of the Twenty-third Grand Chapter, and believes Sigma Chi should be complimented, and Alpha Psi extended a vote of thanks for the way in which the whole affair was managed. Especially does Theta Theta wish to thank the General Fraternity for the generous encouragement which has been promised us in the building of a chapter house. We have an association formed, with headquarters at Detroit, which, in connection with the active chapter, is corresponding with our alumni and hopes to have Theta Theta housed in a building of her own before long.

With a bright outlook before her, Theta Theta sends greeting to her sister chapters.

CHARLES F. DELBRIDGE, Tribune.

Ann Arbor, Mich., Oct. 15, 1897.

#### KAPPA KAPPA—THE UNIVERSITY OF ILLINOIS.

Kappa Kappa appeared on the campus early and as a result three good men have been arrayed before the ram, Edward C. VanDuzer, Rockford, Ill., Edward Buchanan, Paris, Ill., and Roy Davidson, Champaign, whom we present with pride. Brother Granger of Theta Theta, and Rundle of Chi, are with us this year. Brother Owens, also, has returned.

With these welcome additions we now number eighteen active mem, and will have several more when we write again. Of last year's chapter, Stone, Keene, St. John and Robinson failed to return and Nye, Beadle, Kiler and Porter were graduated. Brothers Porter and Beadle are not yet lost to us as they are now pursuing graduate work.

We listen with envy to Brothers Heath and Marshutz as they recite their tales about the Convention, and never intend to miss another.

In a few months we expect to be quartered in our new rooms, fitted especially for our purpose, in a new building shortly to be erected.

Brother Porter leads the Mandolin Club, and on the football team we are represented by Brother Beadles. Our prospects on the gridiron are bright, the heavy team of the College of Physicians and Surgeons having already been taken into camp, with Purdue, Chicago, and the Carlisle Indians still to meet.

The University is making rapid progress. Many additions have been made to the equipment, and two new buildings added, a mechanical and electrical laboratory, and a central power plant. The new law school has just opened with fifty students. A chapter of Phi Gamma Delta lately appeared in the University, starting with men who promise well.

Greetings, etc.

FRED. H. WILSON.

Champaign, Ill., Oct. 15, 1897.

#### OMICRON OMICRON—THE UNIVERSITY OF CHICAGO.

The school year has opened with fine prospects for Sigma Chi at the University of Chicago. Seven of our old men are back. One new man is pledged and six more are on our training table out of whom we purpose making six loyal "Sigs." What finer prospects could we have for a successful year?

We have given up our old house and will move into a larger one at 5716 Kimbark avenue, December 1st.

Since our last letter we have had the pleasure of making a worthy addition to our chapter. We initiated Brother S. H. Clark just before school closed last year. He is Professor of Elocution in the University, and is our Councilor on the faculty. We are pleased to introduce him to our brother "Sigs." We lost Brother Griffith by graduation in April, and Brother Steigmeyer got his diploma in July. Brother Griffith is Superintendent of Schools in Sabina, Ohio, and Brother Steigmeyer is acting as interpreter for the Jury Commissioners of Cook County, Ill. We are glad that "Steig." will be near us for he is a great aid to the chapter in rushing men.

Brother Sincere, '98, is studying law, and will not return this year.



Brother E. Dick Slaughter, Alpha Nu, '95, left for Texas in June. The temptations of the ranch were too strong for "E. Dick" to stay in Chicago. We should like to entertain Brother Slaughter the rest of his life if he has no objection.

Brothers Benson, Alpha Nu, '94, and Rindlaub, Lambda, '96, were with us during July and August doing graduate work.

Brother Roby is coaching the First Regiment football eleven. Brother Hinckley, Alpha Zeta, '97, and Brother Buell, Eta Eta, '98, are playing with the C. A. A. football eleven and call on us frequently. Our football team is playing in championship form, having defeated Lake Forest 71-0, and Beloit 39-6 and Northwestern 21-6. Brothers McCaw, Whitney and Riggs were with the Beloit boys. Brother Abernethy is a promising candidate for football honors, and Brother Coleman is President of the combined Glee and Mandolin Clubs. Our pledged man is also a member of the Glee Club.

Our visitors' register contains too many names to mention. We are always glad to have our brothers come our way. We will give them all a good time, and anything else they want.

Omicron Omicron is going to do everything possible to put Sigma Chi on top in the University of Chicago and in our next letter you may expect to find many new names of initiates.

Greetings and best wishes to every "Sig" in the land.

Chicago, October 25, 1897.

WILLIAM F. MACDONALD.

#### ALPHA ZETA—BELOIT COLLEGE.

Alpha Zeta starts out with a larger membership than she has ever known before, and with every prospect of a successful and enjoyable year. Our chapter lost only one man last year, H. P. Hinckley, of Chicago, while our goat has already enjoyed himself upon the persons of two new men, Charles Ernest Reed, of Jacksonville, Ill., and James Lyman Whitney, of Beloit, whom we are glad to introduce to the chapters everywhere.

Many good men have entered Beloit with the class of 1901, and of these Alpha Zeta has so far chosen four—fine fellows, every one, who will make a dainty dish to set before the goat as soon as the time comes for them to meet his tender mercies. College regulations, however, make it necessary for us to wait until Christmas to initiate our freshmen.

On the gridiron Brothers Riggs and J. D. Whitney have carried the pigskin over the goal line for Beloit this fall, while Brother McCaw at center has proved a stumbling block to many ambitious line buckers.

The *Round Table*, our college paper, has this year become a weekly

instead of a semi-monthly, as heretofore, and with Brother Moore as Editor-in-Chief, is going forward briskly. Brothers Warner and Enright are also writing for the *Round Table* in the capacity of alumni and local editors, respectively. Brother Warner is president of the Cliosophic Literary Society, the principal debating society and one of the leading organizations of the College.

Brother Fenton and Riggs are in the Glee and Mandolin Club, while Brother McCuskey as manager expects to mix in the fun also.

The *Codex*, the College annual published by the junior class, is to be out in November. It will be an elaborate and well-prepared volume, and promises to be one of the best things of its kind ever issued at Beloit. Brothers Fenton and Lyman are respectively the subscription and engraving managers of the *Codex*.

Our chapter enjoyed a pleasant visit from Brothers Barnard, Cumnock and Cleveland of Omega at the time of the Northwestern-Beloit game here a couple of weeks ago. Brother St. John, of Rockford, was also up at the same time, and spent Saturday night and Sunday with us, helping in our initiation. Come again boys.

The prospects of the college and of our chapter were never brighter than this fall, and the coming year ought to mean much for Beloit. There is always a seat near the fire place for any of our fellow brothers in Sigma Chi, and we will always be ready to welcome them when they are able to stop off at Beloit. We will show them a little college which is as proud of her children as they are of her, and a chapter, which if not as large or as well endowed with worldly goods as some of her sisters, is outdone by none of them in loyalty to old Sigma Chi.

We send best wishes to all the chapters.

Beloit, Wis., October 21, 1897.

ROLLO LU V. LYMAN.

#### ALPHA IOTA—THE ILLINOIS WESLEYAN UNIVERSITY.

Alpha Iota enters upon a new school year with her usual vim, and the determination to make it a season of profit and enjoyment. We are feeling the loss of six men from last year's chapter roll, which reduces our number to seven active members. However, we have used our time to good advantage, and have a number of good men whom we hope to make Sigma Chis. We opened the season of "rushing" with a grand "stag" smoker, at our rooms, and it was pronounced a success by every one present. In University doings, the "Sigs" are conspicuous and prominent. Brothers Williams and Colwell are on the staff of the college paper. Colwell having refused the position of editor-in-chief on account of lack of time, but retaining his place as local editor. Brother

Bundy is president of the Reading Room Association. Brother Dyas is manager of the football team, while Brother Heafer is one of the star men on the team.

The outlook for football is bright. Our team has not yet had a game as it was late before the organization was perfected, but some are scheduled for the near future, and the boys are hard at work.

We were cheered by the appearance of our Grand Quaestor at our rooms for a short while, early in the term. Brother Nate is one of Alpha Iota's household gods.

Hoping to report a number of new "Sigs" in the near future, etc.

J. B. COLWELL, Tribune.

Bloomington, Ill., October 14, 1897.

#### ALPHA LAMBDA—THE UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN.

The college year started out the 1st of October with an unusually large number of students, the total enrollment being about 1800.

<sup>1</sup> Out of twenty men of last year's chapter we have only ten back with which to start, but so far we have done very well having three fine men pledged and more coming. The "rushing" among the different fraternities has been very vigorous this fall, and Alpha Lambda has held her own admirably. Brother Louis Myers, law '94, of Chicago, and Brother Harry Hayes, '96, of Milwaukee, have been with us and have rendered much assistance.

For four days commencing October 6th, the Kappa Alpha Thetas held their convention here, and had a goodly number of delegates. Pi Beta Phi held her convention here during the summer, and the different fraternities opened their houses for their use during their stay.

The Chapter is comfortably situated in a house, and we find that eating at home is a fine thing both for "rushing" and for bringing the boys together more. Brother Arthur Babbitt, an old Alpha Zeta man, is with us this year, but he is not in the University.

The University has had several additions made to her Faculty, Professor O'Shea, of Cornell, as Professor of Pedagogy, being one.

Wisconsin hopes to give a good account of herself this fall by means of her football team. We have played three minor games so far and the team gives great promise of success. We are all waiting for the big Minnesota-Wisconsin game which comes off the 30th of October, in which we hope to be the winners. We received a short visit the other day from Brother Finleson, of Minnesota, and right tackle on her team.

Alpha Lambda will be more than glad to see any wandering "Sig" who happens her way, and closes with the best wishes of success to all her sister chapters.

STUART H. SHELDON.

Madison, Wis., October 14, 1897.

## ALPHA PI—ALBION COLLEGE.

At the beginning of another college year, Alpha Pi sends greetings to all her sister chapters in our great Fraternity. We started out with ten active members, viz., Roudenbush, Niles, Shipp, Perine, Hamblen, Beazan, Bready, Nufer, Miner and Parker, of whom four will graduate this year. Our resident alumni are taking an active interest in the welfare of the chapter, and are frequently present at our meetings.

There is a slight increase in the attendance of the College over last year, and the prospects for the institution are somewhat brighter. Owing to the failure of the trustees to select a successor to President Lewis R. Fiske, D.D., LL.D., he has been persuaded to continue to fill the position until his successor can be chosen, which will probably not occur until the next meeting of the board of trustees, in December. Brother Smith Bnrnham, '92, formerly Instructor in History becomes this year Professor of History, while Brother Dwight B. Waldo, '87, fills the new chair of Politics and Economics.

Thus far we have taken pleasure in two initiations, the first on the night of October 2d, when Harry C. Bortles, '01, of Albion, was helped into our order, and the other, on October 14th, Fred R. Dart, '01, of Mason, being the victim.

This fall, Brother Neal Hamblen, '00, is quarterback and captain of the football team, and Brother Will A. Niles, '98, is manager. Brothers Shipp, '01, Nufer, '00, and Niles, '98, are also playing back of the line. Good football material appears to be very scarce this year, and, since it has been decided not to engage a coach from outside, the eleven is not all that might be desired.

Our weekly, the Albion College *Pleiad*, has started out with favorable prospects, with Brother Frank Roudenbush, '98, as editor-in-chief. Brother D. B. Waldo is alumni editor, and Brother Fred Perine, '98, is athletic editor.

The campus is now adorned with three neat fraternity lodges, belonging to Delta Gamma, Alpha Chi Omega and Sigma Chi, and now we are pleased to see that a fourth one is soon to be completed and dedicated by the local chapter of Kappa Alpha Theta.

Our alumni are placing a new furnace in the lodge, a much needed addition to the building, and which will be greatly appreciated.

Albion, Mich., October 20, 1897.

FRED A. PERINE.

## ALPHA SIGMA—THE UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA.

We started this college year with few members, our active men numbering five. This deficiency however, was amply counterbalanced by

our enthusiasm and thorough cooperation, and as a result we now introduce to the Fraternity three brothers whom we have deemed worthy of the honors of Sigma Chi. Their names are Warren Knowlton, '01, Minneapolis, Fred Poehler, '01, Henderson, Minn., and Leo Chilton, '01, Howard Lake, Minn. They are all fine fellows, and may they always prove worthy "Sigs."

This year our University has started out on what promises to be the most successful year of its existence, having an enrollment of about 3,000 students.

Our football team is a veritable whirlwind, and we expect one of the greatest games ever seen in Minneapolis on October 30th, when we meet the University of Wisconsin. Brother Finlayson is now playing right tackle in his customary excellent way and is also business manager of the team, being its first player who has acted also as manager.

Brother Benedict is business manager of the '99 *Gopher* board.

Brother J. D. Bowersock, Alpha Xi, '91, has taken up his residence in this city, and in his loyal "Sig" way has aided us very materially by his advice.

We were very much delighted to have received a visit, although short, from Brother F. S. Bachelder, Theta Theta, '00, at the beginning of this year.

At our initiation we were very glad to have with us Brother Chas. Dennison, Alpha Sigma, who is here on a visit from Montana, where he is now in business.

The out-of-town "Sigs" are now rooming together at 510 Fifteenth avenue S. E., Minneapolis, where all wandering brothers will receive a hearty welcome.

The sky is now brightening for Alpha Sigma and we look forward to a prosperous year. With a wish for prosperity and advancement to our sister chapters, and a hearty greeting to all, I am yours fraternally,

Minneapolis, Minn., October 22, 1897.

GEO. F. BROOKS.

## SIXTH PROVINCE.

### ALPHA EPSILON—THE UNIVERSITY OF NEBRASKA.

Nebraska is experiencing the most pleasant fall weather. In this educational center everything has opened up with a boom, and of course the "Sigs" are about three letters of the boom. We are strongly represented in the faculty, football team, and college yell.

We are not taking in many new members as fraternity material is rather scarce. Our University has swelled its enrollment to two thou-

sand. A strong football team has been organized, and has thus far defeated all comers. Brother Montgomery is doing great work as half-back.

Our members are classified as follows: Seniors, 6; Juniors, 4; Sophomores, 3; Graduate, 1.

With best wishes, I am,

L. R. EWART.

Lincoln, Neb., October 16, 1897.

#### ALPHA XI—THE UNIVERSITY OF KANSAS.

Once again we hail with pleasure our reassembled brothers and extend to them that fraternal greeting which serves not only to bring us into closer fellowship, but acts as an incentive to him who has just taken upon himself the fraternal vow.

When college opened, the 7th of September, it found eight loyal, hard-working "Sigs," who were ready for the contest which was to come. Were we in it? Listen! The first victim that fell to our lot was Wm. H. Stanley, '99, of Lawrence, Kas. Others have been initiated as follows: Dana McVicar, '98, of Topeka, Kas., who was brought here by Brother Lyon; Elwood Kennedy, '01, and Roy Henley, '01, of Lawrence; and Arthur A. Green, '98, of Lecompton, Kas.

For many years Alpha Xi has fought the up-hill fight, being the youngest chapter in the 'Varsity, but fortune has at last smiled upon her. We have the five "catches" of the year. We will virtually run the *Kansas Lawyer* (the law school paper) this year. Brother Stanley was captain of last season's baseball team, and will probably receive the same honor next spring. Brother Speak is winning a name and fame for himself and the 'Varsity as full back of the team. Brother W. R. Williams holds a place on the athletic board.

Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Bowersock, gave us a very pretty pavilion party at their beautiful home, on September 25th, which was a decided success, and one which Alpha Xi appreciated very much.

As to our departed brothers, Brother Wagstaff is in the New York Law School; Brothers Osborne and Sampson are doing newspaper work in Salina, Kas.; Brother Nelson is in the Iola, Kas., schools.

Alpha Xi is in the best of spirits, and present indications point to a healthful future.

Alpha Xi extends to all chapters and "Sigs" the hand of fellowship, and wishes well for their future.

ARTHUR R. WILLIAMS.

Lawrence, Kas., October 21, 1897.

The following is taken from the society news of one of the leading

dailies of Lawrence, Kansas, and was written in connection with the recent Kansas-Missouri football game:

Society was out "en masse" at the game this afternoon. Fraternities in their large conveyances, private carriages, and traps filled the grounds. Never has so much enthusiasm been displayed in any of the big annual games at Lawrence.

The most attractive, and without dispute the "swellest turnout" on the grounds was that of the young gentlemen of the Sigma Chi Fraternity. These young gentlemen had the pleasure of introducing Mr. Donnelly's elegant new tally-ho. The tally-ho itself is one of the finest conveyances ever brought to Lawrence, and the Sigma Chis added decorations until the general effect was most pleasing. The Fraternity colors, pale blue and old gold, and Kansas University colors were in predominance, while a large Sigma Chi pin added to the symbolic significance. The young men each wore the Fraternity flower, a white rose.

After the game, this evening, the Sigma Chis will hold an initiation in the Opera House. Through the kindness of Mr. J. D. Bowersock, the young men were fortunate enough to procure this place for an initiation. The stage will be decorated with the fraternity insignia, and a most imposing ceremony will be held. After the initiation, a banquet will be given at Weidemann's. The new men to be initiated are Dana McVicar, of Topeka; Arthur Green, of Leocompton; Roy Henley, Elwood Kennedy, and Will Stanley, of Lawrence. The out-of-town boys to be present at the initiation are Jus Bowersock, of Kansas City, Clay Lyon, of Topeka, Major Shockley, of Leavenworth, Loring Prince and George Haller.

#### XI XI—THE UNIVERSITY OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI.

The opening of the University of Missouri, on the 14th of September, marked the beginning of the fifty-seventh anniversary. The prospects for the present scholastic year are very flattering, the University opening with a larger enrollment than ever before.

Drs. Burnham and Hicks have just returned from a year's work in Europe, and will take charge of their respective departments, Latin and Political Science.

Last year the General Assembly appropriated a handsome sum for the erection of a dormitory, now in course of construction.

Last commencement Xi Xi lost five of her most active and enthusiastic members. Brother Kimmel is practicing law in St. Louis; Lotter has a position as civil engineer in Buffalo, N. Y.; Brother G. W. Crowley is practicing law in Richmond, Mo.; Brother C. C. Crowley will complete his course in the Louisville Medical College this year; and Brother Hatton is President of Grand River College. In spite of this loss we opened strong, and when our chapter roll was called, eleven loyal "Sigs" responded, viz.: Brothers Rippey, Adams, Phillips, Halstead, Wilcoxon, Scudder, Bass, Stewart, Shultz, Hansen and Halliburton.

Having moved into our new quarters we are now in an ideal

situation for "rushing" new men, which was clearly demonstrated in the case of our latest initiate, Brother Kleinschmidt, who was "rushed" by two of the oldest fraternities here. In this case we were no respecters of age, and once again the White Cross of Sigma Chi was borne in triumph through the ranks of our rivals. Up to date, we have swung three men. It is with pleasure that we introduce to our sister chapters, Brother Arnold, of Joplin, Mo., and Brothers Steinkamp and Kleinschmidt, of St. Louis, Mo. Arnold is local editor on the staff of the *Independent*. Steinkamp is a talented musician. Kleinschmidt will represent his society in the local oratorical contest. Zeta Phi chapter of Beta Theta Pi is now occupying the quarters recently vacated by us.

On the evening of October 4th we entertained our friends. Dancing being the program. The chapter house idea seems to be growing here, Sigma Alpha Epsilon being the latest to enter a house. Our chapter has been considering the question of doing the same this year but has decided adversely for the present.

In point of athletics there seems to be more enthusiasm than anything else. It was thought that we had secured Wharton, of Pennsylvania, to coach the "Tigers," but it was learned at the last moment that he could not accept. We have a splendid coach, however, in Young, captain of the team in 1895. While our prospects were not the most favorable at the opening of school, Coach Young has shown his ability by the great improvement which has been made in a very short time. Just now our prospects are rather uncertain.

Being installed rather late, we were somewhat handicapped in last year's rushing season. This year we have made an excellent start and our prospects could not be brighter. Wishing the outlook to be equally favorable for all our sister chapters, Xi Xi bids adieu.

Columbia, Mo., Oct. 18, 1897.

SAM R. HALSTEAD.

## SEVENTH PROVINCE.

### ETA—THE UNIVERSITY OF MISSISSIPPI.

*Mr. Newman Miller, Chicago.*

Dear Sir and Brother:—Your letter to the Tribune of Eta chapter, received to-day. In reply I will say that the University of Mississippi has not yet opened on account of yellow fever and quarantines, and it is not known just when the session will open. We cannot, under the circumstances, send our usual chapter letter. When the session opens I will send you names of chapter officers, and we hope to be represented as usual in the next number of the QUARTERLY.

Yours sincerely in Sigma Chi,  
Oxford, Miss., October 10, 1897.

L. P. LEAVELL.



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## ALPHA OMRICRON—TULANE UNIVERSITY.

Yellow fever has made its appearance in New Orleans. Quarantine and chaos reign supreme. It is generally conceded that Tulane cannot open before November 15th. Nearly all the boys are away, and all are uncertain of their future movements. Alpha Omicron will begin the year with eleven men. She sends greetings and good will to all the chapters, and compliments Sigma Chi on the success of the Convention.

Here's to old Sigma Chi and the incoming officers.

New Orleans, October 7, 1897.

J. B. MONROE.

## ALPHA PSI—VANDERBILT UNIVERSITY.

The autumn began brightly for Alpha Psi; the pleasant memories of the happy days of the Convention have lingered with us and given us new and encouraging ideas of Sigma Chi. Not only do the "Sigs" remember the visit of the boys, but everybody was impressed with the fact that we were here, and they have not forgotten it.

Several other fraternities have held conventions here since the Sigma Chi Grand Chapter, and some of them had headquarters at the Maxwell House. During the stay of one party at this hotel, they were given a tally-ho ride by their local men. As they were climbing into the vehicles secured for the outing, one of our boys was standing on the sidewalk talking with one of the visitors who was a friend of his. Two newsboys of the noisy type happened along at this juncture. "Say, who's dem?" queried the first, pointing to the fraternity men in the tally-hos. "O, dem? them's —s." "Dey is, huh? Well, dey can't touch dem Sigma Chis."

Alpha Psi has been very fortunate in securing two worthy freshmen as wearers of the White Cross. We introduce to you and commend to your good fellowship Brother William Foote, of Louisville, Ky., and Brother Marvin McIntyre, of Shelbyville, Ky.

Nashville, Tenn., Nov. 3, 1897.

GRIFFIN M. LOVELACE.

## EIGHTH PROVINCE.

## ALPHA BETA—THE UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA.

Fraternity matters at California are much the same as at the writing of the last letter. Of the nine members of Alpha Beta who were in college last year, six have returned, Brothers Roeding and Hamilton having graduated, and Brother Grimwood being out on leave of absence.

Good fraternity material is very scarce in the class of 1901, only

about twenty men having been initiated by the twelve fraternities represented here.

Alpha Beta takes pleasure in introducing to the Fraternity, Brother John Francis Dean, '01, a man worthy in every way to wear the White Cross. This brings our present membership up to seven, a number a little smaller than Alpha Beta usually has, but we have in view several very promising men who are to enter after the holidays.

We are installed in the same chapter house which we occupied last year. It has been refitted and refurnished, and made more comfortable in every way.

Alpha Beta is very sorry that she had no representative at the Nashville Convention, but it was impossible for her to send a delegate after college had closed. We were very happy to hear an account of the proceedings from Brother Garrett, of Alpha Upsilon, who spent a few days with us recently.

College affairs in California are in a highly prosperous condition. The additional income granted by the Legislature has allowed a needed extension in many directions. Four new buildings have been erected on the campus, and the corps of instructors has been largely augmented.

Football is at present occupying the entire attention of the student body. Our team is rapidly getting into form for the Thanksgiving game with Stanford, when we hope to retrieve our ignominious defeat of last year.

Alpha Beta sends best wishes for success to her sister chapters.

Berkeley, Cal., Oct. 20, 1897.

HUDSON SMYTHE.

#### ALPHA UPSILON—THE UNIVERSITY OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA.

Another college year has opened, and Alpha Upsilon as usual, is strongly in evidence in the University, though our numbers are somewhat depleted. We opened with six men as against ten at the close of last year. The fraternity material in the University is more abundant than for years previous, and so we hope to present as strong a front as is our wont, in a short time. Although we are taking our time in "spiking," we, however, have two men pledged who will be introduced to "billy" in the course of a few days, and a number of other men will receive attention later.

The prospects at the opening of the college year are unusually brilliant. The football squad is the largest in the memory of the writer, and is of experienced material. The man who last season was acknowledged to be the best halfback in Southern California is with us, and as coach, the services of Mr. Lewis Freeman, of Leland Stanford,

Jr. University, have been secured. But one game has as yet been played, that being with St. Vincent College, on last Saturday, resulting in a victory for the University of Southern California, 36-0. Brother Martin, who was the unanimous choice for captain of the team, is playing right end, while Brother Christy is stationed in the position of one of the tackles. Brothers Lloyd and Jones are also numbered among the devotees of the gridiron, the latter playing left end in the St. Vincent game. Brother Wright, the manager of last year and quarter, will probably return to college next week. He will be a strong candidate for his old position. An Arizona trip is among the possibilities of the coming Christmas holidays. If any wandering "Sigs" happen about Phoenix at that time, and our team shows up in that section of country, he can rest assured of finding a "Sig" or two in the party.

In other lines of college activity, Sigma Chi is prominent, Brother Martin being also President of the sophomore class, Brother Lloyd secretary of the Athletic Association and illustrator of the Junior Annual. Brother Myers ability in the Medical College has been recognized by a position as Laboratory Assistant. Brother Philo Jones, in addition to the editorship of the *Courier*, has been elected business manager of the Junior Annual.

The reputation of the University is continually increasing, and especially in the scientific and pedagogical departments. A prominent educator from another university, has recently said that the University of Southern California is making more rapid advancement in these lines than any other of the smaller universities or colleges of the West.

Alpha Upsilon men have first listened with unabated interest to all our Brother Garrett has had to say of the Grand Chapter, and now we are reading it all over again in the *Bulletin*, copies of which have just arrived.

We feel gratified that the sterling worth of Brother Sinsabaugh, Alpha Upsilon, '85, has been recognized in his election as Praetor of the Eighth Province. Brother Sinsabaugh is a member of the Board of Directors of the University, and is prominent in business and social circles in Los Angeles.

In the words of Brother Wright, our correspondent of last year, we are again glad to learn of the final definite action relative to the Song Book. While Alpha Upsilon delights in the songs in the book published by our chapter last year, we will enjoy trying more of the productions of our brothers in the East.

Alpha Upsilon has been fired with even more zeal, if that be possible, for the advancement of Sigma Chi through the reports of our convention delegate, and we can assure the readers of the QUARTERLY that our fellows will always be found ready to advance, to the utmost of our ability, the interests of the Fraternity we all love.

Los Angeles, Cal., Oct. 23, 1897.

PHILO JONES.

## ALPHA OMEGA—LELAND STANFORD, JR., UNIVERSITY.

Alpha Omega chapter is pleased to acquaint the Fraternity with the news of the signal success which has thus far rewarded its efforts. After many months of patient waiting it has now secured a permanent home. The house is centrally located in the college town of Palo Alto, and is excellently adapted to our purpose. The situation at Stanford is such that a chapter house is necessary for successful fraternity existence, but good houses are scarce, and it was only by quick action on our part that the present very suitable quarters were obtained. Delta Tau Delta and Beta Theta Pi erected houses during the past summer, and we may, with all assurance, look forward to doing the same in the course of a few years.

The class of '01 proved to be a large class with plenty of good material. This is fortunate, as with the class of '98 will graduate a large percentage of the strong men in the University.

With a few exceptions all the fraternities have drawn heavily from the new students. The rivalry has been very keen. The following are wearing Sigma Chi pins: Penhallow, '01, Givens, '01, Partridge, '01, Cuzner, '01, Pitman, '01.

We were pleased to welcome Brother Fleming, of Alpha Iota, at the first of the year. He will complete his college course at Stanford.

Brother Garrett visited us on his way home from Nashville, and gave us an account of the Convention.

In conclusion, we send kindest regards to our brothers in the East, who will always receive a hearty welcome when they come to Palo Alto.

Palo Alto, Cal., Oct. 15, 1897.

ERNEST S. WILLIAMS.

## NINTH PROVINCE.

## ALPHA ALPHA—HOBART COLLEGE.

The outlook for Alpha Alpha at the opening of the year was far from being bright with but four men returning to the chapter. But by their untiring efforts, helped and supported by several of the alumni, she is now in a most flourishing condition.

The first week saw the initiation of three strong men, Brothers Charles B. Ackley, '99, Francis H. Beard, '01, and H. Stanley Falkner, '01. A week later and we counted George R. Walker, '01, and Wm. A. Breathwait, '01 among our members.

With these and two more splendid men pledged we again take our place in college.

We are represented on the college paper by Brother Hannahs, while Brothers Jagar and White are members of the board of editors on the *Echo*, our college annual.

Several of our men will be candidates for the baseball team, and Brothers Humphrey and Beard give promise of winning laurels not only at home but at the intercollegiate track meets.

At the meeting of the New York Intercollegiate Association, held in Utica this fall, Brother Jagar was elected Secretary.

With the inauguration of President Jones, our new college President, there seems to be a revival in the spirit and interest in Hobart.

The college opened with a larger freshman class than ever before and the prospects for next year point toward a still larger class. We have representatives from all over the United States, including Nebraska, New Mexico, South Carolina, Michigan and Wisconsin. The last three states being represented in our own chapter.

Our football team, of which Brother Hannahs is assistant manager, is under the coaching of Atkinson, of Wisconsin, and is doing splendid work. This spring we hope also to put out a crew.

We wish through this letter to express our thanks to our alumni brothers for the valuable assistance they gave us this fall.

Geneva, N. Y., October 13, 1897.

CHARLES B. ACKLEY.

#### ETA ETA—DARTMOUTH COLLEGE.

College reopened Thursday, September 16th, after the long summer vacation. Every one was glad to get back again, and returned fully prepared to enter enthusiastically upon what promises to be a prosperous year for the College. This year's entering class is larger in numbers than any previous class in the history of the institution, numbering about 190. It possesses many fine fellows, who will make good Dartmouth men.

The football team is now training vigorously, and gives promise of being very successful. There are plenty of candidates. We have thus far played two games. The first against Exeter, which we won 34-0; the second at Harvard. Harvard defeated us, 13-0, aided by wind and luck. Brother Edwards, '99, who played tackle last year, is doing his usual good earnest work and stands an excellent show of the team. No one puts more life into the game than he. Brother Hutchinson, '00, is also playing in good form.

Our Glee and Mandolin Clubs are not yet fully organized for the season. When they are, it is expected that Sigma Chi will be represented.

The College has been remembered by several large additions to its

endowments this summer, and already plans for some new buildings are under consideration, among which is a new physical laboratory. Richardson Hall, a new brick dormitory, is fast nearing completion, and soon will be ready for occupancy.

Brother Brown, '97, has accepted the position of assistant teacher of drawing at Dartmouth. Brother Huckins, '97, has entered the Dartmouth Medical School. Brother Buell, ex-'98, will enter '99 next spring. Brother Pillsbury, '97, is coaching the Otterbein University (Ohio) football team. Brother Newton, ex-'00, will not return to college. Brother Smith, ex-'00, has returned to college and has entered '01. Brother Baker, '97, is teaching school at North Berwick, Me.

Our "chinning" season begins October 25th. We are already looking forward with a good deal of expectation in securing many valuable men from '01, who will make true "Sigs," and thereby maintain the record which Sigma Chi already holds.

And now, wishing the highest success to Sigma Chi, and pledging our perpetual and ever-growing love for the beloved old Fraternity, I say good-bye. Yours fraternally,

HAROLD W. ORCUTT.

Hanover, N. H., October 14, 1897.

#### ALPHA THETA—MASSACHUSETTS INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY.

Alpha Theta once more begins a school year with the best of prospects, although she feels very much the loss, by graduation last year, of several of her most worthy brothers. Thirteen of our old members are back again this year, and as a result of their efforts we have already secured two fine fellows. We take great pleasure in introducing to Sigma Chi our two new brothers Charles Woodhull, '01, of Monroe, N. Y., and Ralph Shepard, another freshman, from Newburyport, Mass. We have now under consideration three or four good men, and we hope to be able to introduce them to Sigma Chi in our next letter. Our football team has been playing in hard luck this year. We have played only two games and have lost both of them. We played Exeter October 9th and were beaten 12-6. On October 13th we met Amherst, and after a hard fought battle, we were defeated 8-6. Alpha Theta is represented on the team by Brothers Werner and Shepard, both of whom are fine players. We hope to have some men on the track team this year, as Brothers D. Q. Brown, S. P. Brown, Shepard, and Collier, are going into practice in a few weeks. We moved into our new house just before school opened. We are situated in the Back Bay district, in the very best residence portion of the city; we have the house fixed up in fine shape, and, taking it all in all, there is no doubt but that we have the

best fraternity house in Boston. We were represented by Brothers D. Q. Brown and Hayden at the wedding of Brother Frank Pierce, Alpha Theta, '88, and Miss Florence McKnight, at Springfield, Mass., October 7th.

The freshman class is very large this year, nearly four hundred, but we will have to wait until our next letter to tell you how the cane-rush and football game come out as the two lower classes have not met as yet in bloody combat. Alpha Theta greets her sister chapters at the beginning of this, a new year, and extends the heartiest welcome to all "Sigs" who come this way.

W. R. COLLIER.

Boston, Mass., October 18, 1897.

#### NU NU—COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY.

The scholastic year of 1897-8 at Columbia has had its birth. With it came Sigma Chi's loyal charge, eighteen in number, ready to take up her standard and advance it to the foremost place in the fraternity ranks.

Instead of following out our plans, formulated last year for the hire of a house, we thought it more advisable to defer the execution of the same for the present, and be content with an apartment.

We have already initiated three fine men, namely: Raffard Pitt, of the School of Arts; John H. Telfair, School of Medicine; and Frans Schimfer, of the School of Mines. There are also four more men who we are rushing very diligently, and on whom we expect to pin the White Cross in a short time.

Brothers Bassford and Van Kleek, of Hobart, and John Wendt, of Pennsylvania College, are with us this year, and are taking an active part in looking after Nu Nu's interest.

We are located at No. 317 West 117th street, New York City, and a pressing invitation is extended to all members of Sigma Chi to favor us with a visit whenever the opportunity offers itself.

New York City, October 15, 1897.

EDWARD J. FARLEY.

#### ALPHA PHI—CORNELL UNIVERSITY.

The college year of 1897-8 has begun very successfully for Alpha Phi. We lost but three men last June by graduation, Brothers Bartlett, Hrebert and Squire; Brother Aldrich returning this year to study law. Fourteen of last year's men are back again, and the chapter's numbers have been increased by the return of Brother Duncan, one of the charter members, who has come back to take some work in engineering; Brother Strong, who was with us in '96, but spent last year on the Pacific coast; Brother Wittenmeyer from Bucknell. We have also had the pleasure of

adding the names of three new brothers to the membership of the Fraternity. Brother Roland A. Woodyat, '01, from Chicago; Brother J. W. O'Leary, '99, also from Chicago and who "entered up" from Armour Institute; and Brother R. A. McIlhenny, '01, from Avery's Island, La. We have not rested here, however, but have pledged three others and have several more who we are looking after very carefully and hope soon to pledge.

The competition among the fraternities where there are so many is naturally very fierce, and Alpha Phi feels that there is cause for congratulation upon the acquisition of such men as have been pledged this year, for all of them have been rushed by the leading fraternities.

We had a very pleasant visit a week or so ago from Brother Coleman, Phi, '74. Brother Brown has been unable to return this term on account of sickness, but we hope to have him with us later in the year. Brothers Talbot and Caldwell attended the Nashville Convention and both give glowing accounts of the meeting, and tell interesting anecdotes of their trip. At present Brother McLaughlin is without doubt the busiest man in the University. Besides managing the *Cornell Sun*, a daily paper, and the football team, he has again put on his football suit, and is playing right tackle on the 'Varsity eleven, and at the same time he is studying law. Brother Steele has been elected president of the Musical Clubs and prophet of the senior class. Brothers Frank and Skidmore are trying for the football team.

The class regatta came off on October 8th, the junior eight winning from the '98 crew and defeating the freshman crew of last year by five lengths over a mile course. On the 16th instant the football team played a tie game with Lafayette, and meets Princeton October 22d. The team is scheduled to play Harvard, Williams, and Pennsylvania State College, and ends the season with the University of Pennsylvania on Thanksgiving Day.

ARTHUR BEARERS RAYMOND.

Ithaca, N. Y., October 18, 1897.

#### ZETA ZETA—CENTRE COLLEGE.

The opening of the fall term at Centre found only one Sigma Chi back, and that one the writer. With the assistance of the brothers in town, work was begun and as a result we take pleasure in introducing to the Fraternity, Sydney Green, '99, Texas, Ky., Ephraim Pennington, '99, Stanford, Ky., J. Waller Rhodes, '00, Burgin, Ky., William G. Berry, '01, Yazoo, Miss., Samuel Chiles, '00, Frankfort, Ky., and Ernest A. Van Winkle, '00. These are all fine fellows, and will make excellent



fraternity men. Brother Ernest Van Winkle has five older brothers all of whom are "Sigs."

On the football team we are represented by Brother Ernest Van Winkle at quarter back. In the game here last Saturday, with the University of Cincinnati, we were defeated 4-0. In the last half, Centre had the ball within six inches of Cincinnati's goal line. We have a return game with them in November, and expect, of course, to win.

We enjoyed visits from Brothers Emerson and Coe, of Zeta Psi, who came over to see the football game. Brother Coe is a substitute on the team. Zeta Zeta sends greetings to all sister chapters, and will be glad to entertain all "Sigs" who may visit us. We would like to hear from all of the chapters. Yours in the bond of Sigma Chi.

Danville, Ky., Oct. 18, 1897.

ERNEST T. SMITH.

NOTE.—The foregoing letter was received after the forms of the Third Province had been closed and therefore it could not be inserted in its regular position.—EDITOR.

**Among the Alumni.**

## THETA—PENNSYLVANIA COLLEGE.

Allen Sangrel, '87, is now in South Africa in the interest of the S. S. McClure Company.

Rev. Warren Damuth, '92, is now assistant rector in St. Mark's Episcopal Church, Philadelphia.

Rev. W. C. Schaeffer, '96, of Savannah, Georgia, occupies one of the most prominent pulpits in the South. He spent his last vacation in the mountains of North Carolina.

Dr. E. C. Kershner, '90, has been appointed an inspector in the Health Department of New York City. The appointment was received after passing a competitive examination, for which there were ninety-eight applicants.

Rev. Charles M. Stock, '74, of Hanover, preached his tenth anniversary sermon as pastor of St. Mark's Church, on last Sunday, Sept. 26th. From the extended reports in the daily papers of Hanover, we glean the following: Mr. Stock's health and strength have been remarkable, although he takes few vacations. He did not become a settled pastor until 1878, but as he preached regularly as a supply in 1876-'77, he has now attained his majority—21 years as a minister. During all of that time he has never failed to meet an appointment of any kind. Mr. Stock has been a debt payer. There was raised for past indebtedness and the running expense of St. Mark's for the past ten years a little over \$34,000. But the benevolent contributions for that time are the special honors. For missionary and educational purposes the sum of \$74,487.36 was raised. Mr. Stock and his congregation have been the moving spirits in planting in the vicinity of Hanover, five Lutheran churches, where formerly there were none, and all of the churches are paid for. Also, during this time, a benevolent member secured for St. Mark's church the controlling interest in the Glenville Academy, York County, and the same noble individual founded and equipped the Eichelberg Academy, in Hanover, an institution which last year (its first) catalogued 77 pupils, many of whom are preparing for Pennsylvania College.—*The Gettysburgian*, Oct., 1897.

## ALPHA CHI—PENNSYLVANIA STATE COLLEGE.

P. P. Sturdevant, '94, is engaged as an architect at Pittston, Pa.

C. McH. Eby, '96, entered the West Point Military Academy last July.

W. S. Montgomery, '97, is employed by Chicago Edison Company, Chicago.

H. M. Stewart, '96, is assistant chemist at Carnegie Steel Co. Brad-docks, Pa.

T. Baumgardner, '97, is mechanical engineer for Lancaster Gas, Light, and Fuel Co.

W. R. Thompson, '97, is employed by White, Crosby, & Co., elec-trical contractors, Buffalo, N. Y.

John Foster, '93, is assistant chemist at the works of the Tennessee Coal & Iron Company, Birmingham, Ala.

A. C. Reed, '92, is employed as civil engineer by the Pennsylvania Railroad Co., and is at present located at Crescent, Pa.

J. L. M. R. Hastings, Jr., ex-'99, is chief clerk for Standard Gas Company of America, Bourse Building, Philadelphia, Pa.

## ZETA—WASHINGTON AND LEE UNIVERSITY.

Arthur Wilson, '94, is resident physician at Bellevue Hospital, N. Y.

G. V. Maguire, '96, is with the Eureka Homestead Association, New Orleans.

F. Petrie Hamilton, ex-'98, is attending to his father's estate at Edwards, Miss.

Wm. H. Taylor, '74, who formerly practiced law at Demopolis, Ala-bama, is now chancellor at Uniontown, Alabama.

## GAMMA—THE OHIO WESLEYAN UNIVERSITY.

Ed. Baker, '96, is studying law at Tiffin, Ohio.

Harry Crawford, '96, is studying law in Cleveland.

H. A. Cosler, '97, is just recovering from a severe attack of typhoid fever.

O. P. Coe, ex-'98, is attending Ohio Medical College, Cincinnati, Ohio.

GAMMA—THE OHIO WESLEYAN UNIVERSITY—Continué.

P. Brue Brockway, '97, is attending the Rush Medical College, Chicago.

O. Patterson, '95, is attending the Law School of the University of Cincinnati.

Ed. Allen, '96, is attending Law School at the Ohio State University. He took the A. B. degree at Harvard last year.

La Fayette Funk, '58, of Bloomington, Ill., was recently appointed by Governor Tanner of Illinois, as a member of the Illinois Trans-Mississippi and International Exposition Commission.

MU MU—THE WEST VIRGINIA UNIVERSITY.

Gid. M. Toed has been appointed Principal of the Athens Normal School, at Athens, W. Va.

Justin M. Kunkle, '96, is editor of a paper at Morgantown, W. Va., called the *Daily New Dominion*, which is in its first volume.

LAMBDA—INDIANA UNIVERSITY.

W. L. Halstead has entered the University of Nebraska, where he will take his Bachelor's degree with the class of '98.

Robert Clarkson Brooks, '96, has been elected President White Fellow in Political and Social Science at Cornell University for the ensuing college year. Since his graduation, Brother Brooks has been located in New York City as Secretary of the Reform Club Committee on Municipal Administration. In addition to his work as editor of the quarterly magazine, *Municipal Affairs*, he has published a Bibliography of Municipal Administration and City Conditions, that has met with much favor among students of city government. Brother Brooks, during the past year, represented Sigma Chi among the residents of the University Settlement whose philanthropic work in the worst slum districts of New York City, is so widely and favorably known.

CHI—HANOVER COLLEGE.

M. T. Brown, '99, is now in the employ of the Keifer Drug Co., Indianapolis.

V. Page Harris, '96, has accepted a position with the Chicago *Times-Herald*.

## CHI—HANOVER COLLEGE—Continued.

J. T. Britan, '97, has been elected Principal of the Presbyterian Academy at Anna, Illinois.

Frank P. Gibson, '99, is traveling for a large pork packing establishment of Cleveland, Ohio.

Geo. S. Taylor, '86, has been elected County Superintendent of Schools of Jefferson County, Ind.

Frank Crozier, '92, is now engaged in the practice of the law, with offices in the Portland Block, Chicago.

Wm. H. Harding, '76, was the candidate for the office of Mayor of Indianapolis on the Republican ticket in the recent election.

Rev. J. H. Bright, '76, Franklin, Ind., and Dr. H. G. Gaylord, '81, Indianapolis, were among the Sigma Chi representatives at the Winona Assembly, Eagle Lake, Ind., during the summer.

Walter L. Fisher, '83, who has been identified with the law firm of Matz & Fisher, is now associated with the new firm of Matz, Fisher & Boyden, with offices in the Portland Block, Chicago.

A. E. Wiggam, '93, formerly Grand Praetor of the Fourth Province, has the sympathy of all in the loss of his wife, who died recently at Phœnix, A. T., but two weeks after their marriage.

Rev. C. Bloomfield Edson, '93, who was editor of the supplement to the catalogue which appeared in the July QUARTERLY of 1891, has been dangerously ill at his home near Kent, Indiana.

Chas. Alling, Jr., '85, has an article in the last number of the *Hanover College Journal* on "The Trials and Triumphs of a Young Lawyer." He has also contributed a series of articles to the *Madison Daily Courier* on his recent trip to Nashville, Chattanooga, Ashville and Old Point Comfort.

## DELTA DELTA—PURDUE UNIVERSITY.

L. A. Downs, '95, who was formerly in the employ of the Illinois Central Railroad Company at Chicago, is now with former Chief Engineer Wallace of that company, at Saltville, Va.

C. R. Richards, '91, has been appointed special commissioner to have charge of the machinery exhibit of the Trans-Mississippi Exposition to be held in Omaha in 1898. Prof. Richards is now at the head of the Mechanical Department in the University of Nebraska.

OMEGA—NORTHWESTERN UNIVERSITY.

Prof. F. M. Taylor, '76, was elected a member of the Board of Control for the Athletic Association of the University of Michigan for 1897-8.

Wm. M. Booth, '78, Master in Chancery of the U. S. Courts of Chicago, was recently elected President of the Douglas Club. This organization is a prominent social club of Chicago near Mr. Booth's home on Ellis avenue. Mr. Booth is also a prominent officeholder in the Chicago Athletic Association.

THETA THETA—THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN.

William L. Love, '98, has left college for a year to accept a civil engineering position in Missouri.

Clarence W. Whitney, '99, was delegate from Ann Arbor to the convention of the Brotherhood of Saint Andrew, at Buffalo, in October.

C. B. Ire, '88, has just been selected by the Appellate Court as one of the three members of the Chicago bar to conduct the examination of law students for admission to the bar at the next examination.

E. S. Sutton, '92, private secretary to Hazen S. Pingree, Governor of Michigan, was in Venezuela during the month of September in company with the Governor on a tour of inspection in connection with certain concessions in that country.

Winslow S. Pierce, '79, has been prominently connected with the recent transfer of the Union Pacific Railroad. He had charge of the legal aspects of the reorganization syndicate, and made the formal bids for the committee at Omaha Oct. 29th.

Sam R. Ireland, '89, is now resident manager of the American Real Estate Co., in Washington, D. C., with offices at 416 F street N. W. The American Real Estate Co. is a concern with central offices in New York City, engaged in buying and developing high-grade real estate.

ALPHA ZETA—BELOIT COLLEGE.

Charles E. Peet, '91, is at the head of the Department of Geology in the Englewood High School, Chicago.

A. W. Whitney, '91, has recently been appointed professor of Mathematic in the new Bradley Institute, which is affiliated with the University of Chicago, at Peoria, Ill.

## OMICRON OMICRON—THE UNIVERSITY OF CHICAGO.

Fred F. Steigmeyer, '97, is clerk of the new Jury Commission of Cook County, Illinois.

Victor W. Sincere, ex-'99, is now with Edward T. Cahill, attorney at law, in the Reaper Block, Chicago.

## ALPHA IOTA—THE ILLINOIS WESLEYAN UNIVERSITY.

Joseph C. Nate, '90, is now prominently associated with the faculty of the Chicago Correspondence School of Law, an institution which is in its sixth year, as Professor of Constitutional and Roman Law.

Charles E. Collins, '88, is connected with the same institution as Professor of Evidence and Criminal Law.

## ALPHA LAMBDA—THE UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN.

Walter Luedke, Law '96, is spending the year in Europe.

Gustav Wolleager, Law '96, is practicing in Milwaukee, Wis.

Temdon C. Buck, '96, is studying medicine at Chicago Medical College.

Walter H. Sheldon, '96, is studying medicine at Rush Medical College, Chicago.

## ALPHA PI—ALBION COLLEGE.

Edgar L. Moon, '86, is now preaching at Marine City, Mich.

Lewis B. Alger, ex-'97, is Superintendent of Schools at Gaylord, Mich.

Will C. Webster, '87, recently received the Ph. D. degree at Columbia University.

Frank J. Walker, '96, has been appointed Principal of Schools at Dollar Bay, Mich.

Frank H. Loomis, '87, represents the Werner School Book Company in Michigan.

E. Clarence Dunning, '95, has entered the medical department at the University of Michigan.

Eugene R. Page, ex-'95, is now connected with the Fletcher Hardware Co., Detroit, Mich.

ALPHA PI—ALBION COLLEGE—Continued.

Harvey G. Pearce, '97, is pastor of the Methodist Episcopal Church at Scofield, Mich.

John F. Critchett, '87, is taking a course in assaying at Denver University, Denver, Col.

Samuel Schultz, '93, is in Chicago engaged in the study of medicine at the Northwestern Medical College.

Bert M. Carr, ex-'93, will finish his medical course this year at College of Physicians and Surgeons, Chicago.

Walton M. Howard, ex-'94, is now city agent for the Lake Shore and Michigan Southern Railroad, at Jackson, Mich.

R. G. McDonald, '93, is now identified with the law firm of Hamilton Fullenweider, in the Fort Dearborn Building, Chicago.

Charles Sharer, '92, is located at 614 West Lake street, Chicago, with the firm of Grinstead & Ewing, doing a general real estate business, and having charge of the Hull estate of the University of Chicago.

ALPHA SIGMA—THE UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA.

C. H. Kendall is now residing in Rushford, N. Y.

R. W. Squires, '93, is traveling in Washington and Oregon.

ALPHA EPSILON—THE UNIVERSITY OF NEBRASKA.

W. E. Brooks, '92, has been elected Instructor in Mathematics in the Omaha High School.

C. C. Pueis, '96, is filling the position of Assistant Principal of the High School at Kearney, Neb.

C. C. Young, '97, has been appointed Professor of Chemistry in the Cottner Medical College, situated at Lincoln, Nebraska.

ALPHA OMICRON—TULANE UNIVERSITY.

Charles C. Waterman, '94, is now with J. B. Wood & Cousin, cotton buyers, New Orleans.

G. K. Logan, '94, and V. C. Smith, are resident students in the Charity Hospital, New Orleans.

At a meeting of the Alumni Association of Tulane University, held June 24, 1897, John Dymond, Jr., '88, was unanimously elected president for the ensuing year.



## ALPHA PSI—VANDERBILT UNIVERSITY.

The phosphate mining exhibit of Brother T. C. Meadows, '93, won a medal at the Centennial Exposition.

Brother William D. Rhea, '95, who has been Assistant Engineer of the Centennial Exposition, has accepted the position of City Engineer for the city of Jackson, Miss.

## ALPHA UPSILON—THE UNIVERSITY OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA.

E. D. Fenner, '88, is Assistant City Coroner in New Orleans.

T. F. Richardson, '92, is practicing medicine in New Orleans.

Wm. A. Dixon, '96, is engaged as Principal of Schools, in Minna, La.

H. K. Payne, '96, is in the employ of the New Orleans Traction Company.

A. P. Thompson, '97, is studying law in the office of Work & Lee, Los Angeles.

R. G. Van Cleve, '94, is a deputy in the Surveyor's office of Los Angeles County.

Clinton A. Bradley, '90, is following the profession of civil engineering in Los Angeles.

F. C. M. Spencer, '97, is studying law in the office of Mulford & Holland, Bullard Block, Los Angeles.

John Dimond, '88, was unanimously elected President of the Tulane Alumni Association in New Orleans in June.

Thomas W. Robinson, '92, is a follower of the law, and dabbles slightly in politics. He is Law Librarian of Los Angeles County.

Frank A. Leovy, '89, has been promoted in position with the Southern Pacific Railway Company and is now located at Houston, Tex.

George D. Christy, '90, has been attending the Harvard Law School, and graduates therefrom next spring. He intends to open an office shortly afterward in Phoenix, Arizona.

Elmer C. Hall, '93, took a post graduate course at the University of California, and has been teaching in the Long Beach High School. He will be Vice Principal of the High School the coming year.

Hartley Shaw, '94, took the degree of L. L. B. at Hastings College of Law, in San Francisco, in May, and has opened an office in Room 326, Stimson Block, Los Angeles, where he will practice his profession.

George Sinsabaugh, '85, has been very successful in business affairs, and lately has become prominent in Masonic circles, particularly in Couer de Lion Commandery, Knights Templar. He is also a member of the Board of Fire Commissioners of Los Angeles city.

Rev. William S. Bovard, '88, is a very successful member of the California conference of the M. E. church. He has filled various pulpits in and about San Francisco in a very able manner, and is at present pursuing a course of theological study in the Boston University.

Paul Arnold, '90, secured a European scholarship in mathematics by his superior work in that branch at Cornell University, and has spent the past year in Germany, at Heidelberg and Berlin. In company with his brother, David, ex-'95, he has been traveling through Switzerland this summer, and will pass the winter and spring at Berlin.

N. B.—We are indebted for the foregoing items to the *University of Southern California Courier*, of which Brother Philo Jones, Alpha Upsilon, '99, is editor.—EDITOR.

## ALPHA ALPHA—HOBART COLLEGE.

Wm. Young, '97, is at home in Syracuse.

Frank P. Wicher, '97, is reading law in Mayville, N. Y.

Rev. Harry P. Seymour, '94, has charge of a parish at Port Henry, N. Y.

Edward Bates, ex-'97, is studying at Nashotah Theological Seminary, Wisconsin.

U. H. Blackfort, '97, and Mydert Van Kleeck, '96, are studying law at Columbia.

Arthur Moulton, '97, is studying at the General Theological Seminary, New York City.

## MISCELLANEOUS.

ETA ETA—Charles E. Cake has entered the law school at the University of Nebraska.

ALPHA TAU—Fred L. Pearsall, ex-'98, is keeping books for Pearsall and Hall, Wilmington, N. C.

PHI PHI—It is rumored that Brother Boyle, '99, will have a place on the "All American Football Team."

OMICRON—Dr. Samuel L. Diven, '78, was elected Coroner of Cumberland County, Pa., on the Republican ticket, at the November election.

ALPHA BETA—S. T. Mather, '87, is now located at 48 Wall street, New York City, in charge of the eastern office of the Pacific Coast Borax Company.

ALPHA XI—Fred H. Bowersock, '88, has formed a partnership with Geore H. McGuire, the firm name being McGuire & Bowersock, attorneys at law, 1003 Guarantee Loan Building, Minneapolis, Minn.

PHI—Burr W. McIntosh, '84, the eminent actor, has been very prominent in football affairs this season. It is a fact that when he goes on the field to referee a game, he is cheered more than the competing teams.

SIGMA SIGMA—William W. Moore, '81, of the Union Theological Seminary at Hampden-Sidney, Va., delivered the chief address at the celebration of Presbyterian Day at the Tennessee Centennial Exposition, October 28th.

XI—N. G. Rogers, of Trenton, Mo., is editor of the *Trenton Daily Evening Republican*. Brother Rogers attended the Sigma Chi Convention, and favors us with a copy of his paper, under date of September 8th, in which he has a "write-up" of Nashville and the Exposition.

MU—George S. Dorsey, '98, has been prominently connected with the famous Luetgert case which has recently attracted so much attention in Chicago. Brother Dorsey was retained by the State to give expert testimony, and is said to have been one of the strongest witnesses produced by the prosecution.

At the Episcopal Theological Seminary of Virginia there are four "Sigs," Brothers Brydon, Owens and Mitchell, of Tau, and Smythe, of Mu Mu.

The following clipping appeared in the Poughkeepsie, N. Y., *News-Press* during the recent regatta:

SIGMA CHIS DINE.

The Sigma Chi College Fraternity is again largely represented at the regatta race this year. It is customary for as many of the visiting members as possible to dine together informally at some time during their stay in the city. Seventeen, with the Rev. S. A. Weikert, of Christ Church, at the head, sat down to dinner Thursday in Smith Brothers' restaurant, and a jolly good time was had, especially when they retired to the hall up stairs and sang their old familiar college songs. Following are the names of those who dined together: E. L. Aldrich, C. H. Bartlett, Wylie Brown, George Diehl, H. A. Frank, C. P. Johnston, Burr MacIntosh, George Mecargee, C. L. McAvoy, D. M. McLaughlin, C. R. Neare, G. V. Russell, F. A. Scratchley, Charles Skidmore, W. H. Squire, W. Steele, S. A. Weikert.

Other Sigma Chis in Poughkeepsie during the boat races: O. E. Bailey, Samuel Bayle, J. De Silver, J. Houston, Charles Lister, J. F. McClelland, H. D. Nichols, F. W. Platt, Isaac Platt, A. B. Raymond, D. Stiltz, A. B. Tappan, Jr., J. M. Davidge, W. H. P. Conklin, F. R. Dickey.

The following concerning the Rev. Lawrence M. Colfelt, Iota, '69 is clipped from the Boston *Herald*, Sept. 4, 1897:

The Rev. Lawrence Colfelt, of Philadelphia, who received a call to the pastorate of the North Cambridge Congregational Church several months ago, and who has not yet given his answer, arrived in Boston yesterday afternoon.

Last evening Dr. Colfelt conducted the weekly prayer meeting at the church and he will occupy the pulpit tomorrow morning and evening, and on the Sunday following.

On either the first or second Sunday it is expected that Dr. Colfelt will make known his decision, and it is anticipated that he will accept the call. The pulpit was formerly occupied by the Rev. Frank Hyatt Smith.

### ENGAGEMENTS.

ALPHA LAMBDA—The engagement of Ross C. Cornish, '96, to Miss Agnes Bowen, of Madison, Wis., has been announced.

ALPHA PHI—George C. Purdy, '92, the efficient Chairman of the Executive Committee of the Chicago Alumni Chapter, and formerly Grand Praetor of the original First Province, has announced his engagement to Miss Frances Borden, daughter of Mr. Hamilton Borden, 12 Groveland Park, Chicago.

Brother Purdy is to be congratulated also on his promotion to the general managership of Greenlee Brothers & Co., manufacturers of wood work machinery, 235 West Twelfth street, Chicago.

### MARRIAGES.

The announcement has been made of the marriage of Brother Bruce Overton, Alpha Psi, '95, and Miss Louise Maney, of Nashville, Tenn.

Brother H. B. Walmsley, Alpha Omicron, ex-'98, was married in the early part of October to Miss Anne Katherine Morrison, of Owensboro, Ky., in New York City.

Joseph Mallilieu, Alpha Epsilon, '94, and Miss Mae Moore, a very prominent young lady of Lincoln, Nebraska, were married Tuesday evening, October 5th. Mr. Mallilieu is deputy clerk of the courts for Lancaster County, Nebraska, and is very prominent in politics.

Rev. F. Russell, Alpha Epsilon, '90, was married to Miss Lucile Cross, Vassar, '96, of Fairbury, Nebraska, Tuesday morning, Oct. 5, 1897. The ceremony was performed at the home of the bride's parents. Mr. Russell is pastor of the Presbyterian Church at Marshalltown, Iowa.

Of the marriage of Brother Arthur F. Schultz, Alpha Pi, '94, the *State Republican*, Lansing, Mich., publishes the following June 24, 1897:

"At the residence of Mr. and Mrs. S. G. Schofield, 418 Cedar Street North, occurred last evening the marriage of their daughter, Lelia B., to Arthur F. Schultz, both

of this city. About seventy guests were present, and the ceremony was conducted by Rev. W. M. Puffer. The wedding march was rendered by Mrs. Mark Smith, sister of the bride. The entr e to the bower of roses was impressive, preceded by the presiding elder and followed by two wee specimens of humanity, three and five years old respectively, niece and nephew of the bride, fairly burdened with flowers. These were followed by the bride and groom, who took their position under the arch, and after the form of the Methodist ceremony were pronounced man and wife.

The bride is a well and favorably known young lady in this city, having taught music for two years in the public schools.

The groom is a representative of that class of young men who aspire to the higher and nobler elements in life, a teacher by profession, which calling leads him to prominence among the educators of the state. He is now engaged as Principal of the High School at Caseville, which place will be their future home after September 1st.

It may be of interest to those who are not intimate with the families to state that the groom is the youngest son of Hon. Jacob Schultz, ex-Alderman and ex-Mayor of this city, and that the bride the youngest daughter of Mr. S. G. Scofield, one of the oldest and best-known business men of Lansing."

The following is taken from the Philadelphia *Inquirer*, Oct. 27, 1897, concerning the marriage of Brother James Clark Rankin, Theta, '90, to Miss Jeannette Forster :

HARRISBURG, Pa., Oct. 26.—Miss Jeannette Forster, the only daughter of ex-Insurance Commissioner and Mrs. J. Montgomery Forster, became the bride of James Clark Rankin, at the Forster residence, on South Front street, this evening, in the presence of almost a hundred relatives and personal friends, most of the guests being Harrisburg people.

Rev. Dr. George S. Chambers, pastor of the Pine Street Presbyterian Church, tied the nuptial knot. The parlors were decorated with palms and chrysanthemums in the most attractive fashion. An orchestra was hidden from view behind large palms and rendered the Lohengrin wedding march, to the strains of which the bride entered the parlor on the arm of her father, who gave her away.

She was attended by Miss Mary Elder, of Dayton, Ohio. Henry Fletcher, of Chambersburg, was best man. The ushers were Robert E. Forster, of Philadelphia, and Professor Shartle, of Mercersburg.

It was a beautiful home wedding in every particular. The bride wore a superb gown of duchess satin and lace; that of the bridesmaid was white over pink silk.

Among the guests were Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Forster, of Philadelphia; Miss Hannah Forster and Miss Jennie Boyd, Mercersburg, Miss Mary Elder, of Philadelphia, Miss Katharine Elder, of Albuquerque, N. M.; Miss Margaret Barnett, Washington, Pa., and Mr. S. H. Wallace, Philadelphia; Mrs. Cann, Pittsburg; Miss Sumner, Arizona. The father of the bride has presented the young couple with a handsome home at Mercersburg, which they will occupy on their return from a honeymoon trip in the South.

Brother Francis Ezra Brewer, Alpha Phi, '93, was married recently to Miss Mary Grey Morgan, at Crawfordsville, Ind. As the bride is a member of the Kappa Kappa Gamma Sorority the affair was distinctively an inter-fraternity social event.

The following account of the wedding is taken from the Crawfordsville *Daily Sun*:

Last evening at the Center Presbyterian Church occurred the marriage of Mr. Francis Ezra Brewer, of Gilbertsville, N. Y., and Miss Mary Grey Morgan, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William W. Morgan. The church was handsomely decorated for the occasion,

the altar and choir loft being banked with palms and other plants. The ceremony occurred at half past eight o'clock and before that hour a large number of invited guests were seated by the ushers, who were Messrs. C. M. Lillie, of Gilbertsville, N. Y., S. L. Wilhite, of Bloomington, E. P. Hammond, Jr., of Lafayette, and F. Hedley Jobbins, *Nu Nu*, '95, of Aurora, Ill. Previous to the marriage service, the organist, Miss Olive Van Camp, of Indianapolis, rendered a number of appropriate selections and Miss Bess Nicholson sang "Oh! Star of My Heart," by Danza. Miss Nicholson was attired in white organdie and carried American Beauty roses. At the appointed time Miss Van Camp played the wedding march from Lohengrin to which the bridal party entered. The bridesmaids were the first to appear and were four in number, being Misses Alice Patton, of Remington, Fan Jones, of Bloomington, Anna Robinson, of Owensville, and Anna Lane, of Greencastle. It was a blue and gold wedding—blue and gold being the colors of the Sigma Chi college fraternity, of which the groom is a member. \* \* \* The service was that of the unabridged ritual of the Episcopal Church, including the marriage by ring, the responses, and the giving away of the bride by her father. During the ceremony, which was most impressively performed, all in the church stood up and Miss Van Camp played softly De Koven's "Oh! Promise Me." Upon the conclusion of the service Mendelssohn's wedding march was played, to which the bridal party, headed by the bride and groom, passed out of the church by the East aisle, taking carriages at the door for the home of the bride's parents, on East Market street, where about seventy-five intimate friends were entertained at a reception. \* \* \* \* The receiving party was composed of Mr. and Mrs. Morgan, Mr. and Mrs. John R. Brewer, of Gilbertsville, N. Y., the bride and groom, and their attendants. Mrs. J. R. Bonnell assisted in the parlor, while in the dining room the assistants were Misses Florence Stevenson, Gertrude Munhall and Harriet Houser. Little Misses Maude Bonnell and Madoline Kelso distributed the favors, which were monogram boxes of bride's cake. \* \* \* At midnight Mr. and Mrs. Brewer left on their wedding trip. They will spend some days at eastern watering places and the balance of this month at the Brewer homestead at Gilbertsville, N. Y. After October 4th they will be at home at 177 West Seventy-third street, New York City, Mr. Brewer being engaged there as instructor in a high-class private school for young men. Mr. Brewer is a rising young educator and has certainly secured for his wife a most charming and accomplished young lady.

Brother John B. McPherson, Theta, '83, of Gettysburg, Pa., was married, September 8th to Cornelia, daughter of Hon. and Mrs. Carroll D. Wright at Marblehead Neck, Mass.

The following is taken from the Boston *Herald*, September 9, 1897:

"At 4 o'clock, at the summer home of the Hon. and Mrs. Carroll D. Wright on Marblehead Neck, Mass., their elder daughter Cornelia was married to John Bruce McPherson, Esq., of Gettysburg, Pa.

Miss Wright is well known in Washington, where her father has lived for the last few years. Mr. McPherson is the eldest son of the late Hon. Edward McPherson, who was for many years clerk of the National House of Representatives.

The rooms of Col. Wright's cottage were tastefully decorated with outdoor flowers and greens, while in the room in which the wedding took place the sweet pea and thistle were the predominating flowers. Music was furnished by the Salem Cadet orchestra, which played as the entrance march the beautiful wedding march from Gounod's "Queen of Sheba."

The ceremony was performed by the Rev. Rush R. Shippen, of Brockton, Mass., formerly Miss Wright's pastor in Washington.

Miss Grace D. Wright, the bride's only sister, was maid of honor. Mr. Donald P. McPherson, the youngest brother of the groom, was groomsman. In the bridal party were Miss Anna McPherson, the groom's sister; Mrs. John Koren, Miss Mary Whitcomb, of Boston, Miss Charlotte Perkins, of Salem, Miss Anna King and Miss Mary Bradford, of Washington. Messrs. Norman McPherson, of Hagerstown, Md.; W. De Lacey Howe, of Cambridge, brother and cousin of the groom; Messrs. Holton B. Perkins and Frederick C. Munroe, of Salem, Howard Whitcomb and Robert C. Baldwin, of Boston.

The bride's gown was a cream colored Dresden silk, worn by her great-great-grandmother, Mary Mellen, when she was wedded in 1787 to Dr. Nathaniel Parker, of Salem. The bride carried the quaint old fan belonging to her ancestor. Her veil was one made by her great-great-aunt, Miss Duncan, of Haverhill, a beautiful pattern of old-time lace. The bride's silver shoe buckles were a pair worn on his wedding day by her parental great-great-grandfather, Colonel Jacob Wright, a revolutionary soldier and a New Hampshire pioneer.

Among those present were:

Judge John B. McPherson, of Harrisburg; the Hon. and Mrs. Horace Wadlin, the Hon. and Mrs. Charles F. Brown, Mr. and Mrs. F. D. Sperry, Mr. and Mrs. Hartley Prentiss, Mrs. Geo. W. Grouard, of Reading; the Hon. and Mrs. Moses T. Stevens, Miss Helen Stevens, of North Andover; the Hon. and Mrs. John Read, the Misses Howe, Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Dennison, Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Baker, of Cambridge; Dr. George L. Walton, Mr. and Mrs. Charles F. Pidgin, of Boston; Mr. William McPherson, Dr. Geo. N. French, the Rev. and Mrs. E. B. Leavitt, Miss Proctor, of Washington, D. C.; Mr. James C. Pettit, of East Orange, N. J.; Mr. F. H. Pierson, Mr. and Miss Howe, of Elizabeth, N. J.; Dr. Herman Canfield, of Bristol, R. I.; Mr. and Mrs. Samuel M. Burton, of Watertown; Dr. and Mrs. Lucien Howe, of Buffalo; the Rev. Dr. and Mrs. William M. Paxton, of Princeton; Mr. and Mrs. George H. Perkins, of Salem, and Mr. and Mrs. L. B. Wright, of Everett."

#### OBITUARY.

Brother W. D. Himmelreich, Kappa, '74, of Lewisburg, Pa., died suddenly Friday, October 22, 1897, in New York, where he had gone on business. (See Kappa Chapter letter.)

The following concerning the death of Brother George D. McDowell, Phi, '79, is taken from the Chambersburg, Pa., *Valley Spirit*, Nov. 10, 1897:

George D. McDowell, Esq., died at his home, Market and Franklin streets, Monday, Nov. 8th, after a painful illness extending over three months, during all of which time he was confined to his residence and a portion of which he suffered intensely.

Mr. McDowell was the son of the late John McDowell, and was born in Chambersburg Nov. 27, 1857. He received his early education in Chambersburg and then completed a college course at Lafayette, being graduated from that institution in 1879. In the fall of that year he registered as a law student with Brewer & Gehr, and was admitted to the Franklin County bar May 8, 1882. He had his office with Hon. H. Gehr, and practiced his profession until he was taken ill.

Three brothers, Tench McDowell and Allison McDowell, Chambersburg, and Craig

McDowell, Montana, and one sister, Miss Minnie McDowell, Chambersburg, survive him. Mr. McDowell was a member of the Sigma Chi College Fraternity, a prominent Republican, a good lawyer, a genial companion, and popular in a large circle of friends. There are many who will sincerely mourn his death.

Brother Leland M. White, Alpha Pi, '96, died at his home, Lacota, Mich., Sunday, October 21, 1897. The following is from the *Albion College Pleiad*, Nov. 2, 1897:

For the second time the members of Alpha Pi, of Sigma Chi, stand as a band of mourners at the portal of a brother's tomb. The decease of Leland M. White has filled our hearts with a sense of deep and irreparable loss.

Known to us by his genial manners and unflinching loyalty, he has ever been among those whom we most loved and honored; and now that he has parted from us it is well that our benediction of love should follow him into the life eternal.

*Wherefore be it resolved:* That our heartfelt sympathy be tendered to the family of the deceased in this our mutual bereavement.

That each member of this our chapter drape his pin and wear it as a badge of mourning for a period of ten days.

That a copy of these resolutions be sent to the mother of our deceased brother and be entered upon our chapter records, and also be printed in *The Albion College Pleiad* and the SIGMA CHI QUARTERLY.

FRANK ROUNDENBUSH,  
W. A. NILES,  
W. JAY BEAZAN,  
*Committee.*

The following is clipped from the Chicago *Tribune*, under date of October 16th, concerning Brother William B. Sterling, Alpha Lambda, '84, whose death occurred in Omaha, October 15, 1897:

OMAHA, Oct. 15th.—W. B. Sterling, general solicitor for the Fremont, Elkhorn and Missouri Valley Railroad, died this morning after a short illness from typhoid fever. He was 36 years old and one of the most popular railroad attorneys in the West. Mr. Sterling was a native of Rockford, Ill. He achieved a brilliant record in South Dakota as a public speaker, and was district attorney of the state prior to his removal to Omaha. At one time he was seriously considered as a possibility for United States Senator. For several years he was a leader in Republican councils of the state.

The following resolutions have been passed by the Alpha Lambda Chapter:

*Whereas*, It has pleased Almighty God in his province to remove from us our beloved friend and brother, William B. Sterling, and

*Whereas*, We, the members of Alpha Lambda Chapter, of the Sigma Chi Fraternity, deeply feel the loss of a loyal brother, be it

*Resolved*, The chapter acknowledge the esteem in which he was held by his brothers, and the loss to the Fraternity of a life so full of ability and promise; and, be it

*Resolved*, That we tender our heartfelt sympathy to the family of our deceased brother; and, further be it

*Resolved*, That these resolutions be sent to the bereaved family, be entered on the minutes of the chapter, and a copy be published in the SIGMA CHI QUARTERLY.

GUIDO C. VOGEL,  
STUART H. SHELDON.  
*Committee.*



## LITERARY NOTES.

John B. McPherson, Theta, '83, is the author of an interesting article in the October number of the *Cosmopolitan Magazine* on "The Battlefield of Gettysburg." The description is graphic, and the article is illustrated with a number of well selected cuts.

Walter Malone, Eta, '87, has poems published in the *Frank Leslie Weekly*, under date of September 18th, and in recent numbers of *Judge* and *Harper's Weekly*, as well as in the October number of *Current Literature*.

The New York *Independent* thus notices George Ade's new book, *Pink Marsh*. Brother Ade is an alumnus of Delta Delta Chapter, '87.

"These sprightly sketches do for the northern town Negro what Mr. Joel Chandler Harris' "Uncle Remus" papers have done for the old Southern plantation slave. That is, they present some striking phases of his character with certain romantic exaggerations in the drawing. It is a good exhibition that we have here of what, in the best sense, we may call "newspaper art." Mr. Ade is a reporter with a fine feeling for the picturesque. His sketches never lack decided attractiveness; they catch attention at once and hold it well."

## ALUMNI MEETINGS.

The seventh annual Thanksgiving dinner of the New York Alumni Chapter will be given at Muschenheims, 39 West 31st Street, New York City, November 24th, at 6:30 o'clock. Those who expect to be present should notify Brother Francis E. Brewer, 177 West 73d Street, New York City, at once.

### Among Other Fraternities.

Phi Gamma Delta installed a new chapter at the University of Illinois at the opening of the school year.

Dr. Jerome Hall Raymond, the newly elected President of the West Virginia University, is an alumnus of the Northwestern University chapter of Beta Theta Pi.

A charter has been granted to the Omega Club, of the University of Chicago, by Psi Upsilon. The petition has been pending for five years, and the new chapter numbers about twelve active members.

The Delta Tau Delta Fraternity held its convention in Chicago, August 26th to 28th, inclusive, and elected the following officers: President, K. C. Babcock, The University of California; Secretary, Henry T. Brooks, Baltimore, Md.; Treasurer, Alvin E. Duer, Philadelphia, Pa.; Editor *Rainbow*, Edwin H. Hughes, Malden, Mass.

The Delta Upsilon Fraternity has taken a step in the right direction in the establishment of a fraternity library. Financial support is given by the general fraternity, and already a very creditable library has been gotten together. The idea is that the collection should contain (1) all college fraternity publications of every description; (2) all publications of colleges and universities where the Fraternity has chapters; (3) all publications of the Fraternity itself; and (4) publications of its members. The work of collection is slow, but the results are sure to be of inestimable value to the Fraternity at large. The present librarian is Mr. Melvin G. Dodge, of Clinton, N. Y.

A novel scheme is being inaugurated by the Umbdenstock Publishing Co., of 144 Monroe Street, Chicago, which consists of the compilation in book form of a list of all college fraternity men in Chicago, grouped in their proper order. The book is to be handsomely bound, and aside from the list of names, will contain historical sketches, symbolic engravings, cuts of chapter houses, and prominent alumni of the various societies, as well as some literary reminiscences by leading Greek men in the city. The general plan will be the same as the one followed out recently in preparation of a similar publication for New York City, and is certain to meet with great favor among those interested in general fraternity matters.

The question of class societies of the type of Theta Nu Epsilon, Boar's Head (Tulane), etc., bids fair to be a very important topic of discussion in the near future by those interested in matters relating to the general fraternity system. Kappa Alpha has already placed itself on record as opposed to such organizations, and the editor of the *Shield*, of Phi Kappa Psi, seems ready to join hands with them in a campaign looking towards extermination. The *Kappa Alpha Journal* for September contains an article giving something of the history of Theta Nu Epsilon, written from the standpoint, evidently, of an outsider, and we have the *Shield*, of Phi Kappa Psi, for October, 1897, as authority for the following report of action taken by the Kappa Alpha general fraternity:

In regard to Theta Nu Epsilon and *pseudo* fraternities in general, a most decisive stand was taken, and the Constitution was interpreted "to debar all members of the Kappa Alpha Order from joining the following organizations:"

"Theta Nu Epsilon, Boar's Head, at Tulane, Golden Helmet, Golden Dragon and Junior Secret Society, at Sewanee, Gimghoul, Pi Sigma, N. Society, and Gorghon Head, at North Carolina, 18K, Zeta Tau Kappa, and Yuppali, of the University of Georgia, Tilka, Zeta, and Peter Magill, of the University of Virginia, Skeleton and Hand, of the University of Texas, and all such similar organizations. And all Kappa Alphas now connected with such organizations shall be compelled to withdraw at once."

The editor of the *Shield*, however, does not feel at liberty to discuss the matter editorially until the policy of the Executive Council shall have been stated, but he invites discussion on the subject and seems willing to print articles both *pro* and *con*.

Phi Delta Theta deserves great credit for a new Manual, which has just appeared as a supplement to the October number of the *Scroll*. It contains a brief historical sketch, a number of biographies, songs, etc. The most commendable features, however, and those which are of greatest general value, are statistics of other fraternities and of the colleges where Phi Delta Theta chapters are located. The matter has been thoroughly revised to date, and must serve as a great educating factor in general fraternity matters. From the summary we learn "that Phi Delta Theta meets Beta Theta Pi in 40 colleges and universities, Sigma Chi in 36, Delta Tau Delta in 29, Phi Kappa Psi in 28, Sigma Alpha Epsilon in 28, Alpha Tau Omega in 25, Phi Gamma Delta in 24, Sigma Nu in 24, Delta Kappa Epsilon in 21, Kappa Alpha (southern) in 19, Kappa Sigma in 19, Delta Upsilon in 18, Zeta Psi in 13, Psi Upsilon in 12, Chi Psi in 11, Theta Delta Chi in 11, Chi Phi in 11, Alpha Delta Phi in 10, Phi Kappa Sigma in 7, Sigma Phi in 6, Delta Phi in 6, Delta Psi in 5, Pi Kappa Alpha in 5, Kappa Alpha in 4, Mu Pi Lambda in 2, Phi Phi Phi in 1. So that the 66 chapters of Phi Delta Theta meet 415 chapters of other general fraternities; 199 of these are older than the Phi chapters they meet, 216 are younger."

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## SUMMER DAYS OF '56 AT OLD MIAMI.\*

By General Ben Piatt Runkle, Alpha, '57.

Ex-Grand Consul of the Fraternity.

I am dreaming a dream in the evening light,  
As gathers the gloom of the coming night,  
While the roseate rays of the sunset hue  
Turn to crimson and gold on a sky of blue.  
I am dreaming a dream of our boyhoods' morn,  
When the golden sun kissed the tasseled corn,  
And the wild rose bloomed, as we told our loves,  
In the cool deep shades of Miami's groves.  
When we left dull books in the old "South-east,"  
And turned from study to nature's feast,  
And wandering away over glade and hill  
Cared not if the work of the world stood still.  
The stream sparkled bright down its pebbled bed,  
While the alder sweet bloom on its bosom shed ;  
The quail whistled glad, and the lark's sweet note  
Rippled liquified joy from his swelling throat,  
And the air seemed filled with an heavenly bliss,  
As though heaven bended down old earth to kiss.  
Our memories brought us no warning past,  
To-day was ours, and would always last ;  
It troubled us not what time might bring,  
For hope was leader and love was king.

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\*Written in honor of the dead founders of the Fraternity, and read at the Twenty-second Grand Chapter, Cincinnati, Ohio, July 25, 1895.



The world, its honors, its joys and powers,  
Its richest rewards were surely ours ;  
For we knew no bond below nor above  
Save the steel-strong bond of fraternal love,  
And some other loves as the days sped by,  
For we were true sons of the Sigma Chi.

There was Caldwell, with his eyes all aglow,  
With the genius of Shelley, the brain of a Poe,  
Yet with courage so high that his saber steel-bright,  
Sprang swift from its sheath in the battle's fierce light,  
And he stood by his cause till the last hope was lost,  
One of the Southland's thrice glorious host.

Will Lockwood, the kindly and loving was there,  
With his soft, gentle eyes, and fair Saxon hair ;  
With a heart that was made of God's richest gold  
And fashioned by love in her beautiful mould.  
Oh, son of the morning, our pulses beat high,  
While our tears wet the Cross of fair Sigma Chi,  
For when death stilled forever your truest of hearts,  
We know that of war's cost we paid our full part.  
Farewell then, dear friend, would to heaven that I  
Were as worthy the Cross of our own Sigma Chi.

And brave Dan Cooper, the man of God,  
Who walked in the ways that the prophets trod,  
Upright and manly, fearless and true,  
A Christian gentleman through and through,  
A comrade in joy, a friend in distress,  
A preacher of God, and His righteousness.  
As Olaf, the king, held aloft his sword,  
To his Beersaker chiefs 'round the Christmas board,  
So brave old Dan counts the gain and the loss,  
And stands heart and soul by the great White Cross.

You, dear Frank Scobey, with laughing face,  
Your full, honest voice, and ways of grace,  
Your generous heart and genial bent,  
That made you welcome wherever you went.  
Dear Frank, you too, when rude war's hot breath  
Blew over the land, with the blast of death,  
Went forth, brave lad, with a cheery smile  
Where the colors led in the foremost file.  
You too, have answered the last "Roll Call"  
Have answered the summons that waits us all;  
"Taps" have sounded, the flags are furled,  
And your smile is gladdening a fairer world.

And bold Tom Bell, as quick as a flash,  
Full of energy, spirit, and dash,  
With genius for work, and a manly pride,  
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Through evil and good a true Sigma Chi.  
You too were found where the long blue lines  
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And your great heart is glad that the battle is done  
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Now, brethren, alas we in silence pause;  
The wondrous workings of Nature's laws  
Are beyond our ken. For the lightning's stroke  
Flashes and shivers the giant oak,  
In the prime of life it is prostrate laid  
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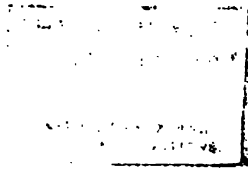
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And swaying the souls of listening men.  
One moment, events he moulds to his will  
One more, and his great heart forever is still.  
In manhood and honor he carried the Cross  
And we cherish his name while we mourn for his loss.

And so, here alone in the glowing, soft light,  
After forty long years I am with you to-night.  
Glad yea, and proud, my comrades to stand  
In the midst of true sons of our own fatherland,  
For I know that our homes, whatever shall come,  
Whether trials of peace or the rude rattling drums,  
Yea, I know they are safe for to do or to die  
In the cause of the right lives fair Sigma Chi.





STATUE OF "COMMODORE" CORNELIUS VANDERBILT.  
FOUNDER OF VANDERBILT UNIVERSITY.

## VANDERBILT UNIVERSITY.

By THEODORE H. BREWER, Alpha Psi, '96.

## LOCATION AND SURROUNDINGS.

The Vanderbilt campus of seventy-six acres, with its college buildings, dormitories, and professors residences, thirty or more in all, lies upon a commanding ridge just west of the corporate limits of Nashville. Thirty-five years ago a part of the battle field over which hurried to and fro the armies of Hood and Thomas; twenty-five years ago a country-seat with its corn fields and pastures and a few aged remnants of the forest; to-day the campus is a beautiful park where gleaming towers and spires lift themselves aloft from a bed of richest green. Fountains and flowers, rare shrubs, a hundred and fifty varieties of forest and ornamental trees, tennis courts and a spacious athletic field make it veritably a most charming spot.

One or two grassgrown mounds of the old war time linger near the Chancellor's residence, but the only war cries that now disturb their solitudes are from the quarreling blue jays in the trees high overhead, or from the athletes and their partisans shouting their slogans away on the terraced field below.

From the clock tower of University Hall, the main building, one may look east over the narrow streets of the historic city towards the capitol of Tennessee, which stands in Grecian perfection on its rocky height—a veritable Acropolis; north he may follow with his eye a range of hills at whose base swiftly flows the Cumberland in its narrow bed. To the south he may see the fortifications and the fields of the battle of Nashville, and on the south and west the blue Harpeth hills, which amphitheatre-like, wall in a land of surpassing beauty—a land of blue-grass pastures, rich fields, giant forest trees, powdered limestone roads, and roomy mansions of the semi-regal days of yore.

Essentially a southern university, there is yet something more appropriate in the location of Vanderbilt in middle Tennessee than if it were in some region of the far south. For in its location it the more adequately meets the wish of its great founder, who said: "If it shall, through its influence, contribute even in the smallest degree to strengthening the ties which should exist between all geographical sections of our common country, I shall feel that it has accomplished one of the



objects that has led me to take an interest in it." Here in a beautiful state, the products of the north and south grow side by side, the mingling of the two peoples is more frequent than in many southern sections, and there is consequently the opportunity for the better acquaintance and appreciation of the one people by the other, and for that strengthening of ties of which Mr. Vanderbilt spoke. While southern sentiments and southern spirit predominate in the University community, there is no trace of partisanship in its teachings, and northern scholars and students are ever welcome within Vanderbilt walls. Every year, indeed, sees an increased number of young northerners sojourning in these academic shades. The climate too has its advantages. There is neither the harshness of the north nor the oppressive sultriness of the south.

For a few short weeks the cold winds drive through the campus trees, and sometimes bearing gossamer burdens of snow, but not long do the magnolias droop mournfully beneath their white burden, not long does the dark ivy wear her bridal covering out of the north. Only a short while do the Virginia creepers hang bare and lifeless about the gothic doors, for soon the south breezes come and in triumph kiss away the snowy veils, and the violets softly herald the coming of the long springtime.

#### HISTORY.

Vanderbilt is yet in her days of youth, but already there is a faint stir of the historic pulse. Although there is not here that rich and mellow flavor which comes to colleges in its perfection only with the coming of great age, there is, nevertheless, a distinct foreshadowing of it. Already the tales of days gone by are being told in students rooms and professors halls, and at alumni gatherings. Already the great figures of Vanderbilt, of McTyeire, and of Garland, are receding into those traditional mists from which in after years they will no doubt emerge in the guise of giants and heroes. No scientific spirit of modern inquiry will ever crush the delightful charm of those traditions which grow up wherever college men are gathered together.

The first prophecy of the University was in 1858, when the General Conference of Tennessee granted a charter to the incorporators of the "Central University of the General Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South"—a formidable title for a scheme that advanced no farther than the paper stage. The institution was to be of high grade, and was to provide instruction in all branches of learning, both professional and nonprofessional. The General Conference declined to accept the charter, but recommended instead that the Tennessee conference



UNIVERSITY HALL.  
(FRONT)



UNIVERSITY HALL.  
(REAR)  
THE FIRST BUILDING ERECTED AT VANDERBILT UNIVERSITY.  
COMPLETED IN 1875.

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take up the projected university in conjunction with such other conferences as might wish to coöperate. The civil war came on before a practical beginning was made, and all plans were thrown to the winds. The old Shelby Medical College, however, was organized under the charter, and was successfully conducted for the short period of three years, that is, until it fell a victim to the Federal occupation of its quarters.

After the war the proposition was again discussed. This time it took the form of an agitation for the establishment of a theological seminary for the whole church. The question was warmly argued at the general conferences of 1866 and 1870. There was much opposition to the idea on the part of the partisans of the small conference schools and colleges. The friends of the seminary then reverted to the old plan of a university with a theological department. At a convention of representatives from the conferences interested, held in Memphis, January, 1872, resolutions were adopted looking toward the foundation of a university of broad scope and high grade. The institution, which was to retain the old name of "Central University," was not to open any of its departments until a fund of at least \$500,000 was secured. A board of trust was organized immediately upon the adjournment of this convention, and agents were put into the field to raise the amount of money deemed necessary for a beginning. Soon arose the famous controversy between Bishops Pierce and McTyeire in the columns of the church paper, in which the former bitterly opposed theological training in particular and declared that university culture in general was out of the reach of the common people. McTyeire stoutly and worthily championed the University in all its phases. Keeping in view the impoverished condition of the southern states at this time, and also the fact that the sentiments of Pierce represented accurately the thought of a large part of the church, it is easy to understand the failure of the agents to raise the amount desired. They even failed to collect their own salaries. The only contribution worthy of mention was a fund of \$27,000 given by the citizens of Nashville for the purchase of a site.

Happily at this juncture "Commodore" Cornelius Vanderbilt, through the acquaintance and influence of Bishop McTyeire, became interested in the proposed university. Mr. Vanderbilt and the Bishop had married cousins in Mobile, and the intimacy between the two wives brought about a ripening friendship between the two husbands. The "Commodore" had for some time been meditating upon the founding of a university—he had even suggested to Dr. Deems, of the Church of the Strangers, the establishment of a Moravian university in honor of

his parents—when Bishop McTyeire chanced to visit him in the February of 1873. The conversation turned one evening upon the south and its needs, and Mr. Vanderbilt expressed a wish that he might be of help to that section of country in some way. The bishop then mentioned a number of worthy schemes that were upon his mind, and among them Central University. Here, then, was the opportunity for the great financier to accomplish both his aims by aiding the cause of education and the south at the same time. He promptly promised help to the proposed institution, and in March, 1873, he gave \$500,000 to the University. The charter was at once amended to meet his conditions, and without any solicitation upon his part, the name of the University was changed to that of "Vanderbilt."

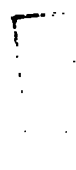
Ground was broken for the first of the buildings, University Hall, September 15, 1873. The cornerstone was laid April 28, 1874, and the University was dedicated and opened to students October 3-4, 1875. As the work of organization, building and equipment went on, mainly under the direction of Bishop McTyeire, who had been given liberal, almost supreme, authority, and Dr. Garland, the first Chancellor, Mr. Vanderbilt continued his gifts. At his death, in 1877, he had donated \$1,000,000. Chancellor Garland was instrumental in the organization and equipment of the Academic and Biblical departments. He visited the museums and laboratories of Europe in search of apparatus and specimens, and as a result the physical and chemical schools of Vanderbilt were very complete from the opening years.

The Medical department was obtained and opened April 21, 1874, by the absorption of the Medical School of the University of Nashville. The six remaining departments which go to make up the University, namely: Academic, Biblical, Law, Pharmaceutical, Dental and Engineering, were organized one by one and in the order named. The first enrollment showed 307 students and 28 members of the faculty. In 1897, ten years after the abolition of preparatory classes, the number of students in all departments was 674, coming from twenty-four states and countries. The faculty, including instructors, numbered 91.

Mr. William H. Vanderbilt, continuing the generous work of his father, gave \$460,000 to the University, providing especially for the erection of Wesley Hall, the home of the Theological department, Science Hall, and the Gymnasium, and adding to the permanent endowment. Mr. Cornelius Vanderbilt, grandson of the founder, and present head of the Vanderbilt family, donated \$30,000 in 1888 for the Mechanical and Engineering Hall, and for additions to the library. Donations to the University from other sources will amount to less than \$150,000.



CAMPUS SCENES.



The endowment is now \$1,050,000. The value of grounds, buildings, and equipments, is \$950,000, and the annual income is something over \$100,000.

Bishop McTyeire, the first President of the Board, died nine years ago. No history of Vanderbilt University, that omits an account of this great leader's services would be complete. His name will live secure among the Vanderbilt generations. Without him there would have been no Vanderbilt, though there might have been at some time a Central University struggling through an immature and feeble existence. His powerful influence, due not only to vested authority, but also to a strong will, good judgment, and executive ability, did much toward moulding into shape the magnificent foundation which is now the pride of the south.

#### ORGANIZATION, CURRICULUM, ETC.

The University has developed upon broad and liberal lines, especially since 1885. Subcollegiate or preparatory classes have been abolished, and entrance requirements in the Academic and Engineering departments have been raised to a standard equal to that of the best universities in the United States. Strict collegiate requirements have been made the rule for admission into the Theological department. The *curricula* have been reorganized and raised in all collegiate departments, and full seminaries have been developed into twelve distinct university schools. In the professional schools there has been the same upward tendency. The Law and Dental departments have been housed in an elegant five-story stonefront building in the city. The Medical department, no longer connected with the University of Nashville, has been reorganized and now occupies its own handsome building near the hospital. This college is admirably equipped.

The government of Vanderbilt is vested in a Board of Trust, which is a self-perpetuating body, choosing its members from the bounds of the conferences named in the charter of the University. These members, who are both laymen and clergymen, are responsible only to the Board, though their nomination is usually ratified by the conferences. The Chancellor is *ex-officio* a member of the Board. The faculty has been and is composed of able and sometimes brilliant men, whose church affiliations are by no means the first thing considered in their selection. They are drawn from various denominations, save in the Biblical School where, of course, they are Methodists. Some of them perhaps have no church connection. They are for the most part men of liberal training and culture, graduates of the best schools of Europe and America. The first Chancellor, Landon C. Garland, was the most



prominent educator in the south. For sixty-four years he taught in and presided over southern colleges and universities. A man of great intellect, deep reverence and learning, a courteous and polished gentleman of the best of the old school, his long life left its impress upon his country. The present Chancellor, James Hampton Kirkland, holds high rank among the heads of colleges. To the special training of a German university he adds a broad and general culture, executive ability, and energy. He is a young man, progressive, abreast of the times, and popular with the whole student body.

Though in sore need of greater resources Vanderbilt maintains with a large measure of success the ideal of a university in both an extensive and an inextensive sense. Extensive in that it covers the whole range of studies, both professional and nonprofessional, and inextensive in that in its graduate non-professional courses the chief aim is "to make the student an investigator and thinker and to habituate him to original research." The attendance of graduate students is large. Almost every southern college is represented here, while many come from colleges outside of the south. Vanderbilt is the only southern institution that holds membership in the Federation of Graduate Clubs, which is composed of those institutions doing real university work. Her greatest mission so far seems to have been in the equipment of college teachers, and by reason of her advanced entrance requirements and special encouragement, in the development of preparatory schools doing genuine and thorough work. The old farcical college life of many sections of the south is doomed, and to the influence of Vanderbilt belongs the greater part of the credit for this educational reform. In her warfare no quarter is given to shams and makeshifts.

#### CHARACTER OF STUDENT BODY, ATHLETICS, STUDENT ORGANIZATIONS, ETC.

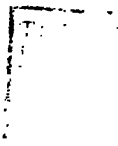
Student life at Vanderbilt is manifold and of varied interest as it is at all large colleges. Many of its features are common to other institutions while there are a few distinctively its own. Athletics, fraternities, literary societies, social organizations, clubs, city attractions, contests for honors, college publications, all go to occupy the attention of their especial devotees who look for a broader field of interest than is found in the class room alone. The feeling of love and loyalty for one's college, usually expressed by the term college spirit, is strong throughout the academies and most of the professional schools. The fierce outbursts of enthusiasm among the undergraduates are perhaps not as frequent as in some institutions, but the undercurrent is deep and strong nevertheless, and when a crisis comes demanding loyalty and sacrifice, there is ever a ready and an effective response.



THE GYMNASIUM.  
ERECTED BY MR. WILLIAM H. VANDERBILT.



WEST SIDE ROW.  
A GROUP OF SEVEN UNDERGRADUATE DORMITORIES.



West Side Row, a group of seven dormitories, is the most famous place of residence sought by the undergraduates. Within its precincts life is free and democratic. There much study and much that is not study goes on. The supervision of these dormitories is in the hands of officers elected by the students. The moral censorship of the "Row" has been entrusted to a committee now familiarly known as the "Lexow." It is understood, however, that this committee shall exercise its jurisdiction only in the case of serious violations of the laws of morality and decency. The committee is seldom called upon to act. The ordinary life of the student is perfectly free, and almost invariably gentlemanly and law abiding. Wesley Hall is the home of the theological students, fellows in the University, and a limited number of academic students who live there by the grace of the Chancellor and the Dean of the department. In the Hall are also the private apartments of several members of the faculty. Other students live in the numerous boarding-houses near the campus or in the city. All medical and dental students live down town.

A peculiar feature of this geographical separation of the Vanderbilt men is seen in the annual election of a "Bachelor of Ugliness." Every year the factions hold their conventions, each nominating a candidate for this time-honored degree, which had its origin in Vanderbilt, and which is supposed to be conferred upon the man of greatest popularity in the University. On May 27th, which is Founder's Day and is a perpetual holiday, the whole student body assemble in the University chapel for the purpose of conducting the election. Proceedings begin with an endeavor to elect a permanent chairman. Wild cheering and noisy partisan demonstrations for and against the several factions and candidates are indulged in until the organization of the convention is effected. Then follows the nominating speeches which, sometimes extemporaneous, sometimes carefully prepared, paint each of its own candidates as the summation of human monstrosity and at the same time the most popular and important man in college. Opponents are flooded with sarcasm and invective, and are portrayed in blackest hues. Sometimes the speaker is heard patiently and again his words are drowned in an uproar of dissent. Motions by gentlemen waggishly inclined, and other irregularities, occasionally occur. The "co-eds," of whom there are perhaps not more than thirty in the University, in company with visitors sit in the galleries to complete the picturesqueness of the scene. These young ladies are allowed equal suffrage, and their votes are eagerly sought both by flattering speeches from the platform and by the personal efforts of the wire workers. They have been known to hold the balance of power and to change the trend of an election. No faction ever prov-

ing strong enough to elect its candidate unaided, there must follow innumerable combinations and counter combinations, so that the elections are often intensely exciting. The successful candidate is awarded his degree, and a beautiful pen-knife, furnished by the professor of Latin, on the evening of the contest for the Young medal in oratory. Some prominent alumnus usually makes the presentation speech.

The two literary societies, the Dialectic and the Philosophic, are perhaps the oldest student organizations in the University. Heavy class work, fraternity life, and a variety of diversions, check the enthusiastic interest that once obtained in these societies. They hold, however, a fair membership and the bestowal of a goodly patronage in the line of honors. The editors and managers of the magazine, intersociety and intercollegiate orators and debaters, are elected from their membership.

The annual debate held with the University of the South (Sewanee) is an important function in Vanderbilt life and yearly attracts increasing attention not only from the college people but from the general public.

College journalism is an important feature of student enterprises. The *Comet*, named in honor of the discoveries of the noted astronomer Barnard while a student and instructor at Vanderbilt, is an annual published by the twelve Greek letter fraternities. The *Courier* is a daily published during Commencement week by the senior class. The *Hustler* is a weekly published by the Athletic Association. It is a sprightly sheet devoted to athletics and general college news. The *Observer* is a monthly literary magazine. Established in 1881, it has grown steadily in excellence and favor, until at present it ranks with the best of college magazines.

In athletics Vanderbilt's position as a leader is well established. A good gymnasium, the prettiest athletic field to be found in the south, tennis courts, football, baseball, track and basketball teams, boxing, wrestling, fencing, and cross country running, and bicycling afford an interesting variety of sports and exercises. In football, which has been played here for only seven or eight years, Vanderbilt has taken high rank. Her team of the past season was the best in the Southern Inter-Collegiate Athletic Association, and equal to her strongest southern rival outside of the association, as the records will show. The season was closed with a total of 141 points scored to her opponents 0. The baseball team has always been good. This year it will meet Pennsylvania, Virginia, Georgia, Sewanee, and perhaps other prominent college teams. To Vanderbilt's lead is due the development of track athletics in the south. For ten years she opened her fieldday sports with a general invitation to the colleges of the southern states to participate.



THE ASTRONOMICAL OBSERVATORY.



THE MEDICAL BUILDING.



Now the great field day meet of the Southern Association is held on the Vanderbilt field. The university holds the presidency of the association and her influence has been continually exerted in behalf of pure sport. The spirit of professionalism has never tainted her athletic history. The faculty has always permitted and encouraged the development of everything conducive to the physical well being of the students, though strong pressure from outside sources is often directed against Vanderbilt's inter-collegiate contests. The interest of the students in athletics is great, often intense, but there has been no resultant neglect of other duties, nor have those demoralizing tendencies sometimes predicted shown themselves.

All Vanderbilt men are champions of the honor system which has prevailed in the University since its foundation. Students are treated by professors and by one another as gentlemen. There is no attempt at espionage in anything. Men in examinations are put upon their pledge of honor. If a student is accused of cheating on examination, he is tried by his class, and if he is found guilty he is asked to leave college. Such instances have been rare in the University's history.

#### FRATERNITIES AND SOCIAL LIFE.

Social life at Vanderbilt, as it is among many other colleges and universities, is fraternity life. That is to say, it is through the best fraternities that most men, who are something more than mere text book grinds, may secure relaxation from that pressure of college duties supposed to weigh upon the lives of so many under graduates; and it is through the fraternities that frequent glimpses of the broader social world outside of college walls are obtained.

The best society of an old and cultured town such as Nashville, and best does not necessarily include the ultrafashionable circles, though it sometimes may, is particularly pleasant. The people are open-hearted and genuinely hospitable, and are unusually free from that spirit which would estimate a man's social standing by his, or rather his father's, rating in Bradstreet's. But, nevertheless, these old southern homes, surrounded with their indefinable charm and breathing an incense of welcome and neighborly feeling, are not opened indiscriminately. The flavor of the old aristocracy still lingers within the thresholds of many houses, and gentle birth and manners are the golden keys of entrance, or at least refined conduct and worth of character. The student, away from home and often unknown, is fortunate in securing admission into some one of Nashville's many pleasant circles.

It is however to the life within the campus borders that these obser-



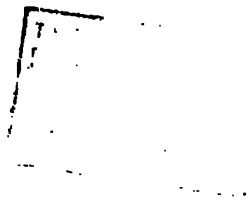
vations were intended to be limited. There are certain social features of college life at Vanderbilt which is the privilege of every student to enjoy. There are the receptions of Chancellor and Mrs. Kirkhead to the whole student body, where the ladies of the campus and often the debutants of the city assist; the Y. M. C. A. receptions given at the first of the term in the halls of the literary societies in honor of the new students, and those given during the holidays by the members of the Woman's Club of Vanderbilt, and a number of smaller gatherings. There are numberless fraternity banquets, receptions, dances, boat rides, and tally-ho-parties, in all of which it may be remarked parenthetically that Sigma Chi has been tried and proved worthy.

When the University was founded and for a number of years in its early history, secret societies were under the condemnation of the powers that then held sway. The law against fraternities was severe and it was strictly enforced—at any rate such was the opinion and belief of the authorities. The fraternity men in the University possessed other opinions and a more exact knowledge as to the true status of affairs. The vigilance of faculties and trustees was carefully eluded, and what could not be had openly was enjoyed in secret. Between 1877 and 1883, at which latter date the University ceased its hostile policy, four fraternities had founded and maintained chapters in Vanderbilt. Phi Delta Theta, Rainbow, Kappa Alpha (Southern) and Beta Theta Pi were the bold organizers. The Rainbow chapter was later merged in Delta Tau Delta. After a long fight, many petitions and the appearance of representatives before the board of trust to argue the side of the secret societies, the antifraternity law was repealed. Then the new chapters followed fast. Chi Phi came in 1883, Sigma Alpha Epsilon in 1883 (first established at Vanderbilt in 1875), Kappa Sigma in 1885 (first established 1877), Delta Tau Delta 1886, Sigma Nu 1886, Alpha Tau Omega 1889, Delta Kappa Epsilon 1889.\* Sigma Chi 1891, Pi Kappa Alpha 1893. Sigma Nu was reestablished in 1896.

In the early years of fraternity life at Vanderbilt there was intense feeling and much partisan rivalry between the various chapters. The strife for honors and for members ran high, and it is even whispered that in those dark ages blows were exchanged and blood was spilt. Fortunately that gory period was not of long duration. With the growth of a broader and more genuine college spirit came a better feeling among the fraternities. A feeling which has steadily developed so that no chapter of recent years can recall aught but the memory of pleasant relations

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\*These dates are taken from the minograph, *Higher Education in Tennessee*, written by the late Lucius S. Merriam, Ph. D., of Vanderbilt, and later of Cornell University.





WESLEY HALL.  
THE HOME OF THE THEOLOGICAL DEPARTMENT.

with the others. Rivalries at present are conducted on a higher plane and in a most gentlemanly manner. There are spirited skirmishes at the opening of each year, but they leave no taint of hatred or bitterness. Political machinations and combinations in the struggle for honors and offices are now of rare occurrence.

There are now in the University twelve active fraternity chapters with a total membership of 205. The initiates for the current year number fifty.\* Most of the fraternity material is drawn from the Academic, Law and Biblical departments.

## FOUNDING AND HISTORY OF ALPHA PSI.

When William B. Ricks, Alpha Tau, '89, entered Vanderbilt in the autumn of 1891, he saw an opening for Sigma Chi, and with characteristic energy and good judgment he set to work on the foundation of a new chapter. It was not hard for such a man, a most enthusiastic "Sig," to secure seven petitioners who were, according to a phrase made famous at the Cincinnati convention, "up to the standard." The petition was indorsed by Dr. William L. Dudley, Psi, '81, and William D. Thomas, Chi, '83, and forwarded, on November 12, 1891, to the Grand Tribune. The charter was granted, and on the 22nd of December of that year the infant chapter of Alpha Psi first saw the light of the Greek world. The youngster was sprightly from the start, and the knowing ones saw that a "good colt" had been entered on the books of the "sons of the Commodore." The initiates on that eventful evening were Frank M. Thomas, Melville C. Hardin, W. Asbury Christian, William B. Beauchamp, Albert G. Reed, Ernest G. Woodward, and John Joel Stowe.

The career of Alpha Psi, now only six years old, when studied in connection with the history of other chapters established so much earlier at Vanderbilt, will in its own brilliance prove the wisdom of its founder. Its position in the first rank was established from the beginning. Statistics show that during the six years of her existence Alpha Psi has enrolled forty-five members—thirty-nine initiates and six transfers. Of important college and university honors taken there are: three Founder's department medals—the highest scholastic honors at Vanderbilt—five Owen prize medals, three Elliot F. Shepard prizes, four teaching fellowships in the University, two oratorical medals in the Founder's and Young contests, one representative in the Southern Inter-collegiate Oratorical Contest, and two memberships in Alpha Theta Phi, a scholarship society, modeled upon Phi Beta Kappa and established at Vanderbilt three years ago. Of honors in athletics and student enterprises may be

\*These statistics are from the table published by the Vanderbilt *Hustler*, January 13, 1898.

mentioned: general editorship of the *Comet* twice, of the *Observer* once, of the *Hustler* once, business manager of the *Hustler* once, two representatives in the Sewanee debate, five members of the Glee Club, three members of the football team and the captaincy three times, managers of the field sports and the track team, and the presidency, from time immemorial, of the athletic association.

These statistics are stated not in a spirit of boasting, but simply to show that Alpha Psi's establishment has been justified in the eye of the public by the fact that she has more than held her own against chapters of other fraternities which have had an advantage in time of from five to fifteen years. Of course individual benefits accruing from her history are not to be calculated.

#### PROMINENT ALUMNI.

The alumni who have gone out from Alpha Psi, though few in number, have already begun to take important places in their respective fields of occupation. "Father" Ricks, as he is fondly called by the chapter, has for the past four years had charge of one of the most important Methodist Churches in Arkansas. Frank M. Thomas, '93, the delegate to the Nineteenth Grand Chapter, has until this year held the pastorate of important churches in Louisville. He is now at his home in poor health. W. Asbury Christian, '92, and W. B. Beauchamp, '93, are prominent members and hold good appointments in the Virginia conference. Thomas Carter, '94, is professor of Latin and Greek in Centenary College, Jackson, Louisiana. John J. Stowe, '94, who made the address of welcome at the last Grand Chapter, is pastor of Carroll Street Methodist Church, Nashville. Thomas C. Meadows, '93, is rapidly becoming a leader in the development of the phosphate fields of Tennessee. William D. Rhea, '95, was first assistant engineer of the Tennessee Centennial Exposition lately closed. He is now doing important engineering work in Mississippi. Albert G. Reed, '95, holds a graduate fellowship in Columbia University. Thomas D. McIntyre, '95, is principal of a preparatory school for boys in Nashville. G. Bruce Overton, '95, is an associate principal of the Louisville Training School. Arthur Earl Wilson, '97, has charge of the high school in Union City, Tennessee. Griffin M. Lovelace, '98, is a member of the reportorial staff of the Nashville *Evening Banner*.

The entertainment of the Grand Chapter last August was perhaps the greatest event in the history of the chapter. Its influence upon Alpha Psi will no doubt prove lasting. The chapter, always looked upon as one of the leading chapters in the University, has always been conservative in its selection of members. It has been alert, progressive and public-spirited in its policy. Firmly established, and with the sympathy, advice, and aid of the local alumni it hopes to move on to yet greater and better things.

**WALTER LOWRIE FISHER.****A BIOGRAPHICAL SKETCH.**

By CHARLES ALLING, JR., Chi, '85; Theta Theta, '88.

Over five years have passed since Walter L. Fisher was Grand Consul of the Sigma Chi Fraternity. The active members of to-day have never been brought directly into touch with his Sigma Chi spirit. The statement of his life will be interesting to them because it is indissolubly linked with the history of our Fraternity. To his old comrades this sketch will revive memories of some of the most crucial and exciting events in the annals of Sigma Chi. It seems fitting that the present Grand Tribune should be delegated to write it, because our connection with the Fraternity dates from the same college year and we were associates not only in the same chapter but also in a large part of Brother Fisher's official labors. While such an association may render the opinions of the writer subject to the partiality of a friendship which has lasted for nearly twenty years, most of the facts narrated are matters of Fraternity history and will speak for themselves.

For the birthday of a man who has led a remarkable life both in Sigma Chi and out of it, no more spectacular day could be selected than July 4th. On that day, in the second year of the Civil War, 1862, Walter Lowrie Fisher was born at Wheeling, then in Virginia, of which state his mother is a native. He received his early education in the schools of that city and attended Marietta College from 1877 to 1879. In the latter year, his father, Rev. Daniel W. Fisher, D. D., LL. D., was elected to the presidency of Hanover College, at Hanover, Indiana. President Fisher, who is a graduate of Jefferson College, Pennsylvania, and a native of that state, is well known throughout the Presbyterian church in the United States; he is still the efficient president of the college which has advanced steadily during all of his long and successful administration. His son matriculated at the institution as a freshman in September, 1879, and was soon initiated into Chi chapter of Sigma Chi.

Young Fisher's career as a collegian was brilliant. He won the prizes both for scholarship and declamation in the freshman and sophomore years, the first honor on the sophomore and junior exhibitions, and the valedictory at his graduation in 1883. The Union Literary Society made him its president in 1882, and valedictorian on its spring exhibi-

tion (its most coveted honor) in 1883. Through the intrigues of senior class politics, he was not given a place on the editorial board of the regular college publication, the *Hanoverian*. The publication was put under the control of some of the dullest men in the class, so for the honor of the college, more than for personal vindication, Brother Fisher organized from all classes a board of editors for a new publication, the *Bohemian*, of which he was editor-in-chief. It was the best publication the students ever issued, and after his graduation was united with its rival in a new magazine.

Mr. Fisher represented his college in the state oratorical contest at Indianapolis in 1882, taking third place, and in 1883, receiving second prize. As a collegian, he was also a prominent athlete, serving for three years as president of the Athletic Association.

A year after his initiation into Sigma Chi, Brother Fisher attended the Thirteenth Grand Chapter in November, 1880, at Washington, D.C., as the delegate from his chapter. He made many warm friends, who recognized his ability two years later at the Fourteenth Grand Chapter in 1882, at Chicago, by electing him Grand Pro-Consul; on account of the non-arrival of the Grand Consul, Hon. Isaac M. Jordan, Brother Fisher had to preside throughout the session of that Grand Chapter.

The next spring (1883) Theta chapter resigned the editorship of *Sigma Chi*, a babe of two years. The Grand Council, then a transitional body acting in conjunction with the Parent Chapter, which collected all fraternity dues, immediately offered the editorship to Brother Fisher. He accepted and at once began a vigorous campaign editorially and personally for further centralization of the Fraternity's government. In pursuance of this agitation a convention of the northwestern chapters met with Omega at Evanston in January, 1884. Brother Fisher was made permanent chairman, and advocated the main features of the new constitution, which was adopted by the Fifteenth Grand Chapter at Cincinnati in August, 1884.

Chicago was chosen as the headquarters of the Fraternity's new government, and as Brother Fisher had been elected Grand Tribune and continued as Editor-in-Chief of the *Sigma Chi*, he removed in 1884 from Hanover, Indiana, to Chicago, where he has since resided. He had spent the year following his graduation, 1883 to 1884, as a tutor in Hanover College and a student of law. In the spring of 1885, the Grand Council sent Grand Tribune Fisher to the provincial conventions of the First, Second, Third, Fourth and Fifth provinces, to urge the necessity of payment by active members of an assessment of four dollars per capita for the publication of the new catalogue. That was a large assessment

in those days and it is only fair to say that Brother Fisher's unbounded faith in the Fraternity and his enthusiasm for its enterprises caused the collection in full of the assessment and laid a basis for the publication of the book. Grand Tribune Fisher was re-elected at the Sixteenth Grand Chapter at Columbus, Ohio, in 1886. On his suggestion, in 1887, the *Sigma Chi Bulletin* was established by order of the Grand Council.

Mr. Fisher was admitted to the Chicago bar in March, 1888, and within two months thereafter was appointed Attorney for Condemnation and Special Assessment Cases of Chicago. The arduous duties of this position necessitated his resignation as Grand Tribune and Editor-in-Chief of the *Sigma Chi* at the Seventeenth Grand Chapter held in Chicago in 1888. He was elected Grand Quaestor, however, and in conjunction with the writer, who was elected as his successor in the other offices, immediately began the publication of the present Catalogue and History which was completed in 1890. Although much painstaking work had been done by Charles A. Wightman, Mason Bross, John C. S. Weills and others, an enormous burden rested on Mr. Fisher and the present Grand Tribune.

Mr. Fisher's legal work for the City of Chicago continued throughout the publication period, and too much credit can never be extended to him for the high talents and hours and hours of valuable time which he devoted to the great task without compensation of any kind. The Fraternity showed its appreciation of the labor by electing him Grand Consul at the Eighteenth Grand Chapter, held in Washington in November, 1890, which office he held until the expiration of his term in 1892.

As a lawyer, Mr. Fisher has been an unqualified success. The experience which he gained in trying special assessment cases for the City of Chicago has made him an expert in that kind of litigation and he has widened his practice into other fields. When he began to practice law he formed a partnership with Mr. Rudolph Matz, and they have added Mr. W. C. Boyden, their firm name now being Matz, Fisher and Boyden, with offices in the Portland Block, Chicago.

Mr. Fisher married Miss Mabel Taylor, of Boston, Massachusetts, in that city on April 22, 1891. They have a family of four boys, the youngest of whom are twins, and resides in the winter at their city home, No. 463 North State street, and in the summer at a beautifully situated country home at Lakeside, on a knoll overlooking the Sheridan Road and Lake Michigan, along the line of the Chicago and North-Western Railway, some fifteen miles north of Chicago.

Mr. Fisher has one brother who is a Sigma Chi, Rev. Howard



Fisher, M. D., a Presbyterian missionary in India. His mother and sister, Miss Edith Fisher, are also loyal Sigma Chis, and have been of great assistance to Chi chapter. The boys of old and of to-day will always hold them in grateful remembrance for their continued loyalty to the Fraternity.

Should his father's family leave Hanover, the handsome chapter house of Sigma Chi will still remain to keep alive there the name of Walter L. Fisher and to testify eloquently of his devotion to the Fraternity. He was mainly instrumental in building it and is watchful as to its proper maintenance. Mr. Fisher is a member of the Union League, University, Law, Literary, and Shokie Country clubs. He is an ardent equestrian and a lover of field-sports in general.

As a public speaker, he is logical, earnest, and forcible. Owing to his exclusive devotion to his profession, his efforts in oratory have been confined in recent years to legal arguments and he has had little need to display the fire of imagination which embellished his college speeches. His keen literary sense is illustrated in his excellent prose composition in the Fraternity publications, and in such songs as "'Tis the jolliest night of the whole college year," which he wrote for the old song book. As a persistent, aggressive fighter who knows no compromise or surrender of his cause, Mr. Fisher has few equals. He depends on the *fortiter in re* rather than the *suaviter in modo*. He brings to every work of life as he did to his work for Sigma Chi, a richly endowed mind, well balanced and well trained, a will power inflexible, and an unusual capacity for concentrated mental labor—gifts necessary to leadership.

Brother Fisher is very much interested in the success of the Endowment Fund and every other project for the advancement of Sigma Chi. Long may he live to honor our common Fraternity in whose behalf so much of his life's energy has been exerted.

Chicago, February 1, 1898.

### Editorial.

While the constitution adopted by the last Grand Chapter covers admirably the present needs of the Fraternity in a general way, experience has nevertheless already revealed a number of points which call for amendment and revision at once. When the Grand Triumvirs took up the question of incorporation, after investigating the matter carefully, it became apparent that the Fraternity as such could not be incorporated to advantage under the laws of any state, and in order to carry out the intent of the legislation enacted at Nashville, a change was accordingly recommended by the Triumvirs looking toward the incorporation of the Grand Council instead of the Fraternity in order to thoroughly overcome every possible objection to incorporation under the statutes of Illinois. Other changes necessarily followed and the Triumvirs accordingly recommended the propositions which are now before the chapters for approval. Perhaps the most important of these is the amendment making the Grand Historian a member of the Grand Council. As the matter now stands, the Council consists of exactly fourteen members, each having the right to vote on all questions. There is, of course, a possibility of a dead-lock under this system, and the only preventative is to make the Grand Historian a member of the Grand Council. Aside from this, there seems to be no good reason why he should not be upon an equal footing with all other grand officers. The position certainly merits recognition, and is capable of as much development and general good for the Fraternity as that of any other office, and good sense would indicate that this officer should be honored with a position on the Grand Council. In accordance with the latest legislation, when the next catalogue and history is issued, the work will fall largely upon the historian, and too much care cannot be taken to see that the office and its holder receives every encouragement for faithful work.

Under the new plan, "The Grand Council shall be a body corporate under the laws of the State of Illinois known as the *Grand Council of the Sigma Chi Fraternity*, as such body corporate it shall adopt and enforce by-laws in accordance with the constitution, statutes and ritual of the Fraternity and the statutes of Illinois." Another section provides that the Grand Council shall be trustee to collect, hold and disburse all moneys coming to the Endowment Fund. It is further provided that the Grand Triumvirs shall constitute a board of directors, with the Grand Quaestor acting as Treasurer.

A set of by-laws have already been drafted and submitted for consideration, which are intended to furnish the basis of the workings of the body corporate, as well as meet the legal requirements. The question has been clearly presented in detail in the last number of the *Bulletin* and it is hoped that the chapters will respond promptly with their votes so that incorporation may be effected at an early date.

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There is undoubtedly a great diversity of opinion among readers of college fraternity publications as to the field which such magazines should occupy. With our own QUARTERLY this question was pretty definitely settled when the *Bulletin* was established. This gave an outlet for the publication of certain matters which are private in their nature, and left the QUARTERLY for a wider, and we may say, a more useful field. The editorial policy during the past two or three administrations seems to have been to publish such articles as would be of general interest and usefulness to any one interested in general educational matters. This policy will be adhered to during the coming two years, and we hope to profit by the experience of the past and make the usefulness of the QUARTERLY even greater than it has been. With this end in view, we hope to continue along the lines already well defined, and by securing the coöperation of some of our alumni who are both capable and in position to furnish us with readable and instructive articles, to present matter which will be sequential in its nature and at the same time interesting and instructive to our readers. The old policy of publishing from time to time biographical sketches of prominent alumni and articles regarding the various institutions in which our chapters are located will be continued. Aside from this feature, we have planned with the beginning of the May number, a series on "Student Life in Foreign Universities." These will be written by such men as S. Lewis Ziegler, M. D., of Philadelphia, Robert Harvey, M. D., and Joseph C. Nate, Ph. D., of Chicago, and will be especially valuable to students who are expecting to carry on graduate study abroad.

We expect also to present a number of articles on club life in various American cities, giving special attention to the university clubs which are composed entirely of college and university men.

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As an index of the interest of alumni in the Fraternity of to-day, we wish to call attention in another part of this issue to the report of five alumni meetings which have occurred during the past three months—namely: New York, Chicago, Milwaukee, Kansas City and

Columbus, Ohio. It is remarkable that we should have at this time accounts of so many gatherings, and the Fraternity is certainly to be congratulated. This would seem to dispel the doubt which is so often manifested as to the value of the college fraternity after graduation, and to demonstrate the fact that interest in our general order seems to be growing rapidly. The later must necessarily be the case, and the recent legislation enacted by the Nashville Grand Chapter will tend to gradually strengthen this sentiment. We have reference, of course, particularly to the provision for an Alumni Endowment Fund for the purpose of building chapter houses and carrying on other schemes of general importance. The time is not far distant when every alumnus—not only our own Fraternity, but of other organizations as well—will look upon his connection with his college society as a most important matter. In the cities mentioned above we now have active organizations both in New York and Chicago, and it is probable that a charter will be granted to the Kansas City Alumni during the coming year. Reports from Nashville state that a movement is on foot to organize a Tennessee Alumni Chapter.

The election of the Hon. George P. Merrick, Omega, '84, as President of the Chicago Alumni Chapter is a fitting tribute to the enthusiastic interest which he has manifested in the Fraternity, and especially in the Omega chapter at the Northwestern University, for many years.

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The question of the so-called class fraternities and local organizations which are in existence in many American colleges is one which is just now receiving considerable attention, not only from college and university authorities, but also from the governing bodies of many of the national Greek letter societies. The recent action of Kappa Alpha in forbidding its members to join organizations of the Theta Nu Epsilon type was referred to in the November number of the *QUARTERLY*. The general tone of fraternity publications at present seems to be averse to the system. So far as Sigma Chi is concerned no general policy has as yet been decided upon by the Grand Chapter, but in one or two instances where the question has been referred to the Grand Triumvirs it has been decided that such organizations were not in keeping with the policy of the Fraternity, and members have been advised not to join them. We do not deem it wise at this time to enter fully into a discussion of the question but there seems to be many reasons for an attitude of this sort, and it is hoped that the members of our various chapters will proceed carefully in propositions for membership in class societies and weigh well the consequences before deciding.

The Sigma Chi Song Book is finally in the hands of the printer, and we are promised that it will be ready by March 1st. We are sure that the efforts of the editor and others coöperating with him will be appreciated, and that there will be a large demand for the book. The first issue, according to present arrangements, will consist of five hundred copies. There are already nearly four hundred sold, and if enough encouragement is received immediately from the alumni and active chapters the number in the first edition will probably be increased. The book will consist of seventy songs, varied in character, with the music and accompaniment complete in every case. It will be handsomely bound in cloth, and the price will be one dollar per copy. Too much cannot be said by way of commendation of the faithful work put upon the book by Herbert C. Arms, Editor and Chairman of the Song Book Committee. He has been untiring in his efforts to make this publication superior to anything of its kind, and he deserves the thanks of the entire Fraternity.

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The election of Brother Robert C. Spencer, Jr., Alpha Lambda, '86, as Grand Praetor of the Fifth Province in place of Brother Lewis W. Meyers, Alpha Lambda, '94, resigned, completes the board of Grand Triumvirs, and places one of Sigma Chi's strongest men in a prominent position on the Grand Council. Brother Spencer was well known among Sigma Chis during his college course, and was Grand Annotator of the Sixteenth Grand Chapter at Columbus, Ohio in 1886. Aside from his connection with Alpha Lambda, he was also an active member of the Alpha Theta Chapter at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology in 1877-8. He was awarded the Rotch Scholarship of Boston in 1891, which enabled him to spend two years abroad, where he pursued architectural studies. His work as a designer of some of the interior decorations of the Chicago Public Library has made for him a national reputation.

**Letters from Active Chapters.**

FIRST PROVINCE.

EPSILON—COLUMBIAN UNIVERSITY.

At last the semi-annual "exams" are a thing of the past, and from freshman to senior we breathe freely again. Not in our memory has such an amount of boning been done, but we think the average marks partially repay some of the anxious members.

Since our last letter life has been rather uneventful with us at Columbian. Our football team closed a very successful season on Thanksgiving Day, unfortunately with a defeat, but as the only touchdown was made in the last three minutes of play honors were about evenly divided.

The prospects for a baseball team are good, and as soon as our schedule is completed we expect to prove our claim to the championship of the south.

Since November we have been reinforced by Brother Charles Hume, of Alpha Nu, who has entered the Law School, and who is most favorably known here as a public speaker. Brother Read Clarke has been unanimously elected President of the senior class, and is the most promising candidate for Commencement honors. Brothers Cutter and Curn represent us on the college dance committee. We regret to have to say that Brother Frank N. Everett has left college to go into business with his father. His loss is most deeply felt.

During the Christmas vacation those of us who were in town were pleasantly surprised to find our Grand Consul, Brother Dudley, here at the meeting of the American Chemical Society. We who met him cannot express our admiration too sincerely.

Throughout the fall we frequently had with us Brothers Charles and Hugh Krumbhaar, of Alpha Omicron, who spent some time in Washington eluding "Yellow Jack."

The number of students in Columbian University this year is about 1,000. Of this number 100 are college students; 70 are men and 30 women.

Sigma Chi and Theta Delta Chi are active in the college only. Phi Kappa Psi initiates from the whole University, while Kappa Alpha and Kappa Sigma initiate only from the Law and Medical Schools, not extending to the college.

The fraternity membership is as follows: Sigma Chi, 3; Theta Delta Chi, 10; Phi Kappa Psi, 19; Kappa Alpha, 25; Kappa Sigma, 22.

HARRY C. COBURN.

Washington, D. C., Feb. 12, 1898.

#### THETA—PENNSYLVANIA COLLEGE.

Theta greets her sister chapters and wishes them a prosperous New Year. For us the season has opened very auspiciously. All our active members have returned with the exception of Brother Lawyer, who left to accept a position with the proposed railroad which will connect Washington and Gettysburg.

At our first meeting of '98 we initiated two men. We have the pleasure of introducing to the Fraternity, Brothers Calvin Blaine Loudon, Altoona, Pa., and De Lanson James Young, Middletown, Pa. Brother Loudon is the fifth of the Loudon family whom Theta has initiated. Brother Young is a grandson of the late Colonel James Young, who was the owner of the famous "Young" farms which lie along the Pennsylvania Railroad, below Harrisburg. We can now report ten active members, which is the largest number we have had for some years. We also have several preparatory students pledged, which is an indication of the activity of our members.

We are well represented in all phases of college life. Brothers Erdman and Keith are on the musical clubs and Brother Dale has been re-elected captain of the football team for 1898, and has also been elected a member of the Pen and Sword, the college honorary society.

Gettysburg, we are pleased to say, is rapidly progressing. Since our last letter to the QUARTERLY the campus has been graced by a handsome dormitory, which is but one of a series of buildings which are to be erected by friends of the College. The dormitory is built in the English style of architecture. The material is brick and the trimmings are of brown stone. The building is finished entirely in hardwood, is heated throughout with steam, and has the latest approved system of ventilation. It is, indeed, a great addition to the College.

The prospects for the baseball team are very bright. The candidates are hard at work in the cage, and there is every indication of our college being represented by the winning team. Our chapter will have several men on the team.

The College enrollment to date is about 280; of these 275 are men and 5 are women.

The fraternities which have chapters at Gettysburg, with their membership and in order of establishment, are as follows: Phi Kappa Psi,

10; Phi Gamma Delta, 13; Sigma Chi, 10; Phi Delta Theta, 9; Alpha Tau Omega, 11. Total number of fraternity men in college is 44. There is an attempt being made at the present time to revive the chapter of Sigma Alpha Epsilon. This will make the third attempt to put it on a solid footing.

We have taken in two men since the opening of the college year and one transfer.

WILL G. LEISENRING.

Gettysburg, Pa., Jan. 15, 1898.

#### KAPPA—BUCKNELL UNIVERSITY.

We take pleasure in introducing to the Fraternity three new men whom we have initiated since our last letter. They are all fine fellows and are very popular in college. All have had bids from the "frats." They are: Ernest Magee, of Clarion, Pa.; Edward Caldwell, of Milton, Pa.; and Frank W. Ward, of Ridgeway, Pa. We have another pledged man, Walter Mintzer, of Philadelphia, making five pledged men and seven in the active chapter. Brother Hyatt, '91, officiated at Magee's initiation.

Brother Rush H. Kress has been elected football manager for the coming season. He is also manager of the *Orange and Blue*, our weekly paper.

Our football season ended November 13th, on which day we were badly defeated by State College. Our basketball team is at present playing in and around Philadelphia and Camden, N. J.

Our glee club, composed of eight young men, had a delightful Xmas trip in the eastern part of the state, and from press accounts they were very much appreciated.

The junior ball was held on January 21st. It was one of the finest social events of the season. On February 4th Sigma Chi held her annual dance. We began this custom last year. It is now rumored that the "frats" expect to follow our example later in the season.

We have had visits from Brothers Bailey, ex-Kappa, and Dewing, both of Phi Phi; and Rogers, '95; Ryan, '95; Gine, '97, all ex-Kappa men; also from Brothers Irvin and Irving, Omicron.

The enrollment of the university to date is about 500, of which number 375 are men and 125 women.

There is a total of 56 fraternity men in school, distributed as follows: Phi Kappa Psi, 14; Phi Gamma Delta, 11; Kappa Sigma, 10; Sigma Alpha Epsilon, 14; Sigma Chi, 7.

We have initiated three men this year and pledged three.

Lewisburg, Pa., Feb. 9, 1898.

B. H. TRIMMER.



## OMICRON—DICKINSON COLLEGE.

Omicron Chapter of to-day is not the Omicron of old. Her existence is rather more nominal than actual. This may seem a sad and untimely confession, but the few of us who still remain think it better that the Fraternity, and especially Omicron alumni, should know the truthful condition of affairs with this chapter. Good, whole-souled fellows are sadly lacking at Dickinson; therefore the downfall of Omicron. There are four of us, with a possibility of a fifth, left in the institution: Robert W. Irvin, law, '98, New York City; Robert H. Barker, law, '98, Philadelphia; Merkel Landis, law, '99, Carlisle, Pa.; Blake Irvin, law, '98, Brookville, Pa.; David Riddle, college, '99, of Chambersburg, Pa. Earl Beitzel entered with the class of '99, but was forced to leave college on account of sickness. At present he expects to drop back for the class of '00, provided there is not too much humiliation connected with the "drop."

Brother Irvin is president of one of Tammany's auxiliary organizations. Brother Barker also indulges in politics to the extent of ward healer of the thirty-eighth ward of Philadelphia. Landis and Riddle take great pride in being able to control the women vote of Carlisle and Chambersburg. Beitzel and Irvin "daddle" with the ivories for their amusement. Brother Landis is one of the business managers of the *Forum*, a monthly periodical published by the Law School.

The football team closed a very successful season by defeating State College, 6-0.

The college, law and preparatory enrollment is 422. Of this number but 25 are women. The following fraternities are represented, with a combined membership of about 100: Beta Theta Pi, 21; Phi Kappa Psi, 17; Phi Kappa Sigma, 15; Sigma Alpha Epsilon, 20; Sigma Chi, 5; Delta Chi (law), 16; Phi Delta Theta, 10. Other fraternities, without chapters, are represented as follows: Theta Delta Chi, 4; Psi Upsilon, 2; Chi Phi, 2.

BLAKE IRVIN.

Carlisle, Pa., Jan. 15, 1898.

## PHI PHI—THE UNIVERSITY OF PENNSYLVANIA.

Phi Phi has indeed many reasons for congratulating herself. First, she has a most congenial and enthusiastic crowd; second, she has just ended a most successful fall rushing season; third, she was represented by Brothers Boyle at left end, Overfield at center, and Megarger, Wentz and De Silver as substitutes on the Pennsylvania football, the undisputed champions of 1897.

In the selection of men we have been especially careful. Our motto

has been "quality, not quantity." As a result of our endeavors we wish to introduce to the Fraternity two typical and ideal "Sigs" in the persons of Eugene Bradley Wilkins, college, 01, Washington, D. C., and John T. Engeman, Jr., special, Brooklyn, N. Y. Brother Wilkins is a nephew of Brother H. S. Bradley, Gamma, '72. There are several more whom we hope to be able to introduce in our next letter.

Immediately after the game with Cornell on Thanksgiving Day the election of football captain for the ensuing year was held. Brother Boyle was unanimously elected captain, but was forced to resign on account of "the four-year rule." He is without doubt the finest end rush that Pennsylvania has ever had. He was also obliged to resign the captaincy of the University crew, much to the regret of the men.

Brother McAvoy was not in college last fall on account of an attack of typhoid fever. He is now convalescing, and we expect to have him with us again in a few weeks.

We are now eating in our Fraternity house, and we find there is nothing like it.

Since our last letter we have enjoyed visits from the following "Sigs": Raymond, McIllhenny, McLaughlin and Flannery of Alpha Phi; Hare of Alpha Xi; Dale of Theta, and Barclay, Ryan and Fishner of Kappa. We hope to see a great many more at our house, 3712 Walnut street, in the future.

J. H. HOUSTON.

Philadelphia, Pa., Jan. 15, 1898.

#### ALPHA RHO—LEHIGH UNIVERSITY.

The first term is about to close at Lehigh and the regular siege of examinations will soon begin. All the friends of the University may be pleased to know that our President, Dr. Drown, who has been so very low, is recovering.

We were very much pleased with a visit from Brother Rounday, '97, a short time ago.

It is with great regret that we announce the departure of one of our number. Brother Williams, '99, who has taken a prominent part in athletics and class affairs, leaves next term to finish a course in architecture at the University of Illinois.

We all heartily recommend "Slim" to Kappa Kappa.

Our outlook for the spring athletics is very bright. Not long ago about 150 of the under graduate body raised nearly \$1,000 for the benefit of the teams. We are represented on the baseball, lacrosse and track teams.

The enrollment in the University this year is about 350. Of this

number 148 are fraternity men, divided as follows: Sigma Chi, 12; Chi Phi, 6; Alpha Tau Omega, 8; Delta Phi, 14; Psi Upsilon, 17; Theta Delta Chi, 9; Delta Upsilon, 11; Sigma Nu, 7; Phi Gamma Delta, 11; Sigma Phi, 12; Phi Delta Theta, 7; Delta Tau Delta, 8; Beta Theta Pi, 7; Kappa Alpha, 10; Chi Psi, 9.

We have not installed any new men as yet, but we are in a prosperous condition and the outlook at present for securing a couple of new men is good.

Alpha Rho sends her greetings to all "Sigs" and wishes success for the new year.

GEORGE A. HORNE.

Bethlehem, Pa., Jan. 16, 1898.

#### ALPHA CHI—PENNSYLVANIA STATE COLLEGE.

We began the second term of the college year with bright prospects and very few conditions. For a few days we were much pleased to have with us Brother Montgomery, '97, manager of the electric heat and power plant at Milton, Pa. He was here collecting data for a new installation.

We wish to introduce Brother Wayne T. Dimm, '00, of Dimmsville, Juniata County, Pa., who entered the sophomore class in mechanical engineering last term. We have been looking after a few other fellows and hope to be able to report them in our next letter.

Brother Davis is at present testing the electric power plant at York, Pa., for his graduation thesis. We have seven members in the chapter house, and our smoking room has no lack of good story tellers to drive dull care away.

Dr. L. M. Colfelt, Iota, '69, whose resignation we noted in our last letter, has reconsidered his call to Cambridge, Mass., as pastor of a prominent church of that place and will remain here. We are greatly pleased that he finds this field of duty acceptable to him, when another presents so many advantages.

In basketball each class has a team, and the winter will be made lively by a series of interclass games for a cup. The prospects are favorable for a good team to represent the college. The girls here have organized two basketball teams.

Brother Haldeman, '00, was called home last week on account of the death of his father, Professor Haldeman, of Marietta, Pa. He has our deepest sympathy in his bereavement.

We have at present an enrollment in the college of 300. The total of 82 fraternity men is divided among the six organizations, as follows: Phi Gamma Delta, 9; Beta Theta Pi, 16; Phi Kappa Sigma, 13; Kappa

Sigma, 16; Sigma Alpha Epsilon, 17; Sigma Chi, 11. Since the opening of the year we have initiated four men.

In closing, we extend our hearty best wishes to all loyal "Sigs."  
State College, Pa., Jan. 15, 1898. ROLAND DILLER.

## SECOND PROVINCE.

### ZETA—WASHINGTON AND LEE UNIVERSITY.

Zeta has no new brothers to introduce at this time, but she has been trying to keep up with the band all the time, and no one has been able to show that she has failed.

The board of editors of our annual, the *Calyx*, were elected after a new plan this year. The editor-in-chief, his assistant, and the business manager were elected by a mass meeting. Three associates were elected by the senior academic class, two by the senior law class, one by the junior academics, and one by the junior law men. Brother A. G. Snyder was made business manager; Brother G. R. Houston was elected from the academic class, and Brother N. S. Fitzhugh will do some of the drawing.

Our baseball prospects are very bright. Brother Snyder is captain and first baseman. We are to have ex-manager Sullivan of the St. Louis Browns to coach the team. The mild weather has already allowed the men to practice some out of doors.

The crews have not begun work yet, but training will begin in a short while. Brother Fitzhugh will run for a seat in the Harry Lee boat.

The Graham-Lee Literary Society held its intermediate celebration on January 19th. Brothers J. R. Tucker and A. G. Snyder were marshals. We enjoyed having Brothers Stuart and Henderson with us when the Hampden-Sidney team played the V. M. I.

The enrollment of the college this year is 137. Of this number there are 75 fraternity men. The number of the various chapters is as follows: Phi Kappa Psi, 10; Kappa Alpha, 13; Sigma Nu, 8; Phi Gamma Delta, 5; Sigma Alpha Epsilon, 5; Mu Pi Lambda, 6; Delta Tau Delta, 9; Alpha Tau Omega, 8; Kappa Sigma, 2; Phi Delta Theta 1; Sigma Chi, 8; Sigma Chi initiates, during the current year, 3.

Lexington, Va., Jan. 20, 1898. GORDON R. HOUSTON.

### TAU—ROANOKE COLLEGE.

Tau, as was stated in our last letter, has been pursuing her course in a rather conservative manner, but we announce, with pleasure, the in-

itiation of Paca Kennedy, Wilbur H. Baillie and Oscar C. McNab, the former from Charleston, W. Va., the two latter from Salem, Ohio. Three finer, more loyal, and more deserving wearers of the White Cross we think it would be difficult to find. Brothers Baillie and McNab are freshmen. Brother Kennedy is taking a special course.

Roanoke's football team of the past season did not fulfill all our expectations. This was partly due to so many new men playing in the team; however, the fewer excuses offered the better, and we hope and believe that our athletic standard will be returned to its former position by the baseball team of '98. Our last year's baseball team was very strong and their playing was excellent, but as there is always room for improvement it is the aim this year to eclipse all former records. Several members of last year's team are still with us, and judging from the able manner in which the new men twirl and handle the leather-covered spheroid our hopes seem in a fair way to be realized.

Sigma Chi is well represented in the college world of Roanoke. Brothers Oscar McNab and Wilbur Baillie were on the eleven, the former doing some excellent and effective work in the line, the latter acting as substitute.

Brother M. S. Eagle is president of the Athletic Association and in a recent election was chosen to fill this position for a second term.

Brother W. A. Brown also is a member on the staff of *The Collegian*.

Several of our members spent the Christmas vacation at their homes but are now hard at work. To those of us who remained at college the time sped along too swiftly, the vacation being a very pleasant one indeed and long to be remembered by all.

On the night of November 26th, Brother Minor Wiley, '92, now practicing medicine in Salem, gave us a handsome supper. To say that the spread was enjoyed and that all had a good time is expressing it mildly. On the same night we received a visit from Brother Stevenson, of Sigma Sigma, who was visiting at his home in Roanoke City. We regret very much that he could not remain and enjoy the good time with us.

During the holidays we again had the pleasure of a visit from Brother Stevenson, accompanied by Brother Smith, of Eta Eta. It was a pleasure to have these brothers with us.

The enrollment of the college to date is 175, of which number 162 are men and 13 women. The following fraternities are represented, with a total membership of 21: Sigma Chi, 10; Pi Kappa Alpha, 5; Phi Gamma Delta, 6. Three men have been initiated by our chapter since the opening of the year.

JOHN M. HAMILTON.

Salem, Va., Jan. 18, 1898.

## PSI—THE UNIVERSITY OF VIRGINIA.

The opening of the new year finds us all in our accustomed places preparing to round out the session with more than our usual energy, but good resolutions, like everything else, fail to be proof against the days when "A young man's fancy," etc., so when the spring does come we will look back with pride to the time when we had such good resolutions. The intermediate examinations are over and once more we can breathe freely. The immediate presence of the Nemesis has been removed, but she will soon again be on our track.

In fraternity circles quiet reigns. The field has been worked over very thoroughly and the spring "goatings" will not be very numerous. So far we have pledged none.

Since our last letter Psi has had an addition to her ranks in the person of Brother Charles Orr, a transfer from Lambda. Brother Orr is pursuing law work.

The campus is filled every evening now with men practicing for the baseball team. The number of applicants is unusually large, and the University of Virginia expects to put on the diamond this year one of the best teams she has ever had. Psi has expectations of being represented on the team, as several of her members played on last year's nine.

The University has risen revived from its ashes, and this year marks an important period in her career of educational triumph. The new buildings, which have been in process of construction since the fire, are now finished and will be dedicated at Commencement time. They are models of architectural beauty and finish and add greatly to the beauty of the grounds.

P. H. DREWRY.

Charlottesville, Va., Jan. 16, 1898.

## GAMMA GAMMA—RANDOLPH-MACON COLLEGE.

The heavens are clear, the zephyrs are serene, and the little yacht Gamma Gamma moves smoothly onward. Her crew is harmonious and, as might be well expected, sailing is pleasant.

In a short while the half session will be over. The burning of midnight oil, the cramming of Latin parallel and "Math" formulas will cease then until the "finals" and the sunken eyes and haggard faces will gradually resume their normal appearances.

The half session brings but few new men, so we shall not attempt to increase our numbers; therefore we have stopped sharpening the horns of our trusted "Billy," shaved his beard and trimmed him out for the spring and summer, so that he may be ready for the coming autumn.

We were very much pleased with the last number of the QUARTERLY. Many of the chapter letters were witty and full of news.

Several of the members of our chapter had the pleasure of being present at a Sigma Chi banquet given by Brother Henry A. Christian, Gamma Gamma, '95, at his house in Lynchburg, Va., during the Christmas holidays, and when we again turned our faces homeward our only regret was that holidays and Lynchburg banquets do not come oftener.

We had a pleasant visit from Brothers S. H. Licklider and P. H. Drewry during the Christmas holidays.

The boys are now anxiously awaiting the advent of the baseball season, and from present indications Sigma Chi will be well represented in athletic circles.

The enrollment of the college is now about 115, all men.

We have five fraternities, with a membership as follows: Kappa Alpha, 12; Phi Kappa Sigma, 13; Kappa Sigma, 3; Phi Delta Theta, 9; Sigma Chi, 5.

We have initiated 4 men this year.

Gamma Gamma sends best wishes to sister chapters.

Ashland, Va., Jan. 13, 1898.

JAMES D. ADAMS.

#### SIGMA SIGMA—HAMPDEN-SIDNEY COLLEGE.

College reopened on the fourth of January, after the usual Christmas vacation. All the members of our chapter were present to answer to their names at the first meeting and reported a most delightful time spent during the holidays. It was indeed very interesting to hear the numerous tales of holiday experiences. Needless to say, before the meeting closed each one had expressed his determination to begin the new year with renewed vigor and to make the "final exams." From experience it has been found that resolutions are very easily made but very hard to keep. However, we hope to be successful.

Two new members have been added to our chapter roll since we wrote our last letter. On the night of October 9th we initiated Robert Logan Miller, '01, of Wytheville, Va., and on November 22d Harry Lucien Stephenson, '00, of Roanoke, Va. Both of these gentlemen, although having other "bids," waited for an offer from Sigma Chi, and now feel well repaid for so doing. It is with peculiar pleasure that we introduce them to our sister chapters.

It is perhaps rather late to speak of football, still, though we did not win many victories, we are proud of our team and consider the season just passed a most successful one in every respect. With the exception of one game all our scores bring credit to the college.

The writer had the pleasure of visiting Zeta chapter when the football team was in Lexington. Sigma Chi has every reason to be proud of Zeta.

Brother Henderson, ex-'97, was here for awhile this fall and assisted in our last initiation. We enjoyed his visit very much, *i. e.*, what we saw of him, for he was most of the time in town attending to "business." Success to you, Bob!! We enjoyed meeting Brothers Eagle and McNab, who were here with the Roanoke team.

Our prospects for baseball seems to be very good, and under the efficient captaincy of Brother Herndon we hope to make a good showing.

Grand Praetor Trinkle has been promising to pay us a visit for some time, but as yet has not come. We hope to see him soon.

The enrollment in the college to date is 125, all men. Of this number 53 are fraternity members, divided as follows: Kappa Sigma, 12; Phi Kappa Psi, 7; Phi Gamma Delta, 6; Pi Kappa Alpha, 9; Sigma Phi, 5; Beta Theta Pi, 7; Sigma Chi, 7. Our record for the year is three initiates and no "pledges."

Sigma Sigma sends best wishes to all her sister chapters.

Hampden-Sidney, Va., Jan. 13, 1898.

D. T. STUART.

#### ALPHA TAU—THE UNIVERSITY OF NORTH CAROLINA.

In our last letter we failed to include the names of two of our initiates—viz.: Brothers T. Winfield Jones, 1900, and Willis P. Mangnus Turner, 1900.

Brothers Turner and Vaughn did not return to college after the holidays. Brother Hall, '99, has returned to cheer up the remnant that is left. He belonged to the chapter last year, but did not come back in September.

We congratulate ourselves over the fact that Brother Trinkle was chosen Praetor by the last Grand Chapter.

The total enrollment for the college to date is 498. There are 119 fraternity men in college. They are distributed as follows: Sigma Alpha Epsilon, 22; Zeta Psi, 15; Sigma Chi, 12; Delta Kappa Epsilon, 11; Phi Delta Theta, 10; Kappa Alpha, 9; Sigma Nu, 7; Beta Theta Pi, 6; Alpha Tau Omega, 6; Kappa Sigma, 5; Pi Kappa Alpha, 4; Phi Gamma Delta, 2. There are but 4 women in the University.

CHARLES E. J. JONES.

The University of North Carolina, Jan. 14, 1898.

#### THIRD PROVINCE.

##### ALPHA—MIAMI UNIVERSITY.

During the period of time from November 1st to February 1st, matters usually run along very smoothly and quietly at Miami. The holi-



days coming in and making such a break in the accustomed daily grind, cause one to feel rather indisposed to revert to what seems far in the past, and rake over the things almost forgotten in search of something that may be of interest to the reader.

There was one thing omitted in our last letter that will be of interest to many "Sigs," that is the fact that Professor Frank L. Rainey, Delta Delta, '89, has charge of the work in Biology at Miami University during the absence of Professor Treadwell. Brother Rainey has taken a great interest in the chapter.

Our chapter thus far has met with no reverses, and we still hold our high rank in college matters. During the past week Brother C. Flint Kline, '99, was elected football manager for season of 1898, one of the most coveted positions in school.

We will probably not be as well represented in baseball as football, but we are sure that we can make up in quality what may be lacking in amount.

We have eleven men in our chapter house at present, which brings expenses down to a minimum. Many an evening is spent at home around the piano singing our old songs, and holding what the Methodist boys would call a "love feast."

We regret very much that Brother Ray Murphy, '99, of Liberty, Ind., leaves school February 1st. Julian McClintock, '00, was unable to return after holidays on account of illness.

Our second initiation will take place Saturday, January 22nd, and we expect some of our old boys back at that time.

The number of students enrolled at Miami this year is greater than last, but it is a difficult task to pick out good fraternity men. The students in general seem much younger.

Baseball practice began this week, and a great deal of interest and enthusiasm has been shown in the work, and we are hopeful of having a fairly successful season.

The enrollment at our University is approximately 100, including five women. There is a total of about 45 fraternity men in college, divided among the various chapters as follows: Delta Kappa Epsilon, 12; Beta Theta Pi, 10; Phi Delta Theta, 13; Sigma Chi, 10. We have initiated two men this year, and we have some good pledges. On the whole our prospects for 1898 are far from discouraging.

Oxford, Ohio. Jan. 15, 1898.

G. W. SULLENBERGER.

#### GAMMA—THE OHIO WESLEYAN UNIVERSITY.

We have just bid adieu to the phantom of delight that skipped before us during our holiday vacation. All loving emotions rekindled by

"the old girl at home," the nights, in which the tempestuous atmosphere of a "high-time" brooded, are left to the cabinet of our memory, in which fancy alone revels. We again find our ships of intellect moored in the harbor of literature, taking on the ballast of erudition. The indubitable expression of earnestness is reflected from the countenance of each member of Gamma. This reflection, in conjunction with the glow of friendship's fire, gives a new impetus to our energies, and is all the more intense, as it illuminates the path of our progress. The true basis of our Fraternity, love and friendship, the two foci in the ellipse of life's pathway, prompts our enthusiasm, which knows no defeat.

At the first roll-call, all answered present. We were sorry to sever our connections last term with Brother Yost, of Mu Mu, for you seldom meet a brother with so warm a heart and genial ways. Our 'Varsity eleven, which Brother Yost coached, climaxed their magnificent record of victories by defeating the Ohio State University, Thanksgiving. A beautiful souvenir, containing the picture and biography of each player, is in the hands of every student in our college, which bespeaks great praise for Sigma Chi, for the "Sigs" held the important places on the team.

The election of the College Transcript Corps is near at hand and we are looking out for number one with a vigilance that knows no rest. If our anticipations are realized, the White Cross will gain a new lustre thereby.

Brother Bruce Brockway, of Chicago, spent his holiday vacation with us.

The Ohio Wesleyan University finds her enrollment somewhat larger than last year. Her new library building is completed and we cannot speak too commendably of it. A glimpse at the interior will suffice to verify my statement, as it is almost a perfect model of architecture.

We hope to have the pleasure of introducing to the Fraternity several initiates by the time our next letter is due. Gamma selects her own men with the greatest care, as the strength and beauty of a chapter is always fitly mirrored in the lives of those reared within its limits.

If any brother finds himself in our midst we are only too glad to show him the places of interest and the best time imaginable.

With an honorable past as a firm foundation for a noble future, we promise to do our part in making Sigma Chi the best of fraternities.

Best wishes, and a successful year to all.

Delaware, Ohio, Jan. 9, 1898.

D. H. LEASE Tribune.

#### MU—DENISON UNIVERSITY.

The new year has brought very little change in our school or fraternity life. The attendance in the various departments has been increased

and several important changes and additions have been made in the curriculum, but otherwise we are moving along as in '97.

We regret exceedingly to announce that Brother Harry Davis will not be in school this year. His manly bearing and "Sig" spirit made him very dear to our circle and he will be greatly missed. He will join his father in manufacturing machines, etc., in Newark, Ohio. The best wishes of Mu chapter go with him in his new work.

We have pledged Frank Wright, of Granville, formerly of Arkansas, and hope to introduce him to his brothers in a short time.

The latter part of last term our large halls were thrown open to the faculties of Denison University, Shepardson College and Granville Female College, for an afternoon reception. The rooms were beautifully decorated with palms and our flower, the White Rose. Excellent refreshments were served and the time was pleasantly passed in social converse. In the evening the "Sig" girls reigned supreme. Dancing and other amusements were indulged in till a late hour. The occasion was one of the most enjoyable in the history of our chapter. Guests were present from Newark, Zanesville, and Columbus.

On the 15th of January Brothers Lewis and Amos were the guests of Alpha Gamma and right royally were they treated.

There are 42 fraternity men in the University. The membership of the three fraternities is as follows: Phi Gamma Delta, 15; Beta Theta Pi, 16; Sigma Chi, 11.

Mu extends best wishes to all chapters for the New Year.

Granville, Ohio, Jan. 22, 1898.

HARRY W. AMOS.

#### ZETA ZETA—CENTRE COLLEGE.

Since our last letter we have not taken in any new members, but have been contented with those we now have. It has not been a very good year for our College, as our President, Dr. William C. Young, died last year, and his successor has not yet been elected.

Good fraternity material has been very scarce this year.

We were glad to see so many "Sigs" on the Miami football team when they played Centre in November.

We expect to have a fine baseball team this spring, as we have an abundance of good material from which to pick.

Of the seven men in our chapter, six of them been initiated this year, and all of them are very much interested in the Fraternity and its work.

The enrollment of Centre, all being men, is about 225 in college proper, excluding the seminary and "prep;" students. The other fraternities represented here are as follows: Beta Theta Pi, 15; Phi Delta

Theta, 11 ; Kappa Alpha, 15. There are about 50 fraternity men in College.

Zeta Zeta sends greeting to all sister chapters, and wishes them prosperity. Yours in the bonds.

ERNEST T. SMITH.

Danville, Ky., Jan. 15, 1898.

#### ZETA PSI—THE UNIVERSITY OF CINCINNATI.

When you last heard from us (in November) we were six freshmen "brands plucked from the burning." After the heart breaking "rushing" season was over we were given some time to meditate and recuperate. Our initiation, which took place soon afterward, was a very enjoyable affair (?)—especially to the alumni who participated. As soon as the "impressions" made upon us by the initiation had worn off we settled down and all things became serene.

At first, of course, we were a trifle green, but there was no occasion for remaining so and we set to work like good "Sigs" to rub the freshness off. Able advisers were at hand and we received valuable suggestions from Brothers Wiltsee, of Mu, and Caldwell, of Alpha Phi, and also from Brothers McAvoy, Brown, Harper and others of our own alumni. Certainly no active chapter could have alumni more able or willing to aid them than ours. It is owing entirely to their efforts that Zeta Psi has an active chapter this year.

The strength of the chapter has been increased by the addition of Brother Francis Huston, of Avondale, Ohio, to our number. Brother Huston was our first attempt in the initiating line. He still lives. But while we have to report the acquisition of a new man it is our sad duty to report that Brother Grear Baker has left the University and entered an architect's office in this city. As he still continues to take an active interest in the welfare of the chapter and attends all meetings the loss is not as great as it might have been.

The football team of the University has made an enviable record this year. In the half, a score or more games which they played they were defeated but once, and then by the Carlisle Indians. To be defeated by "the Indians," with a score of 10-0, may be regarded in the light of a victory. Not only did they defeat their opponents, but succeeded in every case but two in preventing them from scoring. While the Miami and Center teams were here we enjoyed visits from several "Sigs."

Although few in numbers, we are not deficient in zeal, and as several men descend to us naturally, their fathers before them having been "Sigs," we look forward to a bright and prosperous future.

There are three fraternities represented in this University—Sigma Chi, Beta Theta Chi, Sigma Alpha Epsilon. All are in flourishing condition. Seven men have been initiated by us since the opening of the year. None have been pledged, but some are virtually in that position. Cincinnati, Ohio, Jan. 17, 1898. L. B. BLAKEMORE.

## LAMBDA LAMBDA—KENTUCKY STATE COLLEGE.

Lambda Lambda is in a flourishing condition. Since our last letter we have initiated three men, and we take great pleasure in introducing to the Fraternity, Brothers William E. Dowling, '01, Lawrenceburg, Ky., John A. Parlin, '01, Newport, Ky., and James G. Scrugham, '00, Lexington, Ky. They are all fine men and worthy examples of the high standard toward which Sigma Chi aims.

We regret that Brother John B. Johnson will not be with us this year. He has left college to take up the study of pharmacy, and is very much missed in the chapter.

We had the pleasure of a visit, during the holidays, from Brothers Anderson, Lambda Lambda, '97, and Lyle, Lambda Lambda, '96.

Brother Mize, Zeta Zeta, who is attending the business college, is now with us. He is a fine fellow and a worthy "Sig."

At a recent meeting of the Athletic Association, Brother R. K. Madocks was elected president for the ensuing year, and Brother W. L. Bronaugh, manager of the football team. They are both well qualified for their respective offices.

Kentucky State College is in its prime, having just completed a building, which will be devoted to natural science. It will be dedicated January 21st, and a number of state officials will be present, among whom will be Governor W. O. Bradley.

The enrollment in college to date is 415, of which 265 are men, and 150 women. There are 23 fraternity men in college. The active membership of the two fraternities is as follows: Kappa Alpha, 8; Sigma Chi, 12. Our chapter has initiated four men during the current year.

Lambda Lambda sends greeting to her sister chapters, and best wishes for a happy and successful year. F. D. BULLOCK.  
Lexington, Ky., Jan. 16, 1898.

## MU MU—WEST VIRGINIA UNIVERSITY.

" We live in deeds, not words;  
In thoughts, not breaths;  
In feelings, not figures on the dial."

Years may make a man hoary with age and his life, yet be a blank.  
The West Virginia University, although not old in years as colleges

are estimated, stands among the best of this section. At times her growth has perhaps been rather slow, but certainly in deeds and works she is this year making up for all lost time. As was stated in our previous letter, the administration has been changed and the faculty considerably increased. Although time has not yet expired to mature all plans, so far the results have been commensurate with the expectations of the most sanguine.

The standing of the Sigma Chi in the University must be acknowledged by every impartial observer to be equal to the best, while to us she has no peer. The outlook for the chapter is certainly as auspicious as ever before. We have in our ranks leaders in class room work, in society and athletics. Whenever an old "soldier of the Cross" is promoted from the ranks to an office in the great army of the world some younger hero is found worthy and willing to wear the armor and bear the Cross.

We have initiated one new man, Brother Charley McWhorler, '01, who we think is certain to make a representative man. He is an excellent student and a prominent member of both the football and baseball teams.

Two other men are pledged and will soon be initiated.

The chapter has plans almost matured for renting a chapter house and expects to have a home of its own by March 1st in which all members, who wish, can room. All our friends are cordially invited to see us.

The most prominent social feature of the year has been a reception given by Mrs. Edward Shisler, mother of Brother John Shisler, '01, of this place. I am sure a more enjoyable evening could not be imagined than was spent at the hospitable home of Mrs. Shisler or a more hearty welcome accorded a regal guest than was given the Sigma Chis.

Old Hymen will have victims. Brother George Ford, '96, principal of the Concord State Normal School, has been the first member of this chapter to break the ranks of "bachelordom" and assume the garb of matrimony.

Brother A. P. Romine has been again elected manager of the football team. The team was very successful this year, and that he is a competent manager is shown by his reelection.

Brother Yeager has been chosen captain of the football team for the coming year.

It will soon be time to break lances in the oratorical arena.

Brother Charles Holden and Brother B. H. Trussell represent us on the preliminary contest, which chooses a man to represent the college on the intercollegiate oratorical contest of Western Pennsylvania and West Virginia.

Brothers Knutti and Yost, '97, and Brother Stroder, '96, have paid us visits this year. Brothers Swisher and Kunkel, who live here, often drop in to see us.

We are glad to acknowledge a letter from Alpha Upsilon, California University, and extend our hearty appreciation and best wishes to them.

The following is the enrollment of College to date: men, 445; women, 80; total, 525.

Six fraternities are represented by chapters, as follows: Phi Sigma Kappa, 20; Phi Kappa Sigma, 15; Phi Kappa Psi, 17; Kappa Alpha, 14; Mu Pi Lambda, 7; Sigma Chi, 15. Five others are represented, making the total number of fraternity members in school, 93.

With best wishes for all sister chapters.

Morgantown, W. Va., Jan. 15, 1898.

A. LEE POST.

#### ALPHA GAMMA—OHIO STATE UNIVERSITY.

The members of Alpha Gamma extend greetings and best wishes to all "Sigs" throughout the land. We also wish you a most prosperous and successful year.

Since our last letter Sigma Chi in Ohio State University has grown materially. We have elected and pledged a number of excellent lads, who we are satisfied will add luster and fame to the wearers of the White Cross.

Never in the history of the chapter has there been such a bright prospect for the advancement and elevation of Sigma Chi in Ohio State University. Our chapter is now on the road to success, and there seems to be such a spirit prevailing that Alpha Gamma is bound to take her place among the front rank of chapters in our Fraternity. Perhaps these statements seem egotistical and boastful, but they are nevertheless true.

At our annual banquet, held November 25th at the Great Southern Hotel, were gathered together thirty "Sigs," among whom were members of our alumni of whom we can justly feel proud. Their toasts showed they still held dear the memory of their college days and that the interest in their Fraternity had by no means subsided, and that they were willing to do anything within their power to aid Alpha Gamma. We are assured that an alumni chapter will be established in the near future, and that it will be of inestimable value to the chapter and general Fraternity.

Brothers of Sigma Chi Fraternity, we have the very great pleasure of introducing to you George Foster Whittemore, '01, Xenia, Ohio; T. J. Smith, '99, New Lexington, Ohio, and Thomas Y. McOray, '00, Mansfield, Ohio; and in introducing these men we wish to say that this

trio is among the best to be found. They are all men of the highest type.

Brother Edward H. Allen represents us in the intercollegiate debate with Oberlin, and by reason of Brother Allen's educational advantages he will undoubtedly add great strength to the arguments.

The erection of three new buildings has added materially in beautifying the University campus, and Ohio State University can boast of the finest gymnasium in the country.

We had the pleasure of entertaining Brother Gozzolo, Kappa Kappa, now of Harvard, a few days while on his way home to spend his vacation. Brother Gozzolo is an assistant in chemistry at Harvard and left a very favorable impression with us.

The enrollment of the Ohio State University to date is 1,032—men, 821; women, 211. The latest statistics show a total of 307 fraternity members in the University, divided as follows: Phi Gamma Delta, 18; Phi Delta Theta, 16; Phi Kappa Psi, 10; Sigma Chi, 11; Chi Phi, 18; Beta Theta Pi, 30; Kappa Kappa Gamma (Sorority), 25; Kappa Alpha Theta (Sorority), 20; Sigma Nu, 8; Alpha Tau Omega, 15; Sigma Alpha Epsilon, 16; Phi Delta Phi (Law), 35; Phi Beta Phi (Sorority), 12; Delta Tau Delta, 25; Kappa Sigma, 18; Delta Delta Delta (Sorority), 15; miscellaneous, 15.

We are always glad to welcome all "Sigs" who come to Columbus. Columbus, Ohio, Jan. 23, 1898.

WILL DAKIN.

#### FOURTH PROVINCE.

##### LAMBDA—INDIANA UNIVERSITY.

Lambda is still prospering. The term which ended December 22nd, was marked with several successes for Sigma Chi, one of which was the pledging and initiating of Thomas I. Ahl, of Moweaqua, Ill. This term promises to be equally as bright for us.

Brother Robert C. Brooks, '96, visited here during the vacation. Those of us who were here were glad to have him with us, although only for a few days. He is now at Cornell University, doing graduate work in the department of Social Science.

Brother Claude C. Liebhardt, '98, of Toledo, Ohio, having accepted a position with the M. Rumley Co., did not return to graduate. We are indeed very sorry to see him go, and keenly feel our loss; but we all wish him much success. We are glad to report that Brother Bert Gregory has reëntered the University, thus keeping our number at seventeen.



Brother Bayard Keeney, '00, has been given a position on the *Student*, making a total of four "Sigs" on the staff.

On January 19th, Brother Harry Allen Axtell, law, '97, was married to Miss Jean Wylie, of this city. Mrs. Axtell was a prominent Theta in college, and has always been a loyal "Sig" girl. Brother Axtell is one of the leading attorneys in Bloomington. Our chapter joins in congratulating and wishing them all happiness. Brother Harry Gees, '97, of Washington, was present at the wedding, and visited with us several days.

Foundation Day anniversary was observed last Thursday. Governor Mount presided at the afternoon exercises. President Jesse, of University of Missouri, gave the address, "Higher Education" being his subject. In the evening, the new gymnasium was packed with students, residents of the city, and visitors, all anxious to see the much talked of student play, "Much Ado About Nothing." There were six "Sigs" in the cast, viz.: Brothers Thomas Ahl, Rumney Willson, Fred Smith, Louis Heyn, Homer Nicholson, and the writer.

The production was a decided success, mostly due, perhaps, to Brother Fred Smith and Professor Sampson, of the English department, who were the directors. The success was even greater than that achieved last year in the production of Goldsmith's "She Stoops to Conquer."

Brother Mitchell was to have played the part of Claudis, but was taken suddenly ill on the Glee Club trip. He went to his home in Martinsville and has been unable to return to college since. Our last letter from him states that he is improving, and we hope to have him with us soon.

The new athletic field is being worked and will soon be ready for spring practice. Two grand stands will be built. As there are a great many baseball enthusiasts now training in the "gym" it looks as if we will have a better team than ever before. Manager Sensberger has already arranged for games with the Universities of Illinois and Chicago.

Indiana has a larger enrollment than ever at this time of year, there being 445 men and 215 women, making a total of 660.

There are seven fraternities here with a membership of 115 men, as follows: Sigma Chi, 17; Beta Theta Pi, 21; Phi Kappa Psi, 18; Phi Delta Theta, 22; Phi Gamma Delta, 9; Delta Tau Delta, 13; Sigma Nu, 15.

We hope that all our sister chapters are enjoying as much success as we are. Greetings to all.

M. C. BRADLEY.

Bloomington, Ind., Jan. 24, 1898.

## XI—DE PAUW UNIVERSITY.

De Pauw University began the second term of the year on January 4th. All of our old men are back and a number of them rejoicing over the excellent grades made last term. Quite a number of new students are with us, from whom we have initiated three excellent men.

Allow me to introduce Brother Thomas Chambers, Charleston, Ill.; Brother Edward Call, Greencastle, Ind., and Brother Elmer Stoll, South Bend, Ind.

Baseball is beginning to claim attention here, in-door practice having already begun. Brother Ray Haynes is captain, and one or two other brothers will probably have positions on this season's team.

Altogether there are nine fraternities here with membership as follows: Delta Upsilon, 12; Delta Kappa Epsilon, 21; Delta Tau Delta, 11; Sigma Nu, 13; Phi Kappa Psi, 23; Phi Gamma Delta, 14; Beta Theta Pi, 17; Phi Delta Theta, 23. The total number of fraternity men in college is about 175.

We have initiated eight men since the beginning of the present college year, and have two pledged members in the preparatory school.

Yours in Sigma Chi,

Greencastle, Ind., Jan. 18, 1898.

HENRY H. LANE.

## RHO—BUTLER UNIVERSITY.

A very pleasant fall term has just passed. With the new arrangement of the University of Indianapolis the curriculum has been made considerably harder and at the same time improved.

Just now there is a scarcity of material for good "Sigs" at Butler. Our fraternity spirit continues to increase, however, and we are represented in all circles of college life.

Our pleasure was marred recently by Brothers Dyson and Showers leaving school. The former goes into business with his father, and the latter enters the Indianapolis Academy.

A short time ago we pledged Mr. Fred Barrett, 1903, son of Hon. C. K. Barrett, a prominent lawyer of Indianapolis. Mr. Barrett is the coming baseball player of the school and we hope to see him captain of our next year's team.

We were very glad to have with us Brothers Wilson and Heyn, of Lambda, who were among the prominent members of the Indiana University Glee Club at its entertainment in the city. Brothers Cooper and Cole, ex-'1901, occasionally run in on us, and it was a rare treat indeed to listen to some of Brother J. P. Van Winkle's, Zeta Zeta, funny stories about some old "Sig" initiations. It was a pleasure also for us to en-

tain Brother Davis, Lambda, for a few hours at a "Sig" party at the President's house recently.

But alas! the visit that we have been looking for all year from our Grand Praetor has not yet been realized. We have been looking and longing for him, knowing that his presence will strengthen us anew, and we can at least assure our worthy Praetor a warm welcome when he comes.

With best wishes to all sister chapters, I remain

Irvington, Ind., Jan. 2, 1898.

JOSEPH IRWIN SWEENEY.

#### CHI—HANOVER COLLEGE.

The holidays, with all their attendant festivities, have now drawn to a close, and the opening of this present term found all the loyal "Sigs" of Hanover in their accustomed places, with the exception of Brother Frederick Alling, who, near the close of last term, was compelled to leave college on account of his eyes, and as he was a loving and loyal brother his absence from our "Mystic Circle" is keenly felt.

Last season Hanover was unusually fortunate during the football season, as she was victorious in all the games with the exception of two or three, which were tie games. All the "frats" were well represented on the team and performed their part of the work with a great deal of vigor. The representatives of Chi were Brother MacGregor and the writer, and our pledged men, Morton and Heckman.

At the close of last term we gave our semi-annual banquet and it was an evening long to be remembered, not only by the brothers, but by our loyal "Sig sisters," of whom Chi is duly proud. The evening was enjoyed by all, and in the silent hours of the morning, after singing the songs of our beloved Fraternity, the inhabitants of the town were awakened by our "Who! Who! Who am I?" after which the guests departed with best wishes for Sigma Chi.

This term thus far has been quiet and all have become engrossed to their studies. We had the pleasure of receiving a visit from Brother Page Harris, '96, who is now on his way to Pittsburg, Pa., where he has accepted a position.

With all earnestness we can say that the future for Chi is very bright. On last year we were fortunate in carrying off several prizes, but this year we expect to add more new lustre to the "White Cross." We are represented on the lower division of the oratorical contest by Brothers Schleich, Britan and Heuse, of whom we expect neat things; and the writer likewise represents the chapter on the Literary Society contest.

The future of our college is also bright, and we now have an enrollment of 85 men and 50 women, making a total of 135.

There are four fraternities in Hanover, and all are in a prosperous condition. Beta Theta Pi has an enrollment of 13 active members and 3 pledged men; Phi Gamma Delta has 10 active members, with 1 pledged; Phi Delta Theta has 8 active members and 2 pledged; and Sigma Chi has 9 active members, with 6 pledged members, making a total of 52 fraternity men now in college.

Thus far this year Chi has initiated two men and pledged six.

In closing Chi extends the best wishes to all sister chapters.

Hanover, Ind., Jan. 18, 1898.

JOHN BODEN.

DELTA DELTA—PURDUE UNIVERSITY.

The congeniality of chapter house life has been enjoyed to some extent this year, as six of the twelve active members of our chapter are housed under the same roof. We have also been enjoying prosperity to a very great degree since the last letter, not from the happening of anything very wonderful, but the utmost harmony has prevailed in the chapter. Our active chapter still numbers twelve, not any initiations having been held since our last letter, but three of the members of the freshman class have been pledged—Charles Barrett, of Fort Wayne, Ind., and Cecil Fowler and Frank Timberlake, of Lafayette, Ind.

The chapter gave a very pleasant reception and dance Friday evening, November 19th, at the Lincoln Club. We were very glad to have with us on this occasion a number of the faculty and alumni, including President Smart.

On December 11th another event of equal enjoyment, but of a different character, was a smoker given at our hall. The affair was attended by a number of our alumni, who made the evening very amusing and entertaining by telling of tales and anecdotes of Delta Delta's earlier days. This is the second one of these pleasant reunions, and we hope to have several more before the close of the year. On December 19th the active chapter was entertained at the residence of Brother and Mrs. Beech at cards.

We have had visits from Brothers Paul Anderson, S. C. Smith, George Ade, Benjamin McCutcheon, Justin Griese, Harry C. Bushmann, Harry S. Badat, John R. Gebhardt and Morris Evans, all alumni of Delta Delta.

The enrollment of Purdue University is as follows: Men, 602; women, 62; total, 664.

The total membership of the fraternities is 62, divided as follows: Kappa Sigma, 14; Phi Delta Theta, 17; Sigma Nu, 18; Sigma Alpha Epsilon, 13.

We have not initiated any men since our last letter, but we have at present four pledged men.

ROY C. RICKLEY.

Lafayette, Ind., Jan. 27, 1898.

## FIFTH PROVINCE.

## OMEGA—THE NORTHWESTERN UNIVERSITY.

With the close of the first semester Omega loses five men, Brothers Barnard, Eaton and Smith, who are going into business; Brother Harding, who is going to Princeton University; and Brother Pike, who goes to the University of Chicago. We regret the loss of so many fine fellows, and as you can readily see, it makes quite a hole in our ranks; but we still number fourteen active men.

Brother Leroy Warren, Omega, '97, who is now in McCormick Seminary, has just been awarded a prize of \$250 per year for "scholarship, character and general prospects for usefulness."

Last month several of the alumni gathered at the chapter house with the active members and treated us to a literary programme. Brother George P. Merrick read the oration that he delivered before the Grand Chapter last summer. A very pleasant and profitable evening was spent. We expect to have another such gathering this month, at which Brother Mason Bross will read a paper upon some of his travels.

As to society the college world is looking forward just now to the event of the year, the junior "prom," which occurs on the 18th of February at the Evanston Country Club. Sigma Chi will be well represented there.

The combined membership of the fraternities numbers 106, which is divided as follows: Sigma Chi, 19; Phi Kappa Sigma, 8; Beta Theta Pi, 19; Phi Kappa Psi, 9; Delta Upsilon, 15; Phi Delta Theta, 12; Delta Tau Delta, 18; Sigma Alpha Epsilon, 6.

The total enrollment in the University is 591, of which 243 are women and 348 men.

CARLETON H. PENDLETON.

Evanston, Ill., Feb. 4, 1898.

## THETA THETA—THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN.

Since our last letter college work has gotten well under way. The classes are organized once more and their officers chosen. The football team and fall tennis tournament are things of the past, while the baseball and track teams are already in training. A baseball league has been formed with Chicago, Northwestern, Wisconsin and Illinois.

The society functions, such as the junior and sophomore hops, the freshman banquet, the freshman spread (a strictly "co-ed" affair) and the senior reception, are all being attended to by their respective committees. Our freshmen have been initiated and are learning the workings of a college fraternity.

It is with pleasure that we introduce the following new brothers: Floyd Wilson, 1900, Ann Arbor; William Magly, 1901, Cincinnati; Chester O. Jordan, 1901, St. Joseph, Mich.; William W. Kittleman, 1901, Detroit; Howard Richardson, 1901, Saginaw; Fred Mellish, 1901, Saginaw; Waldo Bach, 1901, Ann Arbor; Jessie J. Ricks, 1901, Taylorville, Ill.; Walter Mills, 1901, Decatur, Ill. This gives us a chapter of twenty-four men, and we still have one pledge out.

As to the senior class, Brother Wren is treasurer, Psi Upsilon getting the only other office given to a fraternity man. Brother Danforth is on the arrangements committee for the senior reception.

There is to be but one freshman banquet this year, the two factions of the fraternities having agreed upon a toastmaster. The junior promenade, which occurs on February 18th, promises to be one of the finest ever given. The night following the promenade each fraternity gives a house party for those who were in its booth. For two or three days things are kept rather busy in the social line, as it is just between semesters and no college work is in progress. Theta Theta would be very glad to have any loyal "Sig" and his fairest maid present at this event. We gave a very pleasant house party on November 19th and are planning to give one each month.

The Gamma Phi Beta Sorority held its national convention here in November. One of the features was a very pleasant reception, at which Sigma Chi, as well as the other fraternities, was well represented.

In athletics the prospect is very bright. There is good material for the track and field teams, and the baseball candidates are already at work in the new cage at the gymnasium. Since our last letter Brother Danforth has won the "Varsity" fall tennis tournament in singles and was in the winning team in the doubles, although his brother, Henry Danforth, 1901, and his partner pushed them hard for first place. In football Brother Eagan made the "Varsity."

The Oracle Board, composed of two "co-eds," four independents and four fraternity men, one of whom was Brother Greening, has recently published a very successful sophomore annual.

In politics, Brother Bock was chosen manager of a freshman track team, he being the only fraternity man elected on the rival slates. Brother Magly is leader and Henry Danforth manager of the freshman glee club, while Brothers Henry Fenton and Roy Wren are on the 'Varsity banjo club. We still have Brother Whitney on the Students' Lecture Association Board and Brother Danforth on the Board of Directors of the Athletic Association.

Since last November we have enjoyed visits from Fred Perine, Alpha

Pi, '98; Albert Stoneman, Theta Theta, '97; Louis Stoneman, Theta Theta, '94; Scott Kendrick, ex-Alpha Pi, and James H. Bartley, Alpha Pi, '92. We were glad to see these Brothers and hope that none will pass through Ann Arbor without making their presence known.

The total enrollment in the University for the current year has reached 3,150. There is a total of 657 members of Greek letter societies in the University, 465 men and 192 women. This number is divided among the various schools and fraternities as follows:

Literary Department—Chi Psi, 14; Alpha Delta Phi, 26; Delta Kappa Epsilon, 21; Sigma Phi, 17; Zeta Psi, 14; Psi Upsilon, 31; Beta Theta Pi, 23; Phi Kappa Psi, 20; Delta Upsilon, 22; Delta Tau Delta, 9; Phi Delta Theta, 23; Sigma Alpha Epsilon, 20; Theta Delta Chi, 16; Sigma Chi, 24; total, 280.

In the Law School—Phi Delta Phi, 22; Delta Chi, 26; Kappa Sigma, 16; total, 64.

In the Medical School—Nu Sigma Nu, 23; Phi Rho Sigma, 15; Mu Sigma Alpha, 10; total, 48.

In the Dental School—Delta Sigma Delta, 27; Xi Phi Psi, 29; total, 56.

In the School of Pharmacy—Phi Chi, 17.

Sororities—Gamma Phi Beta, 15; Delta Gamma, 18; Sorosis, 29; Pi Beta Phi, 15; Kappa Kappa Gamma, 21; Alpha Phi, 26; Kappa Alpha Theta, 13; Delta Delta Delta, 12; Alpha Epsilon Iota, 20; Omega Psi, 23; total, 192.

Theta Theta has initiated 9 men since college opened and has 1 pledged.

Theta Theta sends best wishes to her sister chapters.

CHARLES F. DELBRIDGE.

Ann Arbor, Mich., Jan. 16, 1898.

#### KAPPA KAPPA—THE UNIVERSITY OF ILLINOIS.

Kappa Kappa has jogged merrily along as of old and has little of excitement to report.

The junior "prom," military hop and glee club concert have passed, while we ourselves have given one party and several informals.

We are represented on the mandolin club by Brother Horace Porter, who is also manager of the track team.

We count ourselves especially fortunate in securing new men, and take pride in introducing the following: Andrew O. Jackson, Lake Forest, Ill., law, '00; Ruel C. McGill, Chicago, '01; Dale S. Harrison,

Sterling, Ill., '00; and Burt Adsitt, Hooperston, Ill., '01. These men are of the right stuff and make a very welcome addition. We have, however, lost Brother Tom Beadle, who completed his graduate work last term. His place will be a hard one to fill.

Our baseball prospects are unusually bright, as all the old team, with two exceptions, have returned, and a large crowd of ambitious candidates are practicing daily. Brother McGill is behind the plate and Brother Joy is one of the pitchers.

Our local alumni has been strengthened by the return of Brother Robert Porter. Brother Woody's contented smile may now be seen at the postoffice, where he has lately been installed as assistant postmaster.

The total attendance of the University is now 1,585, 550 of which are in the professional departments in Chicago. The total number of women is 250.

The fraternities represented here, with their active membership, are as follows: Phi Delta Theta, 19; Delta Tau Delta, 13; Alpha Tau Omega, 10; Kappa Sigma, 15; Phi Gamma Delta, 12; Sigma Chi, 21.

Champaign, Ill., Jan. 21.

FRED H. WILSON.

#### OMICRON OMICRON—THE UNIVERSITY OF CHICAGO.

To all sister chapters, New Year's greetings.

It is with not a little embarrassment that a lately dubbed "Knight of the Quill" essays into epistolary fields in order to give our much beloved QUARTERLY the chapter letter.

Ergo, we respectfully beg the indulgence of editor and brother readers.

Since our last letter went to press the Sigma Chis in the University of Chicago have been making a splendid record. The chapter is now located in its elegantly furnished house, 5716 Kimbark avenue. No pains, energy or money has been spared in making our home a model. With a brilliant room for recreation, a beautiful parlor for entertainment, and with all other appurtenances of corresponding comfort and convenience, our environment is the most enjoyable and desirable.

We take pleasure in introducing three new men who were initiated into the Elusinian mysteries of Sigma Chi at the beginning of the winter quarter: Ray Prescott Johnson, '00, Muncie, Ind.; Lawrence De Graff, '98, Galena, Ill.; Marcus MacClellan Plowman, '00, Dallas, Tex.

Brother Samson, '98, is spending the winter in California, but expects to be with us again in the fall. Our jovial Brother Steigmeyer '97, still claims residence in the chapter house.



Brother Opitz received his S. B. at the January Convocation, but has remained in the "Varsity" for graduate work in Science. We must congratulate our brother for the record he has made. At 23 years of age he can grace his name with M. D., Rush Medical '95; S. B., '98; and M. S., '99.

The profession of law has marked for her own Brothers Sincere, Coleman, Moran and Steigmeyer, who are all at the present time ardent worshippers at the shrine of Justice. Your scribe is a graduate in law, '96.

In all departments of university life the "Sigs" are conspicuous and much alive to every situation. The Glee Club claims Brothers Coleman, president of the club, De Graff and Sincere.

In journalism we are represented by Brother MacDonald, associate editor of the *University Weekly*, and recently elected editor of the Fraternity book in *The Cap and Gown*, the University annual. "Mac" is also a member of the dramatic club.

In athletic fields Brothers Plowman and Johnson are most promising candidates for the baseball team and Brother MacDonald for track team. Brother Roby was reelected captain of the First Regiment, I. N. G., football team for the ensuing year.

In social life our chapter has also been active. A "smoker" was given shortly after our "house moving." A large number of city alumni attended. Ask Brother Alling if any one failed in having a good time.

The first real social event, *grand parure*, was given at the chapter house on the evening of January 15th. Progressive cinch was the order of the evening, which was cheerfully allowed to be interrupted by the brothers and "sisters" long enough for them to be entertained at a superb spread. It certainly proved "the jolliest night of the whole college year. So say we all of us. "Vive la Sigma Chi."

We have two more men on our "rush line" whom we hope to introduce to you in our next letter.

Brother Herbert Arms, editor of the Sigma Chi Song Book, has been a frequent visitor at our chapter house. We appreciate the visits of our alumni and would be pleased to see more of them.

It is with sorrow we chronicle the illness of Brother Herbert Abernethy, who is at present in Mercy Hospital under the professional care of Drs. Wyllys and Frank Andrews. We shall sincerely hope for his speedy recovery.

Omicron Omicron remains yours in *summum bonum*, and wishes for all chapters a most prosperous year.

LAWRENCE DE GRAFF.

Chicago, Jan. 17, 1898.

## ALPHA ZETA—BELOIT COLLEGE.

Alpha Zeta sends New Year's greetings to her sister chapters, with best wishes for a most successful year. Our own chapter is prospering this year. With 14 men in the house and 4 others in the college we are holding up the middle of Beloit's fraternity plank. Beta Theta Pi and Phi Kappa Psi are doing their best at the two ends. Sigma Chi has her share of college offices, with Brother "Lucy" Moore manager of baseball team, Brother "Artie" Warner editor-in-chief of the *Round Table*, Brother Frank McCuskey manager of the glee club, and Brother "Dora" Ziggs captain of the track team.

Beloit has unusually bright prospects in baseball this year. There are 35 players on the squad, and our manager has arranged three games with Northwestern, two with the University of Chicago, two with the University of Wisconsin, and will have no trouble in getting others. There were four "Sigs" on last year's team, and there will be as many this year. Jolly 'em up, fellows, when our team comes around.

A large amount of interest centers in the preliminary and home contests in oratory this year, for the inter-state contest is to be held in Beloit next April. Of the ten speakers on the preliminary contest five were "Sigs," and four of these succeeded in making the home contest, for which six men are chosen. No other "frat" man succeeded in getting a place. We are reasonably sure of both places for the state contest; but the fine thing about it all is that in these contests, where "Sig" bucks against "Sig," the very best feeling is shown, and "all for one and one for all" is felt by every man.

Our chapter has no new initiated members to introduce in this letter, because matriculation does not come till the middle of February. But we have had a very successful rushing season. In 1901 we have five as fine fellows as they make, some of whom were rushed hard by the other "frats," but were not built that way. We have just succeeded in pledging a new academy man, for whom all three "frats" exerted themselves to the utmost. It was the neatest big piece of rushing we ever did. We stayed right by the man for three days after he struck town and didn't give the other people a chance. One of our brothers positively kept the man in sight for over 24 hours. He is to be Beloit's star pitcher this spring, and makes another "Sig" on the team. We are making unusual efforts this year, for we lose seven men in '98. Eight men are wearing our pledge pins.

Alpha Zeta expects every "Sig" who comes to Beloit in baseball or in any other old way to make the chapter house his home while he is here. We've got lots of room in the house and hearts for any and all White Cross men.

ROLLO LU VERNE LYMAN.

Beloit, Wis., Jan. 20, 1898.

## ALPHA IOTA—THE ILLINOIS WESLEYAN UNIVERSITY.

Illinois Wesleyan was slow in putting a football eleven in the field this year; in fact, at the opening of the season we had no team and no hope of one. At length some enthusiasm was aroused and a team was organized. The men went to work with a will and the result was a surprise to the most hopeful. It proved to be the best team Wesleyan has ever had. Owing to the lateness of the season when it was ready for games but few could be arranged, and the schedule consisted of but five contests. Of these Wesleyan won four. Alpha Iota was well represented on the team, Brother Dick Dyas, manager; Brother James Riley, captain; and Brothers Martin and Heafer playing ends.

All speculation in regard to the new President of the Wesleyan to succeed Dr. W. H. Wilder, who resigned last spring, was set at rest by the December meeting of the Board of Trustees. The board elected Dr. E. M. Smith, of Montpelier, Vt. Dr. Smith is a man of high qualifications, and comes with the best recommendations from the most noted eastern educators. The University has been passing through a critical period and great things are hoped for in the advent of Dr. Smith. Dr. Smith will probably be installed at the June commencement. Dr. R. O. Graham, Dean of the non-resident department, has been acting president since the resignation of Dr. Wilder. His administration has been most successful and satisfactory.

Alpha Iota has enjoyed her usual number of social successes since the last letter. On the night of November 12th we were royally entertained at the home of ex-Mayor Heafer by Brother Edgar Heafer and Miss Stella Heafer. On December 10th a very select social club of the Normal University gave a party at the Normal Opera House. They extended the courtesy of an invitation to the "Sigs," and you may be sure the time found us there. Many other social functions have been enjoyed also.

The curriculum of the Law School of the University has been revised, in compliance with the new law of Illinois compelling all schools to have a three years' course.

Brother Dick Shelledy did not return this year, but has gone to Indiana to pursue his law course.

Brother William Thornhill did not return to Wesleyan for the winter term and will probably pursue his studies elsewhere.

Since the last writing Alpha Iota has revealed to four benighted candidates the mysteries of Sigma Chi. Two were from the senior law class, viz.: James Riley, Bloomington, Ill., and W. L. Martin, Carmi, Ill. The other two were from the junior law: Richard Shelledy, Paris, Ill.,

and Bernard Landes, Mt. Pleasant, Ill. These men we are rejoiced to introduce to you as loyal men and good "Sigs."

The enrollment of our college, as taken from the last catalogue, is as follows:

Literary School—College students, 104; preparatory, 151; total, 255. Law School, 62; Music School, 529; College of Art, 101; grand total, 947.

The fraternities represented have a total membership of 28 and they rank as follows: Phi Gamma Delta, 8; Phi Delta Theta (sub-rosa), 3; Sigma Chi, 9; Kappa Kappa Gamma, 8.

Number of men initiated by Sigma Chi since opening of school year, 4. No men have been pledged.

With greetings to sister chapters, I am  
Bloomington, Ill., Jan. 15, 1898.

J. B. COLWELL.

#### ALPHA LAMBDA—THE UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN.

Since our last letter we have initiated four fine fellows, whom it gives us great pleasure to introduce. They are: Evans M. Nye, '01, Lancaster, Wis.; Charles A. Cryderman, law, '99, Milwaukee, Wis.; March F. Chase, law, '00, Mineral Point, Wis., and Harry Lyman Kellogg, pharmacy, '99, Oconomowoc, Wis. We also have four men pledged: William E. Finnegan, law, '00, Green Bay, Wis., will be initiated in the very near future, and the other three "pledglings," Fred Vogel, William Murphy and Harry Oakland, all of Milwaukee, will not enter the University until next year.

Alpha Lambda congratulates herself upon her fine success so far this year, and looks forward for a very prosperous and pleasant year.

This fall, old Wisconsin has been very much elated over her triumphs in football; she easily won all her games, and stands the champion of the west. At the time of the football game with Beloit we had the pleasure of entertaining a number of loyal and true "Sigs" from Alpha Zeta. After the game they helped us greatly in running in two men. We had 28 men in all at the initiation, and in every respect it was an entire success. We trust that we shall see more of Alpha Zeta.

Brother Arthur Babbitt, who has been with us this year has accepted a position in Chicago with the Chicago, Milwaukee and St. Paul Railroad. We greatly regret losing him, and wish him great success in his new undertaking.

At present the junior "prom" is being looked forward to with much interest, as it is the social function of the year. The junior class expects to make it the finest party ever given in Madison.

During the Christmas holidays the Milwaukee "Sigs" gave a lunch at the Pfister Hotel, winding up with a theater party. There were 25 "Sigs" who sat down, and all report a very enjoyable time.

During the past quarter we have received pleasant visits from Brothers Louis W. Myers, Alpha Lambda, '95; Walter H. Sheldon, Alpha Lambda, '97, and Clarence B. Chadwick, Alpha Lambda, '99. We are always glad to see any "Sig" who comes to Madison, and sincerely hope that they will drop in upon us. We number 15 active men at present, and hope to have more before the year is out.

The total enrollment of University now numbers about 1,800. There is a total membership of 187 fraternity men in the University, divided as follows: Chi Psi, 21; Phi Gamma Delta, 14; Beta Theta Pi, 25; Psi Upsilon, 22; Delta Upsilon, 22; Phi Kappa Psi, 13; Delta Tau Delta, 17; Phi Delta Theta, 22; Theta Delta Chi, 16; Sigma Chi, 15.

To date, Alpha Lambda has initiated 4 men. The number of pledged men is 4.

In closing, we send best wishes for a successful future for all the sister chapters.

STUART H. SHELDON.

Madison, Wis., January 17, 1898.

#### ALPHA PI—ALBION COLLEGE.

The beginning of the present term found all Alpha Pi boys ready for active work.

During the evening of December 15th we added one member to our chapter roll, and we now take pleasure in introducing to the "Sigs" our new brother, Corbin P. Birdsey, '99.

Just now the student body is congratulating itself over our new president, Dr. John P. Ashley, of Lima, N. Y., who commenced his duties the first of the new year. Dr. Ashley is a graduate of the Ohio Wesleyan University, of both the School of Theology and the School of All Science, of Boston University, and has taken extensive graduate courses in Jena, Leipzig, Berlin and Oxford. Combined with his scholarship he has that kind of energy which bespeaks a new era in the prosperity of the college. The formal inaugural exercises will take place February 23d.

On the evening of January 25th, the faculty gave a reception in honor of Dr. and Mrs. Ashley, at which nearly one thousand guests were received. It was one of the most enjoyable social events of the season.

In football last season, our outlook at the first was far from encouraging, but through the untiring efforts of Brother Sam Shipp as captain, Brother Will Niles as manager, and Brother Neil Hamblen, Albion se-

cured second place in the Inter-collegiate, and closed the season with a brilliant victory over Olivet, on the home grounds. Brother J. J. Nufer played a splendid game throughout the season.

Our fourth annual Thanksgiving dinner was a very pleasant event. Our lady friends aided us in decorating the lodge, which means that it was very pretty and tasty in effect. An ample dinner was served, after which followed toasts, which were responded to under the direction of toastmaster Brother Frank Roudenbush, '98.

Another addition has been made to the number of fraternity houses on the campus. The ladies of the Kappa Alpha Theta sorority have completed a handsome lodge and will dedicate their new home about March 1st.

On the evening of January 27th occurred the second annual debate between Ypsilanti and Albion. The subject discussed was, "Resolved, That United States Senators should be elected by direct vote of the people," Albion having the affirmative. Our team of debaters easily outclassed their opponents, and the decision of the judges was unanimously in favor of Albion.

The loyalty of our chapter to the college is always evident on these occasions, and we are ready to assist in gaining other victories.

With every prospect of a bright future, Alpha Pi sends greeting to all the brethren.

W. JAY BEAZAN.

Albion, Mich., February 1, 1898.

#### ALPHA SIGMA—THE UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA.

Alpha Sigma sends best wishes to her sister chapters, and hopes the year of '98 will prove a banner season for Sigma Chi. Alpha Sigma is stronger now than she has been for four years, having nine active members and two pledges.

Since our last letter we have initiated John Burgess, of Winona, Minn. He is a fine fellow, and a "frat" man from start to finish.

The football team this year did not come up to the expectations of our Worthy Consul, who suggested the description of it as "a veritable whirl-wind" in our last letter. But the reason for its failure is without explanation.

At the time of the Wisconsin game we received a delightful visit from Brothers Traise, Murphy and Kalvologe, of Alpha Lambda.

Brother G. H. Garrett, Alpha Xi, gave us a short visit shortly after Thanksgiving.

Alpha Sigma advocates the plan of interchange of letters between the different chapters, at least once a year. It seems that this is the

only way to become interested and familiar with our sister chapters. It would also tend to weld us more closely together.

Few social events have occurred at our University this year. The one of importance was the military ball, which occurred the evening before the Wisconsin game. This made it possible for us to entertain the Wisconsin delegation. Of course the "Sigs" were well represented. Elaborate preparations are now in progress for the junior ball, which will be the social event of the season.

The total enrollment of University—all colleges to date—is about 2,400.

The academic and engineering departments are the chief fighting place of the fraternities, the enrollment in the two being about 1,100.

There are about 275 fraternity men in the University, distributed as follows: Phi Kappa Psi, 18; Delta Upsilon, 22; Theta Delta Chi, 17; Phi Delta Theta, 20; Delta Tau Delta, 12; Beta Theta Pi, 23; Psi Upsilon, 15; Chi Psi, 18; Delta Kappa Epsilon, 15; Alpha Delta Phi, 12; Phi Gamma Delta, 20; Sigma Chi, 9; Nu Sigma Nu, 16; Phi Delta Phi, 20; Delta Chi, 15. Fraternally,

GEORGE F. BROOKS.

Minneapolis, Minn., January 9, 1898.

## SIXTH PROVINCE.

### ALPHA EPSILON—THE UNIVERSITY OF NEBRASKA.

The University of Nebraska has just closed the most successful semester in its history, and the attendance promises to be much larger next semester owing to a larger number of students entering from the preparatory school. The enrollment at present is 1,800.

The engineering building, for which an appropriation was made by the last legislature, is now under construction and will be completed by the opening of the school next autumn. It promises to be a handsome structure and will help much to relieve our overcrowded condition.

On February 15th, the University celebrates the twenty-eighth anniversary of the granting of its charter. The junior promenade, one of the most prominent social events of the University, will be held at the Lincoln Hotel, February 18th. Brother Fechet represents the chapter as a member of the "prom" committee.

Since the opening of the school year we have initiated three men. We take pleasure in introducing to the members of the Fraternity, O. G. Horne, '01, of Syracuse, Neb.; E. W. Foster, '00, and H. D. Landis, '99, of Lincoln, Neb., three excellent men, well worthy of wearing

the White Cross. We have associated with us this year, Brothers W. L. Halstead, Lambda, and C. E. Cake, Eta Eta.

In athletics and college politics the "Sigs" are holding up their end as usual. Brothers Fchet and Landis represent us on the athletic board, as the only fraternity members. Brother Burgert is manager of the tennis association and chairman of the senior class book committee. At a recent meeting of the athletic board, Brother Bischof was elected manager of the football team for next year. Brother Ewart is secretary of the local oratorical association.

The football season just closed was a very successful one for our University, the team winning the pennant in the Western Inter-collegiate Association. Brother Montgomery was our representative on the team and did some excellent playing in the position of half-back.

Much enthusiasm is already being shown in baseball circles. Brother Halstead is the most promising candidate for the position of pitcher.

A chapter of the scientific scholarship fraternity, Sigma Xi, was granted to the University last year. Brothers D. W. Hawksworth, '97, and H. W. Doubrava, '97, were elected members from the electrical engineering department. Their thesis was read before the American Institute of Electrical Engineers, at its meeting last summer.

The chapter gave a sleighing party last December. After riding around the city for some time we were driven to the chapter house where an excellent supper was served.

On the 11th instant, the chapter celebrated its fifteenth anniversary. The first part of the evening was devoted to initiation, after which the members enjoyed a banquet and listened to toasts by various alumni and active members.

Our chapter is now quartered in a handsome chapter house at 1421 H street, about thirteen blocks from the University, where we shall be glad to welcome any and all "Sigs" who may visit our city.

We shall be pleased to hear from our sister chapters.

Lincoln, Neb., January 15, 1898.

L. R. EWART.

#### ALPHA XI—THE UNIVERSITY OF KANSAS.

Again Alpha Xi answers "here" to the QUARTERLY roll call, and can truthfully say that she has faithfully fulfilled her duty as a member of the grandest of all college fraternities—Sigma Chi.

I take pleasure in announcing to our brothers and the Fraternity our last five initiates, Brothers Dana McVicar, '98, Topeka, Kans.; William H. Stanley, '99, Lawrence, Kans.; Arthur A. Greene, '99, Lecompton, Kans.; Roy Henley, '01, Lawrence, Kans., and Elwood Kennedy, '01,



Lawrence, Kans. We are very proud of these men as they are five of the best men in college. We have one pledge, Harry Annon, of Beloit, Kans., and he will make a true Sigma Chi, we feel sure.

We have recently installed ourselves in new and commodious quarters in a fine location, and our meetings are assuming a remarkable degree of interest and becoming increasingly profitable.

Again our football team has made for itself and the 'Varsity an enviable reputation. It was undoubtedly the strongest team ever known in this part of the west. Brother Fred Speak played a star game as full-back. Brother Speak was elected captain of the track team for '98 at the January meeting of the Kansas University Athletic Association.

We give our annual party and banquet on April 15th.

The enrollment of the University is about 1,075 to date. There are eight fraternities, with a membership of 110, distributed as follows: Phi Gamma Delta, 14; Phi Kappa Psi, 13; Phi Delta Theta, 16; Beta Theta Pi, 22; Sigma Nu, 7; Sigma Chi, 13; Theta Nu Epsilon, 16; Phi Delta Phi, 8.

Alpha Xi sends greetings to her sister chapters.

Yours fraternally,

A. R. WILLIAMS.

Lawrence, Kans., 1898.

#### XI XI—THE UNIVERSITY OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI.

Xi Xi is now beginning to feel the strength and confidence springing from age and past success. No longer do we enter the contest with fear when we see other fraternities desire the same men that we do. Indeed we can congratulate ourselves for not having lost a "spike" this year, and have secured what we consider five of the most eligible men in the University, three of whom we presented in our last letter, and have two for the present letter: Edward Waterworth, '01, of St. Louis, and Claude H. Thomas, '01, of Albany, Mo. We are after others whom we hope to be able to present in our next.

The football season has closed, and while not a grand success in point of strength, yet from a financial standpoint it was the most successful year we have gone through. Some of our boys met the Kansas "Sigs" at Kansas City, Thanksgiving, and report a jolly time. Next year we hope for a strong team, as most of the '97 eleven will return. In baseball it is thought we will have a stronger team than last year, though at that time we lost but one game. Our chapter hopes to be represented on the team.

The enrollment of the University this year is slightly above that of last year, there being about 800 students here at present. It is thought that it will reach the 1,000 mark before June.

There are eight fraternities and one sorority represented in the college. Phi Delta Theta has the largest membership, with 23 men; Beta Theta Pi has 13; Sigma Alpha Epsilon, 18; Kappa Alpha, 13; Sigma Nu, 16; Sigma Chi, 15, with 1 pledge; Phi Delta Phi, law, 21; of whom 3 are "Sigs," and Theta Nu Epsilon, 15, making a total membership of 134. Kappa Kappa Gamma (ladies) has a membership of 10.

Hoping that this will find our sister chapters in as prosperous a condition, we extend fraternal greetings.

SAM R. HALSTED.

Columbia, Mo., Jan. 18, 1898.

### SEVENTH PROVINCE.

#### ETA—THE UNIVERSITY OF MISSISSIPPI.

Eta chapter, not having had a letter in the November QUARTERLY on account of the yellow fever and the delayed opening of the university, wishes at this time to extend most cordial greetings to her sister chapters.

The university, in spite of the plague, is now enjoying a most prosperous session. The outlook for a large attendance was, on September 1st, most promising; at present the enrollment is almost that of last session. The Board of Trustees at its last meeting added to the faculty two full professors to fill two newly established chairs; one in the Department of Law and one comprising History and Rhetoric. The work done so far has been equal in merit to that of the same period in past years.

The enthusiasm and ambition which last session resulted in winning for the "Sigs" five signal victories in oratory, beside class and athletic honors, has not died out; a liberal portion has been transmitted to Eta of '97-'98. We have been strengthened by the initiation of the following brothers, whom we wish to introduce and commend as worthy of your love and confidence: R. H. Sultan, '01, and A. B. Leavell, '01, of Oxford, Miss.; J. E. Holmes, '99 (law), and Monroe Morgan, '01, of Hernando, Miss.; N. R. Drummonds, '00, J. B. Riley, '01, and R. E. Longino, '01, of Hebron, Miss.; H. R. Spight, '99 (law), of Ripley, Miss.; and R. H. Lake, '99, of Memphis, Tenn. We are especially glad to have with us Brother D. N. Kimbrough, '96, who enters for two years in law. Brother Kimbrough is a "Sig" of the first water, and Eta chapter owes much to him for successes in the past. Brother W. B. Watkins, '97, also returned and will complete both years in the law.

On account of the late opening we had no football season; the prospects for baseball are good; the gymnasium team is doing good work and plans are being made for an interesting field day. We are repre-

sented on the gymnasium team by Brothers D. M. and B. T. Kimbrough, Jones and Cashman. Sigma Chi has always had a liberal share of athletic honors, yet there seems to be a feeling that excellent scholarship and victories in oratory are to be, possibly, more diligently striven for. The fruits of this spirit have been manifest in our satisfactory achievements along these lines. The majority of the oratorical contests are yet to come; however, Brother Fisher won the place as debator from Phi Sigma Society for the senior medal at commencement.

The board of editors of "*Ole Miss*" has been selected and the matter is being prepared. From the interest manifested we expect a larger and better edition than any previous one, and feel sure that it will continue to rank among the first annuals of the south.

Our lodge rooms have been nicely refurnished, and we extend a brotherly welcome to all "Sigs" who may happen this way.

We wish all "Sigs" much happiness and prosperity.

Yours ever in the bonds of Sigma Chi,  
Oxford, Miss., Jan. 20, 1898.

L. P. LEAVELL.

#### ALPHA NU—THE UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS.

Alpha Nu chapter is indeed sorry that she was not represented in the November number of the QUARTERLY. The failure to send the letter was due to a misunderstanding as to the proper time to send the material. Alpha Nu is still alive, however, and the prospects are good for a fairly successful year.

The large and grand chapter of last year did not materialize on the opening day of the present session. At present the chapter is composed of but six men. Our only initiate is Hugh Prothergy, who is a true "Sig" and Alpha Nu is proud of him.

While our chapter is not large, it is considered by all to be in good condition, and then the memory of last session's splendid chapter has not faded from 'Varsity's mind, toward whose record we shall strive.

The University is gradually improving in all directions. The attendance has passed the five hundred mark. Every one is of the opinion that it has started forward on a career that promises to take her among the first of American universities.

In athletics the track team is getting into good shape, and bids fair to lower many 'Varsity records. Baseball candidates are practicing, and we expect a good team. Alpha Nu is glad to say that her members are in touch with every 'Varsity enterprise and stand well in every particular.

ALEX CAMP.

Austin, Texas, Jan. 17, 1898.

## ALPHA OMRICRON—TULANE UNIVERSITY.

When we were just beginning to think about studying again last summer the yellow fever made its appearance in New Orleans for the first time since 1878. Panic, caused partly by the fever and partly by the fear of irrational quarantine regulations, was the result. Those who were already away delayed their return and many departed in haste. As none of the refugees would return until after frost, and as those who stayed in town would not attend until after that time, the session at Tulane did not open this year until December 1st.

On that day, however, we began with a rush, and as a result there was a "hot time in the old town" on the night of December 10th, for we then initiated Mr. Leeds Eustis, a member of the class of 1901. Mr. Eustis is a man who promises to raise still higher the name and fame of Sigma Chi, and, if his sound judgment in the recent past is a criterion of his future, we may expect great things of our new brother. On December 21st we again had occasion for the services of our most efficient "goat," who exercised with due ceremony his functions upon Mr. Paul McIlhenny, a man whom we present to the Fraternity with perfect confidence. Brother McIlhenny is a brother of Brother Rufus McIlhenny, of Alpha Upsilon.

The chapter, therefore, begins the year with an unusually bright present and even more cheerful prospects, for Brothers F. A. Monroe, Jr., and W. H. Hayward are again with us as graduate and law student respectively, so that the chapter, while gaining five men by initiation, loses but two, Brothers J. F. Richardson and J. B. Murphy, who are, however, sorely missed.

On account of the unavoidable delay in opening, the session of '98 at Tulane will be an extremely hard one. The two months thus lost must be made up in some way, and so holidays have been abolished, Saturday is no longer a day of rest, the session will be lengthened until the 30th of June, and hard work is the order of the day.

There was no football team this year, as we returned too late in the season. The fever crippled Tulane in more than in mere loss of time. On account of it the *Daily College Spirit* was sent to the wall, as the advertisers, on a plea of hard times, refused to support it. The weekly, *Olive and Blue*, was substituted for it, a bright, enterprising, eight-page paper, undoubtedly the best publication of its kind in the south. The *Tulane Collegian* has, for the same reason, been changed from a monthly to a quarterly magazine. *Jambalaya* is the only publication which is unharmed, and it rests with the editors to make the '98 annual a model for all future ones at Tulane and elsewhere.

As to the part which "Sigs" have taken in these enterprises, it is as usual, the leading one. Brother Labouisse is business manager of the *Collegian* and the *Olive and Blue*. Brother J. B. Monroe is editor and secretary on the annual and is an associate editor on the *Collegian*, and Brother Grant is secretary of the Pan-Hellenic League, which seems likely to be a failure.

Since our last letter we received a visit from Brother Coe, of Zeta Psi, who came to New Orleans as a member of the University of Cincinnati football team.

J. B. MONROE.

New Orleans, La., Jan. 15, 1898.

#### ALPHA PSI—VANDERBILT UNIVERSITY.

Alpha Psi is again breathing easy after the superhuman exertions incident to semi-annual examinations.

Vanderbilt does not intend to rest on the laurels won during the football season, but is anxiously awaiting the spring, when she hopes to see the victories on the track and diamond rival if not eclipse those already won on the gridiron.

Our prospects for a good baseball team are especially bright, and we are confident that our track team will not be worsted without a bitter struggle.

We have two baseball games scheduled with the University of Pennsylvania (April 8th and 9th). As this is the first time that any athletic teams representing these two institutions have ever met, we are naturally looking forward to the outcome with great interest.

Since the last issue of the QUARTERLY Brother Joe A. Goodson, '99, has been elected captain of the '98 football team, and Brother Phil Connell has been appointed as one on a committee of five to revise the rules governing all football games between the colleges in the Southern Intercollegiate Athletic Association. At the last meeting of this association our Grand Consul, Dr. Dudley, was reelected president.

The enrollment of the University is about 800 to date. About 30 of this number are women. List of fraternities and membership is as follows: Chi Phi, 12; Delta Tau Delta, 14; Kappa Alpha, 24; Sigma Alpha Epsilon, 26; Alpha Tau Omega, 19; Sigma Chi, 10; Delta Kappa Epsilon, 28; Pi Kappa Alpha, 7; Phi Delta Theta, 27; Sigma Nu, 14; Beta Theta Pi, 3; Kappa Sigma, 21. This makes a total of 205 fraternity members in the University.

During the current year we have initiated 2 men and pledged none.

Sincerely yours,

HUGH H. MILLER.

Nashville, Tenn., Feb. 3, 1898.

## EIGHTH PROVINCE.

## ALPHA BETA—THE UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA.

The University of California reopened Monday last, after the mid-winter vacation, with an increased roll of students and prospects for a prosperous year. The catalogue of the University, just issued, shows an attendance of 1,565 in the colleges on this side of the bay, and 716 in the affiliated colleges in San Francisco, making a total of 2,281, the largest number ever enrolled in this University.

The chief topic of interest now occupying attention here is the international competition of architects for the submission of plans for a new system of buildings for the University. Mrs. Phoebe Hearst, a firm friend and patroness of our institution, has undertaken the expense of his competition, and has promised a large gift toward the completion of these buildings when the plans are finally accepted.

The baseball men turned out to-day for the first time, and soon will be actively engaged in practice for the series of inter-collegiate games with Stanford later in the spring. Garrett Cochran, of Princeton, has been engaged as coach for the football and baseball teams and is expected out here some time next month to start in with the baseball men. Brothers Minor, '00, and Deane, '01, will be out with the squad when training begins.

Debating will be started next week with an inter-collegiate debate with Stanford, a sort of forerunner of the big inter-collegiate affair to take place a few days before Class Day.

The condition of Alpha Beta is just the same as last term, the indications being for a very prosperous end to this college year. All our men have returned, but no new men have been initiated. Though only seven in number, we expect to augment our body next term with the addition of several fine "preps." upon whom we have our eye.

There is a total of 146 fraternity men in college, distributed as follows: Sigma Phi, 7; Phi Gamma Delta, 8; Delta Kappa Epsilon, 18; Chi Phi, 15; Sigma Chi, 7; Beta Theta Pi, 14; Phi Delta Theta, 12; Sigma Nu, 15; Chi Psi, 10; Sigma Alpha Epsilon, 12; Delta Upsilon, 20; Kappa Alpha, 8.

Alpha Beta has initiated but one man this year, and has pledged none. With best wishes to sister chapters.

Berkley, Cal., January 15, 1898. W. WILBERFORCE WILLIAMS.

## ALPHA UPSILON—THE UNIVERSITY OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA.

Since last we addressed ourselves to the Sigma Chi world the University of Southern California and Alpha Upsilon have enjoyed, in some lines at least, more than their usual success.

First of ourselves: We take pleasure in introducing to Sigma Chi five new members, every one of them a loyal "Sig." They are, Ernest B. Bradley, '99, recently from Ripon College, Wisconsin; Edgar D. Hiller, '00; Harry W. McIntier, '00; Frank T. Scott, '00, and Samuel Moulton, '00, all of Los Angeles.

We must not fail to make mention of a sixth initiate, the most charming of all, as Brother Bradley has seen fit to take unto himself a "better half." Mrs. Bradley finds her hands full in playing "sister" to so many "brothers."

Brother Bradley is business manager of the glee club, and Brother McIntier holds the position of business manager of the *Courier*.

In social lines but one "do" has as yet been given by Alpha Upsilon, that one occurring on the evening of December 30th, when the lady friends of the chapter were entertained, together with a few Alpha Upsilon alumni, at an informal card and dancing party.

The predictions of a successful football season, contained in our last letter, proved true beyond expectation. Not a single college game was lost during the season, and only once were U. S. C.'s colors lowered to an athletic club. Brother Martin, as captain, has reason to be proud of his team. Brother William Lloyd occupied the prominent position of right-half, while Brother Charles Christy, for the sake of the team, was obliged to succumb against his will and go back to center, a position in which he is acknowledged to have no superior, if an equal, in southern California. Brother Foster Wright returned in time to take his old position at quarter; so it will be seen that Alpha Upsilon occupied a somewhat prominent position on the team. The total score for the season is University Southern California 100, opponents 16.

Baseball and track athletics are now beginning to demand attention. Brother Hiram B. Tebbetts, last year's pitcher, is the most promising candidate for honors, while Brothers Martin and Jones are again working with the squad. Brother Jones has been reelected as the member of the board of directors of the Inter-collegiate Athletic Association of Southern California.

We were glad to receive a call from Brother L. R. Bradley, ex-'98, a short time since.

We announce in this letter the formation of a new fraternity in the University, a local organization styling itself Theta Psi. It is understood that the members are petitioning for a charter from a national fraternity.

Valuable additions have recently been made to the University library in the way of some much desired out-of-print books from Washington, and also to the museum a large collection given by Rev. Mr. Pattee.

Los Angeles, Cal., Feb. 1, 1898.

PHILO JONES.

## ALPHA OMEGA—LELAND STANFORD, JR., UNIVERSITY.

The second semester, with one exception, finds all our members back. We regret very much the loss of Brother Joss, who leaves college to go into business.

The half year just past has been a very successful one to us in our new quarters. The chapter enrollment reached the highest figure in its history. We have several good men now in prospect whom we hope to get.

During the holidays the glee and mandolin clubs made a tour of the southern part of the state, visiting every town of any size, and with grand success, both socially and financially. It is usual for our clubs to return with a deficit of several hundred dollars, but this year they returned with money to the good. Two members of Alpha Omega went on the trip. Brother Nichols is a member of the mandolin club, and also a member of the executive committee of the musical clubs. Brother Fleming was accompanist for the glee club.

The track and baseball men have begun training for the annual contests with the University of California. Several of our boys are trying for the track team.

The enrollment of the University is about 1,030 to date. The combined fraternity membership of the University is about 180, and is distributed as follows: Beta Theta Pi, 15; Chi Psi, 6; Delta Tau Delta, 18; Delta Upsilon, 25; Phi Delta Theta, 10; Phi Kappa Psi, 13; Sigma Alpha Epsilon, 18; Sigma Nu, 14; Sigma Rho Eta (local), 16 (formerly Phi Gamma Delta); Zeta Psi, 18; Kappa Alpha, 12. Number initiated by Sigma Chi to date is 5, and no men have been pledged.

Alpha Omega sends her best wishes for a continuous prosperity during the rest of the college year. Fraternaly,

Palo Alto, Cal., Jan. 20, 1898.

ERNEST S. WILLIAMS.

## NINTH PROVINCE.

## ALPHA ALPHA—HOBART COLLEGE.

Since our last letter to the QUARTERLY Alpha Alpha is glad to count three new brothers among her numbers. On November 19th, Brother Edward Morley Huson Knapp, '98, of Wausau, N. Y., was initiated, and January 14th Brothers Harry Gunnell, '00, of Beaver, Penn., and Eugene Luther Jagar, '01, of Charleston, S. C., so with Brother De-Woody, Kappa, '91, who is now the pastor of the First Baptist Church in Geneva, together with our eleven active members and one pledge man we feel full of hope for the future.



Brother Gunnell played the last year on both the college football and baseball teams. At a recent meeting of our athletic council Brother John Jagar was elected manager of the football team, and shortly before Christmas our glee club was organized, to which club Brothers Knapp and Acklay were elected.

At the time of the Princeton game at Cornell several of our members made a visit to Alpha Phi, where they were most hospitably entertained. We are also very glad to acknowledge visits from Brothers Harry Frank, Skidmore, J. L. Flannery, R. A. McIlkenny, of Alpha Phi, Brother Abbey, of Phi Phi, '76, and Brother Charles De Woody, Kappa, '91.

Brothers Acklay, '99, and Bates, '97, of Hobart, now at Nashotah Theological Seminary, attended the annual banquet at the Pfister, in Milwaukee, on Monday evening, December 27th. The Milwaukee "Sigs" threw open their houses in a most gracious manner to the visiting brothers—for the sisters, with the true spirit, spared no pains to make our stay delightful and long to be remembered. Especially do we feel grateful to Brother Dexter, to whom the success of the banquet was largely due, and to his sisters, who entertained several of the "Sigs."

The enrollment of the college now numbers 96, all men, of which 58 are members of fraternities. The following fraternities are represented: Kappa Alpha, 17; Sigma Phi, 15; Theta Delta Chi, 12; Sigma Chi, 11. Number of men initiated by our chapter, 8; pledged, 1.

Geneva, N. Y., Jan. 15, 1898.

CHARLES ACKLEY.

#### ETA ETA—DARTMOUTH COLLEGE.

The second term of college opened January 13th, after a vacation of three weeks. Everybody, on returning, seemed to be imbued with the idea that it was about time to get down to good solid work, and with the incoming of this spirit Eta Eta has been seized by the inspiration which is sure to give her new life and vigor.

We take pleasure in introducing our freshmen initiates, who, though small in numbers, are not lacking in quality: Edward Swazey Calderwood, Boston, Mass.; William Whittle Cheever, and Emmett Mellen Stevens, Nashua, N. H.; Edward Francis Gibbons, Hingham, Mass.; Herbert Corydon Denett, Amesbury, Mass.; George Leverett Hancock, Franklin Falls, N. H.; Julian De Witt Orcult, Wollaston, Mass.

Brother Pillsbury, '97, has returned to Amesbury, Mass., from a season of coaching at Otterbein University. This season was a successful one, and he will probably go back next fall to take up the work where he left it.

Brother Bolser, '97, is to run in the half mile invitation race, given by the Boston Athletic Association, at their next annual indoor meet.

Brother Thayer, '00, has returned to college, after an absence of one term.

Brothers Edwards, '99, and Hutchison, '00, both made the 'Varsity football team. Edwards played right-tackle and Hutchison right-end. Our football team was very successful this season in holding the larger colleges down to small scores, besides winning the Triangular League championship.

Brother Chapman, '00, is a member of the glee club, which had a very pleasant as well as successful trip through the New England States.

The enrollment of the College to date is 631, all being men. There is a total fraternity membership of 361, distributed among the following societies: Alpha Delta Phi, 34; Delta Kappa Epsilon, 40; Psi Upsilon, 41; Kappa Kappa Kappa, 41; Theta Delta Chi, 38; Phi Delta Theta, 40; Beta Theta Phi, 37; Sigma Chi, 27; Phi Kappa Psi, 30; Alpha Kappa Kappa, 13; Ace of Spades, 15; Alpha Psi Mu, 15. The number of men initiated this year by Eta Eta is 7. Yours truly,

Hanover, N. H., Jan. 29, 1898.

JAMES B. HUTCHISON.

#### NU NU—COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY.

A new year has begun, with very bright prospects for Nu Nu and for our *Alma Mater*, Columbia. ☐

Our chapter consists of 28 men, and we have excellent prospects of adding to our number at least six more before the end of the term.

During the holidays we initiated Paul H. Ringer, '01, college, New York City; shortly afterwards William Underhill Moore, '00, college, and last week Henry James Mills, '01, science, of Brooklyn, N. Y.

At one of our recent social gatherings we had as visitors the largest number of alumni ever gathered in our chapter rooms. Among those were: Brother Francis A. Scratchley, Zeta, '77; Brother Francis E. Brewer, Nu Nu, '95; Brothers Moulton, Alpha Alpha, '97; Smythe, Nu Nu, '95; Philips, Alpha Alpha, '96; A. G. Reed, Alpha Theta, '97; Kemper, Alpha Alpha, '96; Conklin, Alpha Theta, '95; C. F. Bemis, Alpha Sigma, '97; Blackford, Alpha Alpha, '97; Van Kleek, Alpha Alpha, '97; Lynn Thompson, Alpha Alpha, '95, and several others.

This was one of the series of bi-weekly social meetings which Nu Nu is giving this winter, and which, as we have found, has been a very successful experiment. It not only brings the alumni in touch with the members of the chapter, but also is an excellent means of rushing new men. It was the suggestion of Brothers J. D. Irving and H. Clarke, and as a result of it we have four new men pledged.

Our prospects for crews and track team, both of which are Columbia's strong points in athletics, are very flattering.

Fifty candidates answered the call for the "Varsity" last week, and among them were Brothers Le Prince and William V. Moore.

Brother P. H. Ringer has a good show for coxswain of the freshman crew.

On the track team, which began training last week, we are represented by Brothers Schimper and Le Prince. But we have our share of honors not only on the athletic teams, for we have dabbled in politics, and as a result Brother H. A. Brown is Vice-President of his class, '00, science, and Brother Moore holds the Vice-Presidency in his class, '00, arts. Brother J. D. Irving was recently elected a fellow in the School of Applied Science.

The chapter-rooms have recently been redecorated and are much improved. The ceiling of the parlor was finished in "Sig" colors.

The enrollment of Columbia to date is about 2,300, of which number about 300 are women.

Thirteen fraternities, with a combined membership of 350 men, are represented as follows: Alpha Delta Phi, 33; Psi Upsilon, 41; Delta Psi, 31; Delta Upsilon, 24; Phi Gamma Delta, 28; Sigma Chi, 29; Sigma Alpha Epsilon, 22; Phi Kappa Psi, 19; Delta Kappa Epsilon, 38; Sigma Phi, 16; Theta Delta Chi, 22; Phi Delta Theta, 28; Delta Upsilon, 27. Phi Beta Kappa and the legal fraternity of Phi Delta Phi are also represented.

In conclusion Nu Nu sends her best wishes to her sisters and prays that fortune will smile upon them as she has upon us.

New York City, Jan. 15, 1898.

E. J. FARLEY.

#### ALPHA THETA—MASSACHUSETTS INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY.

Since the last QUARTERLY appeared few things of importance have happened at the Institute. Alpha Theta has been working steadily to get new men, and now she takes great pleasure in introducing to "Sigdom" three worthy brothers: Clifford R. Hammond, '00, Buffalo, N. Y.; Charles F. Harwood, '99, Warren, Mass.; and James S. Gill, '99, Ludlow, Vt. This makes five new men who we have taken in this year, and it brings the total membership of this chapter up to 19.

Every one is very busy now, as the annual examinations are with us. The midwinter vacation begins January 28th and ends February 8th, and all but six of the brothers will be away.

At a recent meeting of the Athletic Association Brother Magee was elected vice-president; so with Brothers Hayden, S. P. Brown and Werner, who played on the football team, Sigma Chi is well to the front in athletics. We are also very well represented in the local clubs.

Brother Sickman had to leave us a few weeks ago on account of sickness in his family, but we expect to have him return again next year.

During the last month we have had visits from Brothers Farley Osgood, Alpha Theta, '97, Bodewell Paine, Alpha Theta, '97, and Arthur Stoneman, Theta Theta.

In a few weeks Alpha Theta hopes to begin baseball practice, and we expect to have even a better team than we had last year. Four of our new brothers play fine ball, and we fully expect to win the championship again this season.

There is promise of a new building in the near future to relieve the pressure in the Chemical and Architectural Departments. This will bring the number of "Tech's" buildings up to seven.

A few weeks ago the bust of President Walker was unveiled. It was presented to the corporation by the classes of '97-'98-'99 and 1900 as a remembrance of the man who did so much for the Institute and its individual members.

The enrollment of the Institute is 1,200, of which number 69 are women.

The following fraternities are represented, with a combined membership of about 155: Sigma Chi, 19; Delta Psi, 18; Chi Phi, 18; Phi Beta Epsilon, 26; Delta Upsilon, 17; Sigma Alpha Epsilon, 21; Delta Tau Delta, 14.

So wishing a most prosperous year to all "Sigs," and assuring all wanderers of a hearty welcome at 1116 Boylston street, we close.

Boston, Mass., Jan. 15, 1898.

WM. R. COLLIER.

#### ALPHA PHI—CORNELL UNIVERSITY.

A multitude of good things is in store for Cornellians, for junior week, with all its attractions, begins on the 31st inst. Brother Raymond, as a member of the junior "prom" committee, is busily engaged preparing to make this the most successful of "juniors." With such pleasures to which to look forward, and our successes of last term to look back upon, Alpha Phi has opened the new year very happily. Our only regret is the inability of Brothers Flannery and Creary to be with us this term.

The football season closed most successfully with the Thanksgiving game with Pennsylvania. Brother McLaughlan, manager of last year's team, had his duties transferred to those of captain for this year's team.

The crew and baseball team are subjects of daily conversation. Over 160 men are now trying for "Varsity," and there seems to be no doubt but that Cornell will maintain her reputation in the rowing world. Mr. Charles E. Courtney has been retained as coach. The class of '99, at their com-

ing smoker, will present a pair-oared working boat to the navy for Mr. Courtney's use. Arrangements for the annual intercollegiate championship race are now being completed, Harvard, Columbia, Pennsylvania and Cornell being the participants.

Baseball practice occurs daily. The schedule of games is almost completed, and Cornell will probably play her usual schedule.

The fencing club held a very interesting meet with Pennsylvania last week, Cornell winning by a close score.

We are pleased to introduce three new "Sigs" to our sister chapters: Lloyd Smoot, '01, Washington, D. C.; Judson Creary, '00, Lafayette, Ind.; and Gregory, '01, Albion, N. Y. Brother Gregory is a member of the glee club.

They join the older members in sending greetings and best wishes to our sister chapters.

JOHN W. O'LEARY.

Ithaca, N. Y., Jan. 19, 1898.

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TO MY FIRST LOVE.

BY FRED STEIGMEYER, Omicron Omicron, '97.

In boyhood days I strongly fought  
 What most men call *ideal*,  
 And rarely thought that what they saw  
 In mind they could not feel  
 With human heart. But what a change!  
 It came with just one glance—  
 That face divine, that form superb,  
 That manner, shy—a trance  
 Have caused. With human heart now do  
 I feel my own ideal.  
 And could you only see yourself  
 With eyes that I possess,  
 And were you only unreserved  
 And frankly did confess,  
 As I have done; and were within  
 Your breast my heart to feel;  
 Then, darling mine, you must admit  
 You were your own *ideal*.

Among the Alumni.

LETTERS FROM ALUMNI CHAPTERS AND ASSOCIATIONS.

THE NEW YORK ALUMNI CHAPTER.

The annual meeting and dinner of the New York Alumni Chapter was held on Thanksgiving eve at the Arena, Thirty-first street and Broadway, and although the attendance was somewhat smaller than usual, all present agreed that few dinners have left a more pleasant remembrance of enjoyment and enthusiasm.

Brother Burr McIntosh, so well known for his geniality and humor, was a great success as toastmaster, and it is in large part due to his wit and eloquence that the success of the dinner is due. Among the many speakers may be mentioned Rev. Samuel A. Weikert, Theta, Dr. Francis A. Scratchley, Zeta, '77, A. C. Ormsbee, Alpha Phi, A. G. Reed, Alpha Psi, and Samuel R. Ireland, Theta Theta.

Toward the close of the evening Brother Ireland arrived, and after a short speech entertained the company with some humorous anecdotes, for which he is so well known.

In closing, it may be said that the dinners of the New York Alumni Chapter have seldom if ever been attended by such an enthusiastic crowd of Sigma Chis, nor does the writer remember any occasion where all present have more thoroughly enjoyed themselves.

The following is a list of those present :

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| Dr. Francis A. Scratchley, Zeta, '77.           | Julian Thornley, Psi, '89.                              |
| Rev. Samuel A. Weikert, Theta, '71.             | F. E. Smith, Alpha Alpha, '96.                          |
| Frank R. Dickey, Alpha Phi, '96.                | R. J. Phillips, Alpha Alpha, '96.                       |
| R. H. Hasson, Alpha Phi, '96.                   | Arthur Moulton, Alpha Alpha, '97.                       |
| Addison C. Ormsbee, Alpha Phi, '94.             | Poyntelle Kemper, Alpha Lambda and<br>Alpha Alpha, '96. |
| Otis E. Acker, Delta Chi, '94.                  | Gilbert B. Russell, Alpha Alpha, '96.                   |
| Harvey C. Camp, Gamma, '70.                     | J. F. Morris, ——— ———                                   |
| Frederick T. Walser, Nu Nu, '00.                | Dr. John J. Kindred, Psi, '87.                          |
| A. G. Reed, Alpha Psi and Nu Nu, '00.           | Burr McIntosh, Phi, '84.                                |
| J. D. Irving, Nu Nu, '99.                       | Roderick P. Fisher, Alpha Rho, '88.                     |
| S. H. Putnam, Nu Nu, '00.                       | Clifford McCalla, Alpha Rho, '96.                       |
| Francis E. Brewer, Alpha Psi and Nu<br>Nu, '95. | J. B. Larel, Alpha Phi, '93.                            |
| W. H. P. Conklin, Alpha Psi and Nu Nu,<br>'95.  | Roundey, Alpha Rho, '95.                                |
|   | Samuel R. Ireland, Theta Theta, '89.                    |

New York City, Jan. 15, 1898.

FRANCIS E. BREWER.

## THE CHICAGO ALUMNI CHAPTER.

In spite of the counter attractions of the holiday season, twenty-three good "Sigs" met at the Technical Club, on the evening of December 28, 1897, and disposed of a little business and a large and excellent repast. These various members of the Chicago Alumni Chapter of Sigma Chi came directly from business, and proceeded to take possession of the billiard room of the club. Here the ivories were soon clicking merrily and chasing each other over the festive green in lively three-cushion carom and fancy massé shots, not to mention the "hot shots" that came from the partisan onlookers. Not only ivory, but high balls as well, served in pleasantly passing the time until business meeting, which was called to order with Vice-President Spencer in the chair.

After a motion, the Chairman appointed Brothers Harvey, Alden and Rader as a nominating committee, and the following report was rendered:

## OFFICERS:

President, George P. Merrick.	Secretary, Conrad B. Kimball.
Vice-President, George C. Purdy.	Treasurer, Herbert C. Arms.

## EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE:

Herbert C. Arms, Chairman.			
Harry E. Ambler.	Fred Steigmeyer.	W. B. Greenlee.	Mason Bross.

The elegant dining room of the Technical Club presented a very inviting appearance to the hungry men.

Beautiful ferns, artistically draped, outlined their delicate forms against the white expanse of linen while bits of color in the form of carnations adorned each plate. Courses too numerous to mention followed each other in comfortable succession. It is said that, when you educate a hungry man you set a devil loose in the world, but by the time the newly elected president arose to speak none but genial, well-fed expressions were manifest on the faces turned expectantly to greet him.

President Merrick, in a sincere and graceful way, first thanked his Brother "Sigs" for the honor conferred upon him, and then continued his speech in the brilliant and witty style that has made for him such an enviable reputation as an impromptu speaker.

Brother George C. Purdy was the first man called upon, and made an interesting talk reminiscent of former Sigma Chi dinners in Chicago, the most notable of which was the Athletic Club dinner of last February, at which so many "Sigs" from abroad were present. The Executive Committee are planning to make this midwinter dinner an annual affair, and the greatest in the series of dinners given each year in Chicago. Brother Purdy received a warm vote of thanks for his active work of the last two years in connection with the program of dinners.

President Merrick, at this point, noticing Alderman Alling's seeming restlessness, at once furnished a vent for the gentleman's surplus steam by assigning him the pleasurable task of telling about such "Sig" doings at Nashville as were not included in the golden text. The other speakers were Brothers Mason Bross, Omega, '84, Fred Steigmeyer, Omicron Omicron, '97, and John Moran, Omicron Omicron, '02.

The talks were interspersed with "Sig" songs, with Brother Matteson presiding at the head.

Following is a list of those present :

George P. Merrick, Omega, '84.	W. F. MacDonald, Omicron Omicron, '98.
Mason Bross, Omega, '84.	R. G. MacDonald, Alpha Pi, '93.
George C. Purdy, Alpha Phi, '92.	Charles Alling, Jr., Chi, '85, Theta Theta, '88.
Robert C. Spencer, Jr., Alpha Lambda, '86.	Frank Crozier, Chi, '92, Theta Theta, '94.
Robert H. Harvey, Omega, '89.	Frank L. Grant, Theta Theta, '94.
Robert W. Stevens, Omega, '94.	A. F. Rader, Mu Mu, '96.
W. B. Greenlee, Alpha Phi, '95.	Van W. Alling, Delta Delta, '97.
Herbert C. Arms, Kappa Kappa, '95.	W. T. Alden, Omega, '91.
Conrad B. Kimball, Kappa Kappa, '94.	F. B. Cozzens, Omega, '91.
Victor A. Matteson, Kappa Kappa, '95.	F. J. Tourtellotte, Omega, '88.
Fred Steigmeyer, Omicron Omicron, '97.	H. G. Spensley, Alpha Lambda, '94.
J. P. Moran, Omicron Omicron, '99.	

Chicago, January 15, 1898.

CONRAD B. KIMBALL.

N. B.—The next meeting of the Chicago Alumni Chapter will be held at the University Club, March 25, 1898. Grand Consul W. L. Dudley, of Nashville, Tennessee, will be present as well as representatives from Cincinnati, Indianapolis, Milwaukee and other cities.

#### THE MILWAUKEE ALUMNI DINNER.

On December 27th, the members of the Sigma Chi Fraternity, who live in Milwaukee and vicinity, held their annual dinner in the private dining hall of the Pfister Hotel, after which they attended the performance of the Isle of Champagne, at the Alhambra Theater. Those present were :

Toastmaster, Edward M. Dexter, Alpha Lambda, '92, Milwaukee, Wis.  
 James S. Norris, Omega, '75, Milwaukee, Wis.  
 Samuel Harding, Alpha Lambda, '90, Milwaukee, Wis.  
 Loyal Durand, Alpha Lambda, '90, Milwaukee, Wis.  
 Sam Durand, Alpha Lambda, '90, Milwaukee, Wis.  
 A. C. Reitbrock, Alpha Lambda, '89, Milwaukee, Wis.  
 William H. Woodard, Alpha Zeta, '94, Watertown, Wis.  
 Walter J. Ludke, Alpha Lambda, '97, Milwaukee, Wis.  
 Talmadge Hamilton, Eta Eta, '96, Milwaukee, Wis.  
 Gustav Wollaeger, Jr., Alpha Lambda, '97, Milwaukee, Wis.  
 Joe D. Maynard, Alpha Lambda, '96, Milwaukee, Wis.



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James Balding, Kappa Kappa, '95, Milwaukee, Wis.  
 E. Merrill, Alpha Zeta, '96, Milwaukee, Wis.  
 Guido C. Vogel, Alpha Lambda, '98, Milwaukee, Wis.  
 Frank W. Jones, Alpha Lambda, '00, Milwaukee, Wis.  
 Cornelius A. Sidler, Alpha Lambda, '00, Milwaukee, Wis.  
 D. Hayes Murphy, Alpha Lambda, '00, Milwaukee, Wis.  
 Charles A. Cryderman, Alpha Lambda, '00, Milwaukee, Wis.  
 D. M. Woodard, Alpha Zeta, '87, Watertown, Wis.  
 Tyler Hill, Alpha Lambda, '92, Sparta, Wis.  
 L. Bates, Alpha Alpha, '97, New York.  
 Charles Ackley, Alpha Alpha, '99, Oconomowoc, Wis.  
 Foster Lardner, Alpha Lambda, '92, Oconomowoc, Wis.  
 Benjamin J. Kalvelage, Alpha Lambda, '00, Milwaukee, Wis.  
 J. Howard Morrison, Alpha Lambda, '89, Madison, Wis.  
 Harry S. Hayes, Alpha Lambda, '96, Milwaukee, Wis.

Milwaukee, Wis., Jan. 2, 1898.

HARRY S. HAYES.

## THE KANSAS CITY ALUMNI MEETING.

The Organization of an Association Looking Toward the  
 Establishment of an Alumni Chapter.

In the days when Morrison Mumford, Sigma, '62, was editor and proprietor of the *Kansas City Times*, then in its "golden age," there was no need of an alumni chapter in Kansas City. If the resident "Sigs" wanted a social meeting, or there was a visiting brother to be entertained, a suggestion to Mr. Mumford was sufficient to bring forth an invitation to all "Sigs" within reach to accept his hospitality at a banquet. No officers or committees of arrangements were needed, and no assessments levied to cover expenses. Brother Mumford and the Coates House attended to all details. But after his death there was a certain disintegration of the "Sig" forces, and between that time and the present there have been only a few feeble attempts to organize. These attempts have, however, kept up the spirit and led to final success.

On the evening of December 16, 1897, a number of "Sigs" from the twin cities, Kansas City, Mo., and Kansas City, Kas., assembled at the Coates House. The meeting was large and enthusiastic enough to insure a strong, permanent chapter, and those who had taken part in former futile attempts felt from the interest displayed that this one would fare better. All were imbued with that old-time feeling of "Sigs" who have learned to love their Fraternity as the center of their affection for their *Alma Mater*. There was that light in the eye, that warmth in the grip which overthrows the argument of those who say: "Well, a fraternity is a

good thing while you are in college, but it does not amount to anything after you are out of it." The oldest "Sigs" present were greatest rather than least in enthusiasm, and no one seemed to think that his fraternity was less to him than when an undergraduate.

The result of that meeting is the Kansas City Alumni Association, which is hereby introduced to the Fraternity, with H. P. Wright, Omega, '87, as president; H. H. Whiffin, Alpha Iota, '96, secretary; and Justin D. Bowersock, Alpha Xi, '91, treasurer. Several committees were appointed, which are busy in seeking out all the "Sigs" of the two Kansas cities and the neighboring towns and in other matters of organization. We feel that with such men in the chapter as Brothers Wright, A. F. Evans and E. A. Harper its success is assured. Brother Wright's connection with the Fraternity is too well known to need further mention. Brother Evans is one of the old Virginia tribe of "Sigs" whose loyalty and good works are history, and Brother Harper is a worker for Sigma Chi like his brother, "Jupiter" Harper. We have also the praetor of this province, Brother Bowersock, who has taken such an active part in the history of Alpha Xi chapter at the University of Kansas. It is our purpose to bring about the establishment of a regularly organized alumni chapter, and in this we shall hope for the cooperation of the whole Fraternity.

Our chief aim at present is to find every "Sig" in the vicinity, and especially in the city. A great many men have come here since the publication of the catalogue, and for these we are obliged to trust to hearsay. We want to get them all, and would be very grateful for assistance from any brother knowing "Sigs" in our neighborhood. Send the secretary his name and address and "we will do the rest." We have already more than fifty members and we are in hopes of increasing this very materially in the course of a few more meetings. However, fifty sturdy "Sigs" are a host and are only excelled by a greater number of the same kind.

An alumni chapter is not a new idea. It has been conceded for a number of years that there should be a chapter in Kansas City. Yet never until the present have the prospects been so good nor the material so abundant, while the need is greater than ever. Not only do we hope to be an aid to each other and a source of pleasure through our organization, but we hope also to do a good work for the Fraternity. Especially shall we give attention to the chapters of this province, of which Kansas City is the natural meeting place. These chapters are so far apart as to see very little of each other, and a centrally located organization, interested in all, ought to be a great assistance to them. We have in mind a province convention to be held some time during the year.

Trusting that our organization may be an honor to ourselves and to the Fraternity, I remain

H. H. WHIFFEN.

## THE CENTRAL OHIO MEETING AT COLUMBUS.

The following account of a banquet in Columbus, Ohio, is taken from the *Press-Post* of December 23, 1897, of which Brother De Witt C. Jones, Gamma, '70, is the editor:

"The seventh annual reunion and banquet of the Sigma Chi Fraternity took place Thursday night at the Great Southern Hotel. The members of the local chapter of the O. S. U. had charge of the affair, which proved very successful in every way. About 35 guests, including many of the local alumni, were present. After disposing of an elaborate menu the following programme was carried out under Mr. Austin P. Gillen, who acted as toastmaster: 'Symposiarch,' Mr. Austin P. Gillen; 'Welcome,' Mr. George Nelson Barrere; 'Twenty-third Grand Chapter,' P. M. Griffith; 'Gamma,' Mr. D. H. Leas; 'Mu,' Mr. Herbert C. Jones; 'Sigma Chi,' Mr. L. B. Durstine.

"In addition to these there were quite a number of impromptu speeches, and the merry party broke up at a late hour.

"Among those present were: Will C. Dakin, Columbus; John B. Harmon, Denison; Eugene B. Huffman, Denison; George N. Barrere, Columbus; Lee B. Durstine, Columbus; E. Asbert, Delaware; Herbert C. Jones, Columbus; Walter M. Fickes, Columbus; Murry E. Reed, Delaware; Fred Jeffrey, Columbus; Ed M. Taylor, Columbus; Charles R. Mayers, Columbus; Edward H. Allen, Lena; Earl O. Devore, Woodsfield; Charles P. Reed, Delaware; James L. Thalman, Batavia; Austin P. Gillen, Youngstown; William Lloyd Evans, Columbus; L. Beman Thomas, Jackson; W. G. Brossman, Columbus; P. M. Griffith, Sabina; Frank Haas, Columbus; G. F. Mahaffey, Cambridge; George S. Runyon, Mansfield; Emmet Lacey, Columbus; H. L. Bowers, Mansfield; D. M. McDonald, Wellsville; J. Theobald, Columbus; T. G. McCray, Columbus; Frank H. Gale, Columbus."

## PERSONALS.

## BETA—WOOSTER UNIVERSITY.

Marian M. Miller, Beta, '95, whose reputation as a poet is already well known in the Fraternity, has an ode to Henry George in the *New York Independent* of November 18, 1897. He is also the author of a poem entitled the "Christ Child" in the December *Cosmopolitan*.

L. B. Durstine, Beta, '78, is state agent of the New York Life for Ohio.

## GAMMA—THE OHIO WESLEYAN UNIVERSITY.

Edward Allen, '96, completes the course in law at Ohio State University this year.

George Runyan, ex-'99, is employed at his home in Mansfield, Ohio.

O. P. Coe, ex-'98, is attending Ohio Medical College at Cincinnati.

Harry Crawford, '96, is studying law in Cleveland, Ohio.

Edward Baker, '96, is practicing law in Tiffin, Ohio.

EPSILON—COLUMBIAN UNIVERSITY.

Andrew B. Dorrell, '64, was elected President of the Washington, D. C., Alumni Association of the Columbian University at its last meeting.

Theodore W. Noyes, '77, of the *Washington Evening Star*, was recently elected President of the Washington Board of Trade, an exceptional honor for a young man.

Thornton J. Parker, '94, passed the highest examination for admission to the District bar in 1897. This examination is very hard and many fail.

George L. Edmons, '94, went to Philadelphia January 1st to accept a position with the Philadelphia agency of the Agricultural Fire Insurance Company, of Watertown, N. Y.

Arthur L. Wilson, '94, recently took the degree of M. D. at Bellevue Hospital, New York, and will practice in that city.

ZETA—WASHINGTON AND LEE UNIVERSITY.

Robert F. Wendell, '95, is practicing law in Murfreesboro, Tenn.

C. Phil Snyder, '96, is at the United States Naval Academy at Annapolis, Md.

James R. Guy, Jr., '94, is in business at Bedford, Va.

Glen R. Mumford, '93, is in the Norfolk and Western Railroad offices at Roanoke, Va.

Alonzo Rice Cocke, D. D., '76, is now president of the Chautauqua of the Mountains, at Waynesboro, Va.

ETA—THE UNIVERSITY OF MISSISSIPPI.

W. I. Pate and M. G. Evans, both of '97, are co-principals of the Mass Point (Miss.) High School.

J. O. S. Sanders, '97, is doing himself much credit in the profession of law at Charleston, Miss.

A. J. McIntyre, '96, is practicing law at Ripley, Miss.

KAPPA—BUCKNELL UNIVERSITY.

Nicholas P. Merrine, '73, a prominent attorney of Altoona, has been announced as a candidate for the Republican nomination for Congress from the Twentieth Congressional District of Pennsylvania.

## KAPPA—BUCKNELL UNIVERSITY—Continued.

Rev. Theodore A. K. Gessler, '64, who is pastor of the Baptist Church at Lake Hopatcong, N. J., attended the fifteenth annual Baptist Congress held at Immanuel Baptist Church, Chicago, November 16, 17 and 18, 1897. Brother Gessler was secretary and treasurer of the congress. He was formerly president of the New York Alumni chapter and is one of our household gods in the east.

## LAMBDA—INDIANA UNIVERSITY.

Harry Geu, '97, is principal of Washington (Ind.) High School.

Burke Hill Keeney, '96, is principal of schools in Middlesboro, Ky.

Walter L. Joy, '97, has for several months been with the Indiana Life Insurance Company, of Indianapolis.

Curtis Atkinson, '97, is attending medical school in Philadelphia.

## XI—DE PAUW UNIVERSITY.

George Calvert, '94, who is practicing law in Indianapolis, visited his old chapter and assisted in the second term spike.

Peter Studebaker, of South Bend, is traveling for a felt boot company.

## OMICRON—DICKINSON COLLEGE.

R. V. B. Lincoln, '95, was admitted to the Northumberland County (Penn.) bar in December.

Charles Cochran, law, '96, is on his way to the Klondike gold fields.

E. G. Brotherlin, law, '96, is practicing law at Wilkesbarre, Pa.

Morris Wooden, '93, is practicing medicine at Indianapolis, Ind.

Carl Geng, '97, is in the Medical Department of the University of Pennsylvania.

Norman Landes, '94, is organist of the First Presbyterian Church of Flemington, N. J. He spent the past summer in Europe.

George Keeil, '96, is reporting for the *Cleveland Press*.

Frank Coorer is in the employ of the Steelton Iron Company, of Steelton, Pa.

W. S. Nevin, '97, expects to take control of the electric plant of the *Pittsburg Leader*.

## OMICRON—DICKINSON COLLEGE—Continued.

John D. Bertollette, '94, is in the commission business at Roanoke, Va.

W. C. Allison, '92, has built himself a magnificent cottage at Bar Harbor.

Thomas Field, '93, Praetor of the First Province, is with Smythe, Field & Co., of Philadelphia, one of the largest wholesale dry goods and notion houses in Pennsylvania.

Bernard Kremer, '97, is working for the Fire Underwriters' Association of Pittsburg, Pa.

## TAU—ROANOKE COLLEGE.

George C. Cabell, Jr., '88, of Danville, Va., has been appointed a colonel on the staff of Governor J. Hoge Tyler.

F. H. Chalmers, '73, was recently elected vice-president of the Farmers' National Bank of Salem.

## CHI—HANOVER COLLEGE.

Rev. C. E. Morse, '86, has been elected president of the Ministerial Association of Chicago.

V. P. Harris, '96, has accepted a position with the *Pittsburg Dispatch*, Pittsburg, Pa.

W. B. Torrance, '95, is not permitted to attend medical college this year on account of his eyes, but is at his home in Terre Haute, Ind.

R. B. Applewhite, '98, has taken charge of a school in Brownstown, Ind.

William R. Alling, Chi, '89, is representing the wholesale hardware house of Farwell, Ozman, Kirk & Co., of St. Paul, Minn., as a traveling salesman in Iowa, where he has been in the same business for five years past.

The following, of interest concerning Brother Walter S. Montgomery, '80, is taken from the *Madison (Ind.) Courier*, January 12, 1898:

"Walter S. Montgomery was yesterday appointed postmaster at Greenfield, Ind. Mr. Montgomery is a native of Kent, this county, a graduate of Hanover College, and a Republican editor and worker of marked ability and influence in the State. His old-time neighbors and friends rejoice to note that his worth has been recognized and appreciated."

## ALPHA ALPHA—HOBART COLLEGE.

W. J. Lockton, '95, is attending the Seabury Divinity School at Faribault, Minnesota.

E. W. Hope, '98, is a student at the University of Pennsylvania.

The following are attending the general Theological Seminary at Chelsea Square, New York City: W. P. Kemper, '82; R. J. Phillips, '95; D. C. Huntington, '96; M. H. Milne, '96; F. E. Smith, '96; A. W. Molton, '97.

## THETA THETA—THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN.

Winslow S. Pierce, '79, whose connection with the recent transfer of the Union Pacific Railroad was mentioned in the last number of the *QUARTERLY*, has recently been elected President of the Board of Directors of the new corporation.

William R. Rummuler is now specializing as a patent attorney at 82 McVicker's Theater Building, Chicago.

## SIGMA SIGMA—HAMPDEN-SIDNEY COLLEGE.

S. E. Reed, ex-'98, is located at Bryan, Texas.

S. M. Mason, '97, is studying law in Yorkville, South Carolina.

R. G. Henderson, ex-'97, is studying medicine in Memphis, Tenn.

J. G. Sexton, ex-'97, is at his home in Wytheville, Virginia, taking a vacation from his arduous labors.

C. A. Sydnor, '95, is professor in Hoge Academy, at Blackstone, Virginia.

J. L. Stuart, '96, is head master at Pantops Academy, near Charlottesville, Virginia.

W. R. Houston, '96, is teaching at the Richmond County Academy, Augusta, Georgia.

## ALPHA GAMMA—THE OHIO STATE UNIVERSITY.

John A. McGrew, '96, has been engaged as engineer of the Cleveland and Pittsburgh Division of the Pennsylvania Company.

William Evans, '92, has resigned his position in Ohio State Normal to accept a position in Cripple Creek, Colorado, vacated by Brother Charles Davis.

ALPHA LAMBDA—THE UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN.

Roce C. Cornish, '97, has a position with the Milwaukee Gas Co.

Fred W. Nelson, '97, is with the Boston Montana Mining Company, Great Falls, Montana.

Walter H. Sheldon, '96 and '97, is at Rush Medical College, Chicago.

Guerdon C. Buck, '97, is attending the Chicago Medical College.

Lee A. Parkinson, '99, is now living in Washington, D. C.

Gustav Wollaeger, Jr., law, '97, is a member of the law firm of Sheridan & Wollaeger, Milwaukee.

Walter J. Luedke, law, '97, has just returned from a six months' tour in Europe, and is engaged in the practice of law in Milwaukee.

Allen J. Nichols, ex-'99, has a position in the First National Bank at Saint James, Minn.

John W. Schempf, '96, is in the employ of the A. Spiegel Drug Co., Milwaukee.

Arthur Babbitt, '93, who has been at Madison, Wis., in the State Agricultural Society, has accepted a position in Chicago with the Chicago, Milwaukee and St. Paul Railroad.

Louis W. Myers, '93, who has been practicing law in Chicago, has moved to Los Angeles, Cal., and has opened a law office there.

Walter J. Luedke, '97, has returned from Europe, where he has been since last June.

Robert C. Spencer, Jr., '86, has recently received considerable recognition among architects of Chicago for work done in connection with some cottages just completed in the most fashionable portion of Evanston, Ill. The buildings are of a special design, and their location has called for the exhibition of skill and artistic ability not always demanded in house designing.

ALPHA OMICRON—TULANE UNIVERSITY.

J. F. Richardson, '97, is with the Louisiana State Board of Engineers.

J. B. Murphy, '97, is managing a sugar plantation in Assumption Parish, La.

W. B. Forsyth, '92, is practicing law in New Orleans.

W. A. Dixon, '96, is superintendent of schools in Many, La.



## ALPHA OMICRON—TULANE UNIVERSITY—Continued.

John Dymond, Jr., '88, is the enterprising president of the newly formed Southern Cyclists' Association.

## ALPHA PI—ALBION COLLEGE.

Leroy E. Perine, '96, has a position in the office of D. M. Ferry & Co., Detroit, Mich.

Robert E. Brown, ex-'99, is a junior in Alleghany College, and pastor of the Congregational Church at Lakewood, N. Y.

Lewis H. Kirby, ex-'00, is studying in the University of Halle, Germany.

Fred K. McEldowney, ex-'91, is identified with the new State Telephone Company, located at Detroit.

A. E. McClintock, ex-'01, has a position in the Canadian Pacific Railway office in Detroit.

## MISCELLANEOUS NOTES.

Among the special exhibits at the Chicago Art Institute during the month of December last, was a special collection of drawings by Chicago artists. The work of Brother John T. McCutcheon, Delta Delta, '89, occupied a prominent place in this exhibit, and the following is taken from the *Chicago Times-Herald* of December 12, 1897:

"An exhibition of drawings by John T. McCutcheon, Frank Holme and William Schmedtgen, the annual exhibition of the Art Students' League, and an exhibition by the Caxton Club of rare and beautiful bookbindings will open at the Art Institute Thursday, December 16. All of the collections will be placed in the galleries in the south wing. Chicago is most fortunate in her illustrators. Our newspapers are noted throughout the country for their clever drawings. Conspicuous among our local draughtsmen are McCutcheon, Holme and Schmedtgen, whose work for several years appeared in various newspapers and magazines. John T. McCutcheon's humor is of the highest order. He is subtle, and he tells his truths with daring but so adroitly and with so much good nature that the observer enjoys the situation with him.

Mr. McCutcheon's cartoons number among the best of the day. He is direct; the characterizing essentials in his pictures never have to be searched for, and is never boorish in his treatment of a subject. He is individual and his quaint, ugly little animals have won for him many friends. His dog and boy are inimitable. His horses and spotted cows look like the wooden toys contained in a child's Noah's ark inspired with life. Mr. McCutcheon gives us types that we daily confront in the busy streets and in places of amusement. They are flesh and blood habitues of the thoroughfares. Note the men and women in "At the Horse Show" and his remarkable character sketches for George Ade's "Stories of the Street." He is a trained man with pen and pencil. His lines are graceful, his work thorough, and he is as well versatile. Dainty and attractive are his sketches of the streets in Paris, Heidelberg, Brussels, Florida and California."

Delos C. Miller, Eta, '80, has made a fine reputation for himself as Assistant United States District Attorney at New Orleans.

Robert Coey, Kappa Kappa, '03, is now with Swift & Co., Chicago.

William M. Knox, Omega, '74, has been elected president of the Chicago Press Club.

Arthur B. Harbert, Omega, '94, who will be remembered as a delegate from the Omega Chapter at the Twenty-second and Twenty-third Grand Chapters, has identified himself with the firm of Harbert, Curand & Harbert, for the general practice of law, with offices in the Hartford Building, Chicago.

The well-known fire insurance firm of Pellet & Hunter, 161-3 La Salle street, Chicago, announces an addition to its company in the person of Sedgwick S. Vastine, who has been in its employ for a number of years. Clarence S. Pellett is a member of Alpha Zeta, '86.

Charles Denby, Jr., Sigma, '82, of Evansville, Ind., has been requested to return to China, as Secretary of the American Legation at Peking, by the new Minister, Charles Page Bryan.

Robert W. Stevens, Xi, '94, who has made a very enviable record as a pianist during the past few years, gave a concert in Chicago which was very well received, on Tuesday evening, January 25th. A number of Sigma Chis were present and the audience was very enthusiastic in recalling Brother Stevens again and again. Among the Sigma Chis present were: Frederick B. Cozzens, Omega, '91; Robert Kerr, Omega, '93; Charles L. Stevens, Omega, '89, and Charles Alling, Jr., Chi, '85, Theta Theta, '88.

The following is taken from the *Chicago Tribune*, January 26, 1898:

"Mr. Robert W. Stevens, last heard in concert in the summer series given by members of the Chicago Orchestra more than two years ago, made his reappearance at Central Music Hall last night. The Chicago Orchestra, under Mr. Thomas' direction, assisted.

Mr. Stevens since his absence from the concert-room has studied with Mrs. Bloomfield-Zeisler, and last evening demonstrated really notable advance in his work. The numbers selected by him for performance were Schumann's A minor concerto, op. 54; the Henselt concerto in F minor, op. 16, and Chopin's Andante Spinato and Polonaise, op. 22.

The young pianist is possessed of excellent technic and, a quality previously lacking in his performances, sense of color. In this respect it is, as well as in the matter of technic refinement, and finish, that he has gained. The matter of temperament is another question. But with the degree of advance that has marked his career in the last two years, which he so excellently demonstrated last night, Mr. Stevens is a pianist to be reckoned upon. While the young soloist is more or less unsteady when it comes to playing with orchestral accompaniments, it must be said that those afforded by the orchestra last night, particularly in the Henselt, were far from satisfactory. Mr. Stevens was well received by his audience, which included M. Guilman.

Beethoven, Wagner, and Bach were represented in the orchestral portion of the program."

H. N. Kelsey, Rho, '87, who has had charge of the Cook County department of the Norwich Union Fire Insurance Company of England, has recently associated with himself Mr. W. Dix Webster, with offices at 807, 171 La Salle street, Chicago.

Out of twenty delegates appointed by the Governor of Mississippi to represent the state at the American Cotton Growers Protective Association, which met at Memphis, Tenn., December 20, 1897, four Sigma Chis were chosen: J. M. Jayne, Zeta, '70; W. C. Martin, Eta, '81; James T. Harrison, Zeta, '67, and John Kyle, Nu, '74.

Dr. W. L. Dudley, Grand Consul of the Fraternity, attended the annual convention of the American Chemical Society, which met in Washington, D. C., during the holidays. He is vice-president of the association, and owing to the active part which he took in the exercises of the meeting, it was impossible for him to devote a great deal of time to Sigma Chi. It is reported, however, that a number of the local men called upon him and that he was able to meet with the active chapter at the Columbian University, and at the residence of Brother Robert Farnham.

Frederick W. McReynolds, Delta Chi, '92, is the happy father of a son, born December 5, 1897. George Brooke McReynolds is his name. Brother McReynolds is secretary of the Sigma Chi Alumni Association of Washington, D. C.

The friends of Brother Clarence S. Pellett, Alpha Zeta, '86, will be grieved to learn of the sudden death of his wife, which occurred at Oak Park late in December.

John C. Lyle, Nu, '78, is now practicing law at Oxford, Miss.

Paul Arnold, Alpha Upsilon, '90, who is now studying in Germany, recently represented the University of Leipsic in the German University tennis tournament for the championship of Germany, winning from a large field of contestants.

We are in receipt of the last annual report of Mercy Hospital, Chicago. This is one of the leading institutions of its kind in the west and we note on the staff a number of Sigma Chis who are prominent in their respective departments, all of whom are members of the Omega chapter. The following is the list: Dr. N. S. Davis, Jr., '89; Dr. E. Wyllys Andrews, '78; Dr. Frank T. Andrews, '81, and Dr. Robert H. Harvey, '89.

Brother R. H. Jesse, Psi, '75, President of the State University of Missouri, delivered the address at the Foundation Day ceremonies of Indiana University at Bloomington, Ind., January 20, 1898. His subject was "Higher Education."

The following is taken from the *Lynchburg (Va.) Daily News*, December 30, 1897:

"Mr. Henry Christian gave a dinner last evening at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Camillus Christian, on Court street, to some members of the Sigma Chi Fraternity who are visiting in the city and to some intimate friends.

"Mr. Christian is a popular Sigma Chi and a distinguished graduate of the Randolph-Macon College, and is now studying medicine at Johns Hopkins University, in Baltimore. In personnel, prominence and influence few fraternities in the country can equal the Sigma Chi, and of this fact its members are justly proud.

"The dinner, which was served in courses, was of an elaborate character. The handsome dining-room, with the numerous elegant appointments, and with the table tastefully and exquisitely arranged and flashing with silver and cut glass, presented a most beautiful and attractive appearance. The company took their seats at 6:30 o'clock.

"Among those present were: Misses S. Norvie Craigbill, Evelyn B. Dornin, Lucy Hutter, Mary Miller, Maud Smith and M. Louise Smith; and of the Sigma Chis, Mr. Stephen H. Watts, Johns Hopkins University; Mr. R. T. Watts, Lynchburg, Va.; Messrs. James Duval Adams, Jesse N. McClees and Henry Lyman Johnson, of Randolph-Macon College, and a number of friends."

C. M. Ray, Phi, '78, was paymaster on the ill-fated battleship Maine, which was destroyed in the Havana harbor February 14th. He was among those rescued after the explosion.

Smith, Nu Nu, and Johnson, Epsilon, are studying at the General Theological Seminary, Chelsea Square, New York.

General Ben P. Runkle, Alpha, '57, has recently been engaged in preparing a series of articles on the reorganization of the national finances, which have been published in the *Newtown Enterprise*, Newtown, Pa. They have been in reply to the proposals of the Edmonds Monetary Commission.

Charles R. Mayers, Mu, '82, is cashier of the new First National Bank, Columbus, Ohio.

Robert Berry, Zeta Zeta, '94, is attending the Naval Academy at Annapolis, Md.

#### ENGAGEMENTS.

F. A. Leary, Alpha Omicron, '89, has announced his engagement to Miss Gussie Glenny, of New Orleans. The wedding will take place in the spring.

The engagement of Charles M. Lewis, Kappa Kappa, '96, to Miss Marion Wright, of Urbana, Ill., has been announced.

## MARRIAGES.

Christian C. Baldwin, Omicron, '89, was married to Miss Mary Elliott Pease in Christ Church at New Brighton, Staten Island, N. Y., January 19, 1898.

The marriage of three of the alumni of Zeta Zeta chapter have been announced since the last number of the QUARTERLY. The list is as follows: Carl McKnight to Miss Sarah McDowell, Viemont Lyle to Miss Imogene Holmes, and Henry McElroy to Miss Annie Bruce.

John I. Landon, Alpha Pi, ex-'95, was married to Miss Marian L. Hathaway at Addison, Mich., Wednesday, December 29, 1897. The bride is an alumna of the Albion College of the class of '93, where she was a prominent member of the Kappa Alpha Theta Sorority.

Charles Denison, Alpha Sigma, '96, was married last October to Miss Margaret Turner, of Minneapolis. They have taken up their residence at Great Falls, Montana.

George M. Ford, Mu Mu, '96, was recently married to Miss Annie Zinn, of Mineral County, W. Va. The groom is the principal of the Concord Normal School.

William Henry Merrill, Jr., Alpha Theta, '89, was married to Miss Bessie Henderson, of Chicago, February 9, 1898. Arthur F. Evans, Alpha Zeta, '91, was best man.

The following account of the wedding is taken from the *Chicago Tribune* of February 10:

"The marriage of Miss Bessie Henderson, daughter of Mrs. Charles M. Henderson, to Mr. William Henry Merrill, Jr., was celebrated at 8 o'clock last evening at the residence of the bride's mother, 1816 Prairie avenue. It was a pretty though quiet wedding, the ceremony being performed by the Rev. Ernest M. Stires in the presence of about 100 relatives and intimate friends. Miss Henderson has been popular in society, but, on account of her father's death two years ago, has not been out much of late. She was introduced three seasons ago. She was educated at Mrs. Ely's school in New York. Mr. Merrill is the only son of Mr. William H. Merrill, managing editor of the *New York World*, and is a graduate of the Boston Polytechnic. The Episcopal marriage service was read in the drawing-room, which was decorated in green and white. The bride was attired in white duchesse satin en train, with the bodice of point de Venise, and cut high in the neck. She wore a tulle veil and carried white violets. She wore no ornaments. Her attendants were her sister, Mrs. Howard Perry, who acted as maid of honor, and the following bridesmaids: Miss Hargis, of Louisville, Ky.; Miss Newell, of Boston; Miss Madeline Henderson, Miss Curtis. They all wore white silk and tulle and carried purple violets. The groom was attended by Mr. Arthur F. Evans as best man. The ushers were: Mr. John J. Kedzie, Jr., Mr. J. M. Scott, Mr. John C. Harding, Mr. W. G. Hibbard, Jr.

"The wedding march from 'Lohengrin' was played upon the organ as a processional. After an extended wedding trip Mr. and Mrs. Merrill will return to Chicago and will reside at 1816 Prairie avenue. They will give their post-nuptial receptions on April 12th and 19th."

Harry Allen Axtell, Lambda, '97, of Bloomington, Ind., was married to Miss Jean Wylie of the same city, January 19, 1898. The following is taken from the *Bloomington World* of January 20, 1898:

"Yesterday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock occurred the wedding of Harry Allen Axtell to Jean Thompson Wylie, at the Wylie residence 509 North Washington street. Rev. M. G. Allison of the Walnut Street Presbyterian Church performed the ceremony. The parlors and dining room were thrown together, and were beautifully decorated with palms, carnations and roses. A beautiful candelabra added to the appearance of the rooms.

Mrs. Axtell is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Reddick Wylie, and is one of the best known young ladies in Bloomington. She is a member of the Kappa Alpha Theta Sorority, and was through junior, class '97, in Indiana University.

Mr. Axtell is a son of Dr. A. J. Axtell. He graduated with the law class of '97, and is a member of the Sigma Chi, Delta Alpha, Jaw Bone and Skull fraternities, and is at present practicing law in this city.

Mr. and Mrs. Axtell left at 3:45 last evening for Louisville, where they will spend three days. From there they will go to Nashville and Chattanooga, Tennessee, to spend two weeks."

#### OBITUARY.

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Just as the last forms are being closed news comes to us of the sudden death of ex-Grand Consul Reginald Fendall, which occurred at the Hotel Waldorf, in New York City, February 22, 1898.

It is impossible at this late hour to present anything like a satisfactory statement of Brother Fendall's relations with the Fraternity. His death casts a gloom on the entire order, and the readers of the *QUARTERLY* may expect a full account of his life and work in the next issue.

Brother Fendall was a charter member of Epsilon chapter and has since been a faithful and true supporter of the Fraternity. By his death Sigma Chi loses one of her most loyal alumni.

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Howard Q. Keyworth, Omicron, '63, died in Washington, D. C., Sunday, January 23, 1898. Owing to his sudden death there was no opportunity to call a special meeting of the Washington Alumni Association, but as many of them as could be reached by telephone were summoned to the office of Brother F. W. McReynolds, the secretary, where a meeting was held Monday, January 24, at 3 p. m. Brother Keyworth was well known among the alumni "Sigs," and will be remembered by many of the younger members from his active connection with several of the recent Grand Chapters. Many of his old friends

responded to the call for a meeting, and the following resolutions were reported and adopted :

WHEREAS, It has pleased God in his province to remove from our midst our beloved brother, Howard Q. Keyworth, Omicron, '63, and,

WHEREAS, His Brothers in Washington of the Sigma Chi Fraternity deem it fitting to place on record some testimonial of his services and loyalty as a Sigma Chi, be it

*Resolved*, That in the death of Howard Q. Keyworth the Sigma Chi Fraternity loses a loyal and zealous Brother, and one who was devoted to its welfare, and be it

*Resolved*, That the members of the Sigma Chi Fraternity, resident in Washington, hereby tender their heartfelt sympathy to the family of their deceased Brother in this their hour of affliction, and be it further

*Resolved*, That these resolutions be published in the SIGMA CHI QUARTERLY and the *Evening Star*, and that a copy be sent to the bereaved family.

ROBERT FARNHAM, M. D., Epsilon, '64.

GEORGE N. ACKER, M. D., Theta, '71.

ANDREW B. DUVAL, Epsilon, '67.

REGINALD FENDALL, Epsilon, '64.

SAMUEL H. WALKER, Epsilon, '64.

January 24, 1898.

Committee.

Frank B. Noyes, Alpha Phi, '94, professor of art in the Industrial Training School of Indianapolis, Indiana, died at St. Vincent's Hospital of that city, January 19, 1898, of rheumatic fever. He was buried at his old home in Atkinson, New Hampshire, January 24th. Brother Noyes is well known among the alumni of his chapter, and has many warm friends throughout the Fraternity to mourn his loss. He was a charter member of Alpha Phi, and has always been a friend to the chapter.

The following clipping comes to us through the kindness of Mr. F. A. Preston, a member of the De Pauw University chapter of the Phi Delta Theta Fraternity, and is taken from the *Indianapolis News*, January 19, 1898:

"Frank H. Noyes, teacher of art in the Industrial Training School, died at St. Vincent's Hospital this morning of inflammation of the heart.

"Although Mr. Noyes had been seriously ill, his immediate death was not expected. He was taken to St. Vincent's Hospital a week ago yesterday, and then seemed to be suffering from typhoid fever. Within three or four days he complained of pains in the region of his heart and of a difficulty in breathing. Dr. Foxworthy, physician at St. Vincent's, pronounced these symptoms indicative of rheumatism of the heart.

"This morning at half-past 7 he was talking with Frank A. Preston, his roommate, and a teacher in the Industrial Training School. Dr. Foxworthy and the nurses were also in the room. Mr. Noyes had shown no signs of a change for the worse in his condition until suddenly he stopped talking, and, putting his hand to his heart, fell back on the pillow and in a few minutes was dead. The doctor, nurses and Mr. Preston worked with him, but he showed no further signs of life.

"Mr. Preston telegraphed to Mr. Noyes' mother, who lives in Boston. She is now on her way to Indianapolis.

"Mr. Noyes came to Indianapolis when the Training School opened in February, 1895, and has since had charge of the art and drawing work. He had a marked faculty for making and keeping friends, and exhibited natural and acquired qualifications for teaching. He was graduated at the Boston Normal Art School, and before he came to this city was an instructor in art at Cornell University for seven years. He was unmarried and would have been thirty-one years old next Saturday, January 22d.

"The teachers of the school met this afternoon to take action, and the school will be dismissed to-morrow that teachers and pupils may attend the funeral."

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## EX-GRAND CONSUL REGINALD FENDALL.

### AN EDITORIAL BIOGRAPHICAL BRIEF.

As introductory to the following pages devoted to appreciative articles on the life and character of the late ex-Grand Consul Reginald Fendall, prepared by men well qualified to undertake such a task, this brief of the life, and the professional and social career of Mr. Fendall is offered:

Reginald Fendall was born in the City of Washington, D. C., on the 15th day of March, 1845, and died at the Hotel Waldorf in the City of New York, on the 22nd day of February, 1898. His early school days were passed at a private academy. In 1860 he entered the preparatory department of the Columbian University. By ambitious devotion and diligence in study he completed his collegiate course in three years, and graduated with honor, being chosen valedictorian of his class, and receiving the first Davis gold medal for excellence in elocution and the first gold medal for proficiency in the physical sciences. The year following he taught in the university, and continuing his studies, he received at the ensuing commencement the degree of A. M. He then entered upon the study of law in his father's office, attending at the same time the lectures at the law department of the university. In 1868 he received his degree in law, and began the practice of his profession.

At the bar Mr. Fendall maintained with credit and honor the family name, already ennobled by his father, Philip R. Fendall, LL. D., a distinguished lawyer and a typical gentleman of the old school. Careful research and accurate judgment, combined with a professional and personal character of the highest type made Mr. Fendall one of the leading practitioners in Washington. His honorable conduct and splendid ability gave him conspicuous rank in legal circles. In appointing a commission to compile all the existing laws in the District of Columbia, the Supreme Court of the District selected Mr. Fendall as

one of the men eminently qualified to discharge this difficult and important duty. The Bar association of the District made him its president for two terms. At the annual meeting of the American Bar Association in 1890 he was elected one of the vice-presidents of that organization, and the following year he was again elected.

Mr. Fendall's social prominence was due to simplicity of character and purity of life, combined with courtesy of manner and inherent dignity. He strove to fulfill all his social and civic obligations. He was twice chairman of a committee of one hundred leading and representative citizens organized to promote the interests of his native city. He was chairman of the executive committee of the Garfield Memorial Hospital, and a director of several other benevolent and charitable institutions. In 1864 he entered the Sigma Chi Fraternity, being a charter member of "Old Epsilon." His interest in the Fraternity never waned. He was active in organizing the Washington Alumni Chapter, and was repeatedly elected its president. He was a member of the Metropolitan, Columbia Athletic, and University Clubs of Washington, and the University Club of New York.

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#### REGINALD FENDALL—A TYPICAL SIGMA CHI.

HIS CHARACTER, AND HIS DEVOTION TO THE FRATERNITY.

By ROBERT FARNHAM, M. D., Epsilon, '64.

On the 22nd of February the Fraternity was shocked by the announcement of the sudden death of ex-Grand Consul Fendall, which occurred at the Waldorf-Astoria Hotel in New York City, the cause of his death being cerebral apoplexy. Brother Fendall had not been well for some time, had been suffering from nervous prostration, induced by overwork, he had finally consented to leave the city for a short time, in order to regain some of his strength. He left Washington, intending to remain in New York for a few days, and then if he improved, he purposed to spend still more time in travelling. His death was unexpected, as his most intimate friends did not consider his condition dangerous.

As an old friend, classmate and brother in Sigma Chi, the writer was intimately acquainted with him. He was kind, courteous, genial, affable and modest at all times. In private life a man of charming personality; his faith in human nature was broad, his charity unbounded, and he knew his fellow man; he sympathized with many in their troubles and misfortunes, and never burdened others with his own. He

despised anything that was low or mean, and would not tolerate a person who was not honorable and upright. Generous to a fault; dignified in manner; and always the true gentleman, whatever the occasion or circumstances might be; and commanded respect from every one.

It was his love and loyalty to Sigma Chi which portrayed those grand traits of character, that endeared him to his brothers in Washington, and elsewhere. The writer was thrown with him very often during the past ten years, and has spent many happy hours in discussing the interest and welfare of Sigma Chi. He loved the Fraternity with his whole heart and was always enthusiastic in everything he undertook for its interest, sparing neither time nor means to promote its success.

He was the first to conceive and put in execution the formation of the Washington Alumni Chapter, setting apart a room in his large office building for the headquarters. It was also through his influence that the 18th Grand Chapter assembled in Washington in 1890, and during their sojourn he devoted most of his time to make the convention a success. It was his idea to have an ivy shrub planted at Mount Vernon to perpetuate the occasion of the pilgrimage, and he afterwards had a handsome copper plate engraved to be placed at the spot to indicate the time of the visit of the Grand Chapter. When he was elected Grand Consul he thought of resigning, but was prevailed on by the Alumni to continue. Immediately after his election he started out to do everything for the advancement of the Fraternity, such as reviving dead chapters, and the establishment of new ones in the East. He was very anxious to have his old chapter—Epsilon—revived, and soon accomplished it, had the initiation ceremonies conducted at Mount Vernon. He afterwards presented each initiate with a handsome badge. When the Eta Eta Chapter was established, he, Dr. Ziegenfuss, and the writer went to Concord, N. H., and helped to initiate thirty-six candidates. He secured the Senate Chamber of the State Capitol to have the ceremonies conducted, and afterwards entertained the party at a banquet at the hotel. He was also deeply interested in the building of chapter houses, and assisted in a financial way a chapter of the Fraternity in his direction. Having faith in his Sigma Chi brothers, he was ever ready to assist them in many ways the Fraternity will never know. While he was Grand Consul he discharged the duties in a conscientious manner and to the credit and best interest of the Fraternity; believing that there was something in being a Sigma Chi, that it was not entirely an undergraduate order, but in after college life, by keeping in touch with the Fraternity it could be made a source of benefit and enjoyment.

May it not then be said that our Fraternity possesses no richer treasure than the loyalty of her members? The brother who stamps his loyalty during life influences those who follow, and becomes a benefactor to the order. The brothers, whose names are inscribed with honor on the pages of our Fraternity's history, were men of iron nerve and fearless hearts; men of integrity and splendid talents, who loved and were devoted to the order to which they belonged. It will be doing no injustice to the living or the dead to say that no better specimen of a true typical Sigma Chi can be found in the history of our Fraternity, than that of our deceased brother Reginald Fendall. Death at all times is a mournful messenger, but we are taught that the good can never die, for the memory of their virtues and their bright examples will live through all coming time. The consolation of this thought may calm our sorrows.

"Why weep ye, then, for him, who having run  
The bounds of man's appointed time,  
Life's blessings all enjoyed, life's labour done,  
Serenely to his final rest has passed,  
While the soft memory of his virtues yet  
Lingers like twilight hues, when the sun has set."

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A TRIBUTE TO REGINALD FENDALL.

By REV. THOMAS S. SAMSON, Epsilon, '64.

My pen has never been employed in a task with which I have been more in sympathy than this of inditing a simple, but sincere, tribute of affection to the memory of Reginald Fendall. We were boys together; afterwards, college boys and class-mates; and any man who has been through college knows all about the sincerity and the tenacity of college and class fellowship. It may be that our college and class fellowship was the closer and more tenacious because there were only a few of us.

It was in the terrible days of Civil War. Our college campus was a tented field. Our studies were made to the roll of the stirring drum and even amid the rattle of musketry and the booming of guns. Young men were doing something else than going to college in those strange times. The few who did go to college were drawn very closely together. There was a feeling of loneliness and, perhaps of vague apprehension of impending danger that knit us together. The marvel is, even at this remote period of time, that there was any college to which we might go, that there were any of us who did not join the host of fighting men and boys on either side. There were eight of us to graduate in '64. Six of them are sleeping in the grave. With a single ex-

ception, probably, they were as bright a set of fellows as ever went from any college into the great world. I recall them now, each of them, with vivid distinctness. There were no duplicates. Each had his own marked individuality. Of them all Reginald Fendall was easily chief. He took the highest rank. It belonged to him. Not one of his classmates would have denied it him. He could not speak French and Spanish and German, or play on the violin and the piano like "Al" Wheat—peace to his ashes! He could not repeat from memory page after page of Ovid or Sallust or Horace like "Joe" Kennan. He could not improvise a recitation like "Poody" Moore, but he took the lead of his class from the start and held it easily to the finish. What was there about him that gave him the primacy?

To begin with he was a *gentleman*, not a dude, not a drawing-room man, not a ladies' man, but a man every inch of him; a manly man, withal a *gentle* man. He was high-born, well-bred. He bore the marks of it in everything that he did. He was reserved, even exclusive; he would have despised himself if he had been supercilious; nobody ever took any liberties with him, and yet he was always accessible and companionable. There was an unaffected dignity about him which commanded the respect of every man in college. He never lowered himself, never compromised himself, and all without any effort. Everybody esteemed him and felt that he was a superior fellow not to be trifled with. He was gracious and considerate toward us all but he moved in an orbit of his own. No man of us ever heard him utter an indelicate or profane word, an indecent jest, or commit himself to the slightest impropriety of conduct. He was all this without the slightest pretense or arrogance. It was as natural and easy to him as breathing. He was of gentle birth and breeding, with sensibilities as delicate as a woman's, with a character and carriage that were conspicuously virile.

He was conspicuous as a *student*. He excelled in Mathematics and Philosophy. He had a legal type of mind, always logical in its processes. He was a reasoner, not a disputer. He was a close and consecutive thinker. He was not superficial in his mental work. He digged, he delved, and he did it naturally and consistently, habitually and conscientiously. If there was a difficult problem to be solved Fendall was the man to do it. If there was a clear and comprehensive statement of some philosophical principle to be made Fendall was the man to make it. He may have inherited this mental quality from his distinguished father but he did not rely upon any natural ability. He cultivated what he had. He educated himself by habits of industry, by





UNIVERSITY SETTLEMENT HOUSE, NEW YORK.

## UNIVERSITY SETTLEMENT.

By ROBERT C. BROOKS, Lambda, '96.

University Settlement is the somewhat formidable name given to the expression of an impulse which in its essence is simple neighborliness. If the term seems to imply a high degree of institutionalism, it is to that extent a misnomer. A group of educated men or women take up their residence in a poor quarter of a city, qualify themselves for active, public-spirited citizenship and exert their influence for good in the neighborhood in which they have chosen to "settle." Far from being characterized by officialism, the genius of the movement lies in its simplicity, its strong personal element. The University Settlement aims not at the conversion of those who become its guests and friends to any single creed, religious, economic or political, but rather at the general improvement of the life of the neighborhood of which it is a part. To accomplish this it joins heartily in every movement making for civic betterment which it finds at work in its district and in addition uses all the facilities of the settlement house to the same end. The relation established between residents and neighbors is one of mutual dependence, not that of patron and client. There is much to be learned on both sides; just as in the case of neighbors everywhere there is much to be gained by sympathetic cooperation, everything to be lost by jealous antagonism. It is hardly necessary to explain or justify the University Settlement movement by the use of such glittering generalities as "the brotherhood of man," the "solidarity of the human race." A brief account of the origin and development of the settlement idea and a description of the work of a typical University Settlement located in the East Side of New York City will serve better as the basis of an estimate of the value of this effort for social reform.

The University Settlement idea originated at Oxford, that *alma mater* of great movements. Such men as John Ruskin, Thomas Hill Green, Charles Kingsley and Frederick Denison Maurice were its spiritual fathers. Inspired by their lofty social teachings, Edward Denison, a young Oxford man of wealth, high social position and political promise took up his residence in the Whitechapel district of East London in 1867 in order to study social conditions at first hand and to devise "more solid and permanent schemes of assistance" than were then in vogue.

During his short residence in the East End, which was terminated by his untimely death in 1870, Denison conceived and discussed with his

friends among the workingmen the general outlines of the project which has since been realized by the University Settlement. He laid great stress on the necessity of actual residence, seeing clearly that the distance between the West End and the East End was too great to permit the successful application of a social lever. Some years after the death of Denison, Arnold Toynbee, a brilliant young Oxford tutor and lecturer on Political Economy took up his residence in the same district of East London. He was immediately impressed with the necessity for broader efforts at relief than the mere giving of doles. "Money is of no use," he writes, "it is thrown away upon these people. You may relieve the hunger of a single person, or cure the sickness of some one who is stricken down, but this relief is individual and does not in any way attack the source of the evil." The interest which Toynbee succeeded in arousing in the amelioration of the condition of the people of the East End was sustained after his death by the work of his friend, the Reverend Samuel A. Barnett, then vicar of St. Judes in Whitechapel. A movement for a memorial in his honor resulted in the establishment, in 1885, of Toynbee Hall, the first University Settlement, whose work and methods have had a profound influence upon the subsequent progress of the movement. To Dr. Stanton Coit, formerly of the Ethical Culture Society of New York City belongs the honor of establishing two years later the first settlement in America known as the Neighborhood Guild, which later developed into the present University Settlement, the subject of this sketch.

The movement thus inaugurated has spread rapidly both in this country and in Great Britain. A recent bibliography\* enumerates seventy-four settlements in America, most of which are located in the larger cities of the United States. Hull House and the Commons of Chicago, Denison House and South End House (formerly Andover House) of Boston, East Side House and the University and College Settlements of New York City, though differing widely in detail, are among the best representatives of the movement in this country. One evidence of the success of their work is the eagerness with which the title of settlement is being appropriated on every hand. Institutions whose efforts are largely or wholly religious have not hesitated to drop their more proper title, mission, for that of settlement, which implies a catholicity of belief and a breadth of aim that could hardly be claimed for them. On the other hand, the work of settlements has doubtless availed much

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\* *A Bibliography of College, Social and University Settlements*, compiled by John Palmer Gavit, editor of *The Commons*, 140 North Union street, Chicago, Illinois. A handbook that will be found invaluable by those who wish to study the Settlement movement thoroughly.

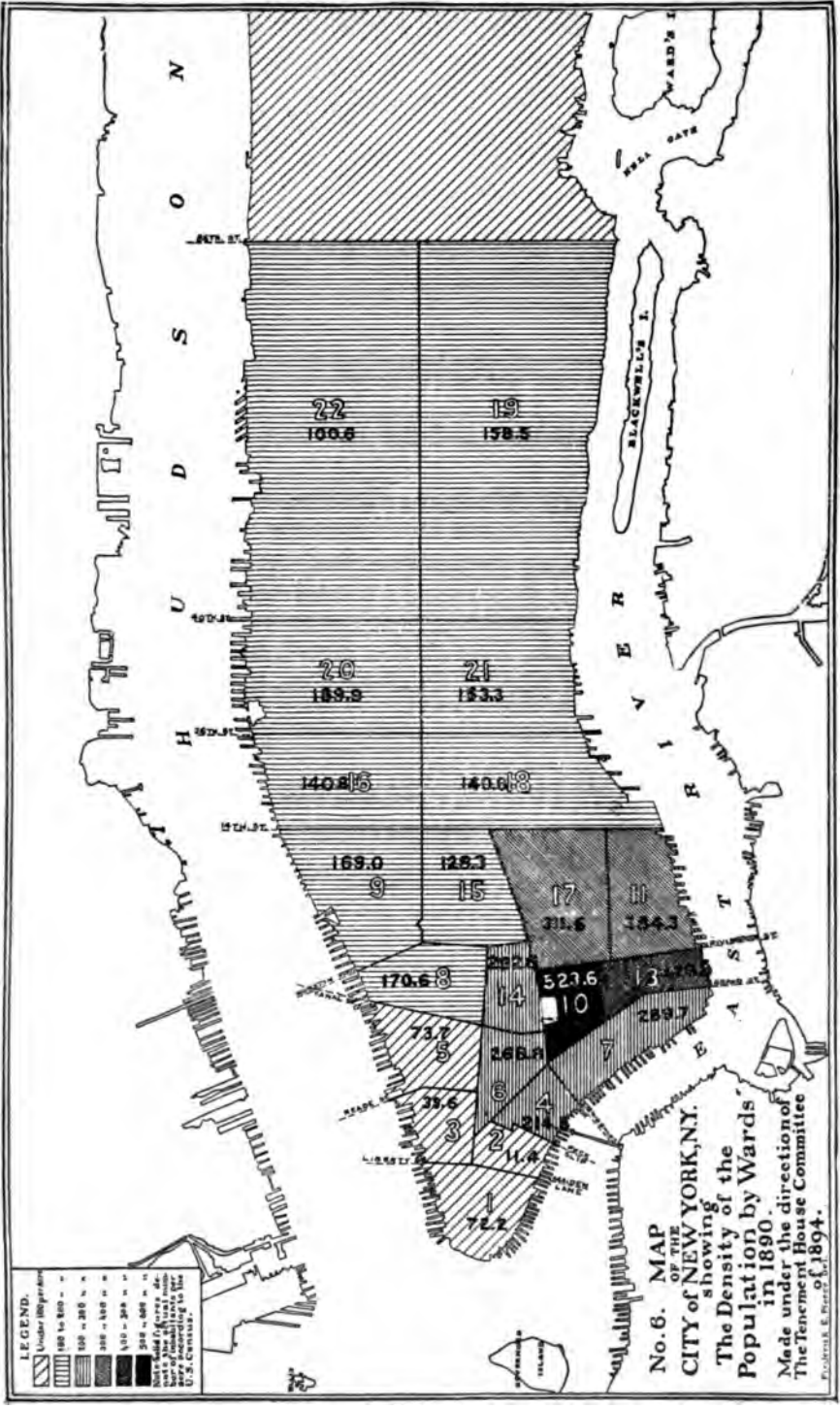
toward convincing mission workers that it is not fair, either to the man they address or the church they represent, to be satisfied with merely giving him an impulse toward better living and then abandoning him to work out his salvation unaided under modern tenement house conditions. The broadening of mission work resulting from a recognition of this fact is giving it an efficiency that can hardly be said to have characterized the former method of conversion induced by free coffee and cheap lodgings.

To understand the life of a settlement it is necessary to know something of its surroundings. The present aspect of Delancey street, on which the University Settlement House of New York City is located, has little to remind one of its checkered past. The name of the street and also that of Rivington street, its neighbor to the north, is redolent with the memories of the colonial aristocracy. Early in the present century the Delancey street neighborhood enjoyed the reputation of a highly respectable residence quarter. With the growth of the city northward the old time mansions were either torn down to make way for the inevitable tenement house or were remodeled to suit the needs of a new tenantry. As a result of this transformation the narrow street as it is to-day is confined within cañon like walls which stretch unbroken save by littered fire escapes and the breaches made by cross streets from the Bowery to East River. Since the flight of well-to-do residents to the upper parts of the island many successive waves of immigration, *Voelkerwanderungen* on a small scale, have swept over Delancey street. Ten years ago, when the University Settlement was founded, the neighborhood was predominantly German. To-day the German rear guard lies four or five blocks to the north and the settlement is well within the boundaries of the Ghetto. Its present neighbors are Hebrews largely from Poland and other parts of Russia, who have come to the New World, either led by the hope of improving their condition or driven by the oppression of the Czar's government. It is highly improbable that the Jewish population will long remain in uninterrupted possession of the street amidst the ever shifting tides and eddying population currents of the East Side. Already there are evidences of an irruption of Italians into this district from the other side of the Bowery. Yet in spite of such constantly and widely changing conditions the University Settlement has manifested its ability to adapt its methods to the needs of the neighborhood and to extend its influence over an ever widening circle.

Delancey street may be taken as fairly typical of many miles of streets in the Jewish quarter of New York and to a less degree of East Side streets generally. It presents a monotonous succession of tenement

houses five or six stories in height whose slight differences in external structure barely conceal the depressing uniformity of the crowded life within. In the neighborhood of the settlement, flats, or as they are commonly called "houses," of four rooms are counted almost palatial, three room tenement holdings are the rule, two room houses are frequent exceptions and cases of families of five or six living in one room are by no means unknown. Statistics serve but poorly as a substitute for living experience in attempting to grasp social conditions but it may not be uninteresting to note that the average density of population of the Tenth Ward, in which the settlement is located, was 523 to the acre in 1890.\* The first story of the tenement structures in which this congested population lives is usually occupied by small shops. Little *Kosher* restaurants in which no food pronounced unclean by the Mosaic law is sold, are met with on every side. The sign of the *Hebamme*, with its equivalent in Hebrew, hanging in front of tenement hallways, is significantly frequent. Saloons there are plenty, though, to the credit of the Hebrew immigrant be it spoken, intoxication is very unusual in the Ghetto. One discouraging feature of life in the neighborhood is the large and apparently increasing number of innocent looking *cafes*, so called, which are nothing more than masks of vice. On the sidewalk, push-cart peddlers, who sell everything from suspiciously smelling fish to tawdry jewelry are everywhere in evidence, much to the disgust of the small shop-keeper. Cheapness is worshipped as a god in the Tenth Ward; the only recommendation a dealer ever employs is the talismanic *billig*, and everything sold is correspondingly nasty. The Italian trundling a street piano is frequently met with on Delancey street, surrounded continually by troops of children who seem to master dancing and walking at the same time. At every street corner stand rough booths from which long bearded, patriarchal-looking venders dispense soda water colored a violent red or green at three and two cents a glass, brands of cigarettes named in honor of Karl Marx, Ferdinand La Salle, and other socialist leaders, newspapers and novels published in Yiddish, the queer jargon of the Ghetto, and other highly spiced and seasoned wares.

\* Based on Eleventh Census figures. The district in which the University Settlement is located is probably the most densely populated in the world. Dr. Tracy, of the New York Board of Health, estimated the density of Sanitary District A, which includes 32 acres of the Eleventh Ward, a little to the northeast of the settlement, at 986.4 to the acre. (1894.) The nearest approach to this is shown by a district of 46 acres in Bombay, which had a population of 759.6 to the acre in 1881. In Europe the densest small section is the Josefstadt of Prague, which had 485.4 to the acre. (1894.) According to the estimate of the Health Board of New York, the Tenth Ward, in which the University Settlement is located, had an average density of 626 to the acre in 1894, a much greater density than that of the Josefstadt, which covers an area only one-fifth that of the Tenth Ward. It must be remembered, however, that the greater height of tenement houses in New York City allows a greater cubic air space to each tenant than is the case in Asiatic cities.



No. 6. MAP OF THE CITY OF NEW YORK, N.Y. showing the Density of the Population by Wards in 1890. Made under the direction of The Tenement House Committee of 1894.

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Such in brief outline is Delancey street. Fill in the background with poverty and ignorance if you will, but remember that the poverty is relieved by an industry so untiring as almost to constitute a vice in itself, the ignorance by a craving for instruction that leads parents to embrace eagerly every opportunity for self improvement and to endure every privation that their children may have a better start in life than they enjoyed. The miserable inadequacy of school accommodations on the East Side makes it impossible to fully meet this demand. The recent reform administration deserves great credit for undertaking the erection of two large school buildings, now nearly completed, in the neighborhood of the Settlement. Tammany has signalized its advent by holding up the small park improvement so much needed by the East Side. The streets, which are now the only playgrounds accessible to thousands of East Side children, are fairly well lighted and cleaned, though here also a deterioration from the standard established by Colonel Waring is manifest. Irregular employment furnished the fathers of families in the garment making and other industries which prevail in the district frequently makes it necessary for the children to leave school and go to work at an early age. There is reason to believe that the law restricting child labor is frequently evaded. These are but a few of the aspects of the complex problem that confronts the settlement, a problem that would be immeasurably more difficult were it not for the strong element of self help that characterizes the people of the neighborhood. Bearing this factor constantly in mind, the University Settlement found that its best work is *with* the people, not *for* the people. Perhaps in this point lies the distinction, too infrequently drawn, between philanthropists and *philanthropists*.

It is the first and indeed the whole duty of a resident at the University Settlement to become a citizen of the district in which he lives. He must learn something of the economic, social and political status of the neighborhood as a condition precedent to his usefulness. Information derived from previous academic study will be of the greatest assistance to him in this task, while a better supplement to such study than the investigation of actual social facts in the tenement district of a great city could hardly be devised. University Settlements have abundantly demonstrated their advantages as social observatories. Charles Booth received valuable assistance from residents of Toynbee Hall in the preparation of his monumental work on the *Life and Labour of the People in London*; the volume of *Maps and Papers* prepared by Hull House residents is an excellent example of a thorough social study of an interesting Chicago district. Residents of the University Settlement of New



York City have frequently undertaken careful scientific inquiries into wages, hours of labor, recreation, sanitation, housing conditions, etc., on the East Side, the results of which have been of great utility to legislative investigating committees and to charitable organizations. Indispensable as are statistics in the study of social facts, they may sometimes prove misleading or unintelligible unless supplemented by a closer and more sympathetic observation than the ordinary enumerator can give. The location and attitude of University Settlements admirably qualifies them for interpretation of this sort, as well as for the gathering of facts not capable of statistical expression.

But the work of the resident must be something more than mere social vivisection. Guided by the most accurate knowledge of surrounding conditions which can be obtained, it is the aim of the settlement to cooperate with every effort for progress in its district. Only by such a policy can its work be made widely effective. Although the University Settlement reaches directly through the internal activities of its Delancey street home, three thousand five hundred men, women and children—a surprisingly large number considering its cramped facilities—its work would nevertheless be but a drop in the bucket if confined to the settlement house. The Tenth Ward has a population of seventy-five thousand, which may be reached in part at least by intelligent outside work.

The University Settlement has been singularly fortunate in this respect. Its relations with leaders of organized labor on the East Side have been most cordial. The advice of the head worker of the settlement has been frequently sought and given when industrial conflicts were imminent, and in more than one case arbitration suggested and participated in by the house has succeeded in averting strikes. The settlement has not hesitated to raise by public appeal and to apply funds for the relief of the families of strikers in cases where justice was thought to be on their side. In return, the settlement is under great obligations to representative laboring men of the district for advice and assistance in carrying on its work. The plan for the most effective of all its charitable activities, the relief of evicted tenants during the winter of 1896 and 1897, was drawn up by Mr. Meyer Schoenfeld, leader of the Garment Makers' Union of the East Side. In addition to special relief of this sort, the settlement also lends its assistance to the work of the United Hebrew Charities and the Charity Organization Society in its district.

In politics the settlement has done much to procure an honest ballot in a ward formerly notoriously corrupt, its residents frequently serving

as election inspectors and judges. Every effort is made to cooperate with the officers of the school, health, police, street cleaning and other departments of the city government. Residents of the settlement individually have taken an active part in the work of the Good Government Clubs of the neighborhood and in the local organization of the Citizens' Union. The various young men's clubs which meet in the settlement house take the keenest interest in economic and political affairs generally and with the assistance of the residents have been very successful in obtaining able representatives of all shades of opinion to address them. As examples of the subjects recently discussed may be mentioned the direct employment of labor by municipalities, the garment making industry, house furnishing on the installment plan, pawn shops and provident loan societies. In order to secure the fair presentation of such questions it is the custom of the clubs to invite representatives of all interests involved. Thus, in discussing the garment making trade, manufacturers, contractors, trade unionists, factory inspectors and university professors were invited, and each received a fair and courteous hearing.

The educational and social privileges provided within the settlement itself appeal not only to all sorts and conditions of men but to all ages and both sexes as well. There are few rooms in the house that are not occupied every hour of the day and evening by clubs or classes of one sort or another. Instruction has been given during the past year in kindergarten work, sewing, embroidery, kitchen gardening, cooking, first aid to the injured, gymnasium work, music, including mandolin, choral practice and a course in musical literature, drawing, dancing, German and history, including courses in general political history and the history of New York City. Besides the formal instruction of classes frequent lectures and concerts given in the house by friends of the settlement are always well attended. Residents of the settlement have always taken a deep interest in the work of the public schools of the neighborhood, which has been reciprocated with mutual profit. Mr. James B. Reynolds, the present head worker, was for a time trustee of the schools of the Tenth Ward and is now a school inspector for the district. Among the other educational influences of the house may be mentioned the Penny Provident Bank, in which 2,060 children of the neighborhood are financially interested. If the sums to the account of the little depositors are small it is to be hoped at least that valuable lessons of thrift are inculcated.

The library of about four thousand volumes belonging to the settlement, is one of its most powerful instruments for good. Its circulation

for 1897 amounted to 46,511. One characteristic feature of the library work is the demand for works on American history, a demand which its three hundred volumes on this subject is utterly inadequate to supply. Coming from children of foreign birth or parentage this is a most significant and hopeful fact. A volume on American history or politics could scarcely have greater potentiality in the making of American citizenship than on the shelves of the settlement library.

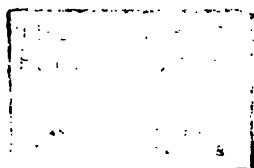
There has grown up in the Settlement House since its foundation, a hierarchy of clubs from the Tenth Ward Social Reform Club whose members are the staid fathers and mothers of families in the neighborhood to the Daisy Chain and Order Clubs composed of girls and boys just out of the kindergarten. Each of these clubs pursues some object adapted to the needs of its members, generally recreation in the case of the younger clubs, educational in the case of the older ones. Many of the young men and women of the neighborhood have been connected with the settlement through these organizations ever since its establishment and are now able to give valuable assistance in the conduct of the boys and girls clubs started recently. The strong development of the feeling of brotherhood and goodfellowship in the settlement clubs reminds one of the spirit that prevails in well regulated fraternity chapters, and is perhaps due to the work and influence of former residents who were members of fraternities during their undergraduate days. Frequent entertainments, social, dramatic and musical given at the University Settlement by these various organizations lend it an air of life and activity strangely in contrast with the dullness and solidity, caused doubtless by long hours of labor, which envelopes Delancey street like a pall at night.

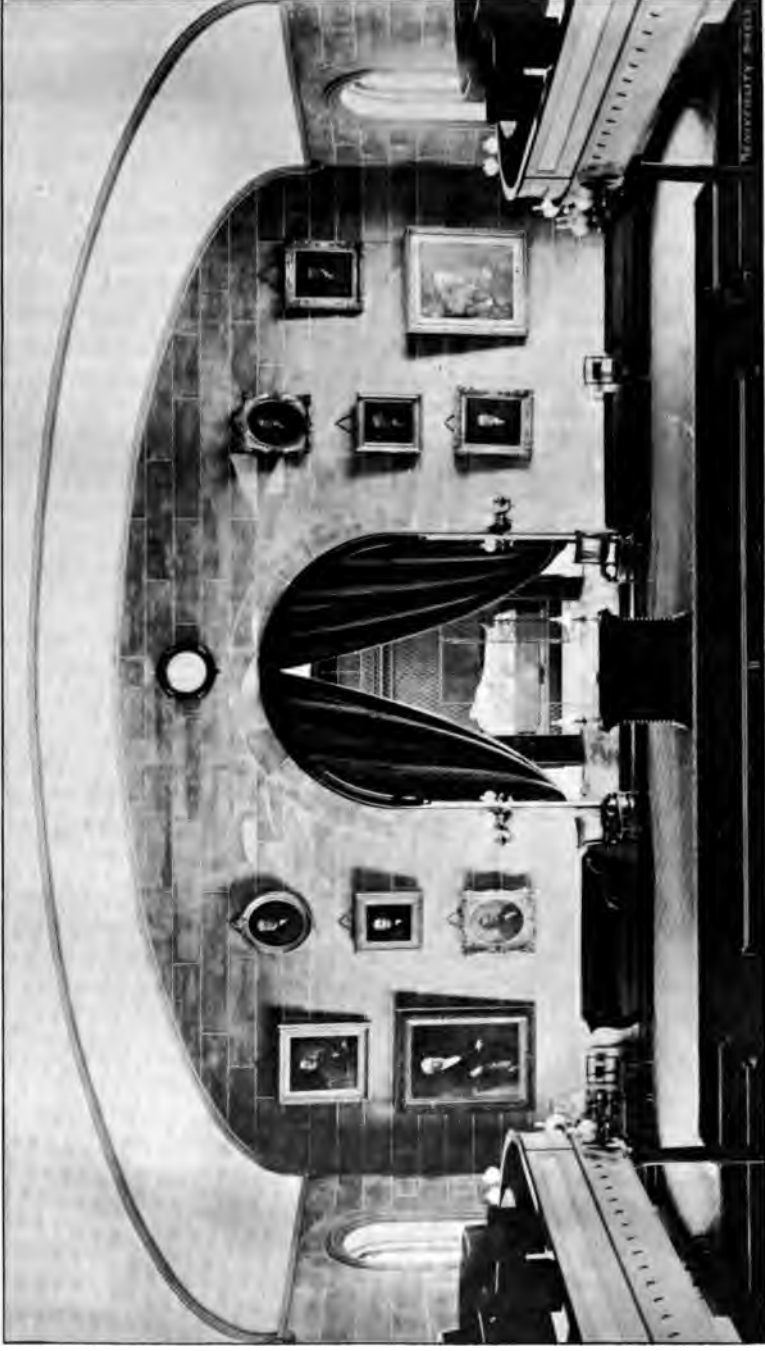
How is a work of such magnitude maintained? The University Settlement Society, composed largely of citizens of New York who are interested in this movement for civic betterment, raises by subscription funds sufficient to cover the cost of rent, fuel, lighting, equipment and incidentals. Residents at the house meet the expenses of the common table and pay rent for the rooms which they occupy. A small sum is also realized from the various clubs and classes, but all charges of this sort are nominal and are made solely that those using the house may do so with a feeling of independence and responsibility. By far the larger part of the work of the house is carried on by voluntary and unpaid workers. Some of the residents are able to devote the whole of their time to it, others, who are engaged during the day in professional or business pursuits in the city, can give only a part of their time. The residents are assisted by a large body of non-resident workers who give

one or two evenings a week to the instruction of classes or direction of clubs. Most of the residents are young university men whose academic work led them to take an interest in social conditions and reform movements. During the past year Harvard, Yale, Cornell, Columbia, Princeton, Andover, Trinity, Dartmouth, Indiana, California and Leland Stanford, Jr., were represented by residents. At the settlement house they meet congenial spirits and find an opportunity to employ their spare hours in studying the life of the most cosmopolitan part of New York City, and in active work for the uplifting of their neighborhood. There is no posing among the residents as self sacrificing martyrs to a social need, nor is there anything monastic in the life of the house. On the contrary, the sympathy and friendship between residents and neighbors, the keen interest and active participation of the settlement in the stirring movements of the day, the hospitality of the house which gathers about its board university professors and radical reformers, large employers and labor leaders, in short, men from every walk and condition of life, all these combine to make residence at the University Settlement broadening and inspiring in the highest degree and attract to it trained and capable residents. The government of the settlement is vested in the Head Worker who is chosen by the University Settlement Society. He is assisted in his duties by an advisory council composed of residents and representatives from the older clubs, known as the Guild Committee.

It is perhaps too early in the history of the University Settlement movement to attempt an estimate of its work or a forecast of its future. The great extension of settlement methods of recent years indicates abundant success in widely different fields, and at least may be said to afford sufficient basis for a hopeful outlook. It is much to be desired that with larger resources and an increased number of workers the movement may be able to avoid the spirit of institutionalism and to preserve the simplicity that has marked it heretofore. The value of the educational work accomplished by the settlements is unquestioned; it is highly practical in character and is, moreover, provided when the need is greatest. Indeed, some critics would have the settlements restrict their activities entirely to this field, in spite of the fact that hitherto they have consistently avoided a formal and didactic attitude. As an instrument of social reform the movement has been attacked from widely different standpoints. The radical, who is able to construct a whole social philosophy on the basis of the axiom that a straight line is the shortest distance between two points, and who is familiar with the only royal road to the economic New Jerusalem, impatiently denounces the University

Settlement as a miserable patchwork palliative expressly designed to distract attention from his infallible social nostrum. On the other hand, the extreme conservative is apt to regard it as a meddling attempt to break down social distinctions and to interfere with the benevolent workings of *laissez faire*. The settlement has not allowed theories of either sort to hamper its activities; it is broad enough to offer a free forum for the discussion of all questions before all men, strong enough to stand fearlessly for the recognition of the social duties of culture. In spite of our vaunted theories of political equality, lines of social cleavage seem to be growing more sharply defined. The settlement voices a protest against this development, a protest which, if recognized, can not fail to be far reaching in its consequences. It represents effectively and embodies in concrete form the claims of a true democracy, nobly expressed by Canon Barnett in words that have come to be recognized as the motto of the University Settlement movement. "Vain," he said, "will be higher education, music, art, or even the Gospel, unless they come clothed in the *life* of brother man."





INTERIOR OF WASHINGTON AND LEE CHAPEL.  
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**WASHINGTON AND LEE UNIVERSITY.**

By GORDON RANDOLPH HOUSTON, Zeta, '98.

## LOCATION.

In the County of Rockbridge, in the "Old Dominion," picturesquely situated between the Blue Ridge on the east and the outposts of the Alleghanies on the west, is situated the village of Lexington, not far from the great wonder, the Natural Bridge, from which the county is named. By no means pretentious, with its crooked, dusty, straggling streets and old-fashioned brick houses, reminding one of the pictures of New Amsterdam two centuries ago, the town enjoys a unique renown in the south as being the mecca toward which every loyal southerner wishes to make a pilgrimage before he dies. For here, only separated by a few feet, Washington and Lee University and the Virginia Military Institute pursue their work of helping to educate the youth of Virginia and her neighboring states. Here lie all that remains of the two great military leaders of the "lost cause." Here, beneath an imposing bronze statue erected in his honor, lies Thomas J. Jackson, better known by the name "Stonewall," given him at the battle of Bull Run. Here, in the chapel of the University, in the mausoleum containing Valentino's masterpiece, the recumbent statue, of which a picture is here given, rests the body of General Robert E. Lee.

## HISTORY.

Any institution of learning which dates its existence as far back as 1749, must of necessity have an interesting history, and Washington and Lee has a story intertwined with her ivy grown walls which is replete in this respect. The germ from which the University grew was a school, The Augusta Academy, established in 1749, by Robert Alexander, near Greenville, Virginia. "It was the first classical school in the Valley of Virginia." Robert Alexander, A. M., Dublin University, a Scotch-Irishman, and brother of Archibald Alexander, President of Princeton Seminary, continued as principal until 1760, when he was succeeded by Rev. John Brown, D. D. During Dr. Brown's administration the school was successively removed, first to Old Providence, then to New Providence, and "shortly before the Revolution," to Mt. Pleasant, in Rockbridge County. Under the presidency of William Graham, in 1777, incited by the spirit of the day, on the first meeting after the Battle of



Lexington, the trustees changed the name, entitling the institution "Liberty Hall." At this meeting a library was started and the beginning of a physical laboratory was made, and another move was ordered this time to Timber Ridge. From this location the academy was again moved, in 1785, to near Lexington, where to this day stand the crumbling remains of Old Liberty Hall, burned in 1802. In 1803 the final move was made to the present site, where for nearly a century the youth of the south have come to drink at the fountain of knowledge.

The first large donation to the institution was made by George Washington, who in 1797 gave to Liberty Hall Academy one hundred shares in the James River Canal Company. This endowment still brings in \$3,000 annually to the university, and because of it the name was changed to Washington. The example of their commander-in-chief prompted the Society of the Cincinnati to agree that, when death had so depleted its ranks as to practically dissolve the society, its funds should go to Washington Academy. This sum amounted to about \$25,000. In 1826 the college received a still larger bequest, also due to Washington's example. This was the estate of John Robinson, a soldier of Washington, and amounted to \$46,000. A modest monument now stands on the campus in his honor, and the Robinson chair of Geology and Biology serves to perpetuate his name, as also three Robinson medals. With these endowments the college prospered, every year marking an increase in the number of students who sat at the feet of its six or eight professors.

Then came the war. As far back as 1840 the letters "C. S. A." are attached to the names in the catalogue of alumni. Out of a little over seven hundred graduates between 1841 and 1864, 318 entered the Confederate army, and of these one-fifth laid down their lives. Five generals, two of whom fell at the head of the Stonewall Brigade in action, a large number of surgeons and chaplains, and two whole companies—the Rockbridge Artillery and the Liberty Hall Volunteers, the latter composed of the class of '61, and led by their beloved Greek professor, Captain J. J. White, were some of the men whom the college furnished the south. In 1864, Hunter's raid was the cause of the destruction of the scientific apparatus and the pillaging of the library.

The war ended, the trustees met to take an inventory and form plans for the future. The inventory consisted of four professors, a handful of students, some badly damaged and looted property, and no ready money. Their first task was to find a president. The name of Lee was mentioned by Colonel Bolivar Christian only to be dropped, as the position was not thought good enough for so great a leader. After further con-

sideration, however, it was determined to ask him to fill the position. General Lee, after a careful consideration of the subject, accepted.

On the 18th of September General Lee rode into Lexington upon "Traveler," the same fine horse that had carried him through many a battle, and borne him, overcome with sorrow, from the house at Appomattox through the lines of his vanquished army.

What the trustees had hoped for occurred. The five years' incumbency of General Lee was a season of decided growth and prosperity. A small loan was made on the personal credit of the trustees in order to pay arrearages of salaries, repair the war-defaced buildings, and purchase necessary apparatus. Things having been put on a running basis, agents were sent far and wide in order to solicit donations to the endowment. The many friends of the college responded generously, so that the authorities were enabled to greatly enlarge the course of instruction. The attendance reached high-water mark during General Lee's occupancy and before his death, in 1870, great improvements had been made along every line. In 1871, not a year after his death, the General Assembly of Virginia changed the name of the institution to its present title, "Washington and Lee University," blending the names of the great benefactor who had placed the institution on a solid basis, and the president who had resuscitated it after the ravages of war.

General Lee being dead, no more fit person could have been found to fill his place than his son, General George Washington Custis Lee, who was then a professor in the Virginia Military Institute. General Custis Lee occupied the chair until last year, when, on account of failing health, he was obliged to resign. Always a liberal supporter of every student enterprise, ever having the welfare of the students and the institution at heart, he leaves many valuable tokens of his affection, among which are his farewell gifts, a scholarship which will pay \$360 a year, and two portraits which once were the property of George Washington. One shows Washington dressed in the uniform of a Continental colonel, the only portrait made of him before the Revolution now extant. The other is La Fayette, made at Mt. Vernon at Washington's request.

At the opening of the present term, amid imposing ceremonies, William L. Wilson was inaugurated tenth president. By his kindly manner, by his progressive spirit, by the interest he takes in every enterprise, President Wilson has won his way into the heart of every student. As yet it is too soon to say what will be the outcome of President Wilson's administration, but, if hard work coupled with discretion, scholarship coupled with executive ability, good judgment coupled with the determination to adhere to one's principles, if these will make success, Washington and Lee is assured of it.

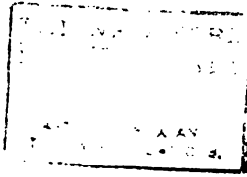
## ATHLETICS.

The rivalry between the University and the Institute is very severe in all branches of athletics, but even in this, custom seems to make an almost inviolable rule. It is a settled conclusion, when the two elevens meet, that the Virginia Military Institute shall be victorious. In 1896, for the first time in the memory of even the oldest student in the graduate school, Washington and Lee was victorious in football against her neighbor. The event so disturbed the equilibrium that the two elevens have never met since. Washington and Lee is equally sure of success in baseball. The only time she has neared defeat in this branch was in 1894, when the cadets forced the students to play an eleven inning game, which was only won by a ball being placed over the parapet at the right time.

The event of commencement is the boat race between the Harry Lee and Albert Sidney crews. The upholders of the crews are not divided by any distinct line, fraternity, class, or political. Each fellow must choose his crew for himself, and one of the first questions asked a man is: "Are you red or blue?" The course is a pretty, winding back-water on North River, prettily shaded by the high cliffs on the south bank. The crews begin to train in February, and by May the interest has grown sufficiently to cause the upholders of the different boats to display their colors from the house tops, or if he be so inclined one may try his luck at painting the wooden figure of Washington which stands upon the tower of the main building. This is a difficult job at best, as the faculty don't furnish the ladders and brushes, but the real hard time comes when the two sides try to paint "Old George" on the same night. Robbing opponent's flags is also a feature which often brings about certain knots on people's heads, and a sprained ankle or blacked eye are often caused by this sport. On Monday of commencement every vehicle in the county is engaged, and the island from which the race is viewed is crowded with rigs filled with a gay, ribbon-bedecked lot of young ladies with their escorts, long before it is time for the race to start. As they wait, the excitement, great before, grows to a feverish heat, being increased every now and then by small boys from the cliffs above giving false alarms of the start. At last, however, there is no mistake, for around the bend is seen a ripple and then a bow, and in a minute or two the race is won or lost, amid the shouts of the adherents of the winning crew and mutterings of the losers.

## STUDENT PUBLICATIONS.

Among the student publications the oldest is the *Southern Collegian*, the monthly magazine. It is gotten out by the two literary societies,





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he Washington and the Graham-Lee. It has always held a high position among college publications. Next in age is the annual *Calyx*, its editor being elected from the student body at large. The youngest student organ is the *Ring-tum Phi*, a sheet which appears every Saturday.

## FRATERNITIES.

Fraternity life at Washington and Lee shows more rivalry among the chapters represented than any other institution. With a roll of about two hundred, she has twelve fraternities, yet, as strong as the rivalry is, it is not often that a chapter makes the mistake of taking in a "sorry" man, preferring generally to live on with three or four better men, than to have a large chapter of "rudes."

Until the war, Phi Kappa Psi and Beta Theta Pi were the only fraternities represented, but shortly after its close Lexington became a favorite spot for placing charters, so that, in a few years, quite a number of fraternities were on the ground. Of the older chapters which have held their ground are Phi Kappa Psi, 1855; Kappa Alpha (southern), 1865; Alpha Tau Omega, 1865; Sigma Alpha Epsilon, 1867, and Sigma Chi, 1866; also, Phi Delta Theta may be reckoned with the older chapters, as her chapter absorbed the chapter of Kappa Sigma Kappa which was founded in 1867. Of the later chapters are Phi Gamma Delta, 1868; Kappa Sigma, 1873; Sigma Nu, 1882, and Pi Kappa Alpha, 1891. While the comparatively new ones are Delta Tau Delta, which absorbed the local chapter of Phi Theta Psi, and Mu Pi Lambda, a fraternity which was founded in 1895.

Zeta chapter was chartered in the fall of 1866, one year after the college had resumed work. At that time, J. P. Billups, of Eta, entered Washington College. After making a good observation of the local chapters, he saw that that was lacking in them which marks a good chapter of Sigma Chi. He saw that this was the place for a chapter of our Fraternity; so, after a vigorous correspondence with Dr. J. J. Weaver, Theta, his plans for the establishment of a chapter were carried out. The names on the charter number nine, and this has been the usual limit of the chapter in size, but, though the numbers have always been small, yet the prophecy of Billups, that the chapter would "reflect credit upon the Fraternity at large," has yet to be proved untrue. The chapter records have always been brilliant with success; her life has been pleasant, though uneventful. At times the chapter roll has grown short, but there has always been warm hearts ready to bring the chapter back into its grand highway of successes. At present, Zeta stands with any fraternity at the University. Her eight men are as congenial a lot as will be found anywhere, and it is only the wish of her members that he may maintain her past record.

## CONVENTION OF THE SECOND PROVINCE.

There have been other conventions of the Second Province, and no doubt they were great times with the "Sigs" of the Old Dominion and the Old North State; but those gatherings are so far off in the past that the records merely show them as moss-covered mile stones, their inscriptions erased, scattered at unequal distances along the highway of Sigma Chi history. Whether the former conventions were successes or not is unknown to us, but of the Annual Convention of '98 we can say that if it were not a success, we have misunderstood the meaning of that word. [We are pardonable for using the word "Annual" here, since by a plan proposed by our Grand Praetor, Trinkle, they are to be held every year.]

The *Virginia Creeper*, of March the third, had the honor of bringing ten loyal Sigma Chis from the University of Virginia to us, and later in the evening the *Huckelberry Express* brought representatives from Hampden-Sidney, University of North Carolina, and Roanoke College.

After supper at the Lexington the party went over to the University, where, in the hall of the Washington Literary, the business of the Convention was transacted.

The Convention opened with Brother Gordon Houston calling for nominations for chairman. This was just a formality, however, as everyone knew that our Grand Praetor was the only man there to fill the position. The Convention now having such a fit chairman, soon began to shape itself into a permanent organization. Brother Malcomb Griffin was made treasurer, Houston, secretary, and William Brown, doorkeeper, who said, as he took his post, that he would rather be a doorkeeper in this House of Lords than to dwell in the tents of the barbarians. Brothers Roy Williams and Norman Fitzhugh were appointed a press committee, and the organization was completed.

Brother Alban Snyder then delivered the Address of Welcome, in which he expressed the pleasure which Zeta experienced in welcoming such a band of "Sigs" to her mountain home in the Valley of Virginia, where Jackson taught and where Lee helped to mould the character of many a noble southerner, and where they both now rest. Brother Trinkle responded for the visitors, thanking Zeta for her kindness in inviting the Convention to meet with her, and expressing his pleasure at seeing so many representatives present to enjoy the gathering.





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Following Brother Trinkle, Brother Wm. Brown read a well-prepared paper on "The essential characteristics that should govern in the selection of members of Sigma Chi." The paper took up the several points to be considered, giving clear, concise opinions on every phase of the subject. The reading was followed by a general discussion of the subject by every one who had ideas to bring out. This feature added greatly to the interest taken in all of the subjects brought up, as one felt that he was learning everything that was known in the whole province on that point.

Brother Stuart then reported for Sigma Sigma, and his account showed her to be in the pink of condition. She gets a lion's share of honors, is rarely if ever bested by her opponents, and seems to be doing well all around.

Brother George Frazer next read a paper on "Methods of making successful and for perpetuating the Annual Conventions of the Province." In the discussion which followed various plans were suggested. Some wanted the meetings to be held always in some central town; some wanted the place of meeting to be at the various chapters taken in rotation, but no decision was made. Brother Trinkle next offered a suggestion that each member of the province be assessed some amount each month for the purpose of raising money to help pay men's expenses to the future conventions, and that a Province Quaestor be elected to take charge of all money raised in this way and refund it to the chapter at the next convention. This plan was put in the form of a motion and carried. Brother Frazer was then elected Quaestor.

Brother Ran Tucker's report of Zeta Chapter showed her to be in good shape. His report should have been followed by a paper on "Literary work in the Chapter," by Brother A. C. Southall, of Gamma Gamma, who was unable to attend, so instead of the paper an open parliament was conducted with this as its subject for discussion. Tau appeared to be the only chapter in the province which was well informed on this subject, the other chapters preferring to pass their time of meeting in some more jovial way.

The report of Psi by Brother Samuel Sayers showed that he and his associates at Virginia are doing what they can for the White Cross. Another open discussion was then put in order. This time the subject was: "Chapter government," in which it was urged that the chapters hold meetings as often as possible, some of them at present meeting out fortnightly. The chapters were also advised to be more strict in enforcing their regulations, it being evident that a man has more respect for a chapter that sees that its by-laws are obeyed than for one which does not.

After Tau's report, which was made by Brother John L. Logan, Brother George Frazer spoke on the subject, "Honors achieved by Sigma Chi." He told us of many of the choice plums of political and classical life that had been won by the wearers of the Cross; and, if we were all as well up on the achievements of our alumni as Brother Frazer we would make better rushers than we do.

Brother William's report for Alpha Tau showed that though we have a bad luck number, thirteen, in our chapter at Carolina, yet our badge is as becomingly worn there as it is elsewhere.

Letters of regret were read from many of the chapters, and members of the Fraternity, some of whom were: Grand Consul, W. L. Dudley; Grand Annotator, H. C. Arms; Grand Quaestor, J. C. Nate; Grand Praetor, F. L. Pierce; Grand Praetor, Douglas Forsythe; Grand Praetor, L. A. Ireton; Grand Praetor, Justin Bowersock; Henry A. Christian, Gamma Gamma; O. B. Bailey, Phi Phi; Will J. Price, Zeta Zeta, together with a large number of the active chapters.

The order of business being over, discussion was invited on any point that might be of interest, and the matter of initiations was the direction which the talk took. The advisability of public initiations, the degree of solemnity to be observed, etc., were the questions that received the most attention. Some of the more sedate were of the opinion that the whole initiation should be done in a dignified manner, but the greater number were of a more trivial frame of mind. They had eaten their breakfast from the mantel, and they were loth to see the custom abandoned. It was decided, that whereas, there is a time for all things, yet the first hour of the initiation is not the time for moping, but a time for action. At last, after a long session, the meeting closed with ceremony, and the fellows went out on the campus to give a yell for Sigma Chi, ere they went to get a little rest for the next day's pleasures.

Directly after breakfast on Friday, the Convention had its picture taken, and a trip to Natural Bridge had been planned to follow; but the weather was too blustery to make such a trip enjoyable, so the party satisfied themselves by taking a tally-ho ride over the town, visiting the Virginia Military Institute, Jackson's tomb, and the Lee mausoleum. At eleven o'clock President W. L. Wilson received the boys at his house. Here are a number of the Washington pictures are to be seen (the property of General George Washington Custis Lee), as well as some of those of the Lee family, and the pictures belonging to President Wilson are hardly less interesting.

At six o'clock Professor Charles A. Graves, Zeta, '69, gave a reception at his house on the campus. Here the delegates had the pleasure

of meeting the young ladies of the town. The house was tastefully decorated in Sigma Chi colors, the chandeliers bedecked with ribbon, lambrequins in blue and gold, and draperies in the colors made a pleasing impression upon the eye. Miss Graves, our charming hostess, saw that everyone enjoyed himself to his fullest, so that eight came all too early.

At ten at McCrum's Hall the banquet was served. The tables were arranged in the shape of the badge, and here too we saw the blue and gold blended tastefully. Here for five or six hours the fellows enjoyed themselves until it was time for the early morning train. The banquet was a feast fit for a king, nor like the Princess Louise, was it all for Lorne. The joke, the story, the song, the toast, together with speeches and a lecture or two by Brother Bob Anderson, kept the whole company amused till cock crowing.

That the Convention was a time of highest pleasure to both guest and host expresses all too feebly the thoughts of those present, and all praise be to Brother Trinkle who worked so arduously to make the Convention what it was. Those present were :

David T. Stuart, Sigma Sigma,	Wm. A. Brown, Tau,
T. H. Wyly, Sigma Sigma,	LeRoy Williams, Alpha Tau,
John L. Logan, Tau,	G. A. Allen, Psi,
S. R. Sayers, Sigma Sigma, Psi,	H. McG. Robertson, Sigma Sigma, Psi,
Malcomb Griffin, Psi,	P. P. Steptoe, Psi,
W. A. Moore, Psi,	George A. W. Frazer, Psi,
Robert T. Anderson, Psi,	W. A. Martin, Psi.
E. Lee Trinkle, Sigma Sigma, Psi,	Norman S. Fitzhugh, Zeta,
G. R. Houston, Zeta,	G. Benoist Shields, Zeta,
J. Wm. Jones, Zeta,	J. Ran Tucker, Alpha Omicron, Zeta,
Alban G. Snyder, Zeta.	John K. Graves, Zeta,
William O. Bonnie, Zeta.	

GORDON RANDOLPH HOUSTON, Zeta, '98.

Lexington, Va., April, 1898.

## THE ODES OF HORACE.

By Walter Malone, Eta, '87.

Long years have passed since first I read your lays,  
A weary schoolboy at a tiresome task,  
And learned of Lydia with her winsome ways,  
And flavors of your old Falernian Cask.  
I often longed to take your own advice,  
To seize the day, and in no morrow trust,  
To revel in a youth that comes not twice,  
To snatch sweet kisses ere my lips are dust.

You said "O youth, slay Sadness at her birth,  
Espousing Gladness in her morning glow,  
When your young sweetheart's mouth is curved with mirth,  
And Love's pink blossoms in her cheeks still blow.  
When warm blood bounds within thine ardent breast,  
Take then laughing maiden in thine arms;  
For she is willing, boy, to be caressed,  
And waits for thee in all her Springtime charms.

"O Maiden do not drive thy swain away  
With frowns, reproaches, childhood's foolish tears,  
For lovers such as he grow scarce some day,  
Such kisses will be rare in coming years.  
Give to his lips carnations of thy cheek,  
Let trembling fingers, interlacing, wed,  
Ere thou shalt vainly for a lover seek  
And sigh for sometime beauties thou hast shed.

"O sordid miser, bending o'er thy books,  
In dusty chambers back from dusty streets,  
Seek thou the wild woods and the mossy brooks,

The daisies dancing in their green retreats ;  
 Seek thou the pastures of the browsing sheep,  
 The hives with overflowing honeycomb,  
 The cows in dandelion meads knee-deep,  
 The peace, the quiet of a rustic home.

"O sage, that longest for a laurel wreath,  
 O soldier, mad for fortunes and for fame,  
 Your honors soon shall be a gift to death,  
 Oblivion soon shall cover every name.  
 Shed no more blood save that of luscious grapes,  
 And read no books save in thy loved one's eyes,  
 Ere Pleasure like a wild-winged bird escapes,  
 Ere Love in all his roguish beauty dies.

"For soon this boy shall feel his blood grow cold,  
 This lassie seek another lad in vain,  
 This soldier perish, though his heart be bold,  
 This sage behold his genius on the wane.  
 Before the fruit decays, pluck thou the peach,  
 Before the young fawn passes, be her mate,  
 Take thou the rose that still is in thy reach,  
 And claim thy damsel ere it be too late !

"There are no smiles, no kisses after death,  
 No bubbling goblets quaffed beyond the tomb ;  
 Thy face shall feel no more thy sweet girl's breath,  
 Thine arms no more embrace her in that gloom.  
 Beyond the Stygian river, no one loves,  
 And no one carols old-time lover's tunes  
 In bloomy forests, with the coo of doves,  
 Or trysting places under mellow Moons."

So thou hast spoken, Horace, and I sigh  
 To think how many joys I failed to take,  
 How many fawns unheeded passed me by,

What fruits unplucked, though ripening for my sake.  
I long for roses withered on the stalk,  
That opened under summer skies for me,  
Sweet eyes that watched me in my lonely walk,  
Fair hands that beckoned when I would not see.

Yet, Horace, in that land which men must tread,  
I cannot help but hope that all is well,  
That joys we lost have not forever fled,  
That dear love dies not with our funeral bell.  
Mayhap while listening to these very lines,  
Our vain regrets are subject of thy mirth,  
And with thy Lydia, under fruitful vines,  
Thou pluckest pleasures that were lost on earth!

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REV. SAMUEL ANDERSON CORNELIUS, BETA, '82.

REVEREND SAMUEL ANDERSON CORNELIUS.

A BIOGRAPHICAL SKETCH FROM "THE JOURNAL."

The Rev. Samuel Anderson Cornelius, Beta, '82, was one of the most active and worthy members of that chapter in the early eighties, and as an alumnus his interest in the development of the Fraternity and of his own chapter has not abated. He has achieved marked success as a clergyman in the Presbyterian Church. The appended biographical sketch is reproduced from *The Journal*, a Danville, Pennsylvania, publication devoted to current and professional topics :

"Mr. Cornelius was born near Mt. Jackson, Lawrence County, Pa., of Dutch-Irish parentage, and was the youngest of a family of ten children, among whom were the late Rev. M. N. Cornelius, D. D., of Washington, D. C., and the Hon. William Cornelius, now a leading citizen of Youngstown, Ohio.

"He attended the country schools in his native village, and then entered the Academy at Poland, Ohio, where he graduated in 1877. It may be a matter of historical interest to note here that President McKinley attended the same institution. Mr. Cornelius then went to Wooster University in Ohio, where he was graduated in 1882. That institution conferred upon him the degree of A. B. upon graduating and A. M. since. Mr. Cornelius then went to New York City, where he took a course in theology in the Union Theological Seminary, and was graduated there in 1885. He then became pastor of the First Presbyterian Church at Philipsburg, Pa. This church had been for years struggling for existence. He, however, by means of strenuous efforts, increased the membership from 89 to nearly 200, and left it in excellent working order. He stayed at this place nearly five years. He then became pastor of the Presbyterian Church at Santa Cruz, California, where he lived for two years. In 1891 he was called to the pastorate of the Second Presbyterian Church at Oil City. This church is located on the corner of First and Reed streets. The parsonage, just in the rear of the church, is a new structure, erected during the pastorate of Mr. Cornelius at a cost of \$5,000. The church property is the prettiest located in the city.

"The Second Presbyterian Church now has a membership of some 400 people, having very largely increased under the present pastor.

There are 275 scholars in the Sunday school, of which E. B. Sanford is the superintendent.

“There are various organizations, all in active operation, including the Missionary Society, composed of both ladies and gentlemen, and a flourishing Men’s League.

“The church is one of the living religious societies of the city, and has a hold upon many of the best families in the community.

“Mr. Cornelius preaches strong and eloquent sermons, full of the truths of the Bible. He was brought up in the staunch faith of Presbyterianism, and although the liberal teaching of the Union Theological Seminary gave him broader views of religious life, he is as steadfast in his faith as when a boy. He has done considerable work as a lecturer, his principal lecture being ‘Shots at Shams and Shoddy.’ While a resident of New York City, he was prominently identified with mission work for three years, and saw much of the poverty and suffering of that great city. In matters of church organization, he has done much to extend the cause of Presbyterianism, and on three occasions was a member of the Pennsylvania Synod. In 1889 he was a delegate to the General Assembly of the church in New York City. In college he was a member of the Sigma Chi Fraternity. Mr. Cornelius is a skilled musician, and for many years was a choir leader. He has done a great deal of general reading, making a specialty of Egyptology, and is a member of the American branch of the Egyptian Exploration Society. He has an interesting family, consisting of a wife and three children. Mr. Cornelius is one of the strong men of his denomination, and has made a marked impression upon the community wherever he has labored.”

**Editorial.**

The opening articles in this issue of the *QUARTERLY* call the attention of the Fraternity to the late ex-Grand Consul Reginald Fendall, to whose death we were able to make but brief reference in the February *QUARTERLY*. The hand of death could have dealt no heavier blow to our Fraternity. Reginald Fendall was devoted to the highest ideals which inspire a cultured gentleman, and he realized in his own character that purity and refinement for which all true manhood strives. Indeed, he started from the vantage ground of exceptional home privileges and magnificent native talent, but his completed life exhibits an example of successful self-culture which will forever adorn one of the proudest pages of our Fraternity history. The dignity of true manhood, the intuitive courtesy of real refinement, ambitious achievements in his profession, and the popularity of self-forgetful service in society crowned his life. To his associates and to the community in which his life was spent, he gave conclusive proof that a worthy life includes not only the possession of exalted purposes, but also that devotion to them by which alone they can be made to ennoble individual character and inspire humanity.

To the Fraternity he left the legacy of a character, rich in all those attributes, which he, who would be a Sigma Chi in the best sense, must vigilantly endeavor to perfectly incorporate in his life. Is it not fitting that each member of this order, which Reginald Fendall loved and promoted, highly resolve that he will more earnestly adhere to those principles which cement our brotherhood? We may, to our great advantage, study his life closely, not to become imitators, but to absorb manliness.

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Fraternity chapters are primarily social organizations, but they build their right to be on a broader foundation than mere social advantage. Repeatedly during the year, by chapter letters and other communications, our attention has been called to the fact that a few Sigma Chi chapters meet but fortnightly, and that perhaps a larger number conform to no distinctive idea in conducting meetings. It is not our place and we disclaim any desire to preach through the pages of the *QUARTERLY*, but let us think together seriously for a moment. Fortnightly meetings argue lukewarm friendships, a decrease in real congeniality, and the

dissipation of the strength of the chapter. Irregularity, indefiniteness and lack of preparatory planning of chapter meetings, indicates, on the part of those chapters which admit of such characterization, a failure to appreciate the real dignity and purpose of Fraternity life. Unusual circumstances may at intervals interrupt the regular weekly meeting of the chapter, but an adjourned meeting may be held and the interruption may thus be made to enhance the appreciation of the regular meeting.

However, the whole question is determined by the character of the meetings. Define some interesting feature of the meeting in advance as often as possible. Have a program which will mean to many of the members broader ideas about a particular thing in art, literature, science, history, politics, or some other specific field of investigation. Read the history of the development of our own and other fraternities. Study our constitution. Discuss the significant official actions reported in the *Bulletins*. Use ingenuity and common sense in arranging programs to avoid dry subjects and insure variety. Bear in mind that membership in a real live chapter of Sigma Chi may be made the richest source of culture accessible to undergraduate life. The chapter has a social life within itself which is quite as important as the standing of the chapter in the estimation of external society. Undue emphasis given to the latter may develop a deceptive surface polish, while devotion to the former will establish that *esprit de corps* which is an essential in chapter life.

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There is a dual danger which threatens the life of chapters in small colleges. The fact that large institutions are putting forth more energetic efforts to increase their enrollment, and are thus robbing the lesser schools of much of their best Fraternity timber, together with the establishment in small schools of a larger number of fraternities than the present or prospective enrollment of those schools can hope to successfully perpetuate, lead to serious apprehension regarding the future of the chapters thus effected. In such small schools as maintain a high standard of instruction there will continue to be a most excellent, although necessarily a restricted field, for Fraternity activity. How shall this desirable territory be occupied? Is it wise for a strong Fraternity to concede the field to a weaker one, as soon as a multiplication of chapters in a given school results in the division of the eligibles so that their influence and the high standard they would establish is submerged by the narrow ideas, and the surface of mediocrity which predominates? These are portentous questions, and the answer must be forthcoming in the years of the immediate future. Local considerations of more or

less significance will add to the difficulty of deciding in any given case, but the general similarity of all cases will admit of the adoption of a fixed policy in the matter, and to determine what this policy shall be is the problem just ahead.

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The constitution adopted by the Twenty-third Grand Chapter of the Fraternity, at Nashville, last August, provided for the incorporation of the Fraternity, and established the "Endowment Fund." The incorporation provision was completed by amendments adopted early in March, which made it specific. These two steps bid fair to mark an epoch in the progress of the Fraternity, and a careful student of the history and growth of the Fraternity declares, "I may safely say," referring to the Endowment Fund, "that it is the greatest in importance, and in its promise for our future welfare as an organization, of any effort we have ever made in our half century of progress." It was decided, after due investigation, and on the advice of the Fraternity's ablest legal talent, that the most effective and least cumbersome plan of incorporation would consist in making the Grand Council of the Fraternity a body corporate under the laws of the State of Illinois, such body corporate to act as trustee to collect, hold, and disburse the Endowment Fund in strict accordance with the Fraternity's constitution. By this plan the careful conservation and proper use of the fund are insured to all subscribers, and it was promptly and unanimously ratified by the Grand Council and the active chapters, and the necessary constitutional amendments adopted. The required legal steps have been taken, and the Grand Council is, therefore, now a body corporate, and is enabled to transact business as such. The three purposes for which the corporation was formed are concisely stated in its by-laws, as follows: (a) "To serve as the *cestui que trust* of all property now or hereafter acquired by the various chapters of the herein named association known as the Sigma Chi Fraternity." (b) "To hold in trust all funds accruing to what is known as the 'Endowment Fund' of the said Sigma Chi Fraternity, and to collect, hold and disburse the same in accordance with the laws of said Fraternity." (c) "To perform such other executive duties for and on behalf of said association, namely, the Sigma Chi Fraternity, as may be prescribed by the laws of said association."

#### THE NEW SONG BOOK.

"Sigma Chi Songs" is a book of 173 pages, and contains 72 songs, most of which are new, and all which well deserve to be learned by

every faithful "Sig." The arrangement of the songs and the typography of the book are entirely satisfactory, and the substantial binding and pretty cover still more strongly commend it. Certainly the great care and the cultured taste which the completed book clearly indicates, will be duly appreciated by the Fraternity. Grand Annotator, Herbert C. Arms, the editor-in-chief, and all who assisted him, either in his editorial work or as contributors, have placed the Fraternity under a lasting obligation, and it should not be forgotten that there is an excellent opportunity to acknowledge this obligation by immediately ordering copies of the book. It is a matter for great congratulation that the purpose first expressed at the Eighteenth Grand Chapter, held in Washington, D. C., in November, 1890, and ever since adhered to with great tenacity, and with fond anticipation of success, has been so satisfactorily achieved. From very many chapters enthusiastic expressions of approval of "Sigma Chi Songs" have already been received, and it is undoubtedly true that the publication of our best songs, together with the music, in such an admirable book will do more to promote the enthusiasm and devotion of the active chapters than any action previously taken. Every chapter should be provided with a sufficient number of song books for the convenience of all its members. We feel assured that a general distribution of "Sigma Chi Songs" among the members of the Fraternity will be sufficient guarantee that the songs will be learned and sung. In a very enthusiastic letter, which was received too late for publication in full, Brother Fred Steigmeyer, Omicron Omicron, '97, says: "The recently published 'Sigma Chi Songs' is undoubtedly the best book of its kind. From 'Carmen Amicitiae' to 'The College Widow,' the manuscript is faultless and the verse attractive. \* \* \* There are hymns, serenades, waltzes, marches; old tunes, new tunes, in all kinds of flats and sharps, in no flats and sharps; solos, quartettes, choruses, for professionals, for beginners, for the gray-haired, and the Neophyte. \* \* \* Sigma Chi can never be too thankful for having entrusted the editing to Brother Arms. He is one of the most enthusiastic and constant of our members. Besides being a musician and critic of recognized ability, he is a thorough business man. The assistants were extremely competent. The Fraternity has Miss Clara Louise Arms to thank for the correction of scores and harmony—a tedious task, voluntarily performed. Brother Charles Baker Burdick, the assistant editor, was an untiring worker."

**Letters from Active Chapters.****FIRST PROVINCE.****EPSILON—COLUMBIAN UNIVERSITY.**

Again are we about to complete another term, having passed a pleasant though uneventful year. Changes about the 'varsity have been few and little out of the ordinary has occurred. More college and class spirit has been in evidence, however, the latter culminating in the usual riots, much to the dismay of the authorities.

Through hard work on the part of the Athletic Association, of which Brother S. A. Blackburn is president, Brother J. Lewis Riggles, secretary and treasurer, and Brother H. C. Coburn, a director, the University has at last obtained possession of one of the finest athletic fields in the South. The 'varsity has never before had a field of its own and this marks an era in our athletic life.

The chapter, though small, stands well with faculty and students and is in touch with every 'varsity enterprise. We believe that numbers alone do not make a chapter and it is at the advice of all our alumni that we have held off from initiating any of the year's material, knowing it to be not up to the standard. Still, we are holding up our end in college life. Brother Reed Clarke, besides being president of the senior class, is business manager of the *Columbiad*, while Brother Edwin K. Cutter is art editor on the same staff. He was also on the staff of the *'Varsity Weekly*, but had to resign on account of lack of time.

On other pages of the **QUARTERLY** will be seen notices of the death of our beloved Brother Reginald Fendall, one of Epsilon's charter members, and a brother to whom we were in every way indebted up to the time of his death. His love for everything Sigma Chi and his deep interest in the affairs of his old chapter and the Fraternity at large imbued us all with love and respect for him, and at his death we felt that we had lost a brother indeed.

Washington, D. C., April 20, 1898.

HARRY C. COBURN.

**THETA—PENNSYLVANIA COLLEGE.**

Since our last letter we have initiated three men. We wish to introduce to the Fraternity, Louis Oscar Young, Howard Boylston Young and Joseph Nisley Lauman, all of Middletown, Pa. The former two



are brothers of Brother De Lanson Young. All are fine fellows and will prove an honor to Sigma Chi. We have also pledged two men, whom we expect to initiate during commencement week.

Theta has again had the pleasure of extending her hospitality to a large number of her friends, and prides herself on having carried to a successful finish the most brilliant social event of the college year. On the evening of the 15th of April the chapter received, in Sigma Chi lodge, in honor of Brother and Mrs. John B. McPherson. The hall adorned by potted plants appeared even more beautiful than usual, and with flowers, music and a large number of guests both from our own town and from a distance, it was a gala evening. Above a hundred persons had been invited and very many accepted Theta's courtesy. After refreshments had been served, the rugs were removed and the minutes were tripped gaily away until the "we sma' hours." It was a perfect evening, and our only regret is that you were not there.

Our baseball team in the first game far exceeded all expectations. The season was opened on Saturday, April 16th, in Carlisle, with the strong team of the Carlisle Indian school. The game resulted in a tie, 2-2. Brother Farnham pitched a masterly game, allowing the Indians but three hits and retiring ten of them on strikes. Brothers C. B. Loudon and Dale, at first and second respectively, played splendid games.

We are from time to time adding to the furnishings of our lodge. The last addition is a large quartered oak book case, which, indeed, greatly improves the appearance of our hall.

We were happy to have with us at the reception Brother B. H. Trimmer, of Kappa.

WM. G. LEISENRING.

Gettysburg, Pa., April 20, 1898.

#### KAPPA—BUCKNELL UNIVERSITY.

Since the last letter of Kappa chapter to the *QUARTERLY* the students have been treated to a few surprises by the faculty, several acts have been passed making all courses harder, causing some consternation. Not the least among these new rules is the one in regard to fraternities, which appeared under the title of "An Act for the Improvement and Regulation of Fraternities in General." The part of the act which caused the most comment is that which requires students to complete successfully one year's work and receive a permit from the faculty before becoming a fraternity man. The fraternity found disobeying these acts will be placed under interdict for the first offense and expulsion for the second. Class fraternities have been entirely abolished.

The baseball season was to have opened with a game with State College, Saturday, April 16th, but was postponed on account of rain. The game will be played next Monday. The manager has arranged an excellent schedule for this season and the "fans" are looking forward to good sport.

A quarter-mile cinder track has just been completed and is one of which all Bucknell may be proud. The track team goes to the University of Pennsylvania on April 30th to contest with Gettysburg, Franklin, Marshall and Dickinson. Bucknell won this event last year and the indications are favorable for a second victory.

A dual meet in field and track athletics has been arranged with State College, to take place the latter part of May. This is Bucknell's first effort in a dual meet with its old rival and the outcome remains to be seen.

We are glad to notice that Brother Samuel Wittenmyre, ex-Kappa, has made the freshman crew at Cornell.

We have had visits from many of our alumni since our last letter. We are always pleased when they come to see us; for what crowd of "Sigs" can not have a good time when they get together?

Lewisburg, Pa., April 21, 1898.

BRUCE H. TRIMMER.

#### PHI PHI—THE UNIVERSITY OF PENNSYLVANIA.

Since our last letter many events have transpired both fraternal and national. Three of our brothers have left college and joined the military corps. Boyle and Overfield, of football fame, have become members of Battery A, now en route for Newport News. Ed Bailey has attached himself to the hospital corps of the twelfth regiment.

We have initiated one man since January, Mr. Curtis S. Foster, of Marion, Pa. Brother Foster is a typical "Sig" and a worthy representative to wear the White Cross.

Our baseball team is in excellent condition and bids fair to do credit to old Pennsylvania. We have lost but one game and that one by the close score of 3-2 in ten innings. Brother Houston played center-field, and his hitting has done much toward winning games. Our track team is hard at work and we all look forward to another victory for Pennsylvania this spring at Mott Haven.

We loose several men this year by graduation, but will have a good nucleus to begin our fall campaign. "Exams" are hard upon us and every one is trying to make hay. With best wishes to sister chapters from Phi Phi.

PERRY WENTZ.

Philadelphia, Pa., May 10, 1898.

## ALPHA RHO—LEHIGH UNIVERSITY.

The Easter vacation has passed, and Alpha Rho returned with one less than was her membership at the beginning of the term. Brother Anderson has left college and intends taking up a business career; losing such a fine fellow and loyal "Sig" has been greatly felt by the chapter.

Our baseball team bids fair to do very well before the end of the season. On the southern trip we won all except two games, those with Virginia and Georgetown, the latter being very close. Brother Horner, who was recently elected president of the Intercollegiate Athletic Association, of Pennsylvania, represents us on the team. The series of games with Lafayette will undoubtedly be very close this spring and we expect to win from Cornell and Princeton.

In lacrosse we expect to turn out our usual championship team. The first game is with Harvard and the harder games with Hopkins, Stevens and Crescent A. C. are played later in the season. Brother Edgar, who played at centre last year, will probably play third attack this year.

A university Glee Club was recently organized and Brother Robert Farnham, Jr., has the distinction of being president. There are three "Sigs" on the club and we have one on the Mandolin Club.

We have been favored with short visits from Brother Tukul and Brother Miller, Alpha Rho; also Brothers Farnham and Rosenteile, Theta; and Brother Whitney, of Theta Theta.

Bethlehem, Pa., April 18, 1898.

GEORGE A. HORNE.

## ALPHA CHI—PENNSYLVANIA STATE COLLEGE.

We opened the Spring session with ten members and anticipate a very pleasant term. Since the opening of the term we have initiated Brother James Coburn Rogers, '01, of Bellefonte, Pa., whom we take pleasure in introducing to you as an all around "Sig." We also have one man wearing our pledge pin.

Brother Davis, '98, accompanied the Mandolin Club on a trip during vacation. Brother Diehl, '98, represents us on the Senior Assembly committee.

Our prospects for a good baseball team this season are exceptionally encouraging. From the many applicants the team was well chosen by our captain. Their first game will be with Bucknell University, April 16th.

On the evening of March 10th we royally entertained Dr. Lawrence M. Colfelt, Iota, '69, at our chapter house. We are indeed sorry to say that he has accepted a call from the Oxford church, Philadelphia,

where he will be installed April 14th. His leaving "State" is deeply regretted by everyone connected with the institution, as he was prominent in social circles and is an eloquent preacher.

State College, Pa., April 12, 1898.

WAYNE T. DIMM.

## SECOND PROVINCE.

### ZETA—WASHINGTON AND LEE UNIVERSITY.

Since our last letter we have undergone the fasting and pennance of Lent which consummated in Intermediate examinations and now a large majority of us are repeating that trite but true bit of doggerel, "Of all sad words of tongue or pen, the saddest is: I've flunked again."

But by the way, we have a ball team this year which under the able captainship of Brother Snyder is steadily carving its way to fame if not to fortune. On the 28th of March we played our first game of the season with our old friends of the Virginia Military Institute and administered the defeat which they have come to expect from years of repetition to the tune of 8-6. On the 2nd of April we played the Boston National League team at Lynchburg and made a remarkably good showing, the final score being only 6-1 in favor of the bean eaters. On the 6th we defeated Maryland Agricultural College by a score of 17-8 and were defeated by Lehigh on the 8th by the score of 14-8, which was only due to the fact that our team missed a train and had to drive 40 miles over bad roads to meet their engagement.

"*The Calyx*," our college annual, promises to excel itself this year. Brother Snyder is business manager and Brother Fitzhugh, assistant business manager and an illustrator.

The past week has seen the boat crews on the river after months of hard training in the "gym." Among the many candidates are Brothers Bonnie, Fitzhugh and Tucker, while Brothers Houston and Shields are fighting each other for the position of coxswain.

We were glad to meet Brothers Reed and Horne who came over with the Lehigh baseball team. We have also had a visit from Brother Allen, of Psi.

J. R. TUCKER, JR.

Lexington, Va., April 10, 1898.

### TAU—ROANOKE COLLEGE.

We wish to introduce Brother Stephen Russel Mallory Kennedy to our sister chapters. Brother Kennedy is our fourth man this year. We have been very careful in the choice of men and may boast a chapter

worthy of any college. Brother Boogher reentered college for the second term. Brother Griffith left college on account of his health but we expect him to return in September.

Brother James M. Liddell, Eta, who did so much to found Tau, will speak here in June. It will be a great pleasure for the members of revived Tau to meet the founder of the old chapter.

Roanoke will soon publish the first volume of an annual. Brothers Paca, Kennedy and Logan are on the editor's staff of this volume.

The College ball team has not played many games but it hopes to meet all college teams of Virginia before the season ends.

Tau sends her sister chapters greetings and best wishes for a pleasant vacation.

JOHN S. LOGAN.

Salem, Va., April 26, 1898.

#### PSI—UNIVERSITY OF VIRGINIA.

Old Psi is still prospering. We have representatives in everything, and lead in almost all. We now consider ourselves in better condition than we have been for years, which is saying a great deal.

We would like to introduce our two new brothers: George Ambrose Allen, Jr., Erie, Pa., and John Adams, Lynchburg, Va. Brother Allen is substitute pitcher on the team. Brother Adams played center on the second football team.

Our baseball team has been very successful so far, having beaten Lehigh, Lafayette and Yale whom we beat 9-0, besides several unimportant games, all of which we won. Brother Wm. A. Martin plays short-stop. He also played end on the football team and is considered the best all-around athlete in the university. Brother Philip P. Steptoe plays third base and is considered one of the best men we have ever had here.

At our gymnasium tournament Brother A. W. (Sandow) Moore was captain of the "gym" team. Brothers (Sandow) Moore and E. Lee Trinkle are on the Glee Club, of which Trinkle is the manager. He is also manager of *College Topics*, our weekly. Brother P. H. Drewry is our representative on the annual "*Corks and Curls*."

We are well represented in all the clubs and societies here. Our chapter has eighteen members of which at least twelve are coming back.

We held our province convention at Zeta chapter, Washington and Lee University, and we wish that all our provinces may have as successful a one as we did.

GEORGE A. W. FRAZER.

Charlottesville, Va., April 11, 1898.

## GAMMA GAMMA—RANDOLPH-MACON COLLEGE.

Again we are delighted to announce to our sister chapters that everything is running very smoothly at Gamma Gamma. Owing to scarcity of good men we did not attempt to enlarge our number the second half, and now do not hope to report any initiates before next session. We have very bright prospects for the future. The majority of our men expect to return and every one with the resolved purpose of making Gamma Gamma one of the foremost chapters in the Sigma Chi world.

Our baseball team has been very unfortunate this season. We have had rain almost continually and good, systematic practice has been out of the question. In the two games we have played we were defeated, first by Fredericksburg and then by the Maryland Agricultural College. Brother James Hugh Neville represents us on the team in right field. We hope for better days.

The annual debate of the Washington Literary Society took place Friday night, April 8th. Everyone is very much interested in the joint commencement to be held in Lynchburg, Virginia, June 6th to 10th. The five Randolph-Macon institutions combine for a joint celebration. We hope to make it the biggest thing of its kind ever held in the state. The Field Day will be one of the most prominent features.

Quiet reigns supreme in fraternity circles here, and the year has been especially marked by the splendid feeling between the different chapters.

Wishing all of our sister chapters the greatest success.

Ashland, Va., April 13, 1898.

HENRY LYMAN JOHNSON.

## SIGMA SIGMA—HAMPDEN-SIDNEY COLLEGE.

Since our last communication nothing has occurred to mar the happiness of our members, and now with the approach of commencement and all its gaieties we feel that soon our delightful intercourse with one another will be brought to a close. Our chapter will lose only one by graduation and our prospects for next year are very encouraging.

The baseball team has not met with much success as yet, but with a new pitcher and third baseman, we look for better luck in our approaching games. Captain Henden at second base and Wyly and Somerville as subs represent us on the team.

Track athletics have never been given much prominence here, but this year great interest has been awakened and a number of men have gone into training for the contests which come off in May. Brother Stuart is manager of the track team.

At last the chapters of the second province have had a convention. Failure after failure has characterized every previous attempt and this meeting is entirely due to the efforts of Grand Praetor Trinkle, whose noble zeal and untiring, loyal devotion has surmounted every obstacle and passed triumphantly through every storm. We had a glorious time and one never to be forgotten by the participants. A detailed account will be found elsewhere.

Brother Trinkle paid us a visit about two weeks ago, which was greatly enjoyed by all.

Theta Nu Epsilon, by mutual consent of its members, has been dissolved and is no longer in college, but other local clubs and organizations are springing into prominence.

Should any "Sigs" be passing this way, our doors are cordially thrown open to them.

D. F. STUART.

Hampden-Sidney, Va., April 11, 1898.

#### ALPHA TAU—UNIVERSITY OF NORTH CAROLINA.

Since our last letter to the QUARTERLY nothing worthy of note has transpired to disturb the even tenor of our way.

Our record on the diamond so far has been: Lafayette vs. University of North Carolina, 19-9 and 7-9; Johns Hopkins vs. University of North Carolina, 0-20; University of Pennsylvania, 0-4.

Thanks to the hospitality of Zeta Chapter, the provincial convention last March was a great success. We have many thanks to shower on the boys of Zeta for the cordial welcome which they gave us and we hope some day to have the honor of reciprocating it. But we must not forget to mention Brother E. Lee Trinkle, a whole host in himself, a genuine enthusiast, whose enthusiasm is of a most contagious kind, nor must we fail to congratulate him on the success of the convention. His name shall be great in Israel.

There are other things worthy of mention, other notables to praise and we must give the others a chance, but ere we close our columns Alpha Tau would like to wish you one and all a safe and speedy trip across that ocean of academic woe—Spring examinations.

Chapel Hill, N. C., April 13, 1898.

CHARLES E. J. JONES.

#### THIRD PROVINCE.

##### ALPHA—MIAMI UNIVERSITY.

We feel that at this period we may as safely predict what will be the close of Alpha's year, as to sum up all the success and achievements

since last September. Everything is running along with the same spirit and attending cheerful prospect that has constantly attended us. Next June will find us closing one of the most successful years in all of our history. The number of active members at this time is 14. We also have two pledges. Since our last letter we have pledged Mr. Reader, of Dayton, O., 1901, a good student, who has already made a particularly good showing in track athletics.

Brother George M. Hayner has accepted a position in Dayton and will not be with us the rest of the year.

Brother Ganett, '98, our Worthy Consul, has been ill for the past four weeks with typhoid fever, but at present is some better and we hope to soon have him with us again.

We have but one man in the graduating class, however that has this decidedly pleasant feature, that we will have a good strong membership back at the opening next year.

Plans have been discussed and decided upon for a sumptuous banquet here during commencement week. A large number of our alumni will be here and the event will be a brilliant affair, such only as the festive fraternal "Sig" can give.

Brother C. Flint Kline, '00, of Portsmouth, Ohio, has not returned from his spring vacation, on account of illness. From recent reports he will soon be with us, however.

Serenading time has come and we hope to soon be in the field with all "kinds of music" at "all kinds of times" and keeping up our established reputation, which is the best in school.

Oxford, Ohio, April 11, 1898.

G. W. SULLENBERGER.

#### GAMMA—OHIO WESLEYAN UNIVERSITY.

As spring kindles into life and opens all the hundred gates of her paradise, we find the Gamma boys shaking hands, and the frank and serene friendship of last term bursts forth anew. We are too modest to lavish up our own encomiums but certainly we are deserving of many. A new piano graces our hall and if a wanderer would have passed our way the last evening of last term, he would have been convinced of the fact that the "Sigs" were drinking in draughts of pleasure. The reception of that evening to our lady friends is one treasured in memory. One fancied himself in dreamland as he tripped the light fantastic and inhaled the air perfumed with fragrant flowers. Every apartment was the scene of transient gaiety and characterized by elegance, bespeaking a delicate and graceful taste and a disposition to the highest enjoyment.

We are suffering this term from the loss of four of our old members,



yet the "new adjuncts" seem more than a compensation. We take great pleasure in introducing to the general Fraternity, Brother C. E. Neil, for he is the embodiment of those personal qualities that will ever win. His natural genius finds its home in impersonation, and the various characters whose similitudes are reproduced by his skill, are standards and a resource for subsequent aspirants. He is the Professor of Oratory in Dennison University and also an assistant Professor of this college, and Gamma considers herself honored as she looks upon the "White Cross" that adorns his person. Brother Thornhill comes to us from Alpha Iota. We find him very congenial and must tender our thanks unto our sister Fraternity for this brother, who has the inherent qualities of a true "Sig."

As we scan the ball field we see Brothers Thalmans and Thornhill throwing the ball with the grace of a professional. They are good candidates for the positions for which they are striving and if the fates are propitious we hope to have them as our representatives on the team. We are sanguine in our expectations for this term and when we say we are at the top in the Fraternity atmosphere of this college, we are not practicing self-praise. From many sources have issued the words, "the 'Sigs' are the people," and the ones from which they came can not be classed as sycophants. When a brother comes to our city he will always find the latch string hanging out. May Sigma Chi prosper and become the acme of fraternities, is our hope and the ultimatum toward which we strive.

D. H. LEAS.

Delaware, Ohio, April 13, 1898.

#### MU—DENISON UNIVERSITY.

Since our last letter we have had the pleasure of initiating Frank Wright into Sigma Chi. Brothers Jones, Lacey and Allen, of Alpha Gamma, were over and assisted in the ceremony. Brother Wright is a member of the class of '01, is a good athlete, and is already taking a high rank in his classes. He gives promise of becoming one of the leaders in our school life.

Brother Canby has been chosen as one of the four speakers for commencement day and Dwight Sample, one of our pledged men, is valedictorian of the graduating class of Doane Academy. This honor comes as a reward for receiving the highest average grade during the past two years.

Our ball and track teams have been hard at work during the past two weeks and hope to make a good showing this spring. Brother Howard Lewis is assistant manager of the ball team, while Brothers

Wright, Sample and Struble are candidates for positions. Brother Hutson will probably hold down second base.

Our commandant, Capt. Chas. E. Rockefeller, has been ordered to report at headquarters on account of the unpleasantness with Spain, and during his absence, Brother Colby, captain of Company B, is practically in charge of affairs. Brother C. A. Wiltsee, Mu, '97, has received a commission from the Secretary of War, at Washington, and may possibly see some active service in case volunteers are needed. The cadets have been eagerly looking forward to going into camp in May, but the prospects now are that their encampment will have to be abandoned.

The attendance this term is slightly greater than that of last term and work in all departments is progressing nicely. The new Shepardson Music Hall was opened to the public last Monday night by Professor Engwerson, Director of the Shepardson Conservatory of Music. It is a beauty and will be of great service to the musical department.

Granville, O., April 20, 1898.

H. W. AMOS.

#### ZETA ZETA—CENTRE COLLEGE.

During the winter months everything has been very quiet in College but with the spring the boys have begun practicing for the ball team. We have games with all of the largest colleges in Kentucky and a very good chance to win every game played.

Brother Ernest Van Winkle, a younger brother of Dickie Van Winkle, who played third base for five years on the college team, is trying for right field and his chances are good.

Since our last letter we have not taken in any new men as we thought it advisable to have only the best men in College and not men that the other fraternities would not have.

Brothers Emerson, Mize, Bell, Cheek, Corn and Swango, all old Zeta Zeta men, have visited us this year.

The senior class of '97 issued a college annual called the "*Eccentric*." The class of '98 will issue another this year and it promises to be even better than the one of last year.

The laboratory and electrical department have been greatly improved in the last two years. One of the class of '96 came back to take a course in electricity this year.

Our Law School under the supervision of ex-Governor Proctor Knott is the finest law school in Kentucky.

Zeta Zeta sends greetings to all sister chapters.

Danville, Ky., April 11, 1898.

ERNEST SMITH.

## ZETA PSI—THE UNIVERSITY OF CINCINNATI.

The active chapter has inaugurated a series of meetings occurring the first and third Saturday evenings of each month. At these meetings from fifteen to twenty of the alumni are always present. After mingling socially together, an informal address is delivered by some one of the prominent "Sigs" residing in the city. At the first meeting Judge Ferris, whom all know to be a true blue and gold Sigma Chi, told some of his experiences while a "Sig" at Dennison and then gave a glowing description of what a Sigma Chi and a Sigma Chi chapter ought to be. At the next meeting Professor Sproul of the university gave us an address upon the influence of Sigma Chi on the college and vice versa. The third meeting, Chaplain R. R. Springer, of Ft. Thomas, who has had a close connection with the inner life of the Fraternity for many years, gave us a thorough review and explanation of the secret work of the Fraternity.

The members of the active chapter have been trying their catering abilities upon their brothers with varying success, but as yet no one has succumbed to any of the marvelous combinations which have been gotten up. The meetings always end in a rousing round of Sigma Chi songs.

Brother Robert P. Toban, '96, Cornell, paid a visit to the chapter several weeks ago. Brother John A. Caldwell, Jr., '99, Cornell, also spent several days with the "Sigs" while at home for the Easter holidays.

The chapter spent a very pleasant evening at the home of Brothers George and Ernest Diehl, Friday, April 8th. We had the pleasure of meeting a number of "fair" Sigma Chis and hope the pleasure was mutual.

On Saturday evening, April 9th, we accepted the cordial invitation of Brother Springer to spend the evening at his home in Ft. Thomas. After a thorough review of the secret work, we returned to the city, much refreshed in mind and body.

LOUIS B. BLAKEMORE.

Cincinnati, O., April 15, 1898.

## LAMBDA LAMBDA—KENTUCKY STATE COLLEGE.

It is with no small degree of pleasure and gratification that we can again report to our sister chapters the continued and unbroken progress of Lambda Lambda. We believe her every member is worthy of the esteem and love of the entire brotherhood—not because of fame achieved or victories won, but because of sterling worth and noble endeavor—the truest marks of real manhood.

Since our last letter another of the sons of our college has cast his lot with ours—Brother Arthur Vane Lester, '00, of Williamsburg, Ky. It is not too much to say that he is in every respect the peer of any of any of our faithful band.

Brother James H. Wells, Delta Delta, now assistant Professor of Mechanical Engineering in Kentucky State College, has accepted the position of Dean of the Engineering Department in Montana University. It is with deep regret that we contemplate his departure from our midst, but our loss is Montana's gain. We certainly wish for him every possible success in his new field of labor, and he will carry with him our love and esteem.

Kentucky State College continues to enjoy a healthy growth. Recently it has been decided to remove the headquarters of the State Geological Survey from Frankfort, Ky., to the college, and it is probable that a new chair of Mining Engineering will soon be added.

The baseball season has begun in earnest and a large number of the boys are taking an active interest in this healthful and popular sport.

On Friday night, April 1st, the annual contest of the State Intercollegiate Oratorical Association was held at the opera house in this city. Scores of students from the several colleges outside of Lexington were in attendance, and among them were Brothers Swango and Van Winkle, of Danville, whom we were delighted to see. F. D. BULLOCK.

Lexington, Ky., April 15, 1898.

#### MU MU—WEST VIRGINIA UNIVERSITY.

Firmly intrenched in her own chapter house, Mu Mu stands seventeen strong. Fourteen of the "Old Guard" still in service and three new recruits. The three initiates are A. G. Tait, '99, Morgantown, W. Va., A. W. Smith, '00, Philippi, W. Va., and H. A. Garrison, '01, Wadestown, W. Va. We know that all who may ever meet these brothers will find them, as we have found them—worthy. In the chapter house, called our "Home," we find comfort, freedom, and all the benefits that close association of "Sigs" can bring. Our "Home" is a conveniently located brick house of eleven rooms, and first sheltered us "Greeks" March the third.

During the first few days after we had established ourselves in these new quarters, the Sigma Chi girls were busy; and now beautiful curtains and dainty bureau covers add greatly to the comfort and beauty of "some" of the rooms. Your humble scribe begs leave to say that his room is not so beautified, and that the above statement was made in justice to those whose windows were curtained and whose bureaus were

covered in the manner related. He supposes, that as his room is located in the back part of the building, lace curtains are not needed. But, however, Mu Mu challenges any sister chapter for better proofs of the loyalty of "Sig" girls. Since the "Settlement," March 3, we have received visits from Brothers Miller, Beta, '93; Haught, Mu Mu, '96, and Yost, Mu Mu, '97. We learn that Brother Yost will coach the University of Nebraska football team next fall. He is one of our most active alumni, and we are sorry that he will be so far away. But our loss will be to Alpha Epsilon, a gain. On the baseball team we are sure of having one representative, Brother McWhorter, whose position is third base. Brother Romine is arranging a fine football schedule for '98. We will play Virginia at Charleston, November 14th. Several of the boys will remain here during the summer quarter. Brother Knutti, '97, Professor in Fairmont Normal, will also attend the University this summer. With best wishes for sister chapters and a glad welcome for all "Sigs" who come to Morgantown.

BERNARD H. TRUSSELL.

Morgantown, W. Va., April 9, 1898.

#### ALPHA GAMMA—OHIO STATE UNIVERSITY.

Sigma Chi at the Ohio State University is at present in a better condition than she has been for several years. At the beginning of this year we had seven men. During the year we have initiated six men. Since our last letter we have initiated Loyd P. DeGolley, of Mt. Gilead, Ohio; R. S. Frame, Jr., of Cambridge, Ohio, and Louis T. Peck, of Staunton, Va. Brother DeGolley was compelled to leave school on account of sickness. We regret this very much, as he was a worthy brother. He had received bids from three of the leading fraternities here before we bid him. Brother Frame is one of the leading members of the freshman class. He plays the euphonium in the Cadet Band, which is the leading musical organization of the college. Brother Peck possesses all the humor and congeniality for which southern boys are justly famed. He is one of the best musicians in the institution. He will, in all probability, coach for the 'varsity this spring. We will be represented in track athletics by Brother Jones in the shot and hammer and by the writer in the broad jump.

We have been unfortunate that during the year five of our number have been compelled to drop out of school, four of them permanently.

At our last meeting we decided to extend an invitation to the chapters of the Third Province to hold the provincial convention in this city. We do not intend this invitation as a mere formality, but we have made arrangements among the brothers and resident alumni for the entertain-

ment of the visiting delegates. We have selected May 20th, high-school day as most convenient for us.

At present we have nine members and are not particularly anxious to materially increase our numbers. Alpha Gamma has always been conservative, and we believe a chapter should resemble a family rather than a club. With best wishes for all sister chapters we are yours in the bonds of Sigma Chi.

EDWARD H. ALLEN.

Columbus, Ohio, April 11, 1898.

#### FOURTH PROVINCE.

##### LAMBDA—INDIANA UNIVERSITY.

Brothers Ahl, Cooper, Kline and Whetsel did not return this term. That leaves us with eleven men. But we have our eyes open and will introduce some new "Sig" brothers in our next letter.

Our new athletic field was dedicated Saturday, when Indiana defeated the State Normal team, 24-5. Brother Rodney Willson plays short-stop. Brothers Hill and Bordner may be on the team before the end of the season. Brother Heyn is assistant manager, Brother Sembower, manager, and the writer, official scorer. With the return of an old pitcher we expect to win the state championship. This year we meet our old rival, DePauw, a week from Saturday. The prospect for a track team this year is very good. There is to be an interclass meet, and the men to go to the state meet will be selected from those participating in the class contests.

There have been 720 students enrolled this term, making a total enrollment for the year 1,035. This is the largest enrollment the University has ever had, and this is the best year of its history.

Our chapter has been prospering and keeping pace with the college. We expect to attend the Provincial Convention in a body.

Bloomington, Ind., April 16, 1898.

M. C. BRADLEY.

##### XI—DE PAUW UNIVERSITY.

The third term at De Pauw opened with a slight increase in attendance; Xi chapter, however, was unfortunate in losing three of her men, Brother Charles Hamrick and Brother McFadden, who remained at home this term, and Brother Williamson, who is in school at Butler.

Baseball is the all-absorbing topic at present. The prospects for a good team at De Pauw are brighter than ever before. Brother Haynes is captain, and covers center-field in great shape. On April 19th, the

Indianapolis Industrial Training School was defeated 13-4; on April 16th, University of Indianapolis went down by a score of 7-4. Purdue was defeated on April 18th, 16-6. If the team maintains its present good record it will again hold the state college championship.

We acknowledge visits from Brothers Walton, Darnall and Williamson of Butler, and Brother Slicker of Purdue.

Greencastle, Ind., April 21, 1898.

FRED M. STARR.

#### RHO—BUTLER UNIVERSITY.

Providence has been unusually kind this year, and together with our seven pledges we now number fourteen men. You may judge of the strong local pull we have when we are able to report eight out of the fourteen live in either Irvington or Indianapolis.

Brother Earl Williamson, a well known "Sig" dropped in unexpectedly this term and entered school in time to help spike Mr. Otto Darnell, 1900, of Lebanon, Indiana. We initiated Mr. Darnell on the 8th, Brothers Schleicher and Burdette, of Delta Delta, being with us. We have also pledged Mr. Edmund Weeks, '03, of Alexandria, Ind., who promises of the best "Sig" material.

For the first time in years the "Sigs" have gotten into college politics, with the result that Fred Barrett, a pledge, is captain of the baseball nine while Brother Walton plays center-field. Brother Powell is also manager of the freshman team, which is the best in the state. Brothers Walton, Duvell and Sweeney represent us on the Glee Club, and Brother Sweeney was appointed by the faculty as one of the editors of the *Collegian*. Brothers Walton and Powell were on the Washington Birthday committee, which is about the only elective honor left since athletics have been put into the hands of a board of control. Brother Sweeney was selected as Chairman of the University Day Celebrations, at which affair there were several thousand people.

We have just completed the improvements on our new hall, which is now by far the handsomest at Butler. As all the boys dance, the new hardwood floor is quite a welcome addition. We gave our opening dance on the fifteenth, and a large number of our alumni were present. I hope our sister chapters will enjoy the same fine time we are anticipating this spring.

JOSEPH IRWIN SWEENEY.

Irvington, Ind., April 19, 1898.

#### CHI—HANOVER COLLEGE.

It is with great pleasure that Chi once more communicates with her sister chapters. Since our last letter, life at Hanover has been quiet,

not only for the students, but also for the inhabitants of the town ; at the present time all is an uproar, as war has been the means of stirring up the people, and their former motto, "let us have peace," has been changed to, "let us have war." Regardless of all this turmoil, the loyal subjects of Sigma Chi, ever mindful of the tie that binds us all in one, have a motto which is the same yesterday, to-day, and forever, namely, "Let brotherly love continue."

The past term was spent in good solid work, and we all feel greatly benefited by it, having performed our duties faithfully. With the close of the winter term and the opening of the spring term, the mind of the student turns to thoughts of out-door recreation, and as a result of this, we have a baseball team of which Hanover may well be proud. The prospects this season are very bright, and it is with great pleasure we announce to our sister chapters that our pledged man, one who will some day add new lustre to our White Cross, George Heckman, of Fort Wayne, Indiana, is captain of the team.

As to college honors, Chi has her share, but not satisfied with these small mercies, we press on toward greater things. Our chapter house has now become home indeed, as we are eating in it, and with Phi Phi we can say, "there is nothing like it."

Hanover, Ind., April 11, 1898.

JOHN BODEN.

#### FIFTH PROVINCE.

##### OMEGA—THE NORTHWESTERN UNIVERSITY.

Since the February issue of the *QUARTERLY*, Omega has lost four men: Brothers Wing and McGrew and C. C. Sloan and F. M. Condit. Brother Wing has entered the Law Department and Brother McGrew has a fine position in the Chicago Public Library. While the loss of these men leaves Omega with but ten active members, our strength is undiminished and we still hold our rank, which is first, among the fraternities at Northwestern.

Brother Pendleton has covered himself and the Fraternity with glory. He was awarded second place in the preliminaries for the Northern Oratorical League Contest, to be held in Evanston in May, and won the Sage Prize for extemporaneous speaking; two of the greatest honors in the University.

The joint meetings of the active chapter and the alumni have now become established events in the life of Omega. Papers have been read by Brothers Bross, Booth and Dr. Davis, and each one was greatly appreciated and enjoyed by the hearers.



The 'varsity Glee, Banjo and Mandolin Clubs will end a very successful season by giving a concert at Wheaton, Ill., Saturday, April 23rd. Brother McGrew is on the Banjo Club and Brother Cleveland on the Glee Club.

Brothers Rawlins and Cleveland are on the cast for the freshman "Trig Cremation" and Brother Rawlins is captain and third baseman of the 'or baseball team.

We have two men pledged who will be in every way honors to Sigma Chi, whom we hope to introduce next year as brothers. They are Loring Calkins, of Evanston, and Clare Hester, of Chicago.

Omega still holds first place as a social "frat" and despite the faculty rule of "one party a year," we have given several very enjoyable entertainments.

Doctor Dudley visited the chapter a few weeks ago and was voted by all, who had the honor of meeting him, a "royal fellow."

Evanston, Illinois, April 21st, 1898.

PAUL W. CLEVELAND.

#### THETA THETA—THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN.

Theta Theta can not open her letter better than by introducing to her sister chapters Brother John Frederick McLean, 1900, of Menominee, Michigan. Brother McLean is considered one of the best all-around athletes in the University and his popularity is shown by the fact that at the recent Athletic Association election he was chosen as one of the directors by the highest vote cast for any candidate.

Since our last letter we have received visits from William A. Niles, Alpha Pi, and Hugh Law, ex-'99. During the session of the Michigan Schoolmaster's Club, the Classical Conference and the Michigan Academy of Science, we made the acquaintance of George W. Loomis, Smith Burnham and W. S. White, all old Alpha Pi men.

On January 28th the chapter gave an informal card and dancing party. On February 2, Mrs. Professor F. M. Taylor, Omega, '76, entertained very pleasantly the upper classmen of the chapter and their young lady friends, and on February 18th the junior hop took place. The following afternoon we gave an informal card and chafing dish party at which the ladies were presented with Sigma Chi souvenirs. A full dress dancing party was the order of the evening and Sunday was spent in music and driving.

The Freshman Glee Club, led by Brother Magby and managed by Henry Danforth, a pledge, gave a very successful concert and hop. At the coming freshman banquet we are fortunate in having Brother Kittleman on the reception committee and Brother Howard Richardson to give

a toast. On the sophomore hop committees we received the office of chairman of the reception committee, which was filled by Brother Beuret.

In athletics Michigan has a good outlook this Spring. The baseball team has been playing well in its practice games and the track team is rapidly getting into shape under the guidance of trainer Tom Cox. A relay team is to be sent to Philadelphia to compete in the national intercollegiate relay race. The 'varsity tennis prospects are also exceptionally bright.

Ann Arbor, Mich., April 10, 1898.

CHARLES F. DELBRIDGE.

KAPPA KAPPA—THE UNIVERSITY OF ILLINOIS.

Kappa Kappa now has an active membership of twenty-five men, having lately initiated Frank T. Sperry, '98, of Champaign, Charles Chamberlain, '01, of Hoopston, Otto Webb, '00, of Bement, and George John Griffith, '99, Savannah. Besides these valuable additions, Brother George Bassett Williams, Washington, D. C., Alpha Rho, '99, has entered the University and has affiliated with the chapter. "Slim" is certainly a fine fellow and a loyal "Sig." Our local alumni have been strengthened by the return of Brother Burnham, and Brother Carson has deserted a St. Louis bank and reentered the University.

Illinois' baseball prospects are indeed bright, having defeated Northwestern easily, although we lost to Michigan in a very close ten-inning game. We are represented on the team by Brothers McGill and Joy, catcher and pitcher respectively, while Brother Adsit is a thriving candidate. The Rock Island team, which was engaged for a series of twelve games, have furnished good practice, and have placed the team on a winning basis.

We have recently purchased a billiard table, and expect to enter new quarters next fall.

We acknowledge pleasant visits from Brother Mills of Theta Theta and Brothers Beadle, Hudson, Cross, Nye, Lewis and Stone of our own alumni.

FRED H. WILSON.

Champaign, Ill., April 17, 1898.

OMICRON OMICRON—THE UNIVERSITY OF CHICAGO.

Since our last letter a few changes have taken place in our ranks. Brother De Graff having received his degree has accepted a professorship in Highland Park College, at Des Moines, Iowa. He carried with him our combined regrets, congratulations and blessings. The additions to our roll comprise one transfer, Brother MacCarthy, from Omega,

and one initiate, Warren McIntire, of Miles City, Montana, whom we are proud to introduce. Both are freshmen. We have another man pledged, and expect to pay our respects to him in a week or two.

But the greatest change we have to record is the removal of Brother Newman Miller to Albion, Mich. His departure is a source of regret to the entire chapter.

We have had the pleasure of entertaining a number of the Beloit "Sigs" who came here with their ball team. They gave us glowing reports of the condition of Alpha Zeta, and considering them as samples, we readily accepted their tales of success. Through Brother Opitz we also heard from Nu Nu. "Doc" reports them strong in numbers, royal good fellows and loyal "Sigs."

We hope that the coming athletic season will bring many "Sigs" here from our sister chapters. We will not be satisfied unless all such hunt us up. The address is No. 5716 Kimbark Ave., and we have the door decorated with a gold and blue sign, so you can't miss the place. With greeting to all "Sigs."

M. E. COLEMAN.

Chicago, Ill., April 16, 1898.

#### ALPHA ZETA—BELOIT COLLEGE.

Since our last writing we have passed through the winter term with its examinations, and all of Alpha Zeta's members reported at the beginning of the spring term, last Tuesday.

Our chapter is in flourishing condition. Our number, 20, is the largest it has ever been, and we expect to add three more in a week or two. We lose a larger number than usual, with '98, and are looking ahead a little. February 5th we received into the chapter three men in every way worthy of the honors conferred upon them, and are glad to introduce to the Fraternity at large, Brother Elbert E. Lochridge, '98, Elkhorn; Edward B. Brown, '01, Beloit, and Edward A. Purdy, '01, Waukon, Iowa.

The upper story of our house is now being finished and we have fifteen men living there this term, with plenty of room for any brothers who may visit Beloit.

Alpha Zeta has been prominent in every branch of college activity. Brothers Moore and McCuskey won first and second places at the Home Oratorical Contest, and Brothers Hecox, Moore and McCuskey received the honor of oratorical appointments for commencement. Brothers Lyman, Mussey and McQueen and one of our pledged men were elected to the Preliminary Oratorical Contest for next year and Brother Lyman is one of the leaders of the Knox-Beloit debate, which occurs at Gales-

burg, April 15th. Brother Mussey had the star part in the Greek play presented by the sophomore class, March 4th. Brother McCuskey managed the successful trip of the Musical Clubs, on which Brothers Fenton and Riggs had positions. We also have eight men with the baseball team, which visits Purdue, Ann Arbor, Wisconsin, Minnesota, Northwestern, and De Pauw Universities on its trip.

The Interstate Collegiate Oratorical contest will be held in Beloit, May 8th. Brother McCaw, as Vice-President of the association, has the affair in charge.

We have received very pleasant visits from Brother E. H. Pence, Chi, '89, who is pastor of the First Presbyterian Church at Janesville, and Brother E. W. St. John, Omega, '96, of Rockford. Brother H. A. Ruger, '95, and George Greene and G. F. Loomis, '96, have also made short stops at the house. Of the other two fraternities in college, Phi Kappa Psi has ten members, and Beta Theta Pi eighteen.

We have not yet seen the Grand Praetor, and would be glad if he might find time to run up in the near future.

Beloit, Wis., April 11, 1898.

EDMUND ENRIGHT.

#### ALPHA IOTA—THE ILLINOIS WESLEYAN UNIVERSITY.

Interest at the Illinois Wesleyan has begun to center about commencement week. For some time the thoughts of the faculty and students have been turned toward it, and now the time of action has arrived. Committees have been appointed to arrange various phases of the work, and plans are being formulated rapidly. This year will mark the beginning of a new epoch, for during commencement week the Rev. Doctor Smith, the president-elect, will be inaugurated. It is intended to make the combination commencement and inaugural one of the grandest affairs in the history of the college, and the week beginning June 12th will be filled with good things from beginning to end.

Sigma Chi will lose five by graduation, viz.: Brothers N. R. Williams and J. B. Colwell from the literary, and Brothers James Riley, W. L. Martin and R. S. Dyas from the law. Each of these departments will graduate a class of about twenty.

Society here during the season of Lent has been very quiet, but now that that is over it is expected that the social advocates will whirl the faster to regain the lost time. The spring season is always one of great activity for Wesleyan "Sigs," and although it is yet a little early for such we have begun to project numerous picnics and excursions to take place when the season shall become favorable.

Manager Hoblit, of the Wesleyan team, was unable to arrange a

schedule of games, owing to a delay in the organization of the team, and the team has disbanded, so we will consequently have no representative in the field. Tennis is in great favor this year, and a tournament has been arranged with the State Normal School, to be played this spring.

The attendance at the Wesleyan seems to grow less and less. Great things are hoped for in the advent of Dr. Smith, but should they not be realized and the attendance continue on the decline, frankly, we see no hope for its long life. The "Sigs" have done no aggressive work. There is a woeful lack of material, and while we who are inside the veil, have kept our lamps trimmed and brightly burning before the shrine of the White Cross, we have not been able to add new and worthy knights to our retinue. But perhaps I grow pessimistic, and a favorable time is really drawing near.

Bloomington, Ill., April 10, 1898.

J. B. COLWELL.

#### ALPHA LAMBDA—THE UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN.

Since our last letter we have initiated two fine fellows, and we take great pleasure in introducing to the Fraternity, William E. Finnegan, law, '00, of Green Bay, Wis., and Tracy Bunker, '01, of Woodstock, Illinois.

We regret very much that Brother Kalvalege, '01, will not be with us the remainder of the year. He has accepted a position in Milwaukee, with his father.

At the time of the "Junior Prom" we enjoyed short visits from Brothers E. M. Dexter, Alpha Lambda, '92; Ross Cornish, Alpha Lambda, '97, and John Schempf, Alpha Alpha, '97. Since then we have had short visits from Brothers Fenton, Alpha Zeta; Martin Reinlaub, Alpha Lambda, '96, and Gustav Wolleager, Alpha Lambda, law, '97.

The chapter is elated over the success of Brother William C. Leitch, Alpha Alpha, law, '96, who was elected Mayor of Columbus, Wis., at the last election.

Wisconsin has produced the finest baseball team this year that she has had in several years, and we expect great things from it before the season is over. Last Saturday, April 16th, we played Northwestern, beating them 15-6.

Fraternity circles have been widened by the addition of a new sorority. Delta Delta Delta was installed with a charter membership of nine, just before the Easter recess.

Fraternities are looking forward to the annual interscholastic meet,

which is to be held here in May. It is always a very advantageous time to do some "rushing" and Alpha Lambda hopes to capture her share of men.

The new song books have arrived and are liked very much by the chapter. We expect to have many a jolly evening now singing the new "Sig" songs.

Alpha Lambda's chapter house at 19 Mendota court, is always open for any "Sigs" who may happen to come to Madison, and we sincerely hope that none will come without giving us a call.

Madison, Wis., April 22, 1898.

STUART H. SHELDON.

#### ALPHA PI—ALBION COLLEGE.

The history of Alpha Pi, since our last letter, has been one of progress in college circles, and although we have not given the "Sig" grip to any new men we are presenting a solid front to the enemy and are prepared to take advantage of every opportunity of adding to the glory of Sigdom in Albion College.

The martial spirit of the times finds our patriotism of the firmest. The stars and stripes, together with the blue and gold, are floating above our chapter lodge. When the Cuban resolutions were reported from Washington the "Sigs" armed themselves with muskets and sent up the large flag over the Central Building, firing the American salute of twenty-one guns as it unfurled to the breeze. All the fellows are ready to proceed to the front when such action is needed.

College athletics have taken new vigor with the beginning of the spring term and we are determined to hold our leadership in the coming intercollegiate field sports. Brother Neil Hamblen, '00, captain of the baseball team, is giving the best of satisfaction in his position, while Brother Nufer, '00, will aid in defending the Relay Cup won by Albion at last year's meeting. Brother Fred Perine, '98, represents us in the tennis court and is the champion player in the inter-collegiate.

We also have representatives in the oratorical preliminaries for the annual interclass horn contest, which occurs in May. Brother Will A. Niles, '98, is president of the Erosophian Literary Society.

In a social way we enjoyed some jolly parties during the last term, and have our plans well under way for our annual spring banquet, given during commencement week.

The Second Annual May Festival, under the direction of the Conservatory of Music, occurs May 23-25. Five concerts will be given and the following artists of a world-wide reputation have been secured.

The new "Sig" song books have been received and our satisfaction

with them is complete. The committee cannot receive too much praise for the result of their efforts.

All brothers sojourning in this district will receive our hearty welcome as often as they may choose to call.

W. JAY BEAZAN.

Albion, Mich., April 26, 1898.

#### ALPHA SIGMA—THE UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA.

The spring term has begun at "Old Ski-U-Mah" with new zeal and after a week's vacation the fellows are all back to work for Sigma Chi.

The only excitement has been a few rushing parties and an initiation of two fine fellows, Kent Nelson and George Gallagher, of '00. Both have proven themselves true "Sigs" in the short time since their initiation, and Alpha Sigma takes great pleasure in introducing them to her sister chapters. Nelson is a member of Nu Sigma Nu, Medical Fraternity. Gallagher played a good end on our football team last fall although a freshman, and is now trying for the track team.

Brother Finlayson is out for hammer and shot, and the "U" expects great things of him this year.

Brother Benedict is a howling success as business manager of our annual, the *Gopher*.

Our baseball team is showing up well and we expect it to put up a swift game. Brother Chilton is on the team and is doing good work.

Alpha Sigma held a "smoker," at her rooms, the latter part of February. A number of the alumni were present and everybody had a good time. Songs and stories, with card playing, were the feature of the evening. Later, refreshments fitting the occasion, were served. As the "Sigs" departed for their little cots they woke the echoes of the neighborhood with a "Sig" yell.

The Junior Ball was the social event of the year. The armory was artistically decorated with the junior class colors and the whole party was very enjoyable.

GEORGE F. BROOKS.

Minneapolis, Minn., April 19, 1898.

#### SIXTH PROVINCE.

##### ALPHA EPSILON—NEBRASKA STATE UNIVERSITY.

As the close of the college year approaches, Alpha Epsilon closes one of its most prosperous years.

Five of our members graduate this year—Bischof, Halstead, Burgrit, Belnap of the academic, and Teshne of the law school. Brother

Bischof will enter the law school next fall ; Brother Halstead will do "post" work.

Since our last letter we have initiated two men, Almond Beverly Wells, Jr., of '00, Fort Meade, South Dakota, and Earle Albert Wehn, of '01, Beatrice, Nebraska, whom we take pleasure in introducing to the Fraternity.

Brother Wells is the favorite on the baseball team, Brother Wehn is a member of the Glee Club and Philharmonic Orchestra.

President Schurman, of Cornell University, gave us a chapel address a short time ago. Cornell is well represented on our faculty, there being twelve of our instructors graduates of that institution.

The Senior Promenade will take place at the Lincoln Hotel, April 29th. Brother Belnap represents us on the committee.

The annual Pan Hellenic Ball will take place next month.

Brothers Montgomery, Fichet and Foster have left school this semester. Brothers Montgomery and Foster expect to be with us next fall.

The inter-frat baseball league opens its series of games next Thursday with a game between Phi Kappa Psi and Sigma Chi.

The intercollegiate track meet has been arranged to take place at the Trans-Mississippi Exposition, in August.

Our University is fortunate in receiving recognition from the Trans-Mississippi Exposition. Professor R. B. Owens, of the electrical engineering department, has been placed at the head of the electrical department of the Exposition. Brother C. R. Richards, Delta Delta, Professor of Mechanical Arts, has charge of the machinery department. Professor Kimball, of the University School of Music, is director of music. Professor Taylor, of the Agricultural School, has charge of the exhibit.

The sorority, Kappa Kappa Gamma, will hold its national convention here in August. The chapter has received visits from Vernon, Alpha Zeta, Pugh, Alpha Xi, and Hawksworth, Saxton, Dubrava, Alpha Epsilon. The chapter has received its copies of the song book, and congratulates the Fraternity on the excellent publication.

Lincoln, Neb., April 13, 1898.

L. R. EWART.

#### ALPHA XI—THE UNIVERSITY OF KANSAS.

Alpha Xi has passed a most prosperous year and without doubt stands without an equal in Kansas University. Our new men, now two loyal Sigma Chis, have done us much service.

We take pleasure in introducing Brother Arthur Symms, 1900, of Lawrence, Kansas.



Our annual party was given April 15th, and was pronounced a grand success. Many of the old boys were with us. Brothers Harry G. Clark, Dana McVicar, George Rising, Fred Speak and Claude C. Stanley graduate this year.

Brother Speak is captain of track athletics and manager of the state meet.

Much interest has been taken in baseball, and a good schedule has been made. We have been handicapped, as Brother Will Stanley, captain of last year's team, was ruled out on account of professionalism. In inter-fraternity games, however, we stand good chance of winning the pennant.

We are represented in the play to be given by the Kansas University Dramatic Club by Brothers C. C. Stanley, Speak, and Green.

Brother Rising is manager of the Senior Play.

We have indeed appreciated the visit of Brothers Whiffen and Means, of Kansas City.

Although we have had beautiful and commodious apartments this year, we are now planning for a chapter house.

And now Alpha Xi bids you all godspeed and great success.

Lawrence, Kansas, April 25, 1898.

WM. H. STANLEY.

#### XI XI—THE UNIVERSITY OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI.

Since our last letter we have had quite a commotion on account of an attempt to break up a freshman banquet, which resulted in a number of suspensions. But quiet reigns again; the unlucky ones have returned from their vacation; all are now busy preparing for final examinations, and the events of the night of that freshman banquet are saved from oblivion only by the presence of a dummy freshman seated in a high baby chair upon the top of one of the old columns in the middle of our campus.

In athletics our prospects are good. In the recent contest for the best all 'round athletes some good records were made. The contestants for field day honors are in hard training. Our baseball team bids fair to make an enviable record. It won an easy victory in its first game, April 3d, defeating Kemper 11 to 3. The inter-fraternity baseball games which were inaugurated by Sigma Chi are arousing much interest and enthusiasm in the different fraternities. The first game of the series will be played tomorrow between Phi Delta Theta and Sigma Chi.

Our young lady students are becoming interested in athletics and have twice defeated Christian College in basketball.

It is with great pleasure that we introduce to our Sigma Chi brothers Mr. M. F. Highley, '99, of Farmington, Mo.

Sigma Chi is fairly well represented in University offices. Brother Arnold is local editor of the *Independent*. Brother Highley is President of the New Era Debating Club, one of the Missouri representatives in the debate with Nebraska and local editor of the *Independent*. Brother Hansen is President of the Engineering Society and Cadet Captain of Company C. Brother Shultz will represent the Athenæan Society in the declamatory contest. Brother Kleinschmidt is President of the Athenæan Society and associate editor of the *Independent*.

Columbia, Mo., April 9, 1898.

SAM R. HALSTEAD.

### SEVENTH PROVINCE.

#### ETA—THE UNIVERSITY OF MISSISSIPPI.

Since our last letter we have passed the period of intermediate examinations, and are now looking hopefully toward the closing term, inspired by strength and confidence gained from past successes, Sigma Chi is the acknowledged leader among the fraternities of the University. We are strongly represented in all lines of college activity, and our standing in society is conceded.

Brother J. E. Holmes brought much credit to Sigma Chi recently, by winning the place of anniversarian of the law class, over two strong and able contestants. The subject of Brother Holmes' oration was—"The Model Citizen." Judging from the all 'round excellence of his effort we expect an unusually fine anniversary occasion.

The annual meeting of the Gulf States Intercollegiate Oratorical Association will be held at the University on the 29th of April. Your scribe has been chosen as representative for this institution.

Our baseball team commenced the season by playing the annual game with St. Thomas Hall, a week ago, winning by a score of 8 to 5. The manager has arranged a full schedule of games for the season. We are represented on the team by Brother Gibson.

The University Symphony Club, of which Brother H. F. Fisher is the manager, has made quite a reputation by its splendid programs recently rendered. Extensive preparations are being made for field day; we will be represented in the sports by Brothers Jones, Morgan, and Kimbrough.

We have enjoyed visits recently from Brothers J. O. S. Sanders, H. T. Buie, and N. W. Campbell, all alumni of our chapter. We were also favored with a very cordial and encouraging letter from Brother E. E. Brougher, of Hughes Springs, Texas. We highly appreciate such manifestations of interest from our alumni.

Eta Chapter is striving toward the erection of a chapter house. If any of our brothers, who have had experience in such work will be kind enough to write us of plans that proved helpful to them, their kindness will be highly appreciated by the chapter.

Oxford, Miss., April 15, 1898.

LANDRUM P. LEAVELL.

ALPHA NU—THE UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS.

Alpha Nu Chapter is gradually regaining her former strength, and takes pride in introducing to the Greek world, Olinthuss Ellis, Jr., law, '99, Lockhart, Texas, and Walter S. Amsler, '01, McGregor, Texas. The chapter has lost a loyal member by Brother Hugh Prather, '99, withdrawing from the University.

Last week we were honored by a visit from Brother E. Dick Slaughter, Alpha Nu, '95. He is the same loyal "Sig" of old, and his presence was enjoyed by all. We are glad to note that Brother I. Marion Law, Alpha Nu, '96, marries Miss Francis Mann, of Galveston, Texas, on April 20th. And it is with much regret that we note the death of Brother Joe Abbott, Jr., Alpha Nu, '92, at his home, Hillsboro, Texas.

The finals of '97-'98 are drawing near, and Alpha Nu expects to close the year with a suitable social function. The writer has the honor of being President of the Final Reception of the University of Texas, and would be glad to entertain many visiting "Sigs."

Austin, Texas, April 17, 1898.

ALEX CAMP.

ALPHA OMICRON—TULANE UNIVERSITY.

At present, the principal thing in which our interest centers is the Pan-hellenic Baseball Games. The Greek letter fraternities at Tulane met and organized a baseball league. Thus far, six games have been played. Sigma Chi won from Phi Delta Theta; Delta Tau Delta won from Sigma Alpha Epsilon; Kappa Sigma won from Alpha Tau Omega; Kappa Alpha won from Sigma Nu; Sigma Chi won from Delta Tau Delta, and Kappa Alpha will play Sigma Chi on the 16th of April. The games have been very successful, in that they were well attended and there was no unnecessary wrangling.

The game between Sigma Chi and Kappa Alpha will be the best of the series. The teams are very evenly matched and both are sanguine of success. The "Sig" team has played very well considering the great lack of practice of many of the players. The feature of the "Sig" games was Brother Monette's pitching. Our success was in a great measure due to him.

The Tulane Athletic Association spring games will take place on the 30th of April, and we hope to be able to report a good showing.

It is with a great deal of pleasure that we learn that Brother Wirt Howe, Alpha Omicron, '95, has been appointed associate editor of the *Harvard Law Review*.

R. M. MURPHY.

New Orleans, La., April 20, 1898.

#### ALPHA PSI—VANDERBILT UNIVERSITY.

Naturally, the only topic of permanent interest at Vanderbilt and among the members of Alpha Psi at present, is the war. Battleships, cruisers, torpedo boats, ultimatums, and international law are discussed on all sides, and it is only when the combined knowledge of all present on such matters has been wholly exhausted, that the conversation turns to subjects of merely local interest. From among these latter topics, we can pick out our long looked for baseball games with the University of Pennsylvania. The results were 10-0 and 7-3 in favor University of Pennsylvania. A defeat is, of course, always disappointing, but even out of defeat we can get some comfort when we know that we "died game." Such knowledge in this case, however, is wanting, our 'varsity simply surrendered without a struggle, and instead of a brilliant contest the whole thing was a very tame affair.

Since the advent of Dr. Acton (who has so successfully coached our football team for the last two years), our prospects in track athletics have brightened up considerably. We have our own annual field day here May 6th, and we will send a team to Atlanta May 20 and 21 to take part in the Southern Intercollegiate meet to be held there at that date. Brother D. I. Miller, '99, is manager of the team.

Brother George E. Vaughn, '98, is playing short-stop on the baseball team.

HUGH H. MILLER.

Nashville, Tenn., May 1, 1898.

#### EIGHTH PROVINCE.

##### ALPHA UPSILON—THE UNIVERSITY OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA.

Greetings again to the Sigma Chi world. The time since the February letter has been in some ways monotonous, in others momentous. Baseball opened in February, and as in football, everything has come our way. Not once has the first nine, with Brother Hiram B. Tebbetts in the box, met defeat in a college game. Brother Austin Martin has done star work at first base and is very nearly, if not quite, at the top of

the batting list. The only regret is that it has been impossible to get a game with our most prominent athletic rival, Pomona, due to injuries to their pitcher early in the season.

We have won our usual victory over Pomona and Occidental Colleges, Brother Ernest B. Bradley representing University of Southern California and securing five first places and a second out of a possible six. The fellows celebrated the victory with an oyster supper and a four-mile walk home, after the cars had stopped running, on the night of the contest, and Mr. and Mrs. Bradley royally fed the chapter at their home a couple of evenings later.

We were glad to have with us at these gatherings Brother Sampson, of Omicron Omicron. He is a royal good "Sig" whom it is a pleasure to meet.

Brother Brumback is in the city for a few weeks, and a banquet in his honor will be given next week.

A tally-ho picnic with the co-eds is on the boards for May 7th.

Athletic interest just now centers in the annual intercollegiate field day on April 30th. Brother Martin represents the University in the high jump.

Of course, the topic of all topics now is the war. Alpha Upsilon bids fair to be sadly depleted. All but two of the ten "Sigs" in the University have enlisted in the volunteers, and if the call comes to move to the front, probably not one of the fellows will be left behind. Should the fortunes of war cost any of our brothers from eastern colleges into the struggle, just keep your eye open for a few White Crosses in the Southern California Cavalry Regiment of Volunteers.

Los Angeles, Cal., April 23, 1898.

PHILO JONES.

#### ALPHA OMEGA—LELAND STANFORD, JR., UNIVERSITY.

The approach of the end of the semester causes some speculation as to our prospects for the coming year. We shall in all probability occupy the same quarters as this year. We will lose but one member by graduation, Brother Davidson, to whom we wish much success in his new work. We have several new men in view, and will do our best to secure them. I think I may candidly say the outlook is very bright for another prosperous year.

With spring comes baseball. A number of the fraternities have teams and games are arranged between them. We played the Delta Tau Deltas last Friday, and were beaten by a score of 10-11. We are now looking for a game with the faculty.

We were pleased to receive a visit from Brother Burnham, of Kappa

Kappa, a short time ago, and also one from Brother Sampson, of Omicron Omicron, last week. Their visits were necessarily brief, but we should like to have seen more of them. We are always interested in meeting eastern "Sigs" who can give us the news direct from headquarters.

Palo Alto, Cal., April 19, 1898.

ERNEST S. WILLIAMS.

## NINTH PROVINCE.

### ALPHA ALPHA—HOBART COLLEGE.

Hobart College has just closed for a ten days' vacation and the brothers are enjoying visits to their respective homes. Brother Knapp is in Warsaw, N. Y., Brother Beard is in Port Huron, Michigan, and Brothers Hannahs, Ackley and Braithwaite are in Adams, N. Y.

When College opens again it will find Brother Gunnell, the star baseball player, holding down third base. Brother Falkner expects to try his luck at the hundred-yard dash.

Brother J. C. Jagar is business manager of this year's *Echo of the Seneca*. Brother White is editor-in-chief of the same. Brother J. C. Jagar has also been elected manager next year's football team.

Alpha Alpha now numbers ten men. A class of fifty freshmen is expected to enter at Hobart next year. This year we have initiated seven men, and next year we expect to find ourselves a flourishing chapter of about sixteen.

AUSTIN S. HUMPHREY.

Geneva, N. Y., April 10, 1898.

### ETA ETA—DARTMOUTH COLLEGE.

Since our last letter, we have taken into our chapter three men, a freshman, Herbert Washburn Hovey, St. Johnsbury, Vt.; a sophomore, Michael Henry O'Malley, Clinton, Mass., and a junior, Owen Albert Hoban, Winchendon, Mass. Brothers Hoban and O'Malley entered this fall term from Holy Cross College. These three men are especially bright and very good fellows and Eta Eta feels that she has done a good thing to take them in, and wish to introduce them to the rest of our "Sig" brothers. After the initiation of these men we held an informal spread in our hall at which time all three of the newly made brothers expressed their thanks for their very warm reception.

Brother Pillsbury, '97, has recently taken a position with Swift & Co., in their New York office. Brother Thayer, '00, left College at the end of the winter term. He will enter with his class next fall.

Brothers Folsom, Chapman and Hancock are on the baseball squad. Brother Hutchison wrenched the ligaments of his knee about a month ago; as a result of his injury he will not be able to train with the track team this spring.

The Buskin, college dramatic club, gave their annual play, entitled, "Lend Me Five Shillings," besides the second scene of the first act of "The Rivals." The show was held at the "gym," and was listened to by a large and enthusiastic audience.

Our baseball team remained in town during spring vacation.

Hanover, N. H., April 8, 1898.

J. B. HUTCHISON.

NU NU—COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY,

Spring has arrived again and it has brought its pleasant and unpleasant features—unpleasant in that it has brought lots of grip and other ills to distress us at Columbia, and pleasant in that it has caused a revival of our enthusiasm in athletics and a desire for intercollegiate honors. For example, on March 25th our strong debating team, on which are Proskaner and Wheaton of our '97 team which defeated Harvard last May, won a brilliant victory over the University of Chicago. Again, on April 2d, our 'Varsity Nine played the Tigers at Princeton in a spirited game in which we put up a remarkably strong fight, but finally succumbed to the tune of 8-3. Fischel, '98, pitched a strong game, but Columbia was weak in batting. Our fencing team won a brilliant victory at the Racquet and Tennis Club, on April 5th, over Harvard and Cornell. The Blue and White team won 12 of the 18 bouts; Harvard won 10 and lost 8; Cornell won 5 and lost 13. This was a brilliant showing for Columbia when we consider the fact that Harvard has held the championship for four years. It now passes into the hands of Columbia.

Our 'varsity baseball nine met the New York League nine last Saturday, and though the Blue and White put up a hard fight they were defeated by the score of 17-1. The game was rather ragged and slow.

The crews went into quarters about a week ago. Both crews and substitutes have been on the water for about a month and are making rapid progress. Mr. Cowles, our coach, predicts great things at the intercollegiate regatta for us next June. Recently a pair-oared working boat was presented to the University Boat Club.

Our chapter elections were held several weeks ago, and the results are entirely satisfactory to all. Brother J. F. McClelland is now at the helm. The rushing committee is busy on several promising candidates whom we hope to present to the Fraternity before long.

Brother F. Hedley Jobbins, Nu Nu, '95, is with us again after a residence of twenty-four years in the west. He is not in college, but is in New York on business.

Brother Wm. L. Tillotson, Nu Nu, '00, is in Chicago. His address is 601 Dearborn street.

We were glad to have with us recently, Brother Stevenson, of Phi Phi, and Brother Pitz, of Omicron Omicron, who was here on government business.

Nu Nu sends best wishes and extends a hearty welcome to all wandering "Sigs" who may be in Gotham.

WM. M. WEAVER, JR.

New York, N. Y., April 12, 1898.

#### ALPHA THETA—MASSACHUSETTS INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY.

Since our last letter to the QUARTERLY we have initiated three new men, all fine fellows, and men of whom we are justly proud. We take pleasure in introducing Joseph Dean Evans, '01, of Lowell, Mass.; John Walls, '99, of Louisburg, Penn., and John Elliott LeBosquet, '01, of Des Moines, Iowa. As good material, especially in the freshman class, has been very scarce this year, we consider ourselves very fortunate in having secured from the different classes eight of the best men here. We now have twenty-two men in our chapter, and, as we shall lose but four by graduation, our prospects for next year are very encouraging.

We have lost an active member by the withdrawal of Brother Holabird from the Institute, but we hope to have him with us again next year.

On the evening of March 19th we held our sixteenth annual banquet at our chapter house, 1116 Boylston street. Several of our alumni were present, and we succeeded in making the occasion one of the most enjoyable in the history of our chapter.

Our baseball team has been in almost daily practice, and, under the careful training of its captain, Brother Ferguson, it is constantly improving.

We are represented on the class teams by Brother Collier, '00, and Brother Woodhull, '01, each of whom holds an enviable position on his respective team.

In track athletics we are represented by Brother Magee, who is setting a heavy pace against all rivals on the track.

Trusting that our sister chapters have spent as pleasant and as profitable a year as has Alpha Theta, we extend to all our best wishes for the future.

BARTON HASELTON.

Boston, Mass., April 10, 1898.



## ALPHA PHI—CORNELL UNIVERSITY.

Since the last issue of the *QUARTERLY*, we have gone through the throes of our winter term examinations. We bob serenely up, however, and are again jogging on toward the close of the University year. During the winter term the chapter lost two members, Brothers Aldrich and Platt. The latter returned to his home in Poughkeepsie, N. Y., while the former is now in Alaska.

At this season of the year, athletics form the principal topic of interest among the students. Our baseball team is doing well. An interesting schedule of games has been arranged, and we are assured of a successful season. Everybody is watching, with anxious eyes, our 'varsity and freshman crews. Brother Raymond is rowing with the second 'varsity crew, and Brother Wittenmeyer is pulling an oar with the first freshman combination. Brother Tappan is trying for the 'varsity lacrosse team, the first one Cornell has had in several years. Brother McLaughlin has resigned the football captaincy for next year, owing to the fact that he will be unable to attend the University.

The new song book, ordered by the chapter, arrived a few days ago. Alpha Phi wishes to extend to the editors her compliments upon, and thanks for, such an admirable book. It is something the Fraternity has long needed.

On the twenty-second of February we were pleasantly surprised by a visit from Brothers Edgar, Reed, and Wright, of Alpha Rho. They stopped at Ithaca, on their way to Niagara, where they were going, with their class, to inspect the electrical plant. They expected to leave Ithaca on the early afternoon train, having come in the morning, but the instructor accompanying the party failed to appear at the appointed time, and his non-arrival prolonged what was for us a very pleasant visit. We also received a visit, on the second of April, from Brother James Parker Hall, Cornell, '94. Many of the members of the chapter were home, since it was vacation, and so missed seeing Brother Hall. He is practicing law in Buffalo.

JOSEPH B. WEED, JR.

Ithaca, N. Y., April 21, 1898.

## Among the Alumni.

### LETTERS FROM ALUMNI CHAPTERS AND ASSOCIATIONS.

#### MEETING AND RECEPTION OF THE WASHINGTON ALUMNI ASSOCIATION.

One of the pleasantest reunions ever held by the Washington Alumni Association of the Sigma Chi Fraternity took place on March 2nd at the residence of our president, Rev. Dr. Wallace Radcliffe. It being the annual meeting, Dr. Radcliffe kindly invited the Association to accept of his hospitality. The weather was very disagreeable, being a rainy night, hence many were prevented from attending, who would have otherwise done so, still we had a goodly turnout. Dr. Radcliffe presided, and the election of officers being the most important business, the following were elected for the ensuing year: President, Dr. Wallace Radcliffe; vice-president, Theo. W. Noyes; secretary, F. W. McReynolds; treasurer, Dr. Reginald Munson; historian, A. Y. Bradley. Additional members of the executive committee: Andrew B. Duvall, Maj. Sam. H. Walker and Dr. Robert Farnham. The absence of the late Bro. Reginald Fendall was keenly felt by all present. Brother Duvall paid a high tribute to Brother Fendall as a man and a Sigma Chi, and feeling remarks were made by Brothers Bradley and Walker.

Brother Farnham being called upon, gave an account of the last Grand Chapter and told how well the chapter was represented, being the most successful and best represented convention he had ever attended. Brother Acker being a bachelor, gave an account of the grand reception tendered by the ladies to Sigma Chi. The doctor was very eloquent in describing the southern beauties and the grand time we had. Brother McReynolds spoke about Grand Consul Dudley, telling the boys what a grand, good fellow he was, and how nobly he entertained us all while in Nashville. Brother Biscoe, Epsilon delegate, spoke of the business that was transacted and of the new ritual and constitution. Speeches were also made by Brothers Coburn, Clarke, Riggles, Swem and Noyes. At ten o'clock we repaired to the supper room, where the host's charming wife assisted Dr. Radcliffe in doing the honors. College songs and reminiscences of old chapter days wound up the evening. Among those present were:

Dr. G. N. Acker, Theta.  
Wm. J. Acker, Theta.

F. L. Biscoe, Epsilon.  
Andrew Y. Bradley, Epsilon.

Henry C. Coburn, Epsilon.  
 Reid P. Clarke, Epsilon.  
 Andrew B. Duvall, Epsilon.  
 Chas. T. Earle, Epsilon.  
 Dr. Robert Farnham, Epsilon.  
 E. H. Fowler, Eta Eta.  
 E. K. Fox, Theta.  
 Theo. H. N. McPherson, Iota.  
 Dr. Louis Mackall, Psi.

F. W. McReynolds, Delta Chi.  
 W. E. McMillan, Theta Theta.  
 Dr. R. Munson, Beta.  
 Theo. W. Noyes, Epsilon.  
 Rev. Dr. Hez Swem, Xi.  
 Dr. J. D. Thomas, Sigma Sigma.  
 C. R. Unger, Theta.  
 Maj. S. H. Walker, Epsilon.

Washington, D. C., April 4, 1898.

ROBERT FARNHAM.

#### BANQUET OF THE CHICAGO ALUMNI CHAPTER.

GRAND CONSUL W. L. DUDLEY—Present.

Over forty Sigma Chis met at the University Club on the evening of Friday, March 25th, to enjoy the banquet of the Chicago Alumni Chapter. Although several sumptuous dinners are given by this chapter during the season, the mid-winter affair is the only one generally dignified by the name of banquet. On this occasion the name was certainly a fitting one, for it was a feast warranted to please the most fastidious of epicures. As the last course was lazily disappearing, President George P. Merrick, as toastmaster, arose with comfortable deliberation and addressed the brothers assembled. With Petronius-like wit he kept his listeners in amused attention as he introduced in happy vein the various speakers of the evening.

That the Grand Consul, Dr. William L. Dudley, of Vanderbilt University, was to be present, added very materially to the anticipation and subsequent enjoyment of the evening. This affable and distinguished gentleman as guest of honor was first to be called on and was warmly welcomed by old and new friends alike. He first gracefully acknowledged the honor so unexpected and gratifying to him, of his election to the office of Grand Consul and then told of fraternity life at Vanderbilt University.

Dr. Dudley advocated the non-admission into the Fraternity of classmen under sophomore year. He also clearly pointed out the mission of the alumni chapters and the beneficial effect of their taking a lively interest in the make-up and doings of the active membership. His remarks were very interesting and received hearty applause.

Judge Lorin C. Collins, of political fame and influence, extemporized pleasantly for a few minutes, his main theme being that the alumni gatherings of Sigma Chi should be more largely attended. The Judge was enthusiastic in his expressions of enjoyment of Sigma Chi evenings.

John H. Hamline, one of Chicago's ablest lawyers, after indulging in a number of pleasantries, reminisced tenderly of old associations. He declared that the friendships made in college are apt to be dearer and more lasting than any formed later in active life.

George Ade, the rising young short story writer, after telling of his "Stories of the Streets and the Town," spoke of Brother McCutcheon and the delightful cruise he is taking around the world on the revenue cutter McCulloch. (Doubtless nearly all of us have read with great interest Brother McCutcheon's terse and graphic account of the battle of Manila.)

"The Bar," "Therapeutics," and "The Clergy" were the subjects of the set speeches of the evening.

Frederic F. Norcross dealt with the first named subject in a masterful way, while some of the mysteries of "Therapeutics" and other medical technicalities were elucidated by Dr. E. Wyllys Andrews.

Reverend Walter H. Reynolds, of the Third Presbyterian Church, related many interesting tales of the varied duties devolving upon the clergy.

Robert W. Stevens expressed his sentiments through the medium of the piano in a very musicianly way. He also played the accompaniments for the "Sig" songs that were interspersed throughout the evening. Following is the list of brothers in attendance including a number from out of the city:

William L. Dudley, Zeta Psi, '81, Nashville, Tenn.	W. B. Greenlee, Alpha Phi, '95.
George P. Merrick, Omega, '84.	Louis R. Moore, Alpha Zeta, '98, Beloit, Wis.
Walter L. Fisher, Chi, '83.	Chas. A. Cowan, Alpha Zeta, '93.
Frank T. Andrews, Omega, '81.	George Ade, Delta Delta, '87.
Walter H. Reynolds, Beta, '86.	James Todd, Chi, '87.
Lorin C. Collins, Omega, '72.	W. T. Alden, Omega, '91.
John H. Hamline, Omega, '75.	Frank L. Grant, Theta Theta, '92.
Charles Alling, Chi, 85, Theta Theta, '88.	Joseph C. Nate, Alpha Iota, '90.
Edward M. Dexter, Alpha Lambda, '92, Milwaukee, Wis.	Mason Bross, Omega, '84.
A. C. Wilkinson, Alpha Lambda, '94.	Newman Miller, Alpha Pi, '93.
H. G. Spensely, Alpha Lambda, '94.	Arthur C. Mortland, Alpha, '99.
J. Frank Sperry, Kappa Kappa, '99, Campaign, Ill.	J. H. McCortney, Phi, Alpha Theta, '85.
H. F. Rader, Mu Mu, '96.	William M. Booth, Omega, '78.
F. B. Cozzens, Omega, '91.	E. Wyllys Andrews, Omega, '78.
Frank A. Early, Omega, '77.	A. D. Matthias, Xi, '94.
Conrad B. Kimball, Kappa Kappa, '94.	Wm. F. MacDonald, Omicron Omicron, '98.
Victor A. Matteson, Kappa Kappa, '95.	Marcus M. Plowman, Omicron Omicron, '99.
Harry E. Ambler, Omega, '95.	B. C. Taylor, Eta Eta, '97.
Chas. T. Wilder, Kappa Kappa, '94, Campaign, Ill.	John V. Norcross, Alpha Zeta, '88.
Chas. E. Keener, Kappa Kappa, '98.	Frederick F. Norcross, Alpha Zeta, '87.
Robt. W. Stevens, Omega.	Robt. C. Spencer, Alpha Lambda, '86.

Chicago, Ill., May 11, 1898.

CONRAD B. KIMBALL,  
Secretary Chicago Alumni Chapter.

## PERSONALS.

## BETA—WOOSTER UNIVERSITY.

Clifford and Harry Burrows, '89 and '90 respectively, have recently formed a partnership for the cultivation of cane on the Shady Side Plantation, Bayou Sale, St. Mary's Parish, La., and their postoffice address is Centreville, La.

Rev. L. L. Overman, '79, has recently accepted a call from the Second Presbyterian Church of St. Louis, Mo., to become its assistant pastor.

Rev. D. O. Ghormley, '76, now stationed at Moscow, Idaho, was honored by the Synod of Washington by unanimously electing him to the moderatorship at its last session.

D. L. Brumback, Beta, '83, who for a number of years has been the cashier of the Van Wert National Bank at Van Wert, Ohio, was recently elected to the presidency of the bank. This position had been held by his father, J. S. Brumback, recently deceased. O. S. Brumback, Beta, '76, was at the same time elected to the place in the directorship of the bank made vacant by his father's death.

Frank Rochester, '79, of the State Hospital of Athens, Ohio, recently entertained a party of "Sigs."

## ETA—THE UNIVERSITY OF MISSISSIPPI.

Thomas James, '81, is a successful planter, living at Sharkey, Miss.

Dr. James R. Berry, '77, is practicing medicine at Hebron, Miss.

Thomas Enochs, '93, is engaged in the lumber business at Jackson, Miss.

Fletcher Enochs, '92, is a lumber dealer located at Fernwood, Miss.

John D. Miller, of the sophomore class of 1897, is now engaged in mercantile business at Roseneath, Miss.

## THETA—PENNSYLVANIA COLLEGE.

The Rev. David B. Lady, Theta, '69, is now pastor of the Reformed Church in Greenville, Mercer County, Penn.

Rev. W. C. Shaffer, Theta, '66, has been elected vice-president of the Board of Charities in Savannah, Ga.

The Rev. Charles R. Trowbridge, Theta, '82, has been recalled to his old pastorate in Evanston, Penn.

LAMBDA—INDIANA UNIVERSITY.

F. I. King, '97, has taken a position on the Wabash, Indiana, *Plain Dealer*, as city reporter.

J. M. Murphy, '93, has been nominated on the republican ticket for prosecuting attorney of Wabash County, Ind. Nomination means election.

Walter S. Bend, '97, is now the instructor of mathematics of the Wabash, Ind., high school.

MU—DENISON UNIVERSITY.

H. S. Collette, '90, is now with the Central Union Telephone Company as special franchise agent, with headquarters at the Telephone Building, Indianapolis, Ind.

Geo. S. Austins, ex-'99, has announced his engagement to Miss Elizabeth I. Lasher, of Cincinnati. The wedding will occur in the near future.

GAMMA GAMMA—RANDOLPH-MACON COLLEGE.

Wallace W. Bennett, '89, is studying medicine in Richmond, Va.

R. T. Watts, '93, is with the National Exchange Bank, Lynchburg, Va.

Messrs. Woody W. Dickerson, '94, and W. Russell Winfree, '94, are with the Peoples National Bank, Lynchburg, Va.

Evan A. Edwards, Gamma Gamma, '94, Alpha Psi, '95, is preaching at Goshen, Maryland.

Messrs. Henry A. Christian, '95, Howard Fletcher, '95, and Stephen Hurt Watts, '96, are at Johns Hopkins University, Baltimore, Md.

Albert H. Lickleder, '97, is principal of Hickory Neck Academy, Roano, Va.

DELTA DELTA—PURDUE UNIVERSITY.

James B. Milner, '91, has been appointed United States Consul at Calais.

Walter Ford, '91, has lately been appointed city editor of the Marion, Indiana, *Morning News*.

R. C. Richards is appointed special commissioner in charge of the Mechanical Department at the Trans-Mississippi Exposition.

## ZETA ZETA—CENTER COLLEGE.

Carl Mize, '97, has just finished a business course at Lexington, Ky.

James Swango, '93, is practicing law in Memphis, Tenn.

"Dickie" Van Winkle is practicing law with Charles Rhodes, a very prominent lawyer of Danville, Ky.

Carl McKnight, '97, is traveling for a firm in Chicago, Ill.

Lewis Humphery, '96, is busy writing war news for the *Louisville Post*.

Claud King, '93, is farming about six miles from Danville, Ky.

Peter Knoot, ex-'98, is in the insurance business at Lebanon, Ky.

## ZETA PSI—THE UNIVERSITY OF CINCINNATI.

Wesley Hubbell, '99, has recently removed to New York, where he is engaged in business, and in the pursuit of his musical studies.

Joseph P. Ratliff, '99, has graduated from the Ohio Dental College, and is now residing in New York, carrying on his musical studies.

Daniel Lawrence, '97, has just been elected the Republican Mayor of Reading, Hamilton County, Ohio. This is a signal victory for Brother Lawrence, as the people of Reading do not know what a Republican officer looks like, never having seen one before.

Dudley B. Miller, '96, has entered the life insurance business in Ottumwa, Iowa.

John D. Isham, '96, has been promoted to the position of Contracting Agent on the West Shore Freight Line. Brother Isham is to be congratulated upon his good fortune.

## THETA THETA—THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN.

William Love, ex-'98, is now stationed in Mississippi. He holds a civil engineering position with the Illinois Central Railroad.

Orville S. Brumback, Beta, '76, Theta Theta, '79, of Toledo, Ohio, is in the South for his health.

## ALPHA GAMMA—THE OHIO STATE UNIVERSITY.

T. J. Smith, ex-'98, has charge of the electric light plant at New Lexington.

Loyd P. DeGolley, ex-'00, is in New Orleans, recuperating.

ALPHA GAMMA—THE OHIO STATE UNIVERSITY—Continued.

Thomas Y. McCray, '00, is at his home in Mansfield, Ohio. He is reading law in an office.

D. M. McDonald, '98, was called home by the sickness and death of his father. His address is Wellsville, Ohio.

ALPHA EPSILON—THE UNIVERSITY OF NEBRASKA.

D. W. Hawkswarth, '97, is employed as draftsman by the Burlington, Missouri Railway, at Plattsmouth, Neb.

L. R. Packard, '97, has been attending the Medical School at Northwestern University, Chicago.

R. C. Saxton, '97, is engaged in the mercantile business at Edgar, Nebraska.

G. M. Spurlock, '89, is now serving his second term as judge of Cass County.

W. H. Wheeler, '90, is Clerk of the Committee of Public Lands and Buildings, Washington, D. C.

H. W. Dubrava, '97, is with the Wagner Electric Co., St. Louis, Mo.

G. H. Risser, law, '97, is now practicing law with the firm of Stevens and Cochran, Lincoln, Neb.

ALPHA ZETA—BELOIT COLLEGE.

J. G. Randall, '95, graduated from Hanemann Medical College this spring.

John V. Norcross, '88, has formed a partnership with his brother, Fred F. Norcross, '87. Their law offices are in the Marquette Building, Chicago.

ALPHA LAMBDA—THE UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN.

John Kalvalege, '01, has accepted a position with the Billings Hoffman Mfg. Co. of Milwaukee.

William C. Leitch was elected mayor of Columbus, Wis., at the recent spring election.

ALPHA PI—ALBION COLLEGE.

Samuel Schultz, '93, who is a junior in the medical department of the Northwestern University, has been appointed on the hospital corps of the First Illinois Cavalry.



## ALPHA PI—ALBION COLLEGE—Continued.

Carmi R. Smith, '86, of Niles, Michigan, was a member of the special session of the Michigan Legislature called by Governor Pingree to consider tax measures.

Albert J. Roberts, '96, returned in April from Germany, where he had studied one year at Halle, and one year at Leipzig.

## ALPHA RHO—LEHIGH UNIVERSITY.

E. W. Miller, '96, is with the New Jersey Zinc Co.

Messrs. C. W. McCalla, '96, and F. W. Sykes, '94, are with the General Electric Co., of New York.

R. E. Laramy, '96, is instructor in the Moravian School at Bethlehem, Pa.

## ALPHA CHI—PENNSYLVANIA STATE COLLEGE.

W. Ray Thompson, '97, is employed as electrical inspector by the Borough Manhattan Electric Co., 43 Gold St., New York.

C. K. Spence, '95, has recently accepted a position as chemist with the New York and Pennsylvania Paper Co., of Johnsonburg, Elk Co., Pa.

P. C. Haldeman, ex-'00, is employed with the Pennsylvania Electric Co., of Marietta, Pa.

## ALPHA OMEGA—LELAND STANFORD, JR., UNIVERSITY.

Willis C. Noble, '97, is in business in San Diego, Cal.

Harry W. Morse, '97, is a chemist for the Golden Cross Mining Company at their mines at Hedges, California.

Norman B. Rofeer, '96, a graduate of the Mechanical Engineering department, is with the Union Iron Works of San Francisco.

James A. Pauly, ex-'98, is deputy assessor of San Diego, California.

## MISCELLANEOUS NOTES.

Walter Malone, Eta, '87, formerly of Memphis, Tenn., is now located at 29 East Twenty-first street, New York City. His literary work is meeting with very flattering success: He has recently had poems and sketches accepted by *The Arena*, *The Book Buyer*, *The Independent*, *The Outlook*, and *The New Orleans Times-Democrat*.

Professor F. M. Taylor, Omega, '76, of the political and economic department of the University of Michigan, has been appointed to the chairmanship of a committee of five on currency reform, established at the last annual meeting of the American Economic Association. Professor Taylor has accepted the position and will be assisted by the following gentlemen: Professors F. W. Taussig, of Harvard University; J. W. Jenks, of Cornell; Sidney Sherwood, of Johns Hopkins, and David Kinley, of the University of Illinois. The report of this committee will be made at the next annual meeting of the association held at Yale University, between Christmas and New Year's.

The Rev. D. B. Lady, Theta, '69, of Greenville, Mercer County, has been elected Secretary of the Sunday School Board of the General Synod of the Reformed Church of America.

M. H. Gerry, Alpha Sigma, '90, formerly of Minneapolis, Minn., has gone to Helena, Montana, to superintend the construction of an electrical plant. Before going, Mr. Gerry successfully opened a burglar-proof safe without starting the alarm. It was a test for which he received a purse of \$600.

The Rev. Morris E. Swartz, Omicron, '89, has been assigned to the Methodist Church in Shippensburg, Penn.

Archibald S. Lybrand, Alpha, —, has been nominated for Congress by the Republicans of the Sixth Ohio District.

N. G. Rogers, Xi, '97, is Vice-President of the Parkhurst Willow Bark Company, of Horton, Kan. Brother Rogers was Xi's delegate to the Twenty-third Grand Chapter.

Brother Bowersock, Alpha Xi, is practicing law in Minneapolis, and has done much for Alpha Sigma by his presence and hearty support.

S. A. Niles, Wabash College, '93, is now a member of the firm of the St. Joseph Manufacturing Co., located at Mishawaka, Ind.

W. A. Heath, Kappa Kappa, '83, has been elected a director of the First National Bank at Champaign, Ill. He has been cashier of the bank for several years.

Hugh C. Smith, Theta Theta, '94, now serving his second term as City Attorney of Trenton, Mo., has been nominated by the Republicans or Prosecuting Attorney of Grundy County, Mo. Brother Smith was defeated for the nomination two years ago but made a very creditable campaign against big odds, and this time had no opponent in the primary. The county has a Republican majority of 1,200.

At the Annual Convocation of the Grand Chapter Royal Arch Masons of Kansas, held in Wichita, February 16th, Alexander A. Sharp, Omicron, '83, now of Larned, Kansas, was elected Deputy Grand High Priest.

Hon. Oscar H. Montgomery, Chi, '81, will be a candidate before the ensuing Republican State Convention of Indiana for the nomination for Supreme Judge. The Madison, Ind., *Courier*, of March 30th, said:

"Mr. Montgomery was City Attorney of Seymour for ten years and has acted as special Judge in a number of important cases. Residing in a Democratic County and District, and being devotedly attached to his profession of the law, he has not filled political offices. The place he now seeks is in the line of his life-work, and no man can bring to it a finer record, a better equipment, superior industry, or a more splendid character."

Hon. Charles Alling, Chi, '85, Theta Theta, '88, member of the Chicago Common Council, has been appointed on the Streets and Alleys and the Civil Service Committees.

Rev. W. C. Schaeffer, Theta, '66, is to have one of the best parishes in the Southern Lutheran Church. His Sunday School recently purchased a fine piano, listed at \$1,200.

Chi Chapter, Hanover College, entertained the Annual Convention of the Fourth Province, May 12, 13 and 14.

Alpha Gamma Chapter is to entertain the Convention of the Third Province May 26-27. Brothers Walter M. Fickes, George Whittemore and Edward Allen constitute the committee in charge.

P. Merrill Griffith, Omicron Omicron, '97, has just been appointed consul to Matamoros, Mexico, by President McKinley. The Senate has confirmed the same and Brother Griffith is soon to go to his new field of labor.

R. B. Levy, Jr., Tau, '84, has been mustered into the service of the United States as captain of the Longview Rifles, the position he held in the Texas Volunteer Guard.

Fritz Hadra, Alpha Mu, '88, has been appointed by Gov. Culverson as one of the regimental surgeons to go with the Texas Volunteers.

Earle Brougher, Eta '90, was selected as one of the delegates from Cass County to the Democratic State Convention, which meets at Galveston, Texas, August 3rd.

## MARRIAGES.

Chas. M. Lewis, Kappa Kappa, '96, was married April 21st to Miss Marion Wright, daughter of Judge F. M. Wright, of Urbana, Ill. The bride is a member of the University of Illinois Chapter of Kappa Alpha Theta, and the wedding was the occasion of much celebration on the part of the local chapters of the Fraternity and sorority. The local alumni and the active chapter gave a bachelor dinner for the groom on the Monday night preceding the wedding, and a linen shower given by Miss Nell Trevett occupied the attention of the Thetas the same night. On Tuesday night Miss Trevett gave a dinner for the bridal couple and the wedding guests. The wedding on Thursday night at the First Methodist church in Urbana was a most elaborate affair, and decidedly an event in Kappa Kappa's history, as is shown by the fact that the church that night held 49 "Sigs." The groom's best man was R. J. Hotchkiss, ex-'97, of Peoria, and the other "Sigs" in the bridal party were Tom Beadle, '97, of Kewanee, Carl Nye, '97, of Moline, Isaac Hudson, ex-'97, of Cairo, George Frederickson, '94, of Anna, and C. T. Wilder, '94, of Champaign.

Robert W. Rogers, '96, was married March 30th to Miss Mabel Tyler, of Wauwatosa, Wis., in that city. Mr. Rogers is on the staff of the Milwaukee Journal.

James Lester Sexton, Alpha Zeta, was married at Savannah, Ga., April 14th, to Miss Margaret Dickerson Branch. The Savannah *News* of April 15th said:

"The wedding was one of the prettiest ever celebrated in Savannah, and the decorations were particularly effective. The chancel was brilliantly lighted, and on the altar were vases of Easter lilies. Tall, waving palms formed an arch, beneath which the ceremony was performed. Around the lectern and pulpit were arranged smilax and potted plants and the organ was concealed behind palms, interlaced with bamboo. Mr. and Mrs. Sexton left during the evening on their bridal tour, after which they will go to their home in Charlotte, N. C. Mr. Sexton is in business there with the Robbins Cotton mills, of which he is secretary and treasurer. He is a young man of great ability and character, and worthy of the lovable woman that he has won. The many friends of Miss Branch regret that she is leaving Savannah, but all rejoice in the happiness that lies before her."

E. K. Fox, Theta, ex-'94, and Miss Florence Eyster Weaver, the daughter of Dr. and Mrs. Jacob J. Weaver, of Uniontown, Md., were married on Feb. 2nd, '98.

Charles N. Marsteller, Delta Delta, was married on Feb. 16th to Miss Grace H. Hull at Lafayette, Ind. George Ade was best man.

The marriage of Thomas Grahm, of Grahm, New Mexico, to Miss Ida Marsh, of Lewisburg, Pa., took place April 14. The groom and all the ushers were "Sigs." The bride and bridesmaid each wore the pin. Kappa attended the wedding and reception in a body. Taking it all in all, it was a "Sig" affair from start to finish.

I. Marian Law, Alpha Nu, '96, was married to Miss Frances Mann of Galveston, Texas, April 20.

The Lafayette, Ind., *Evening Courier* of March 10th, under the caption "A Matrimonial Surprise," gives the following regarding the marriages of Clarence M. Bivins, Delta Delta. Mrs. Bivins is a sister of Mrs. Charles R. Richards, wife of Professor Richards, Delta Delta, '90, of the Nebraska State University:

"This morning LaFayette was surprised to learn that two of her most prominent young people had been married yesterday in Louisville, and none was more surprised than each member of the bride's family. Clarence M. Bivins, the popular business manager of the Herald company, and Miss Sarah Pauline Beardsley, the beautiful daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George T. Beardsley, were united in marriage in the parlors of the Chestnut Street Baptist church, Louisville, at noon yesterday, the Rev. Joseph Weaver officiating in the presence of his own family. A week or so ago they informed the bride's parents and one or two friends that they intended to go away and get married some day, but no one thought them to be in earnest. Now the happy bride and groom are laughing at the friends who doubted. Mr. Bivins is a Purdue graduate and a prominent Sigma Chi man, while Mrs. Bivins is a graduate of the high school."

#### OBITUARY.

Dr. J. R. Jordan, Zeta, '80, a prominent citizen of Montgomery, Alabama, died March 27, after a lingering illness. Dr. Jordan was born in Lexington, Va., on March 4, 1860, and went to Montgomery about fifteen years ago to practice his profession.

Rev. Bloomfield Edson, Chi, '93, died in April at Kaut, Ind. Brother Edson did valuable work for the Fraternity in editing the supplement for the Catalogue in the July, '91, QUARTERLY.

George R. Freeman, Theta, '76, died of peritonitis at Meadville, Pa., April 12, 1898. He was at the time a professor in the Unitarian Divinity School at Meadville.

Alpha Nu Chapter adopted the following resolutions regarding the death of Joseph Abbot, Jr., '92:

WHEREAS, It hath pleased Almighty God, in his wisdom, to remove from our midst our beloved brother, Joseph Abbott, Jr., Alpha Nu, '92, and,

WHEREAS, His brothers in Alpha Nu Chapter, University of Texas, deem it fitting to place on record some testimonial of his services and loyalty as a Sigma Chi, be it

*Resolved*, That in the death of Joseph Abbott, the Sigma Chi Fraternity loses a true and zealous brother and one who was ever devoted to its teachings, and be it

*Resolved*, That the members of Alpha Nu Chapter of the Sigma Chi Fraternity, hereby tender their heartfelt sympathy to the family of their deceased brother in this their hour of bereavement, and be it further

*Resolved*, That these resolutions be published in the SIGMA CHI QUARTERLY, and that a copy be sent to the bereaved family.

ALEX CAMP,  
OLINTHUS ELLIS, JR.,  
Committee.

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## UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN.

By DURAND W. SPRINGER, Alpha Pi, '86.

### HISTORY.

In 1817 the Territorial Government of Michigan passed an act establishing the University of Michigan. Amendments were made to the act by the legislatures of '21 and '37, and it was under the provisions of the law of 1837 that the work began. The first building was completed in the spring of '41, and the fall of the same year marked the opening of the Department of Literature, Science, and the Arts. In connection with this department there has since been established a graduate school wherein are enrolled all those who are working for Master's or Doctor's degrees. A legislative act of '91 authorizes the faculty of this department to issue a Teacher's Diploma to any graduate who has elected five courses in pedagogy. This diploma shall serve as a legal certificate of qualification to teach in any of the schools of the State. The Department of Medicine and Surgery was opened in 1850. The Department of Engineering dates from 1895, although work was done in this line in '53, and degrees have been conferred since '60. The Law School was established in 1859. Beginning with 1900 the entrance examinations will be made to conform to those required in the Department of Literature, Science, and the Arts. The School of Pharmacy was opened in 1868. Since the year 1870, the University has been co-educational. The Homeopathic Medical College and the College of Dental Surgery were made Departments of the University in 1875. Special professional courses of six years are given in the Departments of Medicine and Law. For four years a summer school has been conducted in connection with the Departments of Literature and Law. The total enrollment for the current year is 3,223, of which 1,868 come from Michigan. Previous to this year, each Department has had a separate alumni organization but with a grand total of 14,000 alumni it was deemed expedient to concen-

trate their energies in a single association, and make a determined effort to extend the influence of their alma mater.

#### GOVERNMENT.

The Board of Regents is the governing body of the University. It consists of eight members, two being elected by popular vote every other year. Each department has its special faculty, the executive head of which is styled the Dean. The combined faculties contained the past year, 191 members. Of this number, eleven were women. The University Senate is a body representing all the faculties and considers questions of common interest.

#### BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS.

The University Campus is a tract of forty acres centrally located in the finest residence part of the city and surrounded by a double driveway, separated by rows of lofty elms and spreading maples. It is a wondrously beautiful spot with broad, shady walks, well kept lawns, and beds of lovely flowers. The new Botanical Gardens will in time greatly improve the scenic beauty. The campus contains seventeen buildings, all heated and lighted from a central plant. Eight of these buildings may be considered modern in their architectural structure, but even these show that the authorities have been compelled to study economy rather than style when providing the room necessary to accommodate the continued growth of the University. Half a mile to the northeast of the Campus, the State purchased ten acres of land upon which were erected two well appointed hospitals, one for each school. These hospitals are kept open the year round, and about three thousand patients are annually treated. The Observatory is located on a high elevation of ground a short distance south of the hospitals. The tract contains eight acres. The Athletic Field of ten acres is located half a mile south of the Campus, and has been provided with the necessary appliances for successful athletic work.

#### EQUIPMENT.

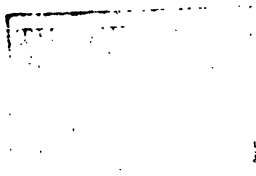
While it is true that judged by its buildings alone Michigan would be compelled to take a lower rank in the educational world than it now enjoys, it is equally true that its equipment for practical working purposes is second to none. The aim has been to supply the needful at the expense of the artistic. The combined libraries of the University contain over 110,000 volumes, 20,000 unbound pamphlets and 1,200 maps. Seven hundred periodicals are taken. The library is open four-



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teen hours each day during the school year. All the works of art belonging to the University are located in the Library building. The two largest collections are the hundred original casts of the works of Randolph Rogers and the six hundred and fifty paintings and forty pieces of statuary received from Henry C. Lewis. The Museum contains the collections usual to such a place, and the Chinese exhibit sent by the Government of China to the New Orleans exposition and afterwards presented to the University. The four departments of Natural History are represented by more than 150,000 specimens. The Waterman Gymnasium, named in honor of the late Joshua W. Waterman, of Detroit, provides all the necessary indoor facilities for the physical development of the male students. The main room is 90 by 150 feet, and is well supplied with modern gymnasium apparatus. The gallery around this room contains the running track, 375 feet in length. The Barbour Gymnasium, named in honor of ex-Regent Barbour, adjoins the Waterman and opens into it by means of two sets of large double doors. This building contains in addition to the gymnastic features, a hall for the lectures and meetings of the Woman's League and sufficient parlors to make the student life of the girls more pleasant.

#### REVENUES.

While it was intended by the founders of the University that there should be furnished to the youth of the land a chance to obtain a liberal education, it was deemed wise that a small fee should be exacted from all who accepted the opportunities offered. In addition to this source of revenue, the University has a small permanent endowment fund obtained from gifts and land grants. The largest bequest or gift to the University has just been made by Miss Elizabeth H. Bates, of Port Chester, N. Y. According to the provisions of her will, \$125,000 goes to the Medical Department of the University, to be used in establishing a chair of the diseases of women and children. There is levied and collected for its support a sixth of a mill tax. These three sources provide a revenue of about \$400,000 per year, an amount which in spite of the most rigid economy has not been sufficient to enable all the desired improvements to be made. It is hoped that the extra appropriation allowed by the last legislature for the new electric lighting plant, is but the forerunner of a more liberal policy on the part of the state.

#### ORGANIZATIONS.

Several of the associations organized and officered by students have such a direct influence on college life that they should be named in any

write-up of the University. The Students' Lecture Association provides an annual course of twelve numbers, at a cost of \$2.00. Its aim has been to bring persons of note, many times regardless of their ability to lecture. The Choral Union furnishes a course of ten musical entertainments at a cost of \$3.00. Five of these make up the May Festival, given on three successive days and attracting persons from all parts of the United States. These entertainments are held in University Hall, a structure capable of seating 3,000 people, and containing the celebrated Columbian Exposition organ. The Students Christian Association owns and occupies a large and beautiful building called Newberry Hall, situated across the street from the campus, and directly in front of University Hall. The association has about 800 members at present. The University Oratorical Association has enjoyed eight seasons of prosperity. The annual oratorical contest is held the latter part of March, and the winner represents the University in the Northern Oratorical League. During the eight years the League has been in existence, Michigan has secured first honors seven times. Michigan has also scored several triumphs in the debating arena.

The Woman's League was organized that the work of making the women students feel at home amidst their new surroundings might be carried on systematically. The faculty ladies are especially active in this organization.

#### SOCIAL LIFE.

Social functions are frequent enough to relieve the monotony of student life. During the entire school year the churches and the Student's Christian Association vie with each other in trying to make the students feel at home. During the first semester the Freshmen Spread is given. This is strictly a "co-ed" affair given by the upper class girls to their freshmen sisters. The informal at homes given during the year under the auspices of the Woman's League are followed in the spring by a general reception. No stated "stag" parties occur but the fraternity houses are the scenes of many informal social gatherings to which only the male sex are invited.

For some time past, owing to a division in fraternity circles, two Freshman Banquets have been given. The social event of the University is the Junior Hop. For several years the management was in the hands of the Palladium fraternities. The outside fraternities and the independents became strong enough to demand participation in the management and failing to secure it to successfully operate a second and rival dance. Last year an agreement was entered into by the

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various factions whereby it is to become a class affair and all parties will be represented on the board of managers. The Senior Reception is the farewell attempt on the part of those who have survived four years of hard work, to "drive dull care away." Because of the many other engagements incident to commencement time, it is followed by fewer extra functions than the Junior Hop.

## PUBLICATIONS.

Michigan furnishes a good field for the amateur journalist. The *U. of M. Daily* was founded by the Independents but now its editorial ranks are filled by a series of competitive examinations and contain persons of every shade of political, intellectual, moral, social and religious belief. The *Wrinkle* is a humorous magazine and is issued whenever enough jokes and cartoons have accumulated to warrant the attempt. The *Inlander* is purely literary in character, while the object of the *Alumnus* is indicated by its name. The *Bulletin* is published by the S. C. A. and contains reports of the addresses delivered before that body. Both the Engineering and Dental Schools publish technical journals. The Senior Annual is styled the *Michiganesian*. It is managed by a board of twelve editors, four of whom are elected by the Senior Independent Lits, four by the Seniors in the Literary fraternities and four by the Senior Laws. Previous to last year each of these groups had a publication of its own.

## ATHLETICS.

For years Michigan has been a leader in athletic sports. The prominence which athletics have assumed in the college life naturally carried with it some of the evils attendant upon sports and practices sprang up which could not be tolerated. Educators talked about them and condemned sports. Being theorists mainly, no good resulted from their ravings. Michigan's faculty was one of the first to act. A Board of Control was organized with power to enforce its orders. Rules were adopted looking to raising the educational qualifications of the contestants. The latest step in the solution of this problem, the barring of the professional from participation in college athletic contests, has had the temporary effect of weakening the teams of those schools who have faithfully carried out its provisions. It must, however, be admitted that so far as Michigan is concerned fraternity politics has had much more to do with the poor showing made by our teams than have any rules formulated by the Board of Control. Plans for a graduate manager have been formulated and it is hoped that this step will entirely

relieve this evil. The Athletic Association has just established an Annual Field Meet for the High Schools of Michigan.

#### FRATERNITIES.

The fraternity system was early planted in Michigan soil. As at other schools, so at Michigan, the fraternity man is the one who most enthusiastically supports those institutions in which college life and college spirit are fostered. There are fourteen fraternities in the Literary Department, three in the Department of Law, and seven in the Departments of Medicine and Dentistry. There are eight sororities. The total student membership in the fraternities is five hundred thirty-eight, and in the sororities one hundred and forty-eight; the total in both being twenty-two per cent. of the entire student body. **Forty-four** per cent. of the faculty are fraternity men. The aggregate property in Ann Arbor owned by the fraternities is appraised at \$84,000.00, which would make its real value in the neighborhood of \$120,000.00.

#### FINALE.

This article has been but a feeble attempt at outlining a picture of the University of Michigan. Its growth has been phenomenal. It is a standing example of what western push will do. It has not had sufficient money to bring prominent men to its faculty. It has succeeded, however, in maintaining a working faculty and many are the teachers who have attained distinction by reason of the work done while here. Who can tell of the many hours of patient toil which the professors, past and present, have passed in their endeavors to instruct coming generations. Who can write concerning the example which noble men have set day by day not only in the class room but on the streets and on the campus? Who can number the men and women whose lives have been made better and who have been a blessing to civilization because of the inspiration received from faithful instructors? These and many others are the standards by which schools should be judged. Not numbers enrolled but influence exerted should be the basis of comparison. Time only can determine the absolute value of anything. Relative values are more easily discerned. If asked to name the chief factors that make for the welfare of our great commonwealth, no one would fail to give an important place in the list to the University of Michigan.



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**FOOTBALL IN THE WEST.**

By F. H. Yost, Mu Mu, '97.

Education is a growth. Its fullest and completest benefits are obtained only after years of continued application and healthful effort. The student who realizes this primary fact and tries to subdue and rule his faculties accordingly will succeed. Any height of scholarship can be achieved upon a proper observation of this rule. Man's faculties are divided into the physical, the mental and the moral. Naimai Vivekanandi is simply reiterating the old Grecian idea of education when he says that the physical man is the substratum upon which man ought and must base his development of mind and soul. The enjoyment of mind concentration and moral strength attends him who cares for his body by giving it proper exercise. The mental and moral attributes of intellectuality, courage and ambition are strongest in him who has carefully and assiduously trained the body.

In view of these facts the past few years have witnessed a great revival of open-air games, in our colleges and universities. The invention of the modern football game has filled an important place, and bids fair to become the most generally practiced game in the catalogue of college games. The reasons for its growing popularity are apparent when we consider its advantages, benefits and results.

It affords an excellent opportunity to all students to develop and strengthen man's trinity at one and the same time. The muscles of the body are unitedly and separately called into quick action. The human body needs such exercise. If the body is strong and healthy, it is necessary to keep the springs of action alert and ready-trained; if the body is weak and invalid it is necessary to crown the diligent labors of the anxious gymnasium student with a test of his strength and endurance. Football offers these opportunities, besides the great benefit of continually breathing the purest air the climate affords, and the best light the eye obtains. To excel on the football field is an indication of labor, a mark of strength, and a sign of health.

Physical education requires a strenuous examination to ascertain its completeness and ability as much as the mental and moral. This game provides such a test and earnestly solicits the attention of a scrutinizing public.

If restrictions are needed, they can be made; if improvements are

recommended, they can be adopted; then why should there be such sentimental howl about its brutality and danger?

This game trains the mental powers. Sense-perception is developed to an exceedingly high degree, for the player sees with an eagle's eye, and listens with a hart's ear. The avenues of knowledge are ever open in order to reach a quick and accurate conclusion of the coming play.

The dull, slow student never is a good player until he has trained his mind to alertness, quickness and precision. It often happens that a player has to train alone for weeks and is obliged to play for years before he obtains that mental power necessary to brilliant success. Many never succeed for lack of mental quickness and alertness. So many combinations of human strength and artifice are possible that the player must do independent mind-action and hold himself ever ready to modification and change. Therefore it cultivates intellectual rapidity and good judgment.

The game is one of severe moral standards. It cultivates masterful courage, fosters abiding self-control, creates enduring self-reliance and encourages relative and absolute self-dependence. Loss of temper never wins a game but very often loses a victory. Sufficient will power to resist the petty designed provocations of the opponent is absolutely necessary. To unbalance, annoy and provoke the player and to make him lose a quiet, calm state of mind is always attempted. The very moment the players lose their temper, that very moment they become practically useless to their own side and an easy prey for their opponents.

The players must be moral, as only then can the best results be obtained. Foot-ball players are abstemious, temperate, honest, courageous, liberal and forgiving. More than that, they are usually among the best students in their classes and most successful in after life.

This game has had a phenomenal growth in popularity in the West within the past few years. All the leading colleges and universities of the Great West have adopted this game, and have employed thorough coaches of the East, until now the West is rapidly taking the lead in advancing, improving and spreading this popular game.

### THE CONVENTION OF THE FOURTH PROVINCE.

Some men are more in sympathy with each other because they are possessed of characteristics which are common to each of them. This condition is the result of the natural unfolding of the individual nature as it comes in touch with its environment. This disposition serves to make men better and the world better by their having lived in it. We are "Sigs," and we are possessed of a nature common to all of us. It is that which makes us "Sigs." When we touch each other in the commotion of society, that touch rebounds and we are immediately conscious of a sympathy in Sigma Chi, that is in the possession of all of us. We are possessed of one aim in life,—"fj!"—and in this purpose is our life. The loftiness of our purpose and its purity serves to make us better "Sigs," and Sigma Chi better by our having been "Sigs." This is the spirit that permeated the convention of the Fourth Province, and all present at that convention realized more than ever before how dear Sigma Chi is to every one of us.

The annual convention of the Fourth Province was called to order by the Grand Praetor, J. R. Vooris, at eight o'clock p. m., Thursday, May 12, 1898, in Chi Chapter House, at Hanover, Indiana. Brother Vooris was nominated for temporary chairman, and Brother Bordner, Lambda, for temporary secretary. The convention then proceeded to a permanent organization, and a committee was named to select the permanent officers of the convention. Grand Tribune Charles Alling, Chi, Brother C. W. Valentine, Delta Delta, and Brother Nathan Powell, Chi, constituted this committee. The report of the committee was unanimously adopted, and the permanent officers of the convention were: Consul, Joseph R. Vooris, Chi, '87; Pro-consul, C. W. Valentine, Delta Delta, '98; Annotator, Ira Bordner, Lambda, '98; Custos, Harry T. Graham, Chi, '98.

Brother Vooris gave an address of welcome to the visitors which was rich in Sigma Chi spirit and enthusiasm. Brother Valentine spoke for Delta Delta, and Brother Bordner spoke for Lambda, and both gave an expression of the prosperous condition of their chapters and the good fellowship existing for the sister chapters.

A telegram had been received from Rho in the afternoon and was read to the convention:

Irvington, Ind., May 12, 1898.

J. R. Vooris, Hanover, Ind.—Can't send man. Chapter enlisted. Hurrah for Dewey. SWENY.

Enthusiastic cheering and applause followed the reading of this telegram, and Rho's patriotic response to our country's call received the approval of the entire convention.

A committee on the order of business for the Friday morning session was appointed, composed of Brothers Bordner, Harry Graham and Charles Alling. A committee on resolutions was appointed, composed of Brothers Valentine, T. Graham and Hense. A discussion of the new ritual was next commenced, and it was decided to practice the secret work at the next session of the convention, Friday morning. The hour was already late, and the convention adjourned informally after being entertained by a delightful talk from Brother Nathan Powell, whose amiable disposition and charming manner are well fitted to inspire the soul of every Sigma Chi.

The next session of the convention was called to order at ten o'clock Friday morning. The committee on the order of business reported that it had appointed committees to draft resolutions for the consideration of the convention. The report was accepted and the drill on the secret work of the ritual followed. An hour was thus occupied and a thorough acquaintance was formed with the ritualistic work.

The committee on resolutions reported the following resolutions, which were adopted:

*Be it hereby resolved,* That this convention tender a vote of thanks to Grand Praetor Joseph R. Vooris and those instrumental in its arrangements, and to the Grand Council, Chi, Lambda and Delta Delta Chapters for their delegations to the convention.

*Be it hereby resolved,* That we extend a vote of thanks to Chi Chapter for their bountiful hospitality.

*Be it hereby resolved,* That we extend a special vote of thanks to Brother Nathan Powell for his generous attentions and loyal good fellowship toward the convention.

*Be it also hereby resolved,* That a vote of thanks be extended to our grand officers, whose energetic loyalty is doing so much to promote the success and glory of Sigma Chi.

The following resolutions were reported by committee, appointed by the committee on the order of business, and were adopted:

#### A RESOLUTION ON THE NEW SONG BOOK.

By BROTHER SCHLEY, Chi.

*Be it resolved,* That we express our complete satisfaction with, and our high appreciation of the new song book, recently published by the general Fraternity. We feel that there is and should be a high regard among the members of Sigma Chi, for the editor and his assistant, and also the committee on publication. We would also recommend that the book be in the hands of every chapter, and the individual members, and that they learn the book as a whole, and not a few selections to their own liking; otherwise they will miss the true spirit of the work. The work, both as to mechanical design and subject matter, is all that we could wish for as a fraternity song book, and when the present issue is exhausted a new one should be produced to meet the demands of all chapters and members.

A RESOLUTION ON THE ENDOWMENT FUND.

By BROTHER T. GRAHAM, Chi.

*Be it resolved by the Chapters of the Fourth Province in convention assembled,* That they do unqualifiedly indorse the Endowment Fund plan as suggested by our Grand Quaestor and recommend the chapters and individual members, alumni and active, to pledge their financial assistance.

A RESOLUTION ON PROVINCE CONVENTIONS.

By BROTHER I. BORDNER, Lambda.

*Resolved,* That it is the expression of this convention, that: Each Province of the Fraternity shall hold a convention once in each college year.

That it shall be the duty of the Grand Praetor, and he shall have the power, to regulate the proceedings and affairs of the convention of his Province.

That each chapter in a Province be represented by a delegate at each Provincial convention.

*Be it further resolved,* That the Grand Praetor be required to visit each chapter in his Province once during each college year.

*Be it further resolved,* That each chapter provide in its by-laws a rule to determine whether a Sigma Chi from another chapter shall affiliate with that chapter as an active member, and it is here suggested that a three-fourth vote of the chapter be required to elect any such Sigma Chi to active membership.

*Be it further resolved,* That each chapter consider with due regard, the advice of any Sigma Chi, alumnus, or other chapter regarding the character of a man and his eligibleness to become a Sigma Chi.

We believe that such provisions will contribute much to relieve the chapters of any feeling of isolation from the General Fraternity and produce more intensive internal chapter work and a more strict adherence to the ritualistic work.

A RESOLUTION ON THE HISTORIAN'S WORK IN THE CHAPTER AND CATALOGUE WORK.

By CHARLES ALLING, Chi.

*Resolved,* That this convention urge every chapter historian to do systematic work in securing and preserving full information concerning the alumni and active members of his chapter.

We recommend that the date and place of birth of every initiate be entered in a suitable record book immediately upon his initiation; that such data also be compiled concerning all members of the chapter and alumni; that the date of entrance into college and the institutions attended before entrance be stated, together with the college class of the member and date of initiation; that degrees conferred and the date thereof, or date of leaving college, also be recorded.

We recommend that such as the following facts be recorded as to alumni: Institutions attended after leaving college, with dates and degrees there received; with subsequent occupations and places of residences and dates; all honors received and names of organizations entered; date of marriage and place with full maiden name of wife; list of conventions attended and offices held in the general Fraternity; date and place of death and burial and name and residence of nearest relative.

We urge upon our chapters the securing and preservation of pictures of alumni, and

clippings from newspapers concerning them. To this end we believe that every chapter should own an album for pictures and a scrap book in which shall be pasted all memorabilia concerning the activities of the chapter and its members.

We trust that the means may be secured by the general Fraternity to pay a Grand Historian to devote suitable time and energy to the direction of this work and provide a uniform system of record books for all chapters. But until the Fraternity is able to undergo such expense we urge each chapter to provide for the preservation of its own data.

We call attention to the necessity of every chapter keeping complete bound copies of the *Bulletin* and QUARTERLY and the local college publications for the chapter library. We urge chapter historians to attend at once to the binding of the QUARTERLY and *Bulletin* at the close of each volume thereof.

We believe that such a system will increase the knowledge of the chapter concerning its alumni and lead to a renewal of their interest in their chapter, and greatly facilitate the collection of biographical material for the next edition of the *Sigma Chi Catalogue*.

We believe that the action of the last Grand Chapter concerning the catalogue was opportune and that the chapters and grand officers should push preparations for a new catalogue of membership as fast as possible.

We recommend that a blank form embodying the above information concerning initiates be prepared for signature in duplicate by every initiate; one of said forms to be preserved in the chapter archives and copied into the chapter record book and the other to be sent to the Grand Historian.

The time and place of the next convention being left in the hands of the Grand Praetor, such time and place were not settled upon, and the convention adjourned "sine die."

Since your Annotator was a visiting delegate, and a guest, no hesitation is felt in expressing the complete success of the convention. True, "Sig" hospitality and brotherly love characterize our Chi Chapter. Situated as they are in their beautiful chapter house, in a high, romantic spot, on the hills overlooking the Ohio river, where nature is profuse in her adornment, they are enabled to entertain a visitor in a manner gratifying to the most idiosyncratical mind. Thursday afternoon and evening were given up to getting acquainted. The air was full of Sigma Chi spirit and the walls of Chi Chapter house reverberated the echo of Sigma Chi songs from the new song book and merry sounds and voices. A delightful and sumptuous dinner was the indulgence of the evening, and and a happier and gayer assemblage of "Sigs" never graced the borders of the festal board. The well known punch bowl was a favorite harbor, and thanks to Brother Nathan Powell for its right disposition. A "quiet night" in Chi Chapter house, and we were ready for the festivity planned for Friday. Rev. D. W. Fisher, D. D. LL. D., President of Hanover College, Mrs. Fisher and Miss Fisher contributed to the pleasure of the visitors by an elegant dinner at one o'clock on Friday. Brothers Charles Alling, Vooris, Valentine and the writer were afforded the opportunity of appreciating their kind hospitality.

It was a merry company that left Chi Chapter house Friday afternoon to drive to Madison, and the new "Sig" songs and yell rang out loud and clear over the hills as we descended to Madison. This drive of six miles is a beautiful one, and, to a lover of nature's work, ample food is afforded for the imagination to feast upon; the foliage green, the sun in its brilliancy, and the music of the woods and hills made the mind tingle with pure sentiment, as the eye surveyed the majestic Ohio, winding among the hills in sombre silence. The effect of such scenes is a happy possession, and the memory of the convention of the Fourth Province will perpetuate it in the minds of all present on that occasion.

On arriving in Madison, Brother Valentine and Brother Bradley, Lambda, and the writer were turned over to Brother Nathan Powell, and the feast of the scenes on the Ohio continued. We were driven behind his fast team in a stylish trap through North Madison and vicinity. Returning, Brother Powell set forth in that hospitable manner which characterizes the generous nature of a Southerner, a delightful and refreshing toast to the inspiration of the inner man, and after further social indulgence, we returned to the Madison Hotel.

The banquet and dance at that good inn followed in the evening. All "Sigs" appreciate the character of a "Sig" banquet and dance; let it be said of Chi Chapter their effort to "do it right" was crowned with success; substance for the inner man in plenty and good nature galore. The adornment dear to every "Sig's" heart—the "Sig" girl—graced the occasion. Chi Chapter can well be proud of her "Sig" girls—pretty, witty, graceful, and congenial and "Sig" to the core. They all are possessed of the requisites necessary to assume the responsibility of a "Sig's" care; to share his joys, his sorrows, and go down with the river of life 'till the chill waters dampen his feet, his life is spent and to Sigma Chi has been added new lustre by his life in her life.

Ex-Grand Praetor Powell, as Master of Toasts, was brilliant and scintillating all evening. He set a high standard of wit and eloquence and the following respondents kept close to the pace, making the intellectual features of the banquet far above the average:

- "Our Province," Joseph R. Vooris.
- "Our Sister Chapters," C. W. Valentine.
- "The Loving Cup," Charles Alling.
- "The 'Sig' Girl," Ira Bordner.
- "Our Loyal Band," M. C. Bradley.
- "Sigma Chi Swells," Dr. A. B. Graham.
- "The White Cross," George S. Taylor.
- "The Sober Brothers," T. J. Graham.
- "The Goat," Albert S. Alling.



Many of the new and old songs of Sigma Chi interspersed the course of the banquet and the list of toasts, and were heartily sung in the parlors of the hotel by the ladies and gentlemen who were not dancing.

The wee small hours of the morning saw the company break away from its pleasure, each feeling that Sigma Chi was dearer to him than ever before.

Now the Fourth Province sends greetings to all sister provinces and wishes for you as pleasant an occasion at your convention as we had at ours.

The following Sigma Chis were present at the sessions of the convention: C. W. Valentine, Delta Delta, '98; M. C. Bradley, Lambda, '99; Ira Bordner, Lambda, '98.

## CHI CHAPTER.

Nathan Powell, '84.	Augustus T. Schley, '00.
Charles Alling, '85. Theta Theta, '88.	Herbert D. Britan, '00.
Joseph R. Vooris, '87.	Lewis D. Needham, '01.
Dr. Alois B. Graham, '91.	Frederic C. Alling, '01.
Thomas J. Graham, '96.	Thos. B. McGregor, '01.
Harry T. Graham, '98.	Melville H. Keil, '01.
Clarence L. Banta, '99.	John Boden, '01.
Evan C. Totten, '99.	Spencer K. Norton, '02.
Edward O. Hense, '00.	John Graham, '02.

In addition to these the following pledged members of Chi Chapter were present at the banquet: Raymond Keil, '02; George C. Heckman, '03; James Markley Wright, '03; Chauncey B. Lewis, '03.

The following alumni were present at the banquet, in addition to those who attended the convention: Albert S. Alling, Chi, '82, a merchant of Madison, and George S. Taylor, Chi, '86, the new Superintendent of Jefferson County's schools.

The following ladies were present at the banquet: Mrs. D. W. Fisher, Misses Edith Fisher, Jessie Young, Effie Morse and Nellie Britan, Hanover, Ind.; Misses Anna Friedley, Mary Powell, Althea Wymond, Maud Grayson, Margaret White, Blanche Fenton, Nellie Roberts, Charlotte White, Frances Scheik, Rebecca Drake, Florence Glaser, Mary Glass, Nellie Taylor, Mrs. Albert S. Alling, Madison, Ind.; Miss Jessie N. Stewart, College Corner, O.; Misses Jessie Miller and Mayme Brewer, Greenwood, Ind.; Miss Julia Penn, Bedford, Ky.; Miss Mary Torrence, Terre Haute, Ind.; Miss Maud Harold, Petersburg, Ind.; Miss Jessie Miller, Greenwood, Ind.; Miss Cornelia Parker Alling, Chicago, and Miss Norma Fisk, Vevay, Ind.

IRA BORDNER, Lambda, '98, Annotator.

NUMERICAL PROGRESS FOR THE YEAR 1897-'98.

FIRST PROVINCE.

\*EPSILON—COLUMBIAN UNIVERSITY, WASHINGTON, D. C.

Total initiates for the year, 0. Total initiates for 1896-97, 5.

Name of Initiate and Class.	Home Address.	Date of Initiation
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THETA—PENNSYLVANIA COLLEGE, GETTYSBURG, PA.

Total initiates for the year, 5. Total initiates for 1896-97, 8.

Calvin B. Loudon, '02,	Altoona (Juniata), Pa.	Jan. 8, '98.
DeLanson J. Young, '02,	Middletown, Pa.	Jan. 8, '98.
Louis A. Young, '03,	Middletown, Pa.	Jan. 22, '98.
Howard B. Young, '02,	Middletown, Pa.	Jan. 22, '98.
Joseph M. Lauman, '02,	Middletown, Pa.	Jan. 22, '98.

\*KAPPA—BUCKNELL UNIVERSITY, LEWISBURG, PA.

Total initiates for the year, 4. Total initiates for 1896-97, 5.

Simon P. Wolverton, Jr.,	Sunbury, Pa.
Ernest Magee,	Clarion, Pa.
Edward Caldwell,	Milton, Pa.
Frank W. Ward,	Ridgeway, Pa.

\*PHI PHI—THE UNIVERSITY OF PENNSYLVANIA, PHILADELPHIA, PA.

Total initiates for the year, 4. Total initiates for 1896-97, 4.

P. D. Overfield, '99.	
Eugene B. Wilkins, '01,	Washington, D. C.
John T. Engeman,	Brooklyn, N. Y.
Curtis S. Foster,	Marion, Pa.

ALPHA RHO—LEHIGH UNIVERSITY, SOUTH BETHLEHEM, PA.

Total initiates for the year, 1. Total initiates for 1896-97, 4.

Thomas W. Wright, '01,	Philadelphia, Pa.,	May 18, '98.
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ALPHA CHI—PENNSYLVANIA STATE COLLEGE, STATE COLLEGE, PA.

Total initiates for the year, 7. Total initiates for 1896-97, 5.

Arthur Loudon Campbell, '01,	Port Royal, Pa.	Sept. 24, '97.
David Lloyd Eynon, '01,	Philadelphia, Pa.	Sept. 24, '97.
John Hunsicker, Jr., '01,	Lebanon, Pa.	Oct. 9, '97.
Wayne Thompson Dimm, '00,	Dimmsville, Pa.	Nov. 5, '97.
James Coburn Rogers, '01,	Bellefonte, Pa.	Apr. 11, '98.
George Newton Campbell, '02,	Sunbury, Pa.	June 14, '98.
Ralph Vinton Little, '02,	Cumberland, Md.	June 14, '98.

Total initiates in First Province, 21.

Total initiates in First Province in 1896-97, 35.

\*No report. Statistics taken from chapter letters.

## SECOND PROVINCE.

## ZETA—WASHINGTON AND LEE UNIVERSITY, LEXINGTON, VA.

Total initiates for the year, 3. Total initiates for 1896-97, 2.

John K. Graves,	Lexington, Va.	Sept. 8, '98.
Wm. U. Bonnie,	Louisville, Ky.	Sept. 15, '98.
John W. Jones, Law,	Blackfoot, Idaho,	Sept. 24, '98.

## \*TAU—ROANOKE COLLEGE, SALEM, VA.

Total initiates for the year, 3. Total initiates for 1896-97, 5.

Paca Kennedy,	Charleston, W. Va.
Wilbur H. Baillie, '01,	Salem, Ohio.
Oscar C. McNab, '01,	Salem, Ohio.

## PSI—UNIVERSITY OF VIRGINIA, CHARLOTTESVILLE, VA.

Total initiates for the year, 5. Total initiates for 1896-97, 6.

Robert T. Anderson,	Greenville, Ohio.	Oct. 15, '97.
Philip P. Steptoe,	Raccoon Ford, Va.	Oct. 15, '97.
George A. W. Frazer,	Nashville, Tenn.	Oct. 15, '97.
George A. Allen,	Erie, Pa.	Feb. 10, '98.
John C. Adams,	Lynchburg, Va.	Feb. 10, '98.

## GAMMA GAMMA—RANDOLPH-MACON COLLEGE, ASHLAND, VA.

Total initiates for the year, 4. Total initiates for 1896-97, 1.

Jesse N. McClees, Special,	Wichita, Kan.	Oct. 9, '98.
James Duval Adams, '00,	Lynchburg, Va.	Oct. 9, '98.
Henry Lyman Johnson, Special,	Lynchburg, Va.	Oct. 9, '98.
Joseph Hugh Neville, '99,	Portsmouth, Va.	Oct. 9, '98.

## SIGMA SIGMA—HAMPDEN-SIDNEY COLLEGE, HAMPDEN-SIDNEY, VA.

Total initiates for the year, 3. Total initiates for 1896-97, 5.

J. W. Somerville, '00,	Mitchells Station, Va.	Sept. 28, '97.
R. L. Miller, '01,	Wytheville, Va.	Oct. 15, '97.
H. L. Stephenson, '00,	Roanoke, Va.	Nov. 23, '97.

## \*ALPHA TAU—UNIVERSITY OF NORTH CAROLINA, CHAPEL HILL, N. C.

Total initiates for the year, 6. Total initiates for 1896-97, 3.

Charles H. Weir.
John M. Hayes.
W. S. Vaught, '00.
R. A. McEhearn, '00.
T. Winfield Jones, '00.
Willis P. M. Turner, '00.

Total initiates in Second Province, 24.

Total initiates in Second Province in 1896-97, 22.

\* No report. Statistics taken from chapter letters.

THIRD PROVINCE.

\*ALPHA—MIAMA UNIVERSITY, OXFORD, OHIO.

Total initiates for the year, 2. Total initiates for 1896-97, 7.

Campbell, 'or.  
Thackwell, 'or.

\*GAMMA—OHIO WESLEYAN UNIVERSITY, DELAWARE, OHIO.

Total initiates for the year, 1. Total initiates for 1896-97, 7.

C. E. Neil.

MU—DENISON UNIVERSITY, GRANVILLE, OHIO.

Total initiates for the year, 3. Total initiates for 1896-97, 5.

John Harmon, 'or,	Warren, Ohio,	Sept. 17, '97.
Percy L. Wiltsee, 'or,	Cincinnati, Ohio,	Sept. 30, '97.
Frank Wright, 'or,	Granville, Ohio,	Feb. 4, '98.

ZETA ZETA—CENTER COLLEGE, DANVILLE, KY.

Total initiates for the year, 7. Total initiates for 1896-97, 5.

Sydney Green, 'oo,	Springfield, Ky.	Sept. 20, '97.
Ephriam Pennington, 'oo,	Stanford, Ky.	Oct. 2, '97.
Sam Chiles, 'oo,	Frankfort, Ky.	Oct. 12, '97.
William Berry, 'or,	Yazoo, Miss.	Oct. 12, '97.
Waller Rodes, 'oo,	Burgin, Ky.	Oct. 23, '97.
Ernest Van Winkle, '99,	Danville, Ky.	Oct. 30, '97.
Clay Goodloe,	Danville, Ky.	May 24, '98.

ZETA PSI—UNIVERSITY OF CINCINNATI, CINCINNATI, O.

Total initiates for the year, 7. Total initiates for 1896-97, 5.

Otis M. Stock, 'or,	Linwood, Ohio.	Oct. 2, '97.
James S. Richardson, 'or,	Glendale, Ohio.	Oct. 2, '97.
Louis B. Blackmore, 'or,	Avondale, Cincinnati, Ohio.	Oct. 2, '97.
Ernest Diehl, 'or,	Avondale, Cincinnati, Ohio.	Oct. 2, '97.
Charles Kinsey, 'or,	Wyoming, Ohio.	Oct. 2, '97.
Grear H. Baker, 'or,	Cincinnati, Ohio.	Oct. 2, '97.
Francis Huston, 'or,	Avondale, Cincinnati, Ohio.	Nov. 27, '97.

\*LAMBDA LAMBDA—KENTUCKY STATE COLLEGE, LEXINGTON, KY.

Total initiates for the year, 5. Total initiates for 1896-97, 6.

Charles Blessing, 'oo,	Carrollton, Ky.	Oct. 2, '97.
William E. Dowling, 'or,	Lawrenceburg, Ky.	Nov. 13, '97.
John A. Parlin, 'or,	Newport, Ky.	Nov. 13, '97.
James G. Scrugham, 'oo,	Lexington, Ky.	Nov. 13, '97.
Arthur Vane Lester, 'oo,	Williamsburg, Ky.	Feb. 19, '98.

\* No report. Statistics taken from chapter letters.

## MU MU—WEST VIRGINIA UNIVERSITY, MORGANTOWN, W. VA.

Total initiates for the year, 4. Total initiates for 1896-97, 8.

Chas. N. McWhorter, '01,	Lewisburg, W. Va.	Dec. 2, '97.
A. G. Tait, '99,	Randall, W. Va.	Feb. 25, '98.
J. A. Garrison, '01,	Wadestown, W. Va.	Feb. 25, '98.
A. W. Smith, '00,	Philippi, W. Va.	Mar. 18, '98.

## ALPHA GAMMA—OHIO STATE UNIVERSITY, COLUMBUS, OHIO.

Total initiates for the year, 7. Total initiates for 1896-97, 7.

T. J. Smith, '99,	New Lexington, Ohio.	Sept. 30, '97.
Loyd P. De Golley, '00,	Mt. Gilead, Ohio.	Sept. 30, '97.
Thomas Y. McCray, Jr., '00,	Mansfield, Ohio.	Nov. 24, '97.
George Foster Whittemore, '01,	Kenne, Ohio.	Jan. 4, '98.
Rollo S. Frame, '01,	Cambridge, Ohio.	Feb. 10, '98.
Louis F. Peck, '00,	Stanton, Va.	April 10, '98.
Louis Fibel, '01,	Hillsborough, Ohio.	May 17, '98.

Total initiates in Third Province, 36.

Total initiates in Third Province in 1896-97, 53.

## FOURTH PROVINCE.

## \*LAMBDA—INDIANA STATE UNIVERSITY, BLOOMINGTON, IND.

Total initiates for the year, 3. Total initiates for 1896-97, 6.

Edwin C. Hill,	Aurora, Ill.
Everard N. Wetzell,	Indianapolis, Ind.
Thomas I. Ahl,	Moweaqua, Ill.

## \*XI—DE PAUW UNIVERSITY, GREENCASTLE, IND.

Total initiates for the year, 8. Total initiates for 1896-97, 9.

Paul McFadden,	Bainbridge, Ind.
George C. Fisher,	Anderson, Ind.
Charles Hamrick,	Belville, Ind.
Horace Hanna,	Plainfield, Ind.
Harry Messer,	Charleston, Ill.
Thomas Chambers,	Charleston, Ill.
Edward Call,	Greencastle, Ind.
Elmer Stoll,	South Bend, Ind.

## RHO—BUTLER UNIVERSITY, IRVINGTON, IND.

Total initiates for the year, 3. Total initiates for 1896-97, 7.

Earle Showers, Special,	Bloomington, Ind.
Otho Darnell, '00,	Lebanon, Ind.
John Williams, '01,	Co. H, 159th Reg., Indiana Infantry.

\*No report. Statistics taken from chapter letters.

CHI—HANOVER COLLEGE, HANOVER, IND.

Total initiates for the year, 4. Total initiates for 1896-97, 5.

Fred. C. Alling, '01,	Madison, Ind.	Sept. 24, '97.
Thomas B. MacGregor, '01,	Madison, Ind.	Oct. 1, '97.
John Graham, '02,	Madison, Ind.	May 7, '98.
Spencer Norton, '02,	Bedford, Ind.	May 7, '98.

DELTA DELTA—PURDUE UNIVERSITY, LA FAYETTE, IND.

Total initiates for the year, 4. Total initiates for 1896-97, 11.

W. A. Atkins, '01,	Indianapolis, Ind.	May 16, '98.
C. D. Barrett, '01,	Fort Wayne, Ind.	May 16, '98.
C. G. Fowler, '01,	La Fayette, Ind.	May 16, '98.
J. Andrews, '01,	Seymour, Ind.	May 16, '98.

Total initiates in Fourth Province, 22.

Total initiates in Fourth Province, 1896-97, 38.

FIFTH PROVINCE.

OMEGA—NORTHWESTERN UNIVERSITY, EVANSTON, ILL.

Total initiates for the year, 8. Total initiates for 1896-97, 8.

Lucian E. Smith, '00,	Evanston, Ill.	Oct. 8, '97.
S. C. Rawlins, '01,	Chicago, Ill.	Oct. 8, '97.
W. W. Cumnock, '01,	Evanston, Ill.	Oct. 8, '97.
C. A. McCarthy, '01,	Chicago, Ill.	Oct. 8, '97.
W. L. Eaton, '01,	Chicago, Ill.	Oct. 8, '97.
A. L. Leonard, '01,	Clinton, Iowa.	Oct. 8, '97.
Paul W. Cleveland, '01,	Evanston, Ill.	Oct. 8, '97.
V. Pike, '01,	St. Joseph, Mo.	Dec. 3, '97.

THETA THETA—UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN, ANN ARBOR, MICH.

Total initiates for the year, 10. Total initiates for 1897-98, 13.

Floyd Arthur Wilson, '00,	Ann Arbor, Mich.	Oct. 16, '97.
George William Magly, '01,	Cincinnati, Ohio.	Oct. 16, '97.
Chester Orville Jordan, '01,	St. Joseph, Mich.	Nov. 6, '97.
William Wick Kittleman, '01,	Detroit, Mich.	Nov. 6, '97.
Howard Richardson, '01,	Saginaw, Mich.	Nov. 6, '97.
Waldo Botsford Bach, '01,	Ann Arbor, Mich.	Nov. 6, '97.
Frederick Charles Mellish, '01,	Saginaw, Mich.	Dec. 11, '97.
Jesse Jay Ricks, '01,	Taylorville, Ill.	Dec. 11, '97.
Walter Herbert Mills, '01,	Decatur, Ill.	Dec. 11, '97.
John Frederick McLean, '00,	Menominee, Mich.	April 8, '98.

**\*KAPPA KAPPA—UNIVERSITY OF ILLINOIS, CHAMPAIGN, ILL.**

Total initiates for the year, 11. Total initiates for 1896-97, 14.

Edward C. Van Duzer,	Rockford, Ill.
Edward Buchanan,	Paris, Ill.
Roy Davidson,	Champaign, Ill.
Andrew O. Jackson, '00,	Lake Forest, Ill.
Ruel C. McGill, '01,	Chicago, Ill.
Dale S. Harrison, '00,	Sterling, Ill.
Burt Adsitt, '01,	Hooperston, Ill.
Frank T. Sperry, '98,	Champaign, Ill.
Charles Chamberlain, '01,	Hooperston, Ill.
Otto Webb, '00,	Bement, Ill.
George J. Griffith, '99,	Savannah.

**OMICRON OMICRON—UNIVERSITY OF CHICAGO, CHICAGO, ILL.**

Total initiates for the year, 6. Total initiates in 1896-97, 11.

John P. Moran, '00,	Vincennes Ave., Chicago.	Aug. 3, '97.
Marcus M. Plowman, '99,	Dallas, Texas.	Aug. 3, '97.
Lawrence DeGraff, '98,		Dec. 3, '97.
Ray Prescott Johnson, '00,	Muncie, Ind.	Dec. 3, '97.
Warren MacIntire, '01,	Miles City, Mont.	April 3, '98.
Guy Bell, '00,	Fort Wayne, Ind.	April 3, '98.

**ALPHA ZETA—BELOIT COLLEGE, BELOIT, WIS.**

Total initiates for the year, 8. Total initiates for 1896-97, 8.

Charles E. Read, '98,	Jacksonville, Ill.	Oct. 9, '97.
James L. Whitney, '00,	Beloit, Wis.	Oct. 9, '97.
Elbert E. Lochridge, '98,	Elkhorn, Wis.	Feb. 5, '98.
Edwards B. Brown, '01,	Beloit, Wis.	Feb. 5, '98.
Edward Purdy, '01,	Waukon, Iowa.	Feb. 5, '98.
Wilfrid A. Rowell, '99,	Mondovi, Wis.	April 23, '98.
Harry D. Snyder, '01,	Kilbourn, Wis.	April 23, '98.
Von Ogden Vogt, '01,	Chicago, Ill.	April 23, '98.

**ALPHA IOTA—ILLINOIS WESLEYAN UNIVERSITY, BLOOMINGTON, ILL.**

Total initiates for the year, 4. Total initiates for 1896-97, 5.

Jas. C. Riley, '98,	Bloomington, Ill.	Oct. 27, '97.
Wm. L. Martin, '98,	Carnie, Ill.	Oct. 27, '97.
Richard Shelledy, '99,	Paris, Ill.	Oct. 27, '97.
Bernard Landes, '99,	Mt. Carmel, Ill.	Nov. 19, '97.

**\*ALPHA LAMBDA—THE UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN, MADISON, WIS.**

Total initiates for the year, 6. Total initiates for 1896-97, 8.

Evans M. Nye, '01,	Lancaster, Wis.
Charles A. Cryderman, '99,	Milwaukee, Wis.

\* No report. Statistics taken from chapter letters.

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March F. Chase, '00,	Mineral Point, Wis.
Harry L. Kellogg, '99,	Oconomowoc, Wis.
William E. Finnegan, '00,	Green Bay, Wis.
Tracy Bunker, '01,	Woodstock, Ill.

**ALPHA PI—ALBION COLLEGE, ALBION, MICH.**

Total initiates for the year, 3. Total initiates for 1896-97, 9.

Harry C. Bortles, '01,	Albion, Mich.	Oct. 2, '97.
Fred R. Dart, '01,	Mason, Mich.	Oct. 14, '97.
Corbin P. Birdsey, '99,	Osseo, Mich.	Dec. 15, '97.

**\*ALPHA SIGMA—UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA, MINNEAPOLIS, MINN.**

Total initiates for the year, 6. Total initiates for 1896-97, 4.

Warren Knowlton, '01,	Minneapolis, Minn.
Fred Poehler, '01,	Henderson, Minn.
Leo Chilton, '01,	Howard Lake, Minn.
John Burgess,	Winona, Minn.
Kent Nelson, '00.	
George Gallagher, '00.	

Total initiates in Fifth Province, 62.

Total initiates in Fifth Province in 1896-97, 98.

**SIXTH PROVINCE.**

**ALPHA EPSILON—UNIVERSITY OF NEBRASKA, LINCOLN, NEB.**

Total initiates for the year, 5. Total initiates for 1896-97, 10.

Othoniel Gaylord Horne, '01,	Syrocuse, Neb.	Nov. 1, '98.
Harry Dewitt Landis, '99,	Milford, Neb.	Jan. 11, '98.
E. Wendell Foster, '00,	Lincoln, Neb.	Jan. 11, '98.
Almond Beverly Wells, Jr., '00,	Fort Meade, So. Dak.	Feb. 11, '98.
Earle Albert Wehn, '01,	Beatrice, Neb.	Feb. 11, '98.

**\*ALPHA XI—UNIVERSITY OF KANSAS, LAWRENCE, KANSAS.**

Total initiates for the year, 6. Total initiates for 1896-97, 7.

William H. Stanley, '99,	Lawrence, Kan.
Dana McVicar, '98,	Topeka, Kan.
Elwood Kennedy, '01,	Lawrence, Kan.
Roy Henley, '01,	Lawrence, Kan.
Arthur A. Green, '98,	Lecompton, Kan.
Arthur Symms, '00,	Lawrence, Kan.

\*No report. Statistics taken from chapter letters.



\*XI XI—UNIVERSITY OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI, COLUMBIA, MO.

Total initiates for the year, 6. Total initiates for 1896-97, 18.

— Arnold,	Joplin, Mo.
— Steinkamp,	St. Louis, Mo.
— Kleinschmidt,	St. Louis, Mo.
Edward Waterworth, '01,	St. Louis, Mo.
Claude H. Thomas, '01,	Albany, Mo.
M. F. Highley, '99,	Farmington, Mo.

Total initiates in Sixth Province, 17.

Total initiates in Sixth Province in 1896-97, 17. (Xi Xi in Fifth Province in '96-'97).

SEVENTH PROVINCE.

ETA—UNIVERSITY OF MISSISSIPPI, OXFORD, MISS.

Total initiates for the year, 9. Total initiates for 1896-97, 8.

J. Elmore Holmes, '99, Law,	Plum Point, Miss.	Nov. 15, '97.
Arnaud B. Leavell, '01,	Oxford, Miss.	Nov. 15, '97.
Robert H. Sultan, '01,	Oxford, Miss.	Nov. 15, '97.
H. R. Spite, '99, Law,	Ripley, Miss.	Nov. 15, '97.
John B. Ryley, '01,	Hebron, Miss.	Nov. 20, '97.
R. Henry Lake, '99,	Memphis, Tenn.	Nov. 20, '97.
Monroe G. Morgan, '01,	Hernando, Miss.	Nov. 20, '97.
Robert H. Longino, '01,	Hebron, Miss.	Nov. 20, '97.
N. R. Drummonds, '00,	Hebron, Miss.	Nov. 20, '97.

\*ALPHA NU—UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS, AUSTIN, TEXAS.

Total initiates for the year, 3. Total initiates for 1896-97, 9.

Hugh Prothergy,	
Olinthuss Ellis, Jr., '99,	Lockhart, Texas.
Walter S. Amsler, '01,	McGregor, Texas.

\*ALPHA OMICRON—TULANE UNIVERSITY, NEW ORLEANS, LA.

Total initiates for the year, 2. Total initiates for 1896-97, 3.

Leeds Eustis, '01,	Dec. 10, '97.
Paul McIlhenny, '01,	Dec. 21, '97.

ALPHA PSI—VANDERBILT UNIVERSITY, NASHVILLE, TENN.

Total initiates for the year, 2. Total initiates for 1896-97, 4.

Marvin McIntyre, '01,	Simpsonville, Ky.	Oct. 4, '97.
William Foote, '01,	Louisville, Ky.	Oct. 4, '97.

Total initiates in Seventh Province, 16.

Total initiates in Seventh Province in 1896-97, 24.

\* No report. Statistics taken from chapter letters.

EIGHTH PROVINCE.

\*ALPHA UPSILON—UNIVERSITY OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA, LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA.

Total initiates for the year, 5. Total initiates for 1896-97, 3.

Ernest B. Bradley, '99,	Los Angeles, Cal.
Edgar D. Hiller, '00,	Los Angeles, Cal.
Harry W. McIntier, '00,	Los Angeles, Cal.
Frank T. Scott, '00,	Los Angeles, Cal.
Samuel Moulton, '00,	Los Angeles, Cal.

ALPHA OMEGA—STANFORD UNIVERSITY, PALO ALTO, CALIFORNIA.

Total initiates for the year, 6. Total initiates for 1896-97, 2.

Harry Balch Penhallow, '01,	San Francisco, Cal.	Sept. 8, '97.
Homer Fletcher Pitman, '01,	Palo Alto, Cal.	Sept. 8, '97.
John Alfred Givens, '01,	Blackfoot, Idaho.	Sept. 8, '97.
Guy Luke Cuzner, '01,	Los Angeles, Cal.	Oct. 2, '97.
Edward Briggs Partridge, Jr., '01,	San Francisco, Cal.	Oct. 9, '97.
Frank Waite Bennett, '01,	Phoenix, Arizona.	Apr. 27, '98.

Total initiates in Eighth Province, 11.

Total initiates in Eighth Province in 1896-97, 8.

NINTH PROVINCE.

ALPHA ALPHA—HOBART COLLEGE, GENEVA, N. Y.

Total initiates for the year, 8. Total initiates for 1896-97, 3.

Charles Breck Ackley, '99,	Oconomowoc, Wis.	Sept. 24, '97.
Francis Harold Beard, '01,	Port Huron, Mich.	Sept. 24, '97.
Henry Stanley Falkner, '01,	Leroy, N. Y.	Sept. 24, '97.
Wm. Angus Braithwaite, '01,	Yonkers, N. Y.	Oct. 1, '97.
Geo. Rivers Walker, '01,	New York City.	Oct. 1, '97.
Edw. Morley Huson Knapp, '98,	Danville, Pa.	Nov. 19, '97.
Harry Gunnell, '00,	Beaver, Pa.	Jan. 14, '98.
Eugene Luther Jagar, '01,	Charleston, S. C.	Jan. 14, '98.

\*ETA ETA—DARTMOUTH COLLEGE, HANOVER, N. H.

Total initiates for the year, 10. Total initiates for 1896-97, 14.

Edward S. Calderwood, '01,	Boston, Mass.
William W. Cheever, '01,	Nashau, N. H.
Emett M. Stevens, '01,	Nashau, N. H.
Edward F. Gibbons, '01,	Hingham, Mass.
Herbert C. Denett, '01,	Amesbury, Mass.
George L. Hancock, '01,	Franklin Falls, N. H.
Julian D. W. Orcutt, '01,	Wollaston, Mass.
Herbert W. Hovey, '01,	St. Johnsbury, Vt.
Michael H. O'Malley, '00,	Clinton, Mass.
Owen A. Hoben, '99,	Winchendon, Mass.

\* No report. Statistics taken from chapter letters.

## \*NU NU—COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY, NEW YORK, N. Y.

Total initiates for the year, 6. Total initiates for 1896-97, 11.

Raffard Pitt,	
John Telfair,	
Frans Schimfer,	
Paul H. Ringer, '01,	New York, N. Y.
William U. Moore, '00,	
Henry J. Mills, '01,	Brooklyn, N. Y.

ALPHA THETA—MASSACHUSETTS INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY,  
BOSTON, MASS.

Total initiates for the year, 8. Total initiates for 1896-97, 4.

Charles R. Woodhull, '01,	Monroe, N. Y.	Oct. 8, '97.
Ralph Shepard, '01,	Newburyport, Mass.	Oct. 15, '97.
Clifford R. Hammond, '00,	Buffalo, N. Y.	Jan. 14, '98.
Charles F. Harwood, '99,	Warren, Mass.	Jan. 14, '98.
James S. Gill, '99,	Ludlow, Vt.	Jan. 22, '98.
Joseph D. Evans, '01,	Lowell, Mass.	Feb. 18, '98.
John Walls, '99,	Louisburg, Penn.	Apr. 1, '98.
J. Elliott Le Basquet, '01,	Des Moines, Iowa.	Apr. 1, '98.

## \*ALPHA PHI—CORNELL UNIVERSITY, ITHACA, N. Y.

Total initiates for the year, 6. Total initiates for 1896-97, 4.

Roland A. Woodyat, '01,	Chicago, Ill.
J. W. O'Leary, '99,	Chicago, Ill.
R. A. McIlhenny, '01,	Avery's Island, La.
Lloyd Smoot, '01,	Washington, D. C.
Judson Creary, '00,	LaFayette, Ind.
— Gregory, '01,	Albion, N. Y.

Total initiates in Ninth Province, 38.

Total initiates in Ninth Province in 1896-97, 36.

Grand total for the year, 247.

Grand total in 1896-97, 331.

NOTE.—That the statistics of some chapters are in some respects incomplete is due to the fact that the blanks sent out by the editor of the QUARTERLY, which stated specifically what information was desired, were not filled out and returned. In such cases the most accurate statistics obtainable from the letters of such chapters to the three issues of the QUARTERLY already published have been sought. The notable decrease in the grand total of initiates of the past year as compared with 1896-97 is partly accounted for by the fact that several large chapters were established, and others re-instated in 1896-97. However, when all necessary weight is given this circumstance, it remains the most obvious indication of the Fraternity's statistics for the past year that Sigma Chi has been very conservative.—*Editor.*

\*No report. Statistics taken from chapter letters.

**Editorial.**

This number concludes volume XVII of the *QUARTERLY*, and we suggest that one of the first duties of the active chapters when they reassemble for next year will be to provide for the binding of this year's volumes of the *QUARTERLY* and *Bulletin*, so that they may be given a permanent place in the chapter library. Apropos to the excellent resolution, regarding the work of the chapter historian, presented by Grand Tribune Charles Alling, and adopted by the convention of the Fourth Province, which is printed in full in the report of that convention in this issue, we call attention to the following plan which was brought to our notice some time ago. Inasmuch as all, or nearly all of the chapters have begun permanent libraries it is fitting that an officer, or better, a committee, be added to the chapter's administrative equipment. The best method of doing this that we have in mind is according to the plan referred to above. A permanent committee of two, one of whom shall be the chapter historian, is elected by the chapter to hold office two years, the members being chosen on the alternate years. To this committee, which is called the "Library Committee," is delegated the care and improvement of the chapter library. A work which involves in detail the preservation in suitable binding of complete files of the *QUARTERLY*, the *Bulletin*, and all the publications of the institution where the chapter is located, as well as an accurate accounting for all books, which become the property of the chapter. Aside from the general impression of neatness and good taste which should be the feature of every chapter hall, lodge or house, there is nothing over which an alumnus will become so enthusiastic as a well kept chapter library containing the publication indicated, and any guest of the chapter will gain a better impression of fraternity life from such a library, than a casual visit could otherwise give. Moreover, in such a rich mine of recorded actions, there may be found material for discussion at many enjoyable and profitable chapter meetings. Then, too, valuable ideas looking to the development of literary tastes will be suggested in connection with such a collection of books.

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There can be no more appropriate theme for the summer thoughts of the college fraternity man than an attempt to determine what stand-

ards of action and of judgment shall govern in the rushing season which the first few weeks of the opening school year will witness. As to the methods employed and considerations of time the prevailing circumstances at the various institutions will largely determine. In all probability it will not be possible to escape in some cases those features of haste and importunity which often seriously interfere with the wisest action. Where such conditions obtain, a previous careful study of the ear marks of eligible men will be found to be invaluable. And as it is quite likely that the higher class men in the chapter are better able to form accurate judgment of a freshman's eligibility it is usually wise to allow their opinions precedence. But when it is possible, all the time necessary for deliberate action should be taken. It often happens that first impressions are not trustworthy, and occasionally a rival fraternity earns our everlasting gratitude by taking a man whom we have too hastily decided to "bid." In any event there should be a candid discussion of each man proposed, and every member of the chapter should take part. Too much emphasis should not be given to the obviously strong points in favor of the candidate, and a few minor objections, which appeal to the prejudices of some one or two members of the chapter, should not be magnified into a prohibitive objection. The first essential to success in the fall campaign is that the members of the chapter possess approximately the same ideal of a qualified initiate. This they are supposed to have gained by the discussion of candidates on previous occasions, and by that instinctive appreciation of gentlemanly qualities which characterizes every fraternity man. This much is certain that if each member of the chapter has a worthy ideal, and keeps it ever in mind, creditable work will be done in spite of the necessary haste. Set aside such considerations as intellectual talent, social adaptability, athletic prowess, ambition, financial prospects, etc., until you have decided this one thing: What is his character? Or in other words: Has he the instincts of a gentleman? Will he be congenial? Then take up the others in order.

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We have become thoroughly convinced that local, class, and inter-fraternity organizations, calling themselves fraternities are a serious menace to the inception and development of right fraternity ideas. There is little excuse for the local variety of such organization, less excuse for the class variety, and no excuse at all for the inter-fraternity organization. It seems presumptuous for local or class organization to assume the dignified and hitherto significant title—fraternity. But

their right to pervert the true significance of the term, will doubtless be stoutly maintained, and the only course open, to opponents of such action, is endurance. The inter-fraternity organizations, such as Theta Nu Epsilon, are instituted for the purpose of affording the leading members of prominent fraternities facilities for having what may be literally designated as a "hot time." If the sophomorical tendencies of certain members of various fraternities must find expression occasionally, and meetings of such individuals for such a purpose must be dignified with a named organization; then we submit that the degree of warmth attained by such functions will not to any extent depend upon the name of the organization. And, this being true, we submit further, that a decent respect for those sacred principles which have endeared the word—fraternity—to thousands, would lead these frolicsome young men to designate their hilarious organizations by some less dignified and significant term. Such an organization is not in any proper sense a fraternity, and the great damage that masquerading under such a title may accomplish is obvious. We hope to see the day, and we confidently believe it will come, when Sigma Chi will take remedial action, to the extent of prohibiting its members from identifying themselves with such organizations.

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The Second, Third and Fourth Provinces have held conventions this year, and in each case a remarkably enjoyable and beneficial occasion has been reported. Why may not an annual convention become the custom in each of the nine provinces of Sigma Chi? These conventions certainly bring together a body of undergraduates, few of whom ever have an opportunity to attend a convention of the general Fraternity, and afford them a delightful opportunity to meet each other and a few prominent alumni. Attendance upon a province convention cannot fail to stimulate enthusiasm, breed more intense loyalty, and contribute a fund of practical information regarding fraternity life and work. Obviously it is not the intent, even if it were possible, to cover the breadth of discussion which distinguishes the general convention, but questions of familiar acquaintance and more immediate application may be considered at length. The Fourth Province did the Fraternity a great service by putting the conclusions reached by its discussions in the form of concise resolutions suitable for publication in the *QUARTERLY*. These resolutions are suggestive and instructive, and the convention report shows that the large amount of creditable work done did not in any way interfere with the social functions incident to the convention.

Since the reports received from the chapters were not sufficiently uniform and complete to afford data for an accurate showing of the prominent part Sigma Chis are taking in the present war, it was thought best to allow the facts which were at hand to appear in connection with the other news from the chapters. However, sufficient information has been gained to warrant the conclusion that Sigma Chi is doing her whole duty in the matter. Indeed, it could hardly be otherwise in this or any other fraternity, for the primary fraternity idea is friendship, and there never has been in the history of civilization a more exalted example of friendship than that which the United States is proving claim to by her immense outlay to relieve the desperate and well nigh hopeless Cubans.

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#### “AMERICAN COLLEGE FRATERNITIES.”

The Fifth Edition of William Raimond Baird's "American College Fraternities" was delivered to subscribers at commencement time. In cover, binding and typography it is a distinct advance over the Fourth Edition, issued in 1890. The arrangement of the subjects treated is most excellent, and two innovations—statistical tables for 1883, 1890, and 1898; and a list showing the geographical distribution of the chapters, strongly commend the new edition, which has 438 pages, 86 more than the work of 1890. A copy of this valuable work should find its way into every Sigma Chi chapter library at once. It is a book which every wide-awake fraternity man should possess.

**Letters from Active Chapters.**

## FIRST PROVINCE.

## THETA—PENNSYLVANIA COLLEGE.

An unusual amount of interest was taken in athletics this spring, especially in baseball and tennis. At the beginning of the season the outlook for the ball team was far from encouraging, but by persistent and faithful work a team was gotten together, which was a credit to the institution it represented. The season was ended by a game with the Carlisle Indians at Gettysburg. The game was exciting throughout and resulted in a victory for us by the score 6-2. Our representatives on the team were Brothers Farnham, pitcher; Dale, 2d base, and Loudon, Jr., 1st base. In the inter-fraternity tennis tournament, Phi Kappi Psi won the cup. It was held last year by Alpha Tau Omega.

The exercises of the sixty-sixth commencement were interesting throughout. Thirty-one seniors were graduated and the graduation of this number indicates a large attendance of parents and friends. The chapter loses this year by graduation Brother Erdman, who has been very active and much interested in the welfare of the chapter. We are all very reluctant to lose him. We hope to begin the next school year with eight active members; but will soon increase that number, as we have two pledged men to initiate then.

Last May, at the first call for volunteers, two of our most active and influential members, Brothers Keith, '99, and Dale, 1900, left college to enlist. They are now with Co. H, 5th Reg., 2d Brig. Penn. Vol. Inf. at Chickamauga, Ga. Two of our alumni also responded to the first call. They are Brothers Frank S. Leisenring, '97, and Augustus M. Bixler, ex-'98. The former is with the 8th Penn., Co. C., at Camp Alger, and the latter with the 5th Maryland at Tampa, Fla.

The chapter has been honored by the conferring of the degree of Doctor of Divinity upon Brother Chas. M. Stock, '74, by Gettysburg, and upon Brother W. C. Schaeffer, '66, by Newberry College. Your scribe has been fortunate enough to take the freshman prize for best general scholarship.

We all enjoyed the short stay of Dr. Robert Farnham, Epsilon, '64, who, in company with his wife and son, spent May 30th in Gettysburg. Brother Riggles, Epsilon, also accompanied Dr. Farnham, and we found



him a true "Sig." We also enjoyed having with us for several days Brother Magee, Kappa, who is a member of the Bucknell ball team, Gehr, Theta, '91, and Damuth, Theta, '92, the latter two during commencement week.

WM. G. LEISENRING.

Gettysburg, Pa., June 15, 1898.

#### KAPPA—BUCKNELL UNIVERSITY.

The college year of '97-'98 ended successfully for Kappa with one of the best and most congenial symposiums they have had for some years. The banquet was held as usual in the chapter rooms, which resounded with the laughter of the older members over the pranks of bygone days when with much difficulty the historical Kappa was kept in school, but *subrosa*. Vinton Liddell, of Charlotte, S. C., was toastmaster. Wm. I. King, '65, gave a pleasant response on "Fellowship of Sigma Chi," J. Thompson Baker followed with the "Lewisburg Members," and the Hon. Ward R. Bliss reviewed the "Object of Sigma Chi" in particular. Many other toasts were responded to in good style, and at the last three cheers were given with a vim for our loyal Brother Trimmer, who was absent at Camp Alger. We were pleased to have with us Brothers J. A. Hyatt, '91, Geo. L. Megargee, ex-'96. O. E. B. Bailey, of Phi Phi, and also a member of company A, 12th regiment. The year has been fairly successful for Kappa. We expect to have six men to return next fall, a stronger showing than for some years.

Lewisburg, Pa., June 15, 1898.

RUSH H. KRESS.

#### ALPHA RHO—LEHIGH UNIVERSITY.

Vacation is again here and Lehigh students have settled down for a long rest. Commencement time was this year a grand success, and each event passed off with a smoothness seldom met with. The cremation of Calculus, Saturday evening, June 11th, opened the exercises, and in spite of a shower during the evening the exercises were enjoyed by several thousand people. Class day on the following Monday was likewise a treat, and the yells given by '98 were sent echoing through the campus. Brother Edgar represented the White Cross on class day and held up the post of class poet with credit. The other exercises were of the usual order. We, the members of Alpha Rho, were doubly blessed, for beside having the pleasure of opening our house to the guests and relatives of our seniors, we were the happy hosts of Brothers MacCalla, '96, and Miller, '96, who came back to their *alma mater* to see their brothers and to have a dance.

Our prospects for next year are fair. We open the house in the fall with six members, but we hope soon to have our membership swelled to twice that number.

E. T. SACHELL.

South Bethlehem, Pa., June 23, 1898.

## ALPHA CHI—PENNSYLVANIA STATE COLLEGE.

The college year has closed and the members of Alpha Chi congratulate themselves on their fine record during the year and their fine prospects for next fall. Nine of us expect to return, and with this number and our two alumni, Pond, '92, and Dunkle, '93, we hope to make ours the leading chapter at "State."

Commencement week was a lively one, and in social circles Sigma Chi was well represented. We closed the week with a dance at our chapter house, which was pronounced a great success by all and as fine as any of the week.

Alpha Chi loses, by graduation, Brothers Davis and Diehl, both of York, Pa. In them we lose two warm-hearted and loyal brothers, who worked hard for the welfare of Sigma Chi. Our best wishes for their future welfare go with them.

Since our last letter we have initiated our two pledges, George Newton Campbell, '02, 310 Arch St., Sunbury, Pa., and Ralph Vinton Little, '02, 79 Bedford St., Cumberland, Md., who were introduced to our Billy and instructed in our mysteries on the night of June 14th. They are both promising men and leaders in the incoming freshman class.

We were glad to have with us during commencement Brothers George K. Spencer, '95, and J. M. Keichline, Jr., ex-'99, who helped to enliven the week. Brother Duncan, an old Kappa man, also dropped in on us for a few hours.

Brother Lawrence M. Colfelt, Iota, '67, delivered the Baccalaureate sermon on June 12th.

WAYNE T. DIMM.

State College, Pa., June 20, 1898.

## SECOND PROVINCE.

## ZETA—WASHINGTON AND LEE UNIVERSITY.

Commencement with its gayeties is a thing of the past; the last grip has been given, and Lexington is left to desolation and the few students who cannot get away. We lose by graduation this year Brothers Houston and Snyder, the former of whom, however, has obtained a school in the neighborhood and will be with us some next year, we hope. One of the features of the "finals" with us is the annual boat race between the Albert Sidney and Harry Lee boat clubs. The races are rowed in four-oared shells, and we were represented on Albert Sidney by Brother Tucker at No. 1, and on the Harry Lee by Brother Bonnie, No. 1; Brother Fitzhugh, No. 3, and Houston, coxswain. In spite of the pre-

ponderance of "Sigs" on the Harry Lee crew, the Albert Sidney won after a close and exciting race.

*The Calyx*, our annual, is out and is a very creditable book. Brother Houston represented us on the board, while Brother Snyder was business manager and Brother Fitzhugh assistant manager.

The tennis tournament this year was all our own way, the singles being won by Brother Graves, and Brother Snyder being one of the winners of the doubles. Brother Bonnie was recently elected treasurer of the general athletic association, while Brother Tucker was given the position of secretary.

The board of trustees has created a chair of Political Science, which will make our course in this branch about the best in the South.

Our chapter has splendid prospects for next year, and we are determined to maintain our position at the top of the ladder.

Lexington, Va., June 20, 1898.

J. R. TUCKER, JR.

#### PSI—UNIVERSITY OF VIRGINIA.

The last quarter passed without anything of special interest, except for the University at large, which was the dedicating of the new buildings, the University literally being born again, as it was completely destroyed by fire in '95.

We graduated two men in medicine, Brothers Morrison and Sperow and in law Brother Trinkle, our esteemed Grand Praetor of the Second Province. Brother Trinkle won first moot court prize, consisting of \$250 worth of books. Brother Martin was elected captain of the baseball team for next year.

We had visits from Brothers Douglas, Forsythe and May, of New Orleans; Brother Watts, of Lynchburg; Brothers Royster and Julian Thornley from New York; also Brother Smith, an old Psi man from Columbia, Tenn., who was here in '59. We enjoyed his tales of old times very much.

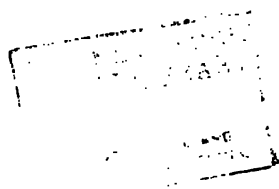
We hope to start out the year with thirteen men at least out of our eighteen of this year, and it is a fine, enthusiastic crowd.

GEORGE AUGUSTINE W. FRAZER.

Charlottesville, Va., June 23, 1898.

#### GAMMA GAMMA—RANDOLPH-MACON COLLEGE.

Our chapter was broken up this year by four of our fellows leaving college before the close of the session, two having been called home on business and two of us volunteering for service in the Virginia Zouaves, Co. E., 2d Va. Reg. U. S. V. Hence we have no regular chapter letter.





SIGMA SIGMA CHAPTER.

Our chapter this last year, though small in numbers, more than made up for it in quality, and we now look back to many, many pleasant evenings spent together in our rooms, and everlasting friendships formed, Gamma Gamma has always been noted for the congeniality of its members, and is held in the highest esteem by both faculty and students, and we hope to keep it up.

It is impossible to tell anything of the prospects for next year, but if we are enabled to return by the beginning of the session, every effort will be put forth to again put the chapter on a firm basis.

Jacksonville, Fla., June 24, 1898.

HENRY L. JOHNSON.

#### SIGMA SIGMA—HAMPDEN-SIDNEY COLLEGE.

Commencement was very gay this year and finals passed off very auspiciously. Quite a number of alumni and "old boys" were present, to say nothing of the pretty girls who came to grace the occasion. We had the pleasure of seeing again Brothers Morton and Sydnor, both of the class of '96.

No addition has been made to our chapter roll, but we expect a very successful rushing season next fall, as six of our number return.

The *Kaleidoscope* came out just before finals and is considered the best we have ever had, some going so far as to class it above any in the state.

Our stand in college affairs has not been lowered, but rather increased, of late. We held the president of the general athletic association, with one member of the advisory committee, while Brother Herndon was again elected captain of the baseball team. In the recent athletic day, Brother Stephenson carried off first prize in all three bicycle races. The writer was final president of the graduating class—an honor which Sigma Chi has had for the past three years. Smaller honors have also been taken, but need not be mentioned.

Hampden-Sidney, Va., June 20, 1898.

D. T. STUART.

(In the Sigma Sigma chapter picture opposite this page the names are, beginning at the left, top row, J. W. Somerville, R. L. Miller; middle row, T. H. Wyly, H. L. Stephenson, T. R. English; bottom row, D. T. Stuart, E. B. Herndon.)

#### THIRD PROVINCE.

##### GAMMA—OHIO WESLEYAN UNIVERSITY.

Since the last issue of the *QUARTERLY*, we have gone through the agonies of our spring term examinations. We bob serenely up, however,

at the thought of our twelve weeks vacation. Gamma has just closed another comparatively successful year. Although we part, only six in number, and having no brother to graduate, we will have all our brothers back ready for the rushing season next fall. Brother Leas is spending the summer in Delaware, O.; Brother Hoffman at Malta, O.; Brother John Thalman at Batavia, O. Brother Thornhill will amuse himself with the sphere, which he so gracefully handled for the 'varsity team this spring, at Richwood, O.; Brother Neil will pass away the time at his favorite work, teaching elocution, and the writer will rusticate on his father's farm in "old Clermont county."

Since our last letter it became our solemn duty to sever our connections with two of our brothers. E. O. DeVore was expelled from the chapter early in the term, and F. A. Bennett, who was affiliated to us from Omega Chapter, was found to be an unworthy bearer of the White Cross, and consequently was expelled.

After September 15th, Gamma's door will be open to all "Sigs" who may wander our way.

JOS. L. THALMAN.

Delaware, Ohio, June 29, 1898.

#### MU—DENISON UNIVERSITY.

Since our last letter much of interest has happened in our chapter life. We have been actively engaged in all branches of college work. Brother Struble occupied the box for our ball team this spring, and Brothers Wright and Lewis held down first and third bases respectively. In the competitive drill in May, Brother Canby won first prize in the infantry and Brother Wiltsee secured first honors in the signal corps. Eight of our number attended the Third Province convention held in Columbus, O., and enjoyed the session very much.

Earlier in the spring Brothers Massie and Amos attended the interstate oratorical contest, which was held in Beloit, Wis., as delegates from Ohio. Our Beloit brothers received them in royal "Sig" style and made their short visit one of the most enjoyable occasions of their lives. The Beloit "Sigs" are leaders in every line of college life and it is a delight to be with them in their elegant home.

Commencement at Denison was a grand success this year. Brother Canby was one of the four speakers and reflected much credit upon the school and Sigma Chi by his effort. Many of our alumni were with us. Brothers McCann, of Dayton; Dorsey, of Chicago; Austin, of Cleveland; G. D. B. Hutson, of Cincinnati; Rev. Hutson, of Pittsburg; Wiltsee, of Cincinnati; Jones and Lacey of Alpha Gamma; Davis, of Newark, and Keeler, of Cleveland, helped to make things merry. Brother Keel-

er delivered an excellent address before the graduating class of Doane Academy.

We lose, by graduation, Brothers Colby and Canby. Brother Colby sails for Europe in July, where he will spend a year in study and travel. Brother Canby will study in Harvard the coming year. Old Mu has sent her share of men to the front for the glory of our flag. Brothers Brown and Sample are now at Santiago, and Brother Wagner is on his way. Although it is hard for us to part with our seniors and soldier boys, we say God bless them, and may our White Cross gain new lustre by their lives.

H. W. AMOS.

Granville, O., June 25, 1898.

#### ZETA ZETA—CENTRE COLLEGE.

College is out and the old town deserted once more, but Zeta Zeta has tried to do her share of work in the year past. The writer is the only one out of a chapter of seven to graduate. We expect at least five members back next year to start on. A president was chosen for Centre College in June. He is Dr. William Roberts, and it is hoped that he will improve the college and bring in a nice lot of new boys this fall.

Brother Joyce, '92, was here during the commencement season.

The chapter has been without a hall for over six months, but hopes to have a suitable hall by next fall at the latest.

Brother Hubert Shearin, one of last year's members who has been teaching school in Virginia, has returned to his home near Danville, Ky.

Some of the alumni of Zeta Zeta have joined the army, but the writer has not been able to find out what regiments they are in.

Danville, Ky., June 26, 1898.

ERNEST SMITH.

#### ZETA PSI—UNIVERSITY OF CINCINNATI.

This year has been quite a prosperous one for the chapter here. At the end of the last school year the chapter had died out, owing to the fact that several strong men had graduated and others had left the university. Our two contemporary chapters, Sigma Alpha Epsilon and Beta Theta Phi, with ill-concealed delight, hastened to offer their sincere condolence upon our painless demise. But their actions were premature, for during the summer the alumni "buckled to" and worked like Trojans. They succeeded in capturing seven freshmen, and McMicken still has a chapter of Sigma Chi. The new chapter rose, like the Phoenix of yore, out of the ashes of the old one, and rose, we hope, to a life of renewed activity and usefulness. We are at present engaged in the delicate operation of skimming off the cream of the graduates of the



three Cincinnati high schools. These high schools graduated over three hundred pupils this year, and many of these come to the university.

Since our last letter, Brother Grear Baker, of the active chapter, has enlisted in Troop G, of Dayton, 1st Ohio Vol. Cav. The best wishes of Zeta Psi follow "Grear" into the campaign, and may he always remember the "Snow-White Cross" and its war record of the past.

A chapter of Phi Delta Theta has recently been organized at McMicken and is now in full blast. We welcome this addition to our number. "The more the merrier."

Your scribe and Brother Otis Stock have been elected business manager and treasurer respectively of *The McMicken Review*, and are about to try their fortunes in a journalistic career.

Cincinnati, O., July 4, 1898.

T. B. BLAKEMORE.

#### LAMBDA LAMBDA—KENTUCKY STATE COLLEGE.

Commencement of Kentucky State College was the finale of one of the most prosperous years of that institution. As there were none of our members in the senior class, Lambda Lambda did not lose a man by graduation, and next year we will all be back again, with the possible exception of Brother Charles Blessing, who may go into business, though this is doubtful.

Since our last letter to the QUARTERLY we have initiated one man, and take great pleasure in introducing to the Fraternity Brother Arthur Vane Lester, '00, of Williamsburg, Ky., son of Inspector Lester. He is a fine fellow and a hard student, and will no doubt prove an honor to the chapter and Fraternity.

Owing to the prevalence of war with Spain, State College will not have a United States military commandant next session, but the place will be filled by a member of Lambda Lambda, Brother Madison Boyd Jones, '94, formerly adjutant of the battallion.

The next item of interest is the marriage of Professor James Richard Johnson, Lambda Lambda, '93, to Miss Nancy Smith, of Cynthiana, Ky., on June 29th. Quite a number of "Sigs" from Lexington attended the wedding.

The convention of the Third Province, held at Columbus, O., was attended by Brother John A. Parlin, delegate and Brother John B. Johnson. They reported a most profitable and enjoyable meeting, and were delighted with the hospitality of Alpha Gamma.

Lexington, Ky., July 1, 1898.

FRED D. BULLOCK.

## MU MU—WEST VIRGINIA UNIVERSITY.

As Sigma Chi stand first in all things, Mu Mu would have felt that she was not up to the standard of the White Cross if she had not won some of the honors of commencement week. The highest honors of the university year were won by Brother C. F. Holden. After winning the preliminary contest between the two literary societies of the university, he also received first place in the inter-collegiate oratorical contest of Western Pennsylvania and West Virginia. The inter-collegiate association consists of eight colleges. Brother H. M. White has been elected president of the association for the year 1898-'99.

In the inter-society contest Brother Smith, '00, Phillippi, W. Va., was awarded the decision for the essay. Brother Post delivered the class oration. We are glad to announce that Brother Post has been awarded the fellowship in chemistry, and so will be with us again next year. In the field day contest Brother Krebs was awarded two gold medals. The first was for hammer throwing and the second for putting the shot. Brother McWhorter was awarded the gold medal for the 100-yard dash. Brothers Romine and Holden were the editors of the *University Daily* published during commencement week. On the baseball team this year we had two representatives, McWhorter, whose position was third base, and Pratt behind the bat.

The chapter wishes to acknowledge a highly appreciated gift from the "Sig" girls. It is a beautiful regulation Sigma Chi flag. The chapter is very grateful also for an oil painting presented by one of our alumni, Justin M. Kunkle. It is a bunch of Fraternity roses, with "Sig" colors fastened in a bow by a "Sig" badge. We acknowledge pleasant visits from Brothers "Private" Dalzell, Nu, Washington College, and Thornhill, Gamma.

Several members remained at the chapter house for the summer quarter, and they extend a welcome to any "Sig" visiting during the summer months.

BERNARD H. TRUSSELL.

Morgantown, W. Va., June 29, 1898.

## ALPHA GAMMA—OHIO STATE UNIVERSITY.

Another year of our college life has passed. Alpha Gamma has had a very prosperous year. She started in with seven men, and during the year we initiated seven more. At the close of the school year we numbered ten, all good fellows, whose fondest hope was for the success of our Fraternity.

Since the close of school our members have scattered widely. Some have gone to their homes, others remained in the city, and Brothers

Herbert I. Jones and Fred Jeffry have enlisted in the cause of humanity and are now on their way to Cuba. We lost one by graduation, Brother Will C. Dakin. We hope to start the year with eight of this year's chapter and two or three who will affiliate with us from sister chapters. We are expecting Brother McCray to return and with him Brother Runyan, both of Mansfield.

We entertained the brothers who attended the convention of the Third Province, and the boys all seemed to enjoy themselves. At least all expressed themselves as being glad they were alive. Brother Haas kindly furnished a part of the refreshments, and to him one and all extend hearty thanks. Our ride to and from the park and our little feed will remain in the minds of Alpha Gamma men as pleasant memories, and we hope that the visiting brethren will give us another call, as we always are ready to extend a hearty welcome to any "Sig" who may visit us.

As a chapter we are proud of our success during the past year. We have repeatedly taken men who were being rushed by all the leading fraternities. In several cases we merely extended an invitation and allowed them to decide without bringing any influence to bear. In fact many say that Alpha Gamma has not rushed a man this year, yet she has been very successful in getting men. Such facts are more conclusive than words in proving the prosperous condition of our chapter.

EDWARD H. ALLEN.

75 West 10th Ave., Columbus, O., July 1, 1898.

#### FOURTH PROVINCE.

##### LAMBDA—INDIANA UNIVERSITY.

If you ask any member of Lambda Chapter which is the only Fraternity in college, he will tell you Sigma Chi. Cool persons who are disinterested do not believe this, but cool persons do believe that Sigma Chi stands where she has for a long time stood—in the front rank. We lost several men at the beginning of the term for one reason and another; but the dozen of us who were left grew in enthusiasm as the number grew few. So we had a good spring.

Brother Morton C. Bradley will be the business manager of next year's college annual; and it is worth while to note that the man who nominated him and gave him his heartiest support was a leader of the "barbs," which shows that Lambda is Catholic in her sympathies.

The best time of the year was the round-up. How the old "Sigs"

did roll in! Gray-headed old chaps whom none of us youngsters knew, and brown-headed fellows whom we all knew and were tickled to see. There was Peak, King, Murphy, Gers, Holland, Liebhardt and Atkinson, and Brooks, who was on his way to Europe with a travelling fellowship from Cornell. Brother Ernest Lindley also returned from three years' study in the East and on the continent, and took his place in the university as associate professor of psychology. Gatherings of that sort make you glad that you are a Fraternity man.

You want to know something about the university. She is moving along as steadily and merrily as ever. One proud day this spring she registered her thousandth student. Another proud day she won the state championship in baseball. You will find some persons who will tell you that she didn't deserve it; but they belong to the colleges which were beaten. A third lucky day she won from DePauw in the track games at the dual meet.

The glee club is away on an extensive summer trip, which takes in Tennessee and Maryland and Bay View. Indiana no longer discusses as to whether she deserves a place among the wide-awake colleges. She has arrived.

FREDERICK SMITH.

Bloomington, Ind., July 11, 1898.

#### XI—DE PAUW UNIVERSITY.

Commencement day is over and after a year of unprecedented success in every venture in which Sigma Chi participated, the members of Xi Chapter parted to meet again at the opening of the next term of school.

That Xi was without a rival is shown by her success in "spiking," losing only one or two "spikes" during the entire year.

The initiated were Brothers Fisher, Hamrick, Hanna, McFadden Chambers, Call and Stall, all live, energetic men who have proven themselves worthy "Sigs" and an honor to our beloved institution.

Our graduates this year were Brother A. J. Hamrick, who was president of the senior class, and Brother Levi A. Biern, both of whom will be greatly missed by the student body in general as well as by the members of Xi.

Our number was also decimated by the enlistment of Brothers Starr, McFadden and Stall to fight beneath the starry folds of Old Glory for the liberation of Cuba. No order of the many fraternities at De Pauw proved themselves so loyal to Uncle Sam.

Our baseball team, captained by Brother Haynes, finished a very successful year, winning the state championship for the second successive year.

Short visits have been received from brothers accompanying the baseball teams from Alpha Zeta, Rho, Delta Delta, Lambda and Alpha.

We were very glad to have Brothers Thomas and Krewel with us during commencement.

EDWARD L. MORGAN.

Greencastle, Indiana, June 25, 1898.

#### RHO—BUTLER UNIVERSITY.

Rho closed a very successful year on the night of June 23d by a moonlight dance and steamboat ride at Broadripple. This term has been unusually enjoyable on account of the large number of parties, having given one at the Country Club and two at Broadripple, besides a great many informals in our newly furnished hall.

Our pleasure was greatly marred, however, by the absence of Brother John Williams, who left us to join the 160th Indiana volunteers now at Chickamauga. Brother Braden, ex-01, is bugler in the 158th, and as he has always been a leading feature of our social events we miss him greatly.

The faculty recently objected to our pledging "preps," so from now on Rho will only have active members. One of our pledges, Ovid Butler, son of President Butler, is going to the University of Minnesota next year and we sincerely hope our "Sig" brothers there will look out for him. However, we expect all our old active boys back, and as a large increase in attendance is assured, we feel that next year's prospects are very bright.

JOSEPH IRWIN SWEENEY.

Irvington, Ind., July 4, 1898.

#### CHI—HANOVER COLLEGE.

The long looked for commencement is now a thing of the past. It was one long to be remembered by all who attended, but especially by Chi, as she was not without honor. Brother Edward Hense won the scholarship prize given in the sophomore class, Brother Melville Keil won the one given in the freshman class, and our pledged man, Raymond Keil, won the Potter gold medal given for scholarship in the senior "prep" class, and Brother George S. Taylor, of the class of '87, had the degree of M. A. conferred upon him, and Chi does indeed consider herself honored by being crowned with such laurels on commencement day.

It is with a mingled feeling of joy and sorrow that we inform the Fraternity of the graduation of our loving brother, Harry T. Graham; joy at the thought that his long years of preparation in our college have now ended, and that he is almost ready to start on his life's work; and

sorrow at the thought that his presence shall never again be felt in our mystic circle, as in the days gone by, and his kind words and kind deeds of which his life was so full, not only towards his brothers in Sigma Chi, but to all who came in contact with him, shall be greatly missed, especially around our chapter house, which has been his home for many years. As he departs from our midst, we bid him "God speed," and we feel sure that in the years to come, as in those gone by, the White Cross of Sigma Chi shall gain new lustre through his name.

We take great pleasure in introducing to the Fraternity, Brother John Graham, of Madison, Indiana, and Spencer Norton, of Bedford, Indiana, who we know will prove a credit to our Fraternity. We also take pleasure in stating that at the athletic meeting last term Brother "Commodore" Schley was elected as the worthy president for the ensuing year, and at the literary society election, Brother Herbert Britain was chosen as the man to hold the gavel for the first term of next year and many of the other offices were secured by the brothers.

Our hearts swell with pride as we state that Brother Applewhite, '98, is on his way to Cuba as captain of company G, 1st Regiment, Indiana National Guard. Hurrah for Brother Applewhite!

Hanover, Ind., June 20, 1898.

JOHN BODEN.

\*DELTA DELTA—PURDUE UNIVERSITY.

Delta Delta celebrated the close of the twenty-third, and by no means least prosperous year, of her existence on the evening of June 8th with one of the swellest stag banquets ever given in the city, so say the LaFayette papers.

Besides the active chapter and many of the local alumni we had the presence of Brother Kintner, Delta Delta, who is now connected with Alleghany College.

We have been especially successful this year in securing new men and are counting on a large class of freshmen, of which we expect there will be much "Sig" material, in the fall, as the Mechanical Engineering Department is now being greatly improved. An addition is now being made to the Mechanical Laboratory for experimental purposes and Purdue will open the year with the finest Railway Engineering Course in the West.

We hope that in our next letter we will be able to tell of our new hall which we go into about the opening of the term. It will be a great improvement over our old one and will be the finest fraternity hall at Purdue.

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\*An excellent letter was received from Delta Delta May 24, too late for the May issue.

We lose this year six brothers and they will be greatly missed. Brothers Fernald, Valentine, Rumley, Earhart and McGaffry enter business. Brother Bryan also graduated, but he expects to return and accept the position of assistant chemist at the U. S. experimental station.

We have had short visits from Brother Kintner, Delta Delta, and Brother Thomson, Delta Delta.

ROY C. RICKLEY.

LaFayette, Ind., July 6, 1898.

### FIFTH PROVINCE.

#### OMEGA—NORTHWESTERN UNIVERSITY.

The close of the school year at Northwestern found Omega with ten active men, two of whom graduated and two more who will go to Cornell University, leaving us a nucleus of six men to begin the new year. These six, with two pledged men, will make a very cozy chapter to start with. The last month has been an uneventful one in Northwestern, as every one has been "boning" for his "exams" which began June 1st.

The "Sigs" took a very active part in the exercises of commencement week. On senior "class day" a "Sig" was prophet, and in the freshmen event the cremation of "Trig," Omega had the manager and two members of the cast, composed of seven men. Carlton H. Pendleton was the "star" member of the graduating class, for in addition to the honors and prizes mentioned in our previous letter, he was class prophet and was one of the three Fraternity men elected into Phi Beta Kappa. Omega is very proud of her "Curly," and we are sure that the Fraternity at large must feel it an honor to know that such a man is a "Sig."

PAUL W. CLEVELAND.

Evanston, Ill., June 17, 1898.

#### THETA THETA—UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN.

We leave Theta Theta this year in a good condition. Our prospects for next year are very bright. All the room in the house has been bid for, and we have a considerable surplus to start the new year on. We have had more than our share of athletic honors this year. The latest honors came in the election of Brother J. F. McLean to the captaincy of the track team for the coming year. Brother R. Danforth succeeded in winning the university tennis championship. He also won the tournament silver trophy cup.

We enjoyed a house party since our last letter. Brother W. Mills

entertained at a pretty little negligee party at Granger's Academy also. We entertained four Adrian boys during the inter-scholastic meet. We acknowledge calls from F. B. Phiphead, '86 law, of Oswego, N. Y., and Emmet Sullivan, '86, law, of Detroit, Mich. Mrs. J. W. Ingreosen, Cherbon, Ia.; Z. D. Wines, '74, and Miss S. K. Wines were among our recent callers.

The New York *Voice*, in a recent number, scored the Fraternities in a disreputable way. It ended by saying the Sigma Chi and the Psi Upsilon are the only Fraternities at Ann Arbor which have drinking laws and live up to them.

C. F. DELBRIDE.

Ann Arbor, Mich., June 25, 1898.

#### KAPPA KAPPA—THE UNIVERSITY OF ILLINOIS.

The twenty-sixth annual commencement of the University of Illinois was held June 8th, in Military Hall. The address, "Education for Leadership," was delivered by Dr. William H. Maxwell, of New York. Two "Sigs" were graduated, Joseph Hunter Marshutz and Fred H. Wilson, and one, D. Hobart Carnahan, received his second degree. The graduating class numbered 104 and was one of the largest in the history of the institution.

The chapter held its third annual reunion and alumni banquet on the evening of June 8th, at the Beardsley hotel. Thirty-two "Sigs" were present, and as "Papa" Heath was toastmaster, the spirit of the occasion was not lacking.

We are indebted to Brothers Arms, Means, Coey and Chatten for visits.

F. H. WILSON.

Champaign, Ill., July 2, 1898.

#### OMICRON OMICRON—UNIVERSITY OF CHICAGO.

The spring quarter of the University of Chicago is over and the week of vacation is begun. The greater part of our chapter have left the university for their homes or summer resorts to spend the entire quarter, but nearly all have expressed their determination to return next fall and push forward the cause of Sigma Chi. Not that we feel that this year has been a failure, but we believe in the adage: "there is plenty of room for improvement." As we look back over the past year and note the work done by other chapters in the university and see the men they have initiated, many of whom are "not worth the asking," Omicron Omicron feels that she is justified in following out the old "Sig" rule of initiating quality rather than quantity. We have taken into our chapter during the past year only six men, and all are men whom we are proud to call brother, all of whom have been introduced to the brothers



through these pages, with the exception of Guy Bell, of Fort Wayne, Ind., our latest initiate. Having been brought up in a Sigma Chi town, there was no great trouble in getting him, notwithstanding he was "bid" by every good "frat" in college.

Sigma Chi has been in touch with all college affairs and has had at least one representative in most all important events. Our 1898 *Cap and Gown*, on which staff Brother MacDonald was Fraternity editor, is just out and is considered to be the best publication since '95. We were represented on the "Junior Prom" committee by Brother Johnson. Brother Roby and Brother MacCarthy both distinguished themselves in our inter-fraternity athletic, which was held on Marshal field two weeks ago.

Although our members have been greatly thinned out by the brothers leaving for their summer vacation, we expect to keep our chapter house open at 5716 Kimbark Ave., and will be glad to welcome all visiting "Sigs" or those intending to do summer work.

Chicago, Ill., June 24, 1898.

MARCUS M. PLOWMAN.

#### ALPHA ZETA—BELOIT COLLEGE.

Alpha Zeta needs no megaphone to swell her song of triumph this commencement. A more successful year has never been recorded in the history of this chapter than that which closed today.

I mentioned in my last letter our representation of eight with the baseball aggregation, and our five men on the oratorical contest. Our November letter showed our men to be mainstays on the eleven, and officers in all student organizations. During the past week, however, we have reaped a harvest sufficiently indicative of the comprehensiveness, as well as the quality of our work.

We had three honor speakers in the senior class, Brothers Moore, Hecox and McCuskey, one other "Frat" man being among the ten. Of nine possible prizes we took the following six: Brothers McQueen, '00, and Vogt, '01, were awarded the prize declamations in their respective classes; Brother Rowell, '99, won the missionary essay and the Rice extemporaneous speaking; Brother Riggs, '98, won the Logan prize for the best contribution to the museum, and Brother J. L. Whitney, '00, won the Emerson prize in Greek. We had competition, of course; the prizes were no sinecures; but in no case was a "Sig" beaten, except by another "Sig," we having more than one representative on some of the contests. Two members of one of our rivals succeeded in capturing prizes, and the other fraternity failed to get any. All had representatives.

In the recent elections, we put two men on the board of control for athletics, and Brother Rowell was made editor-in-chief and Brother Mussey, '00, associate editor of the college weekly, *The Round Table*. Brother Riggs, '98, has been captain of the track team this spring for for the third time, and his colts defeated Lawrence University 56-45, in a dual meet, June 3d. Our five representatives succeeded in winning 36½ points, taking six firsts.

Not the least of our successes was the initiation on April 23d, of Brothers Wilfrid Asa Rowell, '99, of Nondovi, Wis.; Harry D. Snider, '01, Kilbourn, Wis., and Von Ogden Vogt, '01, of Chicago. We take a great deal of pleasure in introducing these men to the Fraternity at large as worthy "Sigs" in every respect.

We have been congratulated by the other Fraternities upon our success in all lines, especially when we took everything in sight commencement week, and we hope we proved to our alumni present that our selection of men has been along the right lines. The writer is almost the only one who failed to win some prize or other, and therefore feels it his especial privilege to toot the chapter horn.

It is with great regret and yet a great deal of pride that we send forth our eight graduates with our best wishes for their future success. They are Brothers Hecox, Kinsley, Lockridge, McCaw, McCuskey, Moore, Riggs and Warner. We shall miss them very much in the life of the chapter, of which they have been the most loyal supporters. The life of our chapter during the past term has been most happy, and we trust we shall be favored with the same prosperity next year. Brothers Matheson, '90, Whitney, '91, Russell, '89, Dowd, '92, Woodward, '94, Randall, '95, and Loomis and Greene, '96, were present during commencement.

During the term we met Brothers Chilton, Alpha Sigma, and Haynes and Fisher, Xi, who were with the nines of their respective universities, and we also enjoyed visits from Brothers Amos and Massie, of Mu, and Nye and Tollman, of Alpha Lambda. Our fellows who accompanied the nine to Madison were royally treated by the boys of Alpha Lambda, and our boys on the baseball team were delighted with the entertainment furnished them by Delta Delta.

We have waited patiently for a call from the Grand Praetor, and we would warn him to keep his weather eye out for Alpha Zeta "Sigs." Should any of the brothers run across Brother Spencer, kindly "head him off" our way.

We feel we ought to beg your indulgence for our wordiness, but we never had better reason for it, and we could not resist the temptation to "spread" ourselves.

EDMUND ENRIGHT.

Beloit, Wis., June 22, 1898.

## ALPHA IOTA—ILLINOIS WESLEYAN UNIVERSITY.

The Illinois Wesleyan has just passed through a commencement week of which it may well be proud. The exercises from beginning to end were one succession of successes. Eighteen graduates from the literary school, twenty-six from the law, and a goodly number from the music, art and preparatory schools, and five young ladies from the school of oratory.

The greatest interest was felt in the inauguration of the new president, Dr. Edgar M. Smith, of Montpelier, Vt. Enthusiasm and confidence are in the air, and the coming of Dr. Smith seems very auspicious. He has gained the trust and love of the students already during his short stay, and the attention of the public has been drawn to the Wesleyan as never before. It certainly has a bright future before it, and I desire to retract my pessimistic words in my last letter.

Alpha Iota has been passing through a crucial period, as well as the school, but with the prospect next year for the school and with some of the old men coming back to enter the law, there is much to be encouraged over and no reason why a strong, aggressive chapter shall not be in the field and gather more honor to our beloved Fraternity.

Bloomington, Ill., June 19, 1898.

J. B. COLWELL.

## ALPHA PI—ALBION COLLEGE.

The desire to meet our new president resulted in a large increase in the attendance of alumni and friends during commencement week at Albion. Happy college memories of past years were recalled at the many reunions which were held on this occasion.

Alpha Pi parted with four loyal wearers of the White Cross who went out with this year's class, Brothers Roudenbush, Niles, Perine and Miner. Brother Roudenbush expects to continue his studies at Yale during the next year, and Brother Miner will enter Boston University this fall. Brothers Niles and Perine are undecided.

We also lose a loyal Sigma Chi, and the college a valuable man, in the person of Brother Smith Burnham, '92. Resigning his position in the faculty of the college where he held the Henry M. Loud professorship of history, he has chosen to take up a new field of labor and has accepted a similar position with the State Normal College at West Chester, Pennsylvania. The presence and influence of Professor Burnham will be greatly missed in the chapter, toward which he always showed a true and energetic interest, both while in active membership and as an alumnus of the same. His services are a part of the history

of the chapter, every member of which wishes him and his wife abundant success in their new field.

The crowning social event of the year occurred at our lodge Tuesday evening of commencement week when we gave our twelfth annual commencement banquet. The usual supply of good cheer was not wanting either at the banquet table or in the excellent toasts which followed. Brother Will A. Niles, '98, of Albion, was toastmaster, and the following brothers responded in a happy vein: "Our Organization," Newman Miller, '93; "Our Guests," Corbon P. Birdsey, '99; "Reveries of a Bachelor," Frank N. Miner, '98; "A Year in the World," Harvey G. Pearce, '97.

Our active chapter for next year we expect will begin with six members, and while we will feel the loss of the members of this year's class, we look forward to the work of next year with confidence, since each one of the remaining members knows the individual responsibility of himself to the chapter and will return for the fall campaign with a haversack full of enthusiasm which will mean victory for Sigma Chi.

Albion, Mich., July 15, 1898.

W. JAY BEAZAN.

#### ALPHA SIGMA—THE UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA.

Since our last letter very few events of importance or of interest to our sister chapters have taken place at Minnesota. Everyone has been talking war and the question of enlistment has been uppermost in the minds of most of the young men. An attempt to organize a company composed entirely of university students was unsuccessful, nevertheless fifty or more of the boys are now in the ranks—among these being Church and Eaton, alumni of this chapter, and Gallagher, one of our men initiated this year.

Of course, commencement is now a thing of the past. This year an innovation in the matter of speeches was introduced. Instead of the three or four rather long and tedious orations formerly delivered at commencement, this year seven or eight three-minute speeches were delivered and this arrangement seemed to be very satisfactory to all. The number of graduates from all departments was 310—an increase of 14 over last year. This chapter lost none by graduation.

Now in regard to baseball this year, Minnesota showed great improvement over the last two years, but she lost both of her big games—those with Beloit and Wisconsin. Yet if a like advance can be shown next year, then Minnesota will be able to stand in baseball along with the rest of the western colleges.

At the intercollegiate track meet at Chicago we received third place

and although disappointed somewhat, we contented ourselves by saying that "Third was better than fourth."

Next year without doubt there will be another national fraternity in the field, as for some time there has been a rumor—and one with good foundation—that Zeta Psi has granted a charter to a local society here.

The faculty will be very much strengthened next year by the call of Dr. Richard Burton, of Boston, to be Professor of English Literature.

The prospects for Alpha Sigma appear to be brighter than for several years and we trust that in the next QUARTERLY our letter will be able to give some substantial proof that these prospects have become a reality.

JOHN BURGESS.

Minneapolis, Minn., July 18, 1898.

#### SIXTH PROVINCE.

##### ALPHA EPSILON—NEBRASKA STATE UNIVERSITY.

Commencement has come and gone and with it has closed the most successful year of the University of Nebraska. Two hundred and eleven degrees were granted. Of these forty-two were from the graduate school, eighty-six from the academic, forty-four from the industrial college, and thirty-nine from the law school. This exceeds previous years by one-third in the number of undergraduate students and more than double the number of candidates for higher degrees.

Alpha Epsilon has likewise closed a very successful year and now her members are widely scattered—some to spend their summer vacation, others to take up their life's work. The chapter lost five members by graduation this year: William L. Halstead and Arthur A. Bischof with the degree of Bachelor of Arts; George Burgert, Jr., Bachelor of Science; LaMonte J. Belknap, Bachelor of Science in Electrical Engineering, and Cleon W. Tishue, Bachelor of Law.

Five members enlisted in the service of their country at the first call for volunteers, and we are proud to say that Alpha Epsilon contributed her share of the ninety-seven students who enlisted from our university. The members who enlisted are James E. Fechet, '99, troop D, 6th U. S. Cavalry; Roy D. Montgomery, '00, Co. H, 1st Regt., Neb. Vol. Inf.; Almond B. Wells, Jr., '00, U. S. Vol. Cav.; William L. Halstead, '98, Co. F, 2nd Regt. Neb. Vol. Inf.; E. Wendell Foster, '00, Co. H, 2nd Regt. Neb. Vol. Inf., and Stephen C. Langworthy, Jr., '90, Co. F, 2nd Regt. Neb. Vol. Inf. This loss will be felt heavily by the chapter, but

we shall return next year with nine men ready to carry on the work of the chapter and to do battle for Sigma Chi.

The senior class play—the class event of commencement week—was not only a decided success, but was conceded to have been the best class play ever produced by any graduating class of the university and showed marked ability and originality on the part of the class. Brothers Burgert and Bischof represented the chapter in the play by taking leading parts. Brother Belknap was prevented from participating in the play by reason of sickness.

The *Senior Class Annual*, the first publication of its kind in the university, made its appearance shortly before the close of the school year. Brother Burgert was chairman of the publication committee and through his untiring efforts contributed largely to the success of the book.

The annual competitive drill between the companies of the university regiment was not held this year on account of the large number of cadets that enlisted at the outbreak of the war.

Athletics, though somewhat effected by the war, has shown advancement. The baseball team closed a successful season, but tennis was given little interest. Brother Bischof, manager of the football team, has arranged a schedule which, with the material "in sight" for next fall, will insure success in that branch.

The Trans-Mississippi Exposition at Omaha, Neb., attracts much attention in our section and is proving a grand enterprise. We are now arranging for a provincial convention to be held there about September the first. All "Sigs" intending to visit the Exposition should correspond with Brother Justin D. Bowersock, Grand Praetor, Sixth Province, New England Building, Kansas City, Mo., or with myself, and "bide his time."

The chapter is unsettled as to quarters for next year. The house which we occupied was sold shortly before the close of school and consequently put an end to our plans for keeping it next year. However, we expect to be settled early next fall, in either a house or halls, and shall be glad to welcome all "Sigs" who may be in our midst:

Lincoln, Neb., July 7, 1898.

L. R. EWART.

#### ALPHA XI—UNIVERSITY OF KANSAS.

Since the writing of our last letter many events have transpired, both fraternal and national. One company of the 22nd Kansas Volunteers was recruited from the colleges of the state and with it went three loyal "Sigs:" Brother Geo. H. Rising, '98, is adjutant 2nd Bat. 22nd

Kansas, and 2nd lieutenant of Co. H; Brother A. A. Greene, '99, is 3rd sergeant of Co. H; and Brother R. Wilhoite Cates, '00, private Co. H. Alpha Xi sent more men than all the other chapters here combined and is justly proud of her record. Besides these men Alpha Xi is represented by Brother M. A. W. Shockley, '96, captain Co. C, 6th Missouri Vols. (recruiting), and Albert C. Goodrich, '97, 1st sergeant Co. D, 5th Missouri Vols. We hear from the boys often and if they make as good soldiers as they have "Sigs," Uncle Sam will hear more of them. Alpha Xi loses five men by graduation this year: Brothers Harry G. Clark, C. E., Geo. H. Rising, A. B., Dana C. McVicar, L. L. B., Claude C. Stanley, L. L. B., and Fred Speak, L. L. B. Most of them will locate near by and will be ready to aid us in the fall.

The senior play came off as usual the 1st of June. Brother Rising wrote most of the plot and your scribe also paraded before the assembled audience. Brother Stanley also had the principal part in the play, "Money," given by the K. U. Dramatic Club.

Brother Speak will return next fall to reap new laurels on the grid-iron as full-back on the 'varsity.

The K. U. track team had a very successful year under the guidance of Brother Speak. Brothers Cates and Smith were also members of the team.

We come back next year with eight men and each one of us has a man to bring with him when we return, so taking all into consideration our prospects are excellent. Brothers Osborne, '98, and Nelson, ex-'99, will also be with us.

We hear from our boys at the front that there is serious talk of reviving the famous "Constantine" Chapter. We all hope that it will go through.

We have had visits from many "Sigs" this year and have had the pleasure of having most of them at our bi-weekly parties given in our rooms. We hope to make all who visit us have a pleasant time, so come and bring your baggage and stay a while.

Lawrence, Kansas, June 30, 1898.

HARRY G. CLARK.

#### XI XI—THE UNIVERSITY OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI.

The past year has been an unusually prosperous one for the university in every respect. The enrollment has reached the high water mark of 818, despite the raising of the admission requirements in all departments. One satisfactory feature has been the marked increase in class and college spirit which has been made evident by several lively affairs between classes.

The graduate association of the university has been admitted to the American Federation of Graduate Clubs. Chairs of Journalism, Architecture and Sanitary Engineering were established. A splendid new dormitory has just been completed at a cost of \$30,000 and aids materially to enhance the beauty of the campus.

This spring was marked by a series of intercollegiate victories for Missouri State University. We beat both Kansas and Nebraska in the great interstate debates, and as Nebraska had previously vanquished Colorado, Missouri undoubtedly holds first place in the middle west. Brother Highley was one of the victorious debaters with Nebraska.

Our baseball team made a splendid record, defeating Nebraska twice and Iowa once.

War spirit has run high here and on May 12th we sent a company of university boys to the front amid the greatest enthusiasm. Three brave "Sigs" were among the number and if they ever get at the Spaniards they will be heard from. Brother Phillips is a sergeant in the 4th regiment Missouri Vol. at Camp Alger and Brother Arnold is with the same regiment. Brother Stewart is with the 5th Missouri at Chickamauga. Brother Hansen has been appointed 1st lieutenant in the engineer corps of the U. S. army, and Brother Highley has organized a company in south Missouri, of which he has been chosen captain, for the 6th Mo. infantry. The White Cross is well represented at the front.

Fraternities continue to grow in popularity and power at the Missouri State University. Kappa Sigma installed a chapter in April, but with their present material they will be slow to get a standing. Altogether there were 103 fraternity initiates this year, the total membership being now 145 out of a possible 575. Fraternity men practically control all lines of college work.

Sigma Alpha Epsilon abandon their chapter house this fall and Beta Theta Pi enter one.

Sigma Chi has had a most successful year in all respects, and now stands in the very foremost rank.

Of the four fraternity men on the staff of the *Independent*, three are "Sigs." Brother Arnold has been elected local editor for next year.

We are fast coming to the front in social lines. Our dance of April 29th was the talk for some time, and unanimously voted the most successful affair of the season.

We initiated six men this year, raising our chapter to seventeen. We lose five by graduation and two by the war. At the commencement in June, Brothers Adams and Phillips received sheepskins in the Academic Department, Brother Hansen in the Engineering Department, and



Brothers Halstead and Shultz in the Law Department. Brother Adams took second place in the Bryan essay contest, Brother Shultz second in the declamatory contest and Brother Halstead was one of the four out of a class of 54 to receive his L. L. B. *cum laude*. We shall miss these five men greatly—they were our oldest members and our stand-bys. Nevertheless we shall open next fall with a strong chapter of nine, and fully expect to maintain the high standard set this year. Our members are enthusiastic, full of the "Sig" spirit and can be depended on to make things hum.

Our St. Louis members are engaged in forming an alumni chapter there, which will be of great benefit to Xi Xi.

St. Louis, Mo., June 22, 1898.

R. KLEINSCHMIDT.

(In the Xi Xi chapter picture opposite this page the names run as follows: Beginning at the upper left hand corner and reading diagonally upward from left to right, first row, O. E. Shultz, '98, Mercer Arnold, '00, T. H. Wilcoxon, '99; second row, S. R. Halstead, '98, K. H. Hansen, '98, Murry Phillips, Jr., '98, W. Halliburton, '00; third row, W. D. Steinkamp, '99, J. D. Rippey, '99, R. A. Kleinschmidt, '99, W. R. Scudder, '00; fourth row, E. B. Waterworth, '01, W. B. Stewart, '00, C. H. Thomas, '01, G. P. Adams, '98.)

#### SEVENTH PROVINCE.

##### ETA—THE UNIVERSITY OF MISSISSIPPI.

The session 1897-'98 closes with Eta enjoying the satisfaction that comes from a successful session's work, yet a little sad because of the loss, by graduation, of seven of our brothers. Our farewell meeting was one not soon to be forgotten. In parting with our graduates we bid them, truthfully and tenderly, God's speed, and wonder if we will ever know their equals in sterling character and noble manhood.

Of our graduates Brothers Morrison and Fisher have secured positions to teach; Brewer and Jones will study medicine at Tulane University; Watkins and Knox will practice law. Brother Watkins distinguished himself by winning first honor in law, his average being 99½. While we regret the loss of our brothers who graduated, we feel that in the graduation of Miss Anna Vineyard, of Vineyard, Ark., we have sustained an irreparable loss. Miss Vineyard has rendered so many kindnesses to our chapter that our admiration for her is unbounded, and our most extravagant wishes for future happiness go with her.

Our current catalogue shows that in spite of the late opening of





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the university, because of yellow fever, the past session has been one of splendid work and good attendance.

In athletics our record is good. The baseball team has a record of nothing but victories, winning from Tulane University and Jackson, Tenn. Field sports were good, and the gymnasium team gave its annual exhibition.

Sigma Chi has taken a good share of college honors, winning first honor in law, the anniversarianship of the law class, first and second medals of Phi Sigma society, the representative to the Gulf states oratorical association, the first prize in Shakespearian debate, the prize for best grade in advanced English, the mile and one-half mile run on field day, beside several other events, and we are represented on the gymnasium team, the baseball team and the university orchestra and glee club. We look forward to the coming session, confident of success.

During our commencement we were visited by Brothers M. G. Evans and W. T. Pate, of Moss Point, Miss.; W. H. Monette, of Deasonville, Miss.; J. H. Simrall, of Vicksburg, Miss., and H. P. Sanford, of Memphis, Tenn. Brother Sanford was accompanied by his sister, Miss Beula, who is a "Sig" of first water.

L. P. LEAVELL

Oxford, Miss., July 3, 1898.

#### ALPHA OMICRON—TULANE UNIVERSITY.

(Includes report of New Orleans Alumni Chapter election.)

On May 10th Alpha Omicron celebrated the twelfth anniversary of her establishment. In honor of the occasion there assembled in the same hall in which the first banquet of the chapter was held a large number of Sigma Chis, both active and alumni.

The first to arrive were the musically inclined brethren, who immediately surrounded a piano and proceeded to make the old hall resound with echoes of their melodious voices exercised upon Sigma Chi songs. As a preliminary to the more serious business of the evening, the crowd gathered round a little table, and when the landlord had filled the flowing bowl, so to speak, the momentous question arose as to whether the first toast should be to Sigma Chi or to Admiral Dewey. Brother R. J. Perkins, '89, cut the knot by proposing to compromise upon the committee that had arranged for the banquet. It subsequently developed that this committee, which was composed of Brothers McIlhenny, Westfeldt and Forsyth, was deserving of all praise.

As a result of his diplomatic suggestion, Brother Perkins was called upon to preside over the banquet. Brother J. B. Monroe, '99, occupied the opposite end of the table, and thus the two extremes represented

the beginning and the end of a decade of the chapter's history. The table was very prettily decorated with flowers, ferns and ribbon, in which Sigma Chi colors were everywhere conspicuous. There were no set speeches, but the subjects nearest to all "Sigs" were treated by the various speakers in a way that showed that the subjects themselves were inspirations to eloquence. The toasts to the absent members were received with great enthusiasm. There were jokes and jibes and numerous stories, while not a few interesting anecdotes were told of events in the chapter's history.

During the evening a regular meeting of the New Orleans Alumni Chapter was called to order and the following officers elected: President, R. J. Perkins; secretary, John Dymond, Jr.; treasurer, Douglas Forsyth. It was enthusiastically agreed by the whole assemblage that nothing whatever should prevent a repetition of the banquet upon the same date next year. It only remains to add that it might have been noticed by an acute observer that the active chapter was congratulating itself upon its splendid collection of alumni, and that the older men were no less pleased with the younger generation. With these feelings of mutual esteem, the banquet broke up.

J. B. MONROE.

New Orleans, La., July 1, 1898.

(In the picture of Alpha Omicron chapter opposite page 333, reading from left to right the names are, top row, Eustis, Forsyth, Krumbhaar, Parker, Logan, Monroe, McIlhenny, Murphy; bottom row, Labouisse, T. M. Logan, F. A. Monroe, Haywood, Westfeldt, May, Grant.)

#### ALPHA PSI—VANDERBILT UNIVERSITY.

Alpha Psi, although small in numbers, has maintained the high standard set by the chapters of former years. As a result we have been represented with credit in every branch of college life. In scholarship Brother Carré captured the medal in the Theological Department, while in athletics we were represented on every one of the 'varsity teams. Brother Goodson has been elected football captain for next year. Our prospects for next year are extremely bright.

Nashville, Tenn., July 12, 1898.

FRED DIEFENBACH, JR.

#### EIGHTH PROVINCE.

##### ALPHA OMEGA—LELAND STANFORD, JR., UNIVERSITY.

With this letter we should like to introduce as our latest member, Frank Waite Bennett, of Phoenix, Ariz., who was initiated April 27th,

making the sixth we have taken from the class of '01. Brother Bennett gives promise of becoming a good addition to the 'varsity track team.

In the inter-collegiate track team meet during April with the University of California, Brother Williams, '99, took third place in the mile, thus securing the coveted 'varsity sweater. His time was 4:43, the race being won in 4:38 $\frac{2}{3}$ . Brother Bennett, '01, also represented us, his event being the high jump.

The last college month (May) saw a commotion in the inter-class "frats." The local chapters of Sigma Alpha Epsilon, Sigma Rho Eta, Sigma Mu and Chi Psi severed their connections with Phi Upsilon (freshman society); Theta Nu Epsilon and Sigma Sigma (junior). Brother Noble, '99, was one of three initiated into Sigma Sigma, the other two being representatives of Zeta Psi and Delta Tau Delta, respectively. Brother Gray, '99, has recently become a member of Phi Delta Phi.

As soon as college closed (May 21st) the boys left for their homes. But three of us, Brothers Noble, Partridge and Nichols, are yet here taking care of the house, and also incidentally taking care of a few of our neighbors' chickens.

On June 26th we received a pleasant call from Brothers Lloyd and Christy, of Alpha Upsilon, who are members of Company C, 7th California Regiment, stationed at San Francisco before embarking for Manila.

The coming year promises to be a prosperous one for us. We will have ten men back, and in our present condition we feel that we will at least get our due share of the incoming class.

Palo Alto, Cal., June 26, 1898.

BERNARD C. NICHOLS.

## NINTH PROVINCE.

### ALPHA ALPHA—HOBART COLLEGE.

The college year closed with commencement exercises on June 23d, and although a vacation is very agreeable to us, yet we feel sorry to part with one of the brothers who leaves us this year. This is Brother Knapp.

A number of our alumni were present during commencement week, and their presence gave the fellows additional Fraternity spirit when they saw the sort of men that have left Hobart in bonds of Sigma Chi. Among the alumni present were Brothers Blackford, Young, Milne and Van Kluck.



If all the men who expected to return next year do, we shall begin the year with eight men, and as a large freshman class is expected to enter, our prospects for the coming year are comparatively bright.

When college closed the fellows scattered to their various homes. The two Brothers Jagars are spending vacation at their home in Charleston, S. C. Brother Jagar, Sr., has been manager of the *Echo of the Seneca* for 1898, and is manager of next year's football team. Brother Gunnell was elected captain of next year's baseball team.

Although the fellows have been embarrassed by debts this year, we have kept steadily at work and through all our difficulties *in hoc signo vinces* has been our watch word.

AUSTIN STOWE HUMPHREY.

Geneva, N. Y., June 26, 1898.

#### NU NU—COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY.

College is over and the brothers have separated for the vacation. We lose by graduation Brothers J. A. A. Le Prince, E. H. Daly, E. J. Farley and Webster Wagner. Brothers Sandy and John Irving are taking post-graduate courses in medicine and geology, respectively.

This spring was a very successful one for Columbia and for Nu Nu. In baseball we played Princeton, Yale, New York University, Cornell, and several others, and though we did not always win, we made a good showing. Our hockey team, a new branch of athletics, made a fine stand against Harvard and New Jersey athletic clubs.

Our good work in the chapter resulted in introducing Brother J. Wilson Carey, of Denver, Col., to the "Sig" world. He is one of the finest fellows we have taken in for a long time, and we are very proud of him.

We expect to meet the Cornell "Sigs" at Saratoga on the 28th and July 1st and hope to show them what our crews can do.

Nu Nu is determined to get into a house next fall, and she is going to make a success of it. Any "Sig" who contemplates coming to Columbia, or who knows of one who will do so, should write us at our present chapter address, 371 W. 117th St.

W. M. WEAVER, JR.

New York, N. Y., June 26, 1898.

### Among the Alumni.

#### PITTSBURGH ASSOCIATION'S FIRST ANNUAL BANQUET.

A small, but characteristically enthusiastic gathering of the Alumni Members of Sigma Chi residing in Pittsburgh and vicinity, took place at the Hotel Lincoln on the evening of June 3d. Sixty or more invitations were issued and while only seventeen were present, regrets from as many more served to show that future occasions would meet with a heartier response. But there was no lacking in enthusiasm on the part of those present. With but few exceptions all were strangers to each other, but "the bonds" soon removed an otherwise sure formality and long before the evening was half gone one could easily have imagined that old friends had met for the first time in years.

Kappa Chapter was represented by no less than seven members who were: W. P. Beaver, Carl C. Law and Ralph M. Strawbridge, all of '85, H. H. Null, '93, C. C. Sandells and Geo. O. Barclay, of '97, and H. Burns Smith, '98. Then there were C. P. Krauth, Theta, '68 and W. C. Shaw, Iota, '69, who of course lent much dignity to the occasion. The others were: W. L. Kauffman, Omega, '82, R. E. Withers, Zeta, '83, Eliot A. Kebler, Zeta Psi, '83, J. T. M. Stoneroad, Beta, '87, Alfred Ludwig, Zeta, '83, E. G. Crozier, Delta Delta, '96, H. Stewart, Alpha Chi, '96, Jas. Francis Burke, Theta Theta, '92. C. P. Krauth was the honored toastmaster and very gracefully did he fill the position.

Everyone present was radiant with enthusiasm and an alumni gathering of a single chapter could not have been more enjoyable, so congenial are Sigma Chis wherever and however they are found. Each had something bright and spicy to say, for which the menu, introduced by Dewey Cocktails and interspersed by Punch a la Sigma Chi, was in nowise responsible.

At a proper hour, the banqueters adjourned but not until the success of the First Annual Banquet of the Sigma Chi of Pittsburgh was drunk and C. P. Krauth was elected President, Ralph M. Strawbridge, Vice-President, J. T. M. Stoneroad, Secretary, and Eliot A. Kebler, Treasurer, of the permanent organization, and who were also made a committee to consider the advisability of forming an Alumni Chapter.

Pittsburgh, Pa., June 23, 1898. J. T. M. STONEROAD, Beta, '87.

## PERSONALS.

## ZETA—WASHINGTON AND LEE UNIVERSITY.

Robert F. Wendel, '95, is representing the American Water Works and Guarantee Co., of Pittsburgh, in Little Rock, Ark.

J. R. Guy, Jr., '94, is a hardware clerk in Bedford City, Va.

Henry Holt, '89, is a captain of the Echols Rifles, of Staunton, Va.

Lindley A. Hickman, '96, is located in Shelbyville, Ky.

## OMICRON—DICKINSON COLLEGE.

George M. Hays has been elected chairman of the Cumberland County (Penn.) Republican Committee.

Rev. George C. Stull, '82, of Butte, Mont., is chaplain of a Montana infantry regiment which was sent to the Philippines.

## ALPHA GAMMA—OHIO STATE UNIVERSITY.

H. J. Crawford, '96, led his class in law at Adelbert this year and received the highest grade at the bar examination out of a class of 215.

Herbert Q. Jones, Mu, '99, Alpha Gamma, '00, of Columbus, has kindly contributed the following regarding the Sigma Chis in Ohio regiments:

"Brother H. S. Wagner, Mu, '99, is in Co. B, 5th O. V. I. The 5th is at Tampa, but Co. B has not joined its regiment yet. There are nine companies here at Camp Bushnell waiting to be sent to the different regiments to which they belong. This provisional regiment is under the command of Colonel Burke, and Brother Wagner has been appointed Acting Sergt. Major. Company B will be forwarded to Tampa on Saturday, July 7th. Brothers N. W. Brown and Hubert Sample, also of Mu, '00, are in Co. I, 8th O. V. I. The 8th Ohio is now on her way to Santiago, having embarked on the St. Paul at New York the early part of this week. Brother Sample's father is an old "Sig" of Mu Chapter and wanted his boy to go to the front. Hubert is just eighteen. Brother John Sample went to see Maj. Bryan of the 8th Ohio and obtained a place for his boy in Bryan's batallion. I was over to the Denison University commencement last June and while the active and alumni members of old Mu were getting ready for a chapter meeting—a regular "family reunion"—a telegram came from Sample's father telling him to come to Camp Alger and enlist in the 8th. Brown decided to go with him, so when chapter meeting was over the boys packed up, went to bed and in the morning took the train for Camp Alger. Sample's brother graduated from the Doane Academy at the head of his class. He will be initiated into Mu in the fall.

"Brother Phil Hayward, Zeta Psi, now in Cincinnati Law School, is in Co. B, 1st O. V. I., camped at Tampa, Fla. Two 'Sigs' from Gamma Chapter, but whose class and first names I do not know, are in Co. K, 4th O. V. I., Camp Thomas, Chickamauga Park, Ga. They are Lieut. Koepple and Sergt. Casler. When the third convention met at Columbus I learned from Brother Kline, of Alpha, that eight men from his chapter had enlisted, but he did not mention their names."

## XI—DE PAUW UNIVERSITY.

Colonel John T. Barnett, '75, of the 159th Indiana Infantry, has attracted considerable attention by reason of the strict discipline he enforces, and the excellent care he gives his command. Brother Barnett is a graduate of the United States Military Academy at West Point, and is thoroughly conversant with practical military affairs, having served in the regular army at Fort Russell, Wyoming, and Fort Brown, Texas. Investigation has shown that Colonel Barnett is absolutely guiltless of a charge of cruelty in punishing a soldier, which some reckless Washington correspondent made against him. In referring to this matter the *Madison Courier*, of Madison, Ind., says :

"Colonel Barnett is a gentleman of the kindest heart, easily approachable, and exactly the opposite of the hard, cruel man correspondents have pictured him."

Oscar J. Craig, '81, has just completed his third year as president of the University of Montana. He was chosen president at the time of the founding of the institution, and his administration has been to a marked degree successful. The enrollment has reached 108, and imposing new buildings will be ready for occupancy this fall.

## DELTA DELTA—PURDUE UNIVERSITY.

H. C. Buschman, ex-'96, is traveling for Lewis Meier & Co., of Indianapolis, manufacturers of canvas and duck goods.

James M. Wells, '91, has been elected Professor of Mechanical Engineering in the University of Montana, at Missoula. He has also been elected a member of Tau Beta Pi, the honorary fraternity.

Ronald Dawson, '96, will graduate this spring from the law school of Union University, at Albany, N. Y.

Alva O. Reser, '82, has been nominated by the Republican party for State Representative from Tippecanoe (Ind.) County.

Geo. A. Jamison, '79, was renominated for County Auditor by the Republicans of the same county.

L. A. Downs, '94, is superintendent of division for the Illinois Central, at La Salle, Ill.

Louis C. Smith, '96, is drafting for the Bradford Milling Co., at Cincinnati.

Harry S. Badet, ex-'99, is located with the South Bend (Ind.) Toy Mfg. Co.

## DELTA DELTA—PURDUE UNIVERSITY—Continued.

John L. Roe is with the General Electric Co., at Schenectady, N. Y.

Justin Griess, Jr., '96, is junior partner in the firm of Kaltenbach & Griess, engineers, at Cleveland, O.

William H. Baird, '96, is general manager of the Norfolk (Neb.) Beet Sugar Co.

Thomas J. Barnes, Jr., ex-'99, is assistant ticket agent for the Wabash R. R. at La Fayette.

John D. Thomson, '94, is practicing law in Indianapolis, Ind.

Edwin M. Allen, '96, is assistant mechanical engineer for the Cambria Iron Co., at Johnstown, Pa.

S. Hardie Mitchell, ex-'94, is manager of the Bell Telephone Co., at DeKalb, Ill.

C. Russ Richards, '90, F. Paul Anderson, '90, and James C. Wells, '91, have been elected to membership in the honorary engineering fraternity, Tau Beta Pi. Out of all the alumni before '85 only five were chosen and three were "Sigs."

Frederick C. Schenck, '93, is Professor of Modern Languages in the University of Montana. He is secretary of the faculty. Brother Schenck takes a very lively interest in the building up of the University, and the progress made during the three years of the institution's life give promise that his most ambitious hopes will be realized.

## CHI—HANOVER COLLEGE.

George S. Taylor, '87, had the degree of M. A. conferred upon him at commencement.

Joseph T. Britan, '97, who has been teaching school for the past year at Anna, Ill., is now at his home in Hanover, Ind., where he expects to spend the summer.

Ralph B. Applewhite, '98, is now captain of company G, 1st regiment, Indiana National Guard.

J. R. Laughlin, '74, is in the real estate business in St. Louis at 811 Chestnut street.

Nathan Powell, '84, made himself immortal with the Fourth Province "Sigs" by his hospitality and good cheer at the time of the province convention at Hanover, Ind., in May.

**THETA THETA—UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN.**

Horace L. Dyer, '94, is practicing law at St. Louis.

Francis G. Higgins, '86, of Missoula, Mont., is captain of troop F, 3rd Vol. Cavalry.

Edson M. Rowley, '84, is chief clerk in the office of the Chief Commissary, headquarters second army corps, Camp Russell A. Alger, Falls Church, Va.

Matt Parmaeter, '90, is with company C, 2nd regiment, Ohio Volunteer Infantry.

Bemans, '90, is surgeon in one of the Illinois regiments.

Carl S. Kennedy, Waldo Bach and Will Love are with Co. I, 31st regiment Michigan Volunteers. R. Danforth, a pledge, is also in this company.

Lloyd Wilson is with Co. D, 34th regiment, Michigan Volunteers.

**KAPPA KAPPA—UNIVERSITY OF ILLINOIS.**

D. Hobart Carnahan has left for Paris, where he will study for a year.

Herbert C. Arms, '94, Grand Annotator of the Fraternity, has entered the employment of the Central School Supply House of Chicago as a traveling salesman. He will sell scientific apparatus.

**ALPHA SIGMA—UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA.**

E. B. Gardiner, '92, is advertising agent for the "Grand Leader" in St. Louis.

Moses Greenwood, Jr., is in the real estate business in St. Louis.

**ALPHA ZETA—BELOIT COLLEGE.**

John G. Randall, '95, is now practicing medicine in Monroe, Wis. He received the degree of Master of Arts from Beloit June 22nd.

Albert W. Whitney, '91, who has been Instructor in Mathematics in the University of Nebraska during the past year, will fill a similar position in the University of Michigan next year.

H. P. Hinckley, ex-'98, was married to Miss Clara Mussey at Atkinson, Ill., June 25th. Miss Mussey is a sister of H. R. Mussey, Alpha Zeta, '00.

Roy Rockwell, ex-'96, will be married in July to Miss Alice Brittain, of Beloit. Brother Rockwell is with the Chicago Record. Miss Brittain is very well known in the society circles of Beloit.

## ALPHA IOTA—ILLINOIS WESLEYAN UNIVERSITY.

Jas. C. Riley, '98, is one of the stars in the Bloomington, Ill., baseball nine.

Corporal Scrimger, of Co. D, 5th Ill. Inf., came up from Chicamauga Park last week to recruit the company. "Scrim" is an Alpha Iota boy graduating in '97. E. N. Heafer, Alpha Iota, '00, returned with him as one of the recruits.

Harry L. Fleming, ex-'99, but now of Alpha Omega, has returned to his Bloomington home for the summer. He will return to Leland Stanford next fall.

Dr. Will Young, ex-'97, has located at McLean, McLean Co., Ill.

W. W. Whitmore of the law firm of Whitmore & Barnes, Peoria, was over to attend the commencement of his alma mater and exchange grips with the boys of Alpha Iota.

## ALPHA XI—UNIVERSITY OF KANSAS.

M. A. W. Shrokley has been appointed Captain of Company C, 6th Missouri Volunteers, and has been given authority to recruit his company at Carthage, Mo.

Guy Cramer has been the staff correspondent of the *Chicago Daily News*, at Camp Thomas, Chicamauga Park, since April.

## ALPHA OMEGA—LELAND STANFORD, JR., UNIVERSITY.

Watson Nicholson, '92, has been principal of the Redlands (Cal.) High School this last year.

Robert Morris Drake, '94, a charter member of Alpha Omega, is a civil engineer in the employ of the Southern Pacific R. R., with his headquarters at Sacramento, Cal.

Walter Winship, '95, takes his doctors degree in mathematics in Germany this year.

Al. Jarman, ex-'97, University of Michigan, '97, is building up a fine law practice at San Jose, Cal. Brother Jarman is one of Alpha Omega's most loyal alumni.

J. E. Alexander, '95, is trying his fortune in the northern gold fields.

ETA—UNIVERSITY OF MISSISSIPPI.

- T. C. Kimbrough, '94, is practicing law at West Point, Miss.  
Harry P. Sanford, '94, is a promising physician in Memphis, Tenn.  
Paul Gruen, '91, is in the U. S. Revenue Office at St. Louis.  
Robert Friend, '90, is in the commission business in St. Louis.

ALPHA NU—UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS.

Madison H. Benson, '96, and Alex. Camp, '99, are spending the summer at University of Chicago.

E. Dick Slaughter, '96, when last heard of was increasing his fortune by "cow punching" in western Texas.

MISCELLANEOUS NOTES.

Robert C. Brooks, Lambda, '96, who has been holder of the President White Fellowship in Political and Social Science in residence at Cornell during the past year, was reelected in June to the same fellowship which has been made traveling for the year 1898-99. This is the first instance that a fellowship has been repeated in this department at Cornell. Mr. Brooks sailed for Antwerp on the Red Star Line Steamer Kensington July 13th. The greater part of his year abroad will be spent at the universities of Halle and Berlin. Returning he will visit France and England.

A. H. Culver, Alpha Mu, '89, received the Democratic nomination for the Legislature from Grayson and Parker counties, Texas.

Karl Kimmel, Xi Xi, '97, is practicing law in St. Louis.

George P. Merrick, Omega, '84, was elected assistant secretary of the Board of Trustees of Northwestern University at the recent commencement of that institution.

For some time past the St. Louis Alumni, urged on by active members from Xi Xi Chapter, have been considering the formation of an association. The names of twenty St. Louis "Sigs" were finally secured, and on June 28th a preliminary meeting was held. Much interest and enthusiasm was shown and it was resolved to effect an organization. Brother Kleinschmidt, of Xi Xi, was chosen temporary secretary and another meeting was called for July 7th at the home of Brother Dyer, of Theta Theta, at which time permanent officers were chosen.



William G. Brossman, of Beta, who has for the past few years been located with a prominent law firm in Columbus, Ohio, passed the last bar examination recently.

The engagement of Brother Justin D. Bowersock, Alpha Xi, to Miss Mildred Mathison, of Kansas City, Mo., is announced. Brother Bowersock is with the firm of Dobson & McAme, lawyers, at Kansas City, and is also Praetor of the Sixth Province.

Harris New Hart, Eta Eta, and Phi Rho Sigma at the University of Michigan, has left for Europe.

Rev. A. J. McKelway, Sigma Sigma, is editor of the *North Carolina Presbyterian*.

Thomas Spight, Sigma, '62, was nominated for Congress by a Democratic primary in the Fifth Congressional District of Mississippi to succeed Hon. W. V. Sullivan, appointed to the U. S. Senate.

P. M. Griffith, Omicron Omicron '97, has received the appointment of U. S. Consul to Matamoros, Mexico. Brother Griffith's term of office begins July 25th.

F. H. Yost, Mu Mu, '97, will coach the University of Nebraska football team at Lincoln, Neb., this fall.

The engagement of Brother George H. Rising to Miss Rosalind Watson, of Lawrence, Kansas, is announced. Miss Watson is a member of Kappa Alpha Theta, and Brother Rising is adjutant of the 2nd battalion of the 22nd Kansas.

Rev. Charles M. Stock, Theta, '74, was recently elected Junior Warden of the Knights Templar, Grand Commandery of Pennsylvania. The *Philadelphia Press* referred to his election as follows:

"There was but one contest for office, the others being progressive, but that contest was the longest in the history of the Grand Commandery in Pennsylvania. The election was waged vigorously over three ballots for the office of grand junior warden, which puts the winner in line for promotion toward the grand commandership.

"There were three candidates—The Rev. Charles M. Stock, of York Commandery, pastor of the Lutheran Church at Hanover; John F. Laedlein, of Baldwin II, Williamsport, and Joshua L. Lyte, of Lancaster. While considerably in the lead, Stock did not have a clear majority of the more than four hundred votes in the conclave on the first ballot, and a second ballot was ordered. The Harrisburg Knights supported him to a man, while the Philadelphians were said to be working for Lyte, Stock's closest competitor.

"On the second ballot Laedlein's friends withdrew his name. This ballot was undecisive, neither candidate, owing to absentees, having a majority of all the delegates. On the third ballot Stock was chosen amid great applause.

"Immediately the successful candidate was congratulated, and from Gethsemane Commandery, of York, came a large bunch of roses. Subsequently Mr. Stock held a reception at the hotel Russ, headquarters of the York delegation.

"The Rev. Mr. Stock is one of the brightest and most popular members of the Grand Commandery, and has demonstrated his ability as a public speaker."

Dr. Ira A. Shimer, Alpha Rho, '91, house surgeon at St. Luke's hospital, Bethlehem, Pa., passed with honors the examination for admission to the United States Army Surgical Corps, and has reported at Washington for service. Of the class of eighty that passed, Dr. Shimer stood first, and had the honor of being first appointed. The examinations took place at Washington. Dr. Shimer is a graduate of Lehigh University, class of '91, and of the University of Pennsylvania Medical School, class of '95.

## MARRIAGES.

Lane MacGregor, Alpha Sigma, was married June 28th to Miss Anna G. Williams at Duluth, Minn.

Frederick H. Muhlenberg, Phi, '86, was married June 2nd to Miss Mały Rick at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Rick, of Reading, Pa. Rev. Dr. Good, dean of Ursinius College, performed the ceremony. The bride was attended by her sister Grace, and Miss May Sternberg. Paul D. Millholland was groomsman.

Jesse Van Valkenburg, Alpha Sigma, '95, was married to Miss Minnie May Cook, of Rochester, Minn., at that place June 29th.

The *Orange and Blue* of Bucknell University for April 19th devoted conspicuous attention to the marriage of Thomas Graham, Kappa. We quote:

"A very pretty and fashionable wedding occurred Thursday evening last, at half-past eight o'clock, in the Presbyterian Church of this place, when Mr. Thomas Graham and Miss Ida Davis Marsh were united in marriage. The bride is the grand-daughter of Mr. Franklin Davis, and is a handsome, winning and accomplished young lady, always prominent in society, and a general favorite. Mr. Graham is associated with his father in gold and silver mining enterprises in New Mexico, being now located at Graham; New Mexico, where he and his bride expect to make their home. He was formerly a student at Bucknell, and has a host of friends at this place."

George B. Shattuck, Theta Theta, '89, of Chicago, was married June 1st to Miss Jennie E. Otis of that city. The Sigma Chi's present were J. R. Sutton, Theta Theta, '90; S. T. Mather, Alpha Beta, '87; and Rev. W. Francis Irvine, Chi, '87. The following report of the wedding is from the *Inter Ocean*:

"The Otis-Shattuck wedding in Kenwood last evening was of much interest to the social element of Kenwood and Hyde Park. The bride was Miss Jeunie Edith Otis, a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Gould Otis of No. 4508 Lake avenue, and the groom George Brace Shattuck, also of Kenwood. The marriage rites were solemnized at the home of the bride's parents, Rt. Rev. Charles Edward Cheney, D. D., officiating. The bride had but one attendant, Miss Marguerite Otis. The groom was supported by J. R.

Sutton, of Hillsdale, Mich., and the ushers were W. Irving Otis, Thomas G. Otis, Jr., Fred H. Rawson, and Philip L. Marshall.

"The decorations at the house were tastefully arranged, consisting chiefly of palms and lilies in the drawing-room, while the dining-room was done in pink. The bride was gowned in a rich costume of white corded silk, with tulle overdress. A fischu with ends which reached to the bottom of the skirt was one feature of the trimmings and she wore a tulle veil. The bouquet she carried was of the shower variety, and was composed of sweet peas, maiden hair ferns and orchids. Miss Marguerite Otis wore pink mull over taffeta, with skirt ruffled to the waist and edged with pink satin ribbon. Her gown was cut decollete and her bouquet was of pink bridesmaid roses and maiden hair ferns. Little Belle Brown was a flower girl and wore a pretty frock of white mull, and Bardette Otis, a nephew of the bride, was a page. Music was furnished by an orchestra composed of mandolins and a harp.

"A reception lasting from 8:30 until 11 o'clock was attended by the intimate friends and relatives of the bride and groom. Mr. and Mrs. Shattuck will be at home in October at No. 4438 Sidney avenue."

The marriage of Clarence A. Fiske, Alpha Pi, '90, ex-Praetor of the Fifth Province, and Miss Clara L. Miller, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George H. Miller, will occur at the home of the bride's parents in Kansas City, Kansas, July 30th. Mr. and Mrs. Fiske will be at home in September at 327 Twelfth street, Alton, Ill.

#### OBITUARY.

To our late Brother George R. Freeman, Theta, '76, to whose death reference was made in the May QUARTERLY, the *Outlook* gave the following appreciative notice:

"The sudden death from heart failure of Professor George R. Freeman, at Meadville, Pennsylvania, on the 10th inst., is a distinct loss to Biblical scholarship in this country. Prof. Freeman began his career in the Congregational Church, where he made many friends. His interest in Old Testament literature was especially strong, and his work in this field became so notable that he was at length appointed Wilder Professor of Hebrew, the History of the Old Testament and the History of Religions, in the Meadville Theological School, a post that he has filled for the last ten years with great ability and success. As a scholar he was distinguished for his thoroughness of research and accuracy of statement and a fearless acceptance of whatever truth the facts were found to point to. He was a clear and independent thinker, fully dominated by the scientific spirit, and always kept abreast of the progress of the modern critical school. His gentle and modest disposition did not bring him as much before the public as other workers, but his candor and conscientiousness commanded the entire respect of his pupils and fellow Professors, and his sweet and unassuming spirit endeared him to all who came to know his sterling worth."

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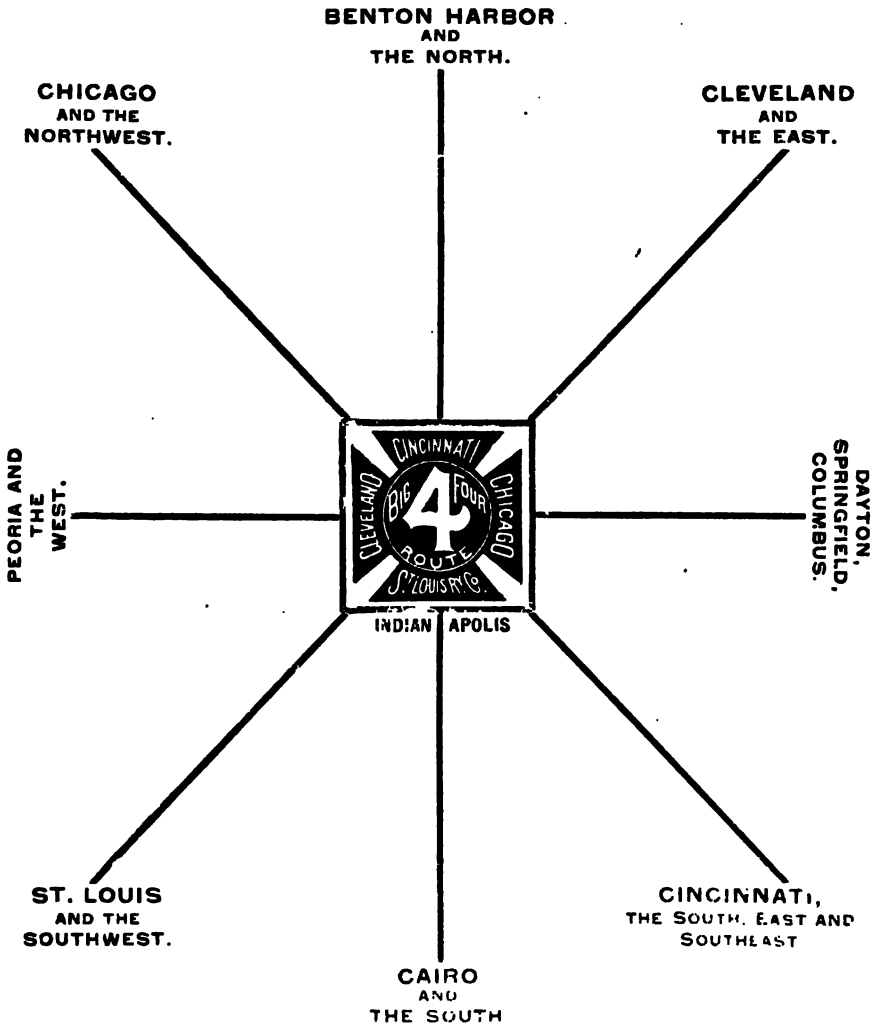
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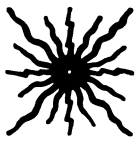


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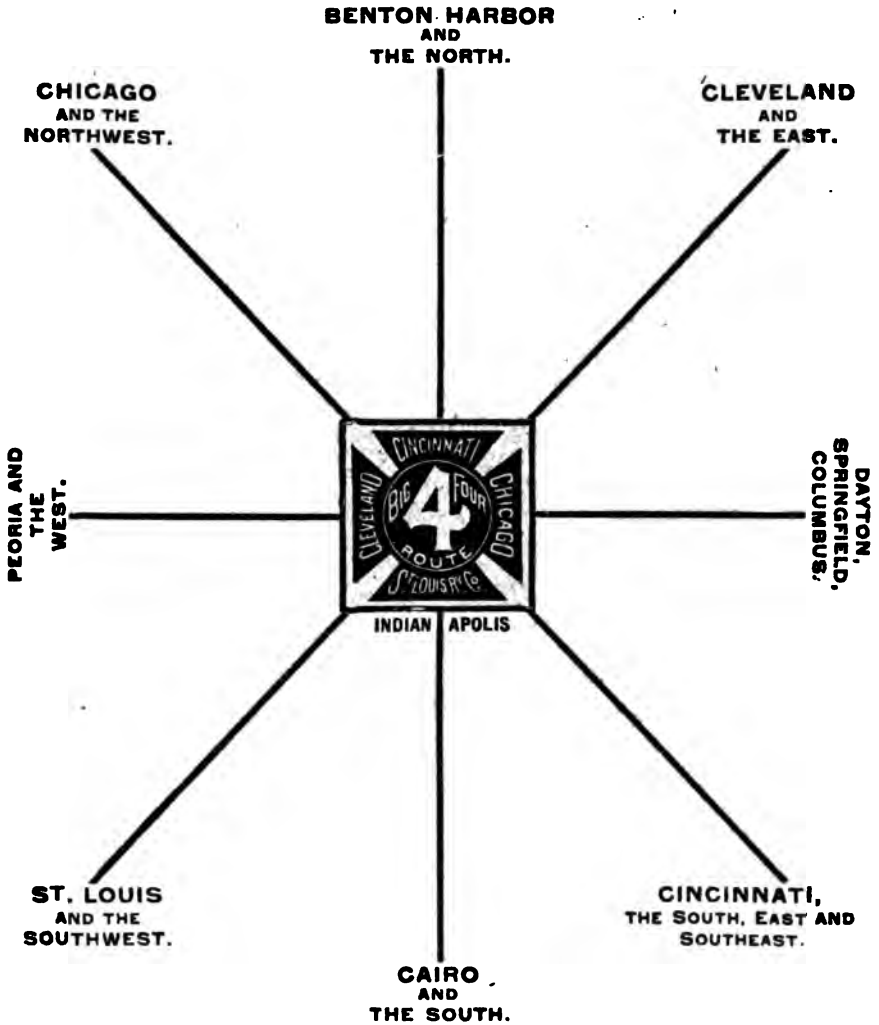
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