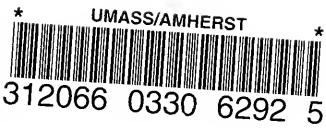




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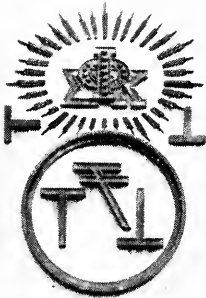


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MATTHEW MANSFIELD NEELY
Delta '01
Governor of West Virginia

Neely Elected Governor of West Virginia

By W. E. CONNELL JR., *City Editor, Charleston Gazette*

Matthew Mansfield Neely, Delta '01, soldier, lawyer and statesman, who will become West Virginia's twenty-first governor January 13, has been an outstanding leader in the State since 1913 when he was elected to the Sixty-Third Congress to fill an unexpired term. He was re-elected to consecutive terms in Congress until 1922 when he became U. S. Senator. He was serving his third term in the U. S. Senate when elected governor November 6, 1940.

Prior to his election to Congress, Neely served two terms as mayor of Fairmont in 1910 and 1911. In 1911 he became clerk of the House of Delegates which position he held until he resigned to become Congressman after a successful campaign to fill the seat vacated by John W. Davis when he became Solicitor General of the United States.

Neely was born on a farm near Grove, Doddridge County, West Virginia, on November 9, 1874, son of Dr. Alfred and Mary (Morris) Neely. When he was five years old his family moved to the nearby village of Market and there young Neely attended public school for the next 13 years. In 1893, he obtained a teacher's certificate and taught school for the next four years. In the meantime he attended summer and spring terms at Salem College.

In 1897, he entered West Virginia University to study law. With the outbreak of the Spanish-American War the following year, Neely gave up his studies to enlist as a private in Company "D," of the first West Virginia volunteer infantry. He served in the Army 11 months and in 1899 resumed his studies at the

University whence he graduated in 1902 with a bachelor of law degree.

Upon his admission to the bar in 1902, he began practice in Fairmont, and soon formed a partnership with Henry S. Lively, a school and fraternity mate. His first venture into politics was in 1908 when he was elected mayor of Fairmont.

Governor Neely's ability as an orator, which has served him so well during numerous heated political campaigns and in his legal practice, was recognized during his college days when he won several prizes in oratory.

During his senior year at the University he gained honors for West Virginia when he was awarded first place in the Central Oratorical League in which a large number of eastern universities were represented

Neely is a close friend of President Roosevelt and is noted in the Nation's Capitol for his capacity for hard work. He was frequently called upon to present important bills from the Senate floor because of his speaking ability.

His popularity among the rank and file of the state's citizenry has been demonstrated several times in elections when he received more votes than the head of the Democratic ticket. He has consistently supported legislation beneficial to the state's industries and is popularly known as a "friend of labor."

Governor Neely married Miss Alberta Claire Ramage in October, 1903, at Fairmont. They have two sons, Alfred R. Neely and John Champ Neely, and a daughter, Miss Corrine Neely.

The Governor is a member of Phi Beta Kappa.

Alaskan Aviation — Military and Civil

By CHARLES O. MORGAN, *Delta Deuteron* '36

EDITOR'S NOTE: This is the second of a series of articles on Alaska. This article will be followed by others on the search for new minerals, salmon fishing, native schools, colorful Alaskan characters, social life in Alaska, winter sports, and the Matanuska Valley.

Brother Morgan is located at Anchorage, Alaska, where he covers for the United Press. He is doing free lance writing for outside publications in addition to working on *The Alaskan*, the local weekly newspaper.

A series of .— .— .— .— (dot-dash-dot, dash-dot-dash) blending perfectly into the ears of the pilot as he wings his way over trackless wastes and through hazardous mountain passes in Alaska informs him that science is reaching out to guide him in new air lanes as another radio-range station flashes into operation. The pilot safely rides the "beam" into the airport.

While the Army and Navy are rushing with the utmost speed the construction of air bases in Alaska and forging the new line of defense for the United States, a highly important coördinating agency at work is the Civil Aeronautics Administration. Spurred by the national defense emergency and combining its efforts with the Army and Navy, the CAA is rapidly weaving a network of airways in this northern outpost. These airways are highly important to Uncle Sam's "flying fortresses" and other tactical fighter planes of the air defense force as well as commercial pilots of the Territory.

Although the army pilots can fly their planes without the "beam," untold advantages lie with the plane so guided, especially in adverse weather . . . and in case of war.

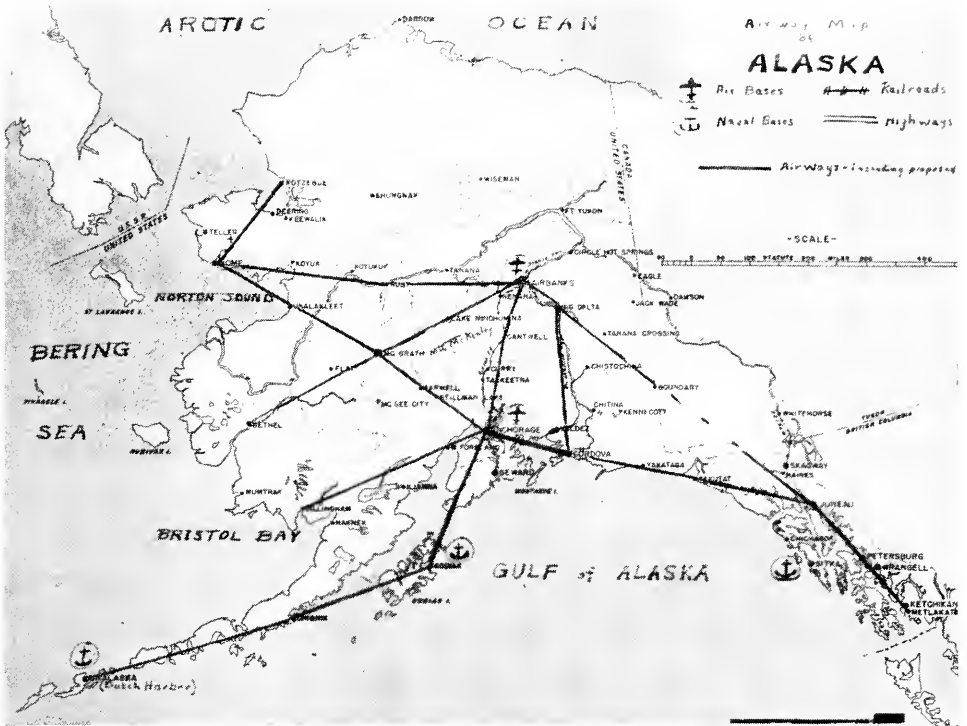
Emphasis of the CAA program natu-

rally is upon defense, but the program in Alaska is three-fold. It includes not only defense aviation, but also civil aviation and postal aviation advancement. While the nation which rules the sky apparently can "write its own ticket" in this present war-turbulent world, the nation which can have its planes in the air in all kinds of weather definitely has the advantage. It is man's everlasting battle to meet and overcome if possible the challenge of the elements and inclement conditions . . . conditions which greatly influence aviation.

Often it has been noted during the past few months of the success or failure of bombings in Europe's war due to weather. Perhaps one night Britain's bombers out-dare the enemy and the weather to stage a raid on Berlin while German bombers did not leave the ground due to weather conditions.

The United States has the most modern equipment for its planes and best instruments adapted to overcoming weather conditions. Still, much remains to be done. It is toward this end that improvements and enlargement of the weather data gathering system is being developed in Alaska. Present objective of the program is to build the system of beam stations and render weather reports with the same excellence enjoyed in the States.

Coöperation of the United States Weather Bureau demonstrates the co-ordination of the defense program. Naturally the Weather Bureau is the agency to observe and report weather conditions. This past summer seven weather stations in the Territory were outfitted with the



most modern weather predicting equipment, namely the radio sonde. Instruments sent aloft in small balloons flash by radio to the ground weather conditions thousands of feet above the earth. Such is the advantage of the radio sonde, or as called by some, the "robot weather-man."

Stations so equipped are located at Anchorage, Juneau, Fairbanks, Nome, Bethel, Ketchikan and Pt. Barrow. The latter, the most northern settlement in Alaska, has assumed importance in this nation's defense program and will no doubt be much in the news. More than 10 additional men were sent to Alaskan weather stations last summer to take care of the additional work in connection with the national defense needs.

Reports of weather conditions in all parts of the territory gathered by the weather bureau are flashed to fliers and airports all over Alaska and on to the States by the CAA system of radio sta-

tions. Storms originating in Alaska definitely and directly affect weather in a large portion of western and mid-western United States. An intricate system of teletypes and radio dispatches flashes weather bulletins and routine weather reports to airports.

Few persons realize that in the States a 24-hour-a-day weatherman and radio system guards airplane passengers against airplanes flying into bad weather. The same is the object of the CAA program in Alaska. So important has this matter become that a new arterial circuit from Alaska to Seattle is being constructed with receiving and transmitting stations at Anchorage. All weather reports for the entire territory will clear through Anchorage when this radio circuit is completed this year.

With an understanding that weather and how to meet its challenge is a major problem of the CAA in its program to aid aviation, the importance is also

realized of constant radio communication with pilots. As the situation now exists in civil aviation in Alaska, schedules are frequently upset and delayed for hours, perhaps days, because of adverse weather.

It is the immediate purpose of the CAA to complete the airways, as are called the routes over which planes can fly, and be in constant contact with ground stations in the Territory. First of these major airways from Nome to Metlakatla is due for completion by June, 1941. This airway extends from Nome, at the extreme western side of the Territory, via Ruby and Fairbanks, (or via McGrath to Anchorage) via Cordova and Yakutat to Juneau, the capital of Alaska, and on to Metlakatla.

From the defense angle, this airway may be considered the key since it will direct planes to western Alaska from Fairbanks and Anchorage, where the two largest and most important army air bases are rapidly taking shape.

With this airway to Metlakatla, just south of Ketchikan, we have the backbone and central airway of Alaska, extending from Nome in the northwest to the southernmost tip of the territory and nearest jumping-off place to the United States proper.

Further illustration of the completeness with which the territory will be covered by these airways is found in the list of proposed airways, some under construction and others still in formative stages. These include lines from Fairbanks to Bethel, on the Kuskokwim river; Anchorage directly to Nome via McGrath, Anchorage to Bristol Bay area, Anchorage to Kodiak and extended to Unalaska (on the Aleutian chain), the latter two being important naval bases; Fairbanks to Cordova, Fairbanks to Juneau (depending upon mutual defense agreements made with Canada), and from Nome to Kotzebue.

Commercial planes will make use of

these airways as well as the military aircraft. Some of these routes mentioned are already used by commercial airlines. To fly these new airways the commercial planes must be equipped with modern instruments, a measure which all seem eager to do and which many are now practicing.

Aviation is to Alaska what the railroad was to the development of the United States. Inspection of the accompanying map will reveal the comparative mileage of highways, airways, and railroads, airways being first, highways second and railroads last in the total mileage. Airways mileage totals at least four times that of highways while highway construction each year is increasing this mileage over that of the railroads. Unpaved, the highways are built of dirt and stone and rough gravel. Many are barely wide enough to accommodate two passing cars or trucks. The Richardson Highway of 370 miles from Valdez to Fairbanks is the longest. The Steese Highway extends from Fairbanks to Circle Hot Springs and on to the Yukon River just below the Arctic Circle.

Another highway reaches from Anchorage to the Matanuska Valley and mining district some 60 miles north. Other highways in the Territory being built each year are connecting various towns and settlements of close proximity.

The Alaska Railroad from Seward, at Tidewater, to Fairbanks via Anchorage, the Matanuska Valley, and the Mt. McKinley Park district maintains approximately 500 miles of rails. Some 30 miles of the White Pass and Yukon (narrow gauge) Railroad lies within Alaska, its course being from Skagway to Whitehorse in the Yukon Territory. Connections are made at Whitehorse with the river boats of the Yukon.

Another purely local and narrow gauge railroad operates between Nome and the mining district some 60 miles to the North. The Copper River Railroad, abandoned three years ago, extends 150



A commercial ship equipped to fly the "beam" prepares to take off into an Alaskan sunset.

miles from Cordova to the Kennecott copper mining district.

Vital in binding Alaska together are the airways and air routes. The greater speed, and superiority in most respects, of air travel over communication by land is illustrated and demonstrated daily in Alaska.

Pilots in this northland have been flying . . . and pioneering . . . in aviation to develop it and to bring people of the Territory into closer contact with one another. These men have been flying in weather and under crude conditions for many years for lack of better equipment. Alaskans are more aviation-conscious than their cousins in the States, the planes per capita in Alaska being higher than in continental United States. There are 180 certified planes in Alaska which with a population of more than 71,000 makes approximately one airplane to every 400 persons.

There are 102 commercial pilots in Alaska. A number of these fliers each year leave Alaska to take positions with the larger air lines in the States. The reverse also is true, some experienced pilots coming to Alaska to fly for Alaskan commercial lines. According to figures from the Inspection Division of the CAA in Alaska, there are 106 certified mechanics in the Territory. The Alaskan Aircraft Operations Summary Reports for the year ending June 30, 1940, shows "continued increase during the year of all phases of aviation services in the Territory of Alaska, with the exception of Passenger Miles. This decrease was slight, only .96% less than last year, while the number of passengers flown increased 1,621, or 5.5% more than last year, while the number of plane miles increased over 1939 in the amount of 350,000 miles, or nearly 11%. Compared to last year's totals, the number of trips of the air services of Alaska increased this year

about 25%, and the number of hours flown increased nearly 10 per cent.

"The amount of freight hauled by planes increased 305,000 pounds in the past year, or about 8 per cent over 1939. The pounds of mail carried by planes also increased during the past year, 30,500 pounds, or 6% more than 1939. It is expected that the pounds of mail hauled by planes will increase even more during the coming year due to the recent inaugural of air mail service from continental United States."

In comparing the totals by months it is interesting to note that the months of November and February show the greatest average increases in all phases of activity. In this connection it is interesting to note the extensive night flying in Alaska. During the summer months night flying is done in light hours, due to the midnight sun, nevertheless it is night flying even if it is light as late as midnight.

Comparative figures for the past 10 years prove the importance and growth of aviation to Alaskan life—social and economic. For the year ending June 30, 1930, there were 338,422 flown miles as compared with 3,598,790 for the year ending June 30, 1940, or an increase of more than ten-fold.

Other figures indicating similar growth are the 3,654 passengers per year 10 years ago as compared with the 31,435 traveling by air last year. There were only 103,043 pounds of freight carried 10 years ago as compared with 4,315,660 pounds carried by airplanes last year, and 17,690 pounds of mail for the year ending June 30, 1930, as compared with the 520,232 pounds last year.

The Inspection Division of the CAA in Alaska keeps complete records on all phases of aviation in the Territory. I. K. McWilliams is the senior inspector stationed in Anchorage.

The story is told of the sourdough flying to the nearest town for nothing more than a loaf of bread . . . much as

many would drive to the store in the States for the bread . . . and not to go as far either. Illustrating the ingenuity of pilots, we hear the story of the pilot who substituted a scoop shovel for the damaged tail fin. More than once planes literally have been wired together after a "crackup" in some remote location and so "limp" back to the home field.

Under the long-term policy of the CAA much of the attention is devoted to the development of the civil and commercial aviation in the nation. In Alaska this point has not been lost sight of and the development of airports is definitely part of the program. There are the developments of primary or terminal, secondary, and intermediate airports under this program.

A primary airport is one large enough to accommodate transport planes and are equipped with landing lights, radio stations and other up-to-date equipment necessary to safe flying. Paved runways as used in the States are still practically unknown on commercial fields. These airports are also large enough to accommodate the larger bombing planes of the army. Secondary airports are for the accommodation of smaller planes, yet large enough for emergency landings of the larger transport planes. Intermediate airports are those with fewer accommodations and less equipment, yet available for emergency or forced landings. Establishment of such a system has been the object of Marshall C. Hoppin, superintendent of airways and in charge of the construction program in Alaska.

Construction of many of the "beam" stations by the CAA has meant literally cutting out space from a wilderness. Besides the construction of the radio station and living quarters for the radio operators who are constantly on duty, there often is the construction of emergency landing fields at these places.

A range station is one giving radio reports to fliers, directions (popularly called "flying the beam"), and two-way com-

munication between the station and plane. A communication station simply gives weather conditions to the pilots and provides two-way communication between plane and ground. At the present time airways in Alaska are composed of both types of stations so if the pilot is out of range of the "range" station or the "beam," he is within conversation distance by two-way radio with a communication station and is thus kept informed of weather conditions.

A truly dramatic story of man's efforts to overcome and conquer this frontier is being written and enacted as the air program in Alaska first takes place on the ground. Some 500 men were kept in the field last summer for the first full summer's work to rush construction of range and communication stations. At the same time surveys were being made for more stations. Originally started as a three-year program, the working season is so shortened by severe winter weather that an extension may be necessary to five years. Red tape in Washington also retards much of the Alaskan program. Emphasis of the defense work also has a bearing upon possible extension of the program.

Official start of the program in Alaska was August 15, 1939, with \$1,000,000 appropriated by Congress for the first year's program. For 1941, or the second year of the program, \$750,000 was appropriated, while for 1942, \$4,600,000 has been appropriated making a total of \$6,350,000 appropriated for CAA work alone in Alaska.

In addition to the men in the field 120 persons are employed for authorized and permanent positions such as operators, office personnel, direction officials, maintenance men, etc. Headquarters of the territory construction program, as well as the inspection office, are located in Anchorage.

Even before the conquest of the elements in the air can be given battle, many obstacles must be overcome on land to

establish the ground stations and eventually make travel safer in the sky. There are, with few exceptions, no roads to the sites of these radio stations so vital to the airways. However, if they are not located on the coast, the sites are often on rivers . . . but many miles inland. This re-



Workmen fell first tree in preparation for another Alaskan C. A. A. Range Station located miles from other civilization.

quires the transportation of supplies by ocean boat to the river's mouth, by barge to river boat, by river boat as far as possible, then oftentimes another transfer to still smaller river barge or boat for the final leg of the journey. As happened last fall, supplies were lost, when essential equipment and supplies for one station slid from a barge into the cold waters of a western Alaskan bay. Weeks and months, besides the equipment, are lost when this happens.

In cases where no river is available for transportation, supplies have to be packed over rough and untraversed terrain. To do this "cat trains" are used in winter to

draw loaded sleds over the frozen ground otherwise impassable for heavy traffic during summer months. The exploits of this mode of transportation and the hazards connected with it are a story in themselves. Tons of supplies wend their way through wilderness where only the grizzly bear or moose roamed before.

Since most of the hiring is done through the Anchorage office a majority of the men are flown to the job in privately contracted planes. Much time is saved in this way since the men are flown to the job as the supplies arrive on the scene. Even equipment is flown in to many jobs.

Establishment of these stations and series of landing fields throughout the territory is helping the United States to take its place as history is being written in the air. While much remains to be done by the United States, aeronautical experts in flying under frigid conditions of the North, the fact remains that this country has the most modern and effective directional system for flying of any nation in the world.

While Admiral Byrd and Sir Hubert Wilkins have done much experimenting in arctic flying, some of the most trying and telling tests for our modern aircraft are under way at the present time under the direction of the Army in Alaska. Many types of fighter planes, including the famous "flying fortress," of the U. S. Army are undergoing tests of Arctic flying at Ladd Field at Fairbanks at the present time. Flights are made to Anchorage where landings are made on the huge concrete runway at Fort Richardson (formerly called Elmendorf Field).

Russia has carried on experiments in Arctic flying, we know, for several years, and according to information have airports as far north as any of the new Alaskan bases. Arctic flying is feasible as has been demonstrated by Russian and our own experiments . . . perfection and superiority now being the goal.

"Flying the beam," which is actually the reception of the audible signal from the "range" station to the pilot, is far in advance of European methods of air navigation. Other nations' air navigation follows a method resembling the piloting of a water vessel; that is, using the compass and direct contact with the home airport station. American pilots flying out of range of the "beam" navigate in this manner. In the case of invasion and for patrol work during wartime our planes equipped for the beam would have a definite advantage especially in adverse weather. For an enemy aircraft to make use of "the beam" would require the equipment of their planes with instruments (and without a chance to test them) to pick up and make use of the American beam stations.

A glance at the world globe will show that flying long-range aircraft, bombers or otherwise, from Europe is possible. Whether or not such flights are feasible is a question we shall have to leave for the present to the experts.

Fortification of Alaska by the Army and Navy indicates that this strategic northern land is considered the northern anchor for the famed "defense triangle," which extends from Alaska south to Pearl Harbor, thence to Panama and directly to Alaska, the latter line touching our west coast defenses.

Anchorage, largest of the Army's air bases, is progressing rapidly, while at Fairbanks the winter maneuvers and winter tests of the fighter aircraft is underway. On Annette Island, situated at the extreme southern part of Alaska's panhandle, an airport is under construction to be used as a ferrying point and emergency field for planes flying from the States.

Combined and coördinating with the defense program is the Navy's construction of three formidable naval bases at Sitka, guarding the famed "inside passage"; at Kodiak; and the submarine base at Unalaska (Dutch Harbor), site of

the first waterway between the Alaska Peninsula and the Aleutian Island chain.

Consider that Unalaska is 2046 miles from Honolulu, and 2051 miles from San Francisco while Honolulu is 2278 miles from San Diego, our West Coast air base. With Alaska on the north and the other established bases, planes could very well cover the entire area and overlap in their flights much to the discomfort of any enemy.

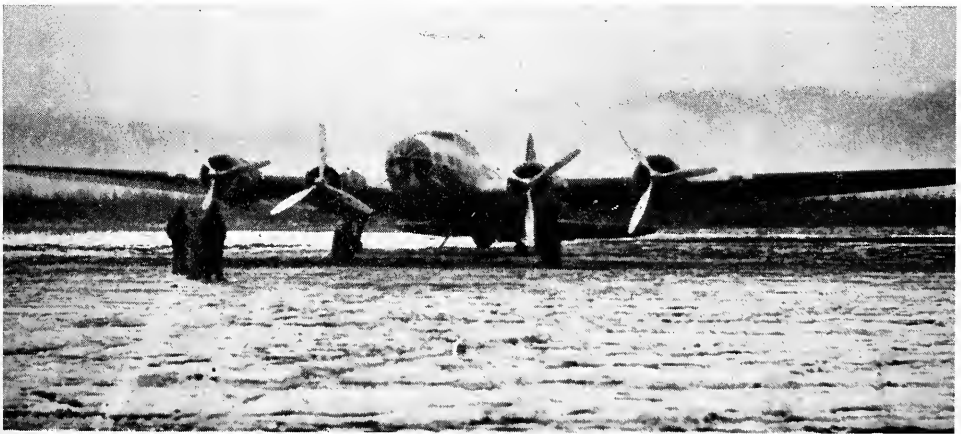
Defensively speaking from our point of view, Russia and Japan are only a few hundred miles from Alaska and only a few hours by air . . . but with Alaska well fortified and equipped with army air bases and naval bases, to say nothing of the several thousand infantrymen, the U. S. can just as effectively speak offensively. These northern fortified bases can be used as springboards for offensive operations should the necessity arise.

Entrenched in this rugged country with nature's protection of mountains, swamps, lakes, and rivers and hidden fjords . . . the U. S. already has the advantage and no angles of the defense question are being overlooked. Winter

maneuvers of the infantry and test trips through trackless wilderness in the dead of Alaskan winter are part of the program. Anti-aircraft practice, light field artillery firing, and machine gunnery are all included in the plans. Supporting these maneuvers are the tactical plane operations in support of ground forces. Uncle Sam's icebox is liable to prove a "hot-box" for any invader.

Little did the pioneers of aviation in Alaska realize that some day their domain above *terra firma* would take on such significance in the estimation of national defense planners. As aviation has been of vital interest to the development of the Territory, so it rises to greater importance in the defense limelight. Who rules the Alaskan air rules Alaska.

And what of all the CAA work and advancement in military aviation when the war problem has passed, some may want to ask? When that time comes, and in the meantime, Alaska has advanced greatly towards perfection of its civil aviation . . . and towards the day when every Eskimo will trade his dog-team and sled for an airplane!



Army bomber visits Anchorage from Fairbanks.

The Woodyards Have a Word for It

With the circulations increasing more rapidly than any other type of publications, the weekly newspaper business has become one of the really important businesses of the nation. Three blood brothers, two of whom are members of Phi Sigma Kappa at West Virginia University, stand at the top of this industry in ownership and successful management. They are Edward and Henry Woodyard, members of Delta, and William Woodyard of Spencer, West Virginia.

Spencer is the capital of Roane County. The town boasts of 2,500 residents, while the county has approximately 20,000 population. It is here that the Woodyard boys started work in the latter part of 1919, right after World War I, in which the two elder brothers were participants.

Their father, who was a member of Congress, had purchased the *Spencer Times-Record* and told the boys to go to Spencer and take charge of the paper. None had much business experience. Bill had worked in his father's bank, in the post office and in the local water company; Ted had learned to set type and gather newspaper personals during the summer vacation, but he spent most of his time hunting rabbits and squirrels and pulling perch and sunfish out of Spring Creek. Henry had worked in a refinery of the Pure Oil Company at Cabin Creek, West Virginia. At school, none of them majored in journalism. In fact, there was hardly a journalism course at West Virginia in those days, although today the Morgantown institution has, under Dr. P. I. Reed, one of the finest newspaper courses in the United States. During schooldays, Ted was the most active. He was chairman of the Junior

Prom Committee and was probably the only playing baseball manager any college team ever had. He was manager and substitute infielder on one of the great college baseball teams of all time. Baseball was the major sport of many colleges in 1917 and West Virginia rolled up something like twenty straight victories, including Army, Syracuse, Dartmouth, Colgate and Virginia, before it finally dropped an extra inning battle to Connecticut Wesleyan. Ted also was a member of the team which won the inter-collegiate rifle shooting title.

The Woodyard boys had little practical training for the job of running a newspaper. Certainly, their preparation was not as good as that of the average small town college student of today, but the boys were all hard workers, good mixers and friendly, and were enormously interested in promoting their home town and anything connected with it.

The Woodyard family had been a family of builders for many years. When Spencer had no outlet except the old Ravenswood Pike for its cattle and lumber, it was Grandfather William Woodyard, a member of the State Senate who had a state institution placed in Spencer. When the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad declined to extend thirty miles to Spencer, Senator Woodyard proceeded to build the road himself; that is, he and other public-spirited citizens of Roane County. Bonds were sold to the County in 1897, which is an early example of partial public ownership. When the town had no water works or electric plant, the Woodyards proceeded to organize a plant. Like so many small town leaders, they spent much time developing their communities. Out of such pioneer develop-

ment has come the strength of the United States. That strength and power, the Woodyards believe, has its real roots among the 68,000,000 small town and rural residents and not among the minority metropolitan group.

The Woodyards have always been crusaders. The new generation is engaged in a crusade to improve the lot of the much-neglected but important small town newspaper publisher, of which there are more than 10,000. This course is a national undertaking and Brother Ted Woodyard has been active in New York for three years. His goal is to bring the big corporations to the realization of the importance of the small town resident and the small town newspaper. His arguments are based on a thorough understanding of the rural situation from

a business and political experience. His organization knows that the majority of the population is "grassroots;" that they are the majority vote of 62% of the Congressmen and 75% of the United States Senators and that they have the majority vote in practically all of the State Legislatures. The Woodyards know from their experience in operating more weeklies than any other organization that about the only way to really influence the non-urban resident is through the local newspaper. And they know that big business has suffered unjust political persecution simply because of its failure or the failure of its agents or advisers to recognize this simple principle of public education.

Bringing recognition to the "grassroots" papers is no small undertaking,



AMERICA'S CRACK WEEKLY NEWSPAPER TEAM

C. D. Jackson, General Manager of *Life*, took the above picture of the Woodyards and Stephens at the rear of the office of the *Times-Record*, Spencer, W. Va. Left to right are Brother Henry C. Woodyard, President Woodyard Publications, Inc., Brother Edward Douglas Woodyard, Chairman Woodyard Associates, Inc., and Woodyard Publications of Delaware; William Woodyard, Vice-President Woodyard Publications, Woodyard Associates and Woodyard Publications of Delaware; J. Stewart Stephens, Treasurer Woodyard Publications, Woodyard Associates and Woodyard Publications of Delaware.

for it involves bucking potent competition offered by opulent, well-established and clever radio stations, daily newspapers, national magazines and billboards. But the Woodyards are certain that the weekly, with its increasing circulation and power, has a local service to offer that can never be matched by any other media. Their effort is a decentralized one. Unless industrial concerns prove their case through local channels and not from distant, misunderstood channels, the Woodyard experience insists that big business will remain forever a political target and the stockholders of every sizeable company will suffer from taxation and unnecessary regulation.

Woodyard Associates, a group of 2,000 coöperating publishers in the 2,000 counties that have no dailies, recently merged its advertising activities with the old, established American Press Association in New York City. This eliminated confusing competition, clarified the selling of national advertising and gave the John Perry-Charles Emde organization over 10,000,000 circulation. They advocated a tie-up with state press associations in order to secure closer publisher-coöperation. With the full strength of the weekly publisher coördinated under the leadership of the American Press, it is felt that large corporations, which heretofore have declined to recognize the rural editor, will see the advisability of coöperating with this unified and active group. Of the \$500,000,000 spent on national advertising annually, the weekly press receives about 2%, with a total circulation of 21,000,000. Daily newspapers with approximately 40,000,000 circulation received 40% of the national advertisers' dollar. Because of greater reader interest, greater influence and their improving markets, the country weekly is entitled to at least 15% of the national advertising dollar. And the Woodyards are certain that eventually the papers will get it.

While in a sense the three Spencer journalists have stepped up into the realm

of big business, the chief Woodyard activity at the present time is the ownership and management of small town newspapers. That is and always will be their basic occupation. In this field, they have by trial and error developed a system of operation that, for simplicity and profit, has not been equalled. Some people are inclined to regard the weekly newspaper as a dubious investment. Properly managed, there is not a safer buy and this goes for any utility or corporation, the Woodyards have learned. The weekly newspaper is the oldest business serving the public, having started in 1727, sixty years before the adoption of the American Constitution. Outstripping other media in circulation gains in the last decade, according to the U. S. Department of Commerce, the weekly paper enjoys greater popularity than ever before. Every resident of small towns and rural America, according to the government data, reads a weekly paper. There is no substitute for local news. The magazines, radio, metropolitan dailies or farm journals recount the doings of the rural county. Furthermore, the local paper is the only publication that week in and week out fights for the welfare of the town and county in which it is published. As a Nevada editor slogans on his front page masthead, his is "the only newspaper in the world that gives a damn about Yerington." In an illustrated article in the *Saturday Evening Post* last year, the Woodyard formula for building a good newspaper was summed up in the following words:

"Their first step was to see that the paper was loaded with local news, much of which would have seemed insignificant to an outsider. If a little girl fell and broke her doll, they printed a story about it. If a farmer's cow had twin calves in the middle of the night, the fact was duly chronicled. They printed names, names, names. Everybody in the Spencer trading area was mentioned at least once a year."

The Woodyards modestly feel that

their papers are only average from a news and editorial standpoint; that many publishers throughout the country produce newsier, more attractive papers. But on the management and financial end of the operation, they are in advance of most of their 10,000 contemporaries. At the present time, they own sixteen papers in West Virginia and two in Delaware and manage a group for a company in Virginia. Newspaper operation is handled by Henry C. Woodyard, president, and J. Stewart Stephens, treasurer, of Woodyard Publications, headquarters of which is in Spencer. On the youthful but sturdy shoulders of Stephens falls the financial control, while Brother Henry develops the all-important revenue. They have their hands full managing twenty papers, but plan to add personnel during the coming year to take care of newspaper management contracts which have been offered them. The Woodyards place considerable responsibility on the local editor. If he is a good man, he becomes the sole control of his own paper and there is no editorial interference. But a close check is kept on the business end of each individual publication. The Woodyards have found that in the development of advertising and particularly the control of expenses, the average country publisher is weak. When business is swinging in the wrong direction, it is not unusual for one of their editors to ask for new equipment and additional help, when the difficulty lies in the editor's inability or refusal to go out and bring in advertising and job printing.

The Woodyards are convinced that any young man who is normally intelligent, following their simple formula, can make a success of a weekly newspaper. The chief requisite in an editor is energy and interest in the work. Little distinction is made between college-trained journalists and those who learn the business the hard way. At the university only one of them, Ted, wrote anything. He was joke editor of the annual year-

book and conducted a column for the college weekly newspaper.

The Woodyard boys have had a unique business career in that they took to an enterprise which required constant contact and an understanding of and liking for the small town folks. They are truly small town folks themselves and do not pretend to be anything else. Yet their expansion has brought contacts with industrial leaders and financial men and they have the ability and the personality to gain the confidence and the friendship of the "big shots." They are not as much at home with a corporation executive of the nation's biggest corporation as they are with a group of their townspeople, but they never hesitate to ask a political or business tycoon for a hearing—and they usually get it and they usually make a friend. They feel that their industry is the most important and the most influential in the country and they are often surprised that captains of industry do not share their views. These country boys number among their friends some of the most important business and political figures in the United States. But their real friends are among the country publishers and the country people. The wives of the Woodyards are also from small towns, the total population of which would not exceed 10,000. They feel that a girl or a boy brought up in a small town is apt to be more self-reliant and less spoiled than a city boy or girl, and that unsophisticated people make better employees. In their dealings with corporation executives they find that many of the important men came originally from small towns. As Ted Woodyard's friend, O. O. McIntyre, once phrased it, "Men come to New York from the country and spend their lives trying to make enough money to go back and live in the country."

Through their colorful personalities, Bill, Henry and Ted Woodyard have done much to focus attention of important people on the small town situa-

tion by publicity they have received in trade journals and in national publications like *Newsweek*, *Time*, *Fortune*, *The Literary Digest*, *New York Times*, and the *New York Herald-Tribune*. These quiet men care nothing about personal publicity except where it aids the work they are doing. But there is one editorial they are proud of. It was written by one of their own editors, Roy Johnson, of the Fayetteville, West Virginian, *Tribune*. Mr. Johnson said:

"Recently the *Saturday Evening Post* carried an article about Ted Woodyard, one of the three brothers who have made good in the publishing of community newspapers. It was a good article so far as it went, but those who really know the Woodyard boys, as they have come to be spoken of, realize that it did not go far enough.

It failed to get down to brass tacks about Ted, Bill and Henry, as their friends and employees know them. It failed to say that they have walked with kings, but have never lost the slightest bit of the common touch. It failed to relate how definitely they are known to their employees by their first names and how they in turn know their employees. It failed to tell of the many kindnesses and solicitude when any employee is ill. It failed to tell how considerate they are when things—business or personal—go wrong with the chaps who work for them.

There is not room here, of course, to tell that story. But as ones who know, we do want to say that when better, real "good guys" come on the scene, they will have to be another generation of the Woodyard Boys.

The *Post* just did not go far enough. Or maybe the writer of the article just didn't know just how bedrock those chaps are."

Bring thy children up in learning and obedience, yet without outward austerity.—Lord Burleigh.

Boudreau Voted Most Valuable Rookie

The Chicago chapter of the Baseball Writers Association of America voted Louis Boudreau, Alpha Deuteron '39, Cleveland shortstop, the most valuable major league rookie of 1940. He was



Boudreau proudly holding the most valuable major league rookie of 1940 trophy.

presented the trophy, symbolic of the award, at a dinner given in his honor on January 7th by the Chicago chapter of the Baseball Writers Association of America.

Many political and baseball celebrities, including Governor Green of Illinois; William Harridge, president of the American League; Ford Frick, president of the National League; Roger Peckinpaugh, manager of the Cleveland Indians; Jimmy Dykes, manager of the Chicago White Sox; and Jimmy Wilson, manager of the Chicago Cubs, were present at the dinner.

Boudreau's batting average for the 1940 season was .295. He batted in 101 runs, made 9 homers, 11 three-baggers and 45 doubles. He led the shortstops in the American League in fielding average.



THE STANDARDS



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National Interfraternity Conference 1940 Meeting Most Outstanding

Outstanding in the 32 years of its history was the 1940 meeting of the National Interfraternity Conference at the Hotel Commodore, New York City, November 28-30. The dinner program, at which Wendell L. Willkie was the guest speaker, was enjoyed by 3,600, the largest assembly of fraternity men in history. For the first time in the existence of the conference every fraternity eligible for membership was included in its roll of sixty. The first annual awards for distinguished service were presented. The conference received a valuable and beautiful trophy to be awarded annually to the undergraduate interfraternity council which carries on the most worth while program.

The National Interfraternity Conference restricted the expansion of its members to four-year educational institutions accredited by the Association of American Universities. Delegates voted to offer its services to the national defense program. The first conference of Region 1 of the National Undergraduate Interfraternity Council, composed of eastern states, was held. Brother Robert Grant of Epsilon Deuteron Chapter was an undergraduate delegate to that conference.

For the second time in history, the chairman was re-elected, L. G. Balfour being given that distinction. The single resolution of the conference felicitated him upon that great success of the dinner and thanked him for his unremitting efforts "to organize and carry through that very unusual tribute to the fraternity as a college adjunct."

It was a thrilling moment, Friday evening, when Reinald Werrenrath, Metropolitan Opera baritone, started to sing "The Star Spangled Banner," for the lights in the huge ballroom dimmed

and spotlights played upon flags above the speakers' table. Then came the impressive invocation of the Rev. Paul R. Hickok, national chaplain of Alpha Tau Omega.



Wendell L. Willkie, guest of honor, and Henry M. Wriston, President of Brown University, at the National Interfraternity Conference dinner, New York City, November 29th. Picture taken specially for THE SIGNET.

The patriotic note that prevailed throughout the evening was suggested in the handsome programs found at each diner's plate. Two full page cartoons, one by John T. McCutcheon, dean of American cartoonists, and the other by Milton Caniff, both members of Sigma Chi Fraternity, used in the programs are reproduced on pages 17 and 25 of THE SIGNET.

Presiding at the dinner was Dr. Harry S. Rogers, Alpha Tau Omega, president of Brooklyn Polytechnic Institute. Included in his remarks was the following statement of aims of the college fraternity:

"Fraternities stand for the achievement of high scholarship, the attainment of liberal culture, the cultivation of upright character, the development of social competency, and the practice of wholesome



President Marchmont is host to past Presidents. Front row left to right: Donald H. McLean, 1922-24, George J. Vogel, 1896-98 and 1904-12, William A. McIntyre, 1912-14. Back row left to right: R. G. Latcan, 1932-34, Joseph H. Batt, 1928-30, National President John H. Marchmont, Don A. Hamilton, 1934-36, Earl F. Schoening, 1936-38.

fellowship by each and every one of their members. I know of no greater, no finer opportunity for any young man than that which is offered by membership in a strong fraternity chapter in a vigorous college. While the college disciplines his talents, the fraternity disciplines his temperament. The complementary nature of the college and fraternity programs should give him a rich and full experience and development."

He introduced Lowell Thomas, Kappa Sigma, who proved as effective a toastmaster as he is a news commentator.

A four-foot bronze statue, the work of a well known French sculptor, was presented to the National Interfraternity Conference as the gift of an unnamed "friend of fraternities" by Dr. Dixon Ryan Fox, Alpha Chi Rho, president of Union College. This is to be awarded annually for temporary possession to the undergraduate "interfraternity council which during the year has been outstanding in the formation and execution of a program to make fraternities on its campus contribute constructively to the educational and social program of its institution."

In presenting the award Dr. Fox said:

"The college fraternity is one of the soundest and most effective instruments we have in the training of good citizens. It is a training school in the art of living together. The technique of broad and generous friendship is not learned out of books, nor from professors. I know of no place where it is so likely to be well learned as in the fraternity house.

"The allegiance to the interfraternity council idea represents an attitude that alone can make this a peaceful and steadily progressive world.

"Interfraternity councils in American colleges are not going to save the world, but they represent the principle and the technique that will save the world. They must build their authority by the practical reasonableness of their resolutions

and their prestige by their useful community service.

"This award is a symbol of human interdependence and progress by positive coöperation, of federalized loyalty with which the good American citizen must inform his life. Humanity will be grateful to every young man in every college who catches the spirit of the federalized loyalty and through his life and work translates it into social gain."

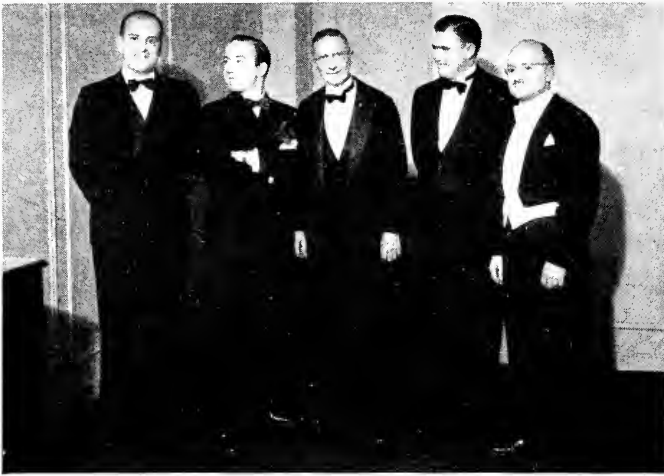
Interfraternity councils seeking the trophy are to submit their year's record and program before March 1 to the secretary of the National Interfraternity Conference, whose Executive Committee will make the award at the annual conference dinner. The statue will be placed in some suitable campus building for the year it is held by a particular council.

Democracy, as Americans know, can be maintained during war time only by fighting to achieve and not by a fight to "defend" democracy, Dr. Henry Morrill Wriston, Delta Tau Delta, President of Brown University, said in discussing "The Military and Moral Initiative."

Asserting that the war itself and America's peculiar position in today's world crisis had resulted from a negative, defensive attitude on the part of the leaders of this country and the Allies, Dr. Wriston called for an aggressive program for democracy and peace.

Dr. Wriston's address was a prelude to the presentation from an unnamed donor of two gold medallions "for distinguished service to youth through the American college fraternity." The honor of being the recipients for the first of these annual awards went to Albert S. Bard, Chi Psi, and Dr. Alvan E. Duerr, Delta Tau Delta, both past presidents of their fraternities and past chairmen of the National Interfraternity Conference. The latter is editor of "Baird's Manual of Fraternities" and scholarship chairman of the conference.

The Cornell and Dartmouth glee clubs and orchestras, numbering 150 under-



Enjoying the Phi Sigma Kappa reception preceding the National Interfraternity Conference dinner, November 29th at Hotel Commodore, New York City. Left to right: Ed Knoble, Tau D.; Robert Geissmann, Pi D.; Matt Elgas, Charter Member of Zeta; Shefford S. Miller, Pi D.; Berthold Muecke, Zeta.



John Hurley, President of Zeta Chapter, Carl Chronister, Chapter Adviser of Rho Deuteron, and William E. Grady, Jr., Chapter Adviser of Zeta Chapter, exchange yarns at Phi Sig reception.



NO FAVORITISM

The editor requested this picture, and suggested that two of the persons in it be shaking hands. Here is the result of a photographer's complete impartiality. Most important about the picture, however, is that from left to right are Pony Moore, Zeta; Regional Director George P. Rupert, Jr., Omicron; Regional Director Herbert L. Brown, Phi; William Ellis Zimmerman, Mu, Commissioner for Pennsylvania; Stewart W. Herman, Rho Deuteron, Chaplain; and Lewis E. Gibbs, Mu, enjoying the Phi Sig reception.

graduates, carried on a lively musical duel through the program, introducing a collegiate touch to the evening.

As guest speaker, Wendell L. Willkie, Beta Theta Pi, made a plea for putting public discussion on a higher plane, free from personal abuse and vilification so that the best and most capable men will engage in political affairs. He also declared in the course of his address that it is as necessary for America to give aid to Britain as to build armaments for itself.

"The fraternal spirit in America," he said, "is a functioning of the democratic process. In the college fraternities men learn to discuss without acrimony, to reform without vindictiveness, and to live with each other in peace and accord for the accomplishment of a unified spirit.

"You who have lived together in fraternity houses and know what it is to live together and to arrive at conclusions under circumstances where the spirit of good fellowship still lives, I ask you to join in elevating the level of American public discussion so that America may play its true part in this historic and all-determining time in the world's history."

The Grand Chapter held a reception at the Commodore Hotel both preceding the National Interfraternity Conference banquet and following it. The 58 Phi Sigs and their friends who attended the banquet as part of the Phi Sig group enjoyed the cordial hospitality of the Grand Chapter at the reception. All were personally welcomed by National President John H. Marchmont.

It proved to be a great reunion for many of the older Phi Sigs who had not seen each other for many years.

Included in the group present were past presidents Vogel, McIntyre, McLean, Batt, Lafean, Hamilton and Schoening.

Judge Jimmy McDonald, Theta, and Pony Moore, Zeta, had a double reunion; once at the reception and later as a guest of Brother Nick Holde of Zeta.

Gib Wentworth, Beta, enlivened the reception with his beaming countenance.

Lou Gibbs, Mu, came over from Philadelphia with Bill Zimmerman, Commissioner from the State of Pennsylvania.

Regional Directors George Rupert and Herb Brown were present as was Dr. Herman who was accompanied by Brothers Chronister and Schreckengaust of Rho Deuteron Chapter.

Former Special Deputy Ed Knoble came over from Allentown. Chapter Adviser Bill Bunn of Nu was present and Pi Chapter was represented by Doc "Shep" Miller and Robert Geissmann.

Matt Elgas, one of the founders of Zeta Chapter, sat at the table with Brothers Noren, Mu; Ward, Theta; McDonald, Theta; Brennan, Theta; and Jay, Zeta.

Everyone was glad to see Victor Ritter, Theta, who showed the real Phi Sig spirit by coming to the reception and dinner, although not completely recovered after an illness of two years.

Fred Griswold, Zeta, was at a table with Brothers Shields, Eta; Eder, Zeta; Heide, Theta; and Clothier, Lambda. Chapter Advisers Turner of Iota and Grady of Zeta were there with their respective undergraduate chapter presidents, Brothers Downey of Iota and Hurlley of Zeta.

Brothers Harrison, Sigma, and Van Ingen of Zeta were at the table with the chapter presidents.

Brother Muecke, Zeta, who has done a lot of tireless work for that chapter, was there with Mrs. Muecke. Mrs. Van Ingen was also there as was Merry Hull (May 1940 SIGNET, Page 147), who in private life is Mrs. Robert Geissmann.

Robert Grant, Epsilon Deuteron undergraduate representative to the Interfraternity Conference from W. P. I., was present. Others present included Brothers Black, Gamma; Luckenbill, Zeta; Lyons, Beta; Butler, Iota; Voskamp, Beta; and Clark.

It was a significant address with which Chairman L. G. Balfour opened the 32nd annual meeting of the National

Interfraternity Conference Friday forenoon after the Rev. A. H. Wilson had pronounced the invocation. In welcoming to the council tables Kappa Alpha Society, Alpha Delta Phi, Psi Upsilon, Delta Phi, and Alpha Kappa Pi, Chairman Balfour reported that for the first time in history the conference presented a united front, being now able to speak authoritatively for the general college fraternity world.

He concluded: "We are a powerful influence, these million and a half fraternity men and women who wear our badges; there is no other group which has the framework or the potential possibilities of disseminating the principles of democracy. It is our duty during the coming year to devote the major portion of our time to programs considering patriotism, preparedness, and the preservation of American institutions. Such a service will be of national worth. It will carve a permanent memorial for us in the minds and hearts of men."

Dean G. Herbert Smith, Beta Theta Pi, DePauw University, graduate chairman of the National Undergraduate Interfraternity Council reported the success of the newly instituted regional conferences of the National Undergraduate Interfraternity Council held this year and proposed that individual fraternities hold their regional conferences at the same time and place as the council conference, rotating the meeting places among conveniently situated campuses.

Others elected to office in the National Interfraternity Conference, all with one exception residents of New York City are: David K. Reeder, Delta Tau Delta, vice-chairman; Le Roy A. Wilson, Lambda Chi Alpha, secretary; A. J. G. Priest, Beta Theta Pi, treasurer; members of the Executive Committee: Albert J. Hettinger, Delta Kappa Epsilon; Henry Q. Middendorf, Phi Delta Theta; Floyd W. Smith, Sigma Alpha Epsilon; Warren O. DuBois, Delta Upsilon; John M. MacGregor, Alpha Tau Omega; Alvin T.

Sapinsley, Zeta Beta Tau; Arthur Bayles, Kappa Sigma; Scott Turner, Psi Upsilon; and George Siccard, Sigma Phi, Syracuse.

Richard J. Young, Phi Kappa Tau, Oxford, O., was elected chairman of the College Fraternity Secretaries' association; G. Herbert Smith, Greencastle, Ind., Beta Theta Pi, vice-chairman; C. F. Williams, Phi Kappa Psi, Cleveland, secretary-treasurer; Ralph J. Burns, Alpha Sigma Phi, New York City, executive committee.

Members of the College Fraternity Secretaries Association at their meeting, November 28, heard their chairman, William L. Phillips, Sigma Phi Epsilon, urge them to make the college fraternity an instrument for the inculcation of democratic ideals.

The conference program closed Saturday night with a dinner meeting of the College Fraternity Editors Association, at which Oswald Hering, Delta Kappa Epsilon, was elected president. It was decided to continue another year the proposed plan for awarding recognition for editorial activities. Paul E. Ackerman, Sigma Chi recently appointed head of foreign publicity for Paramount Pictures was the speaker.

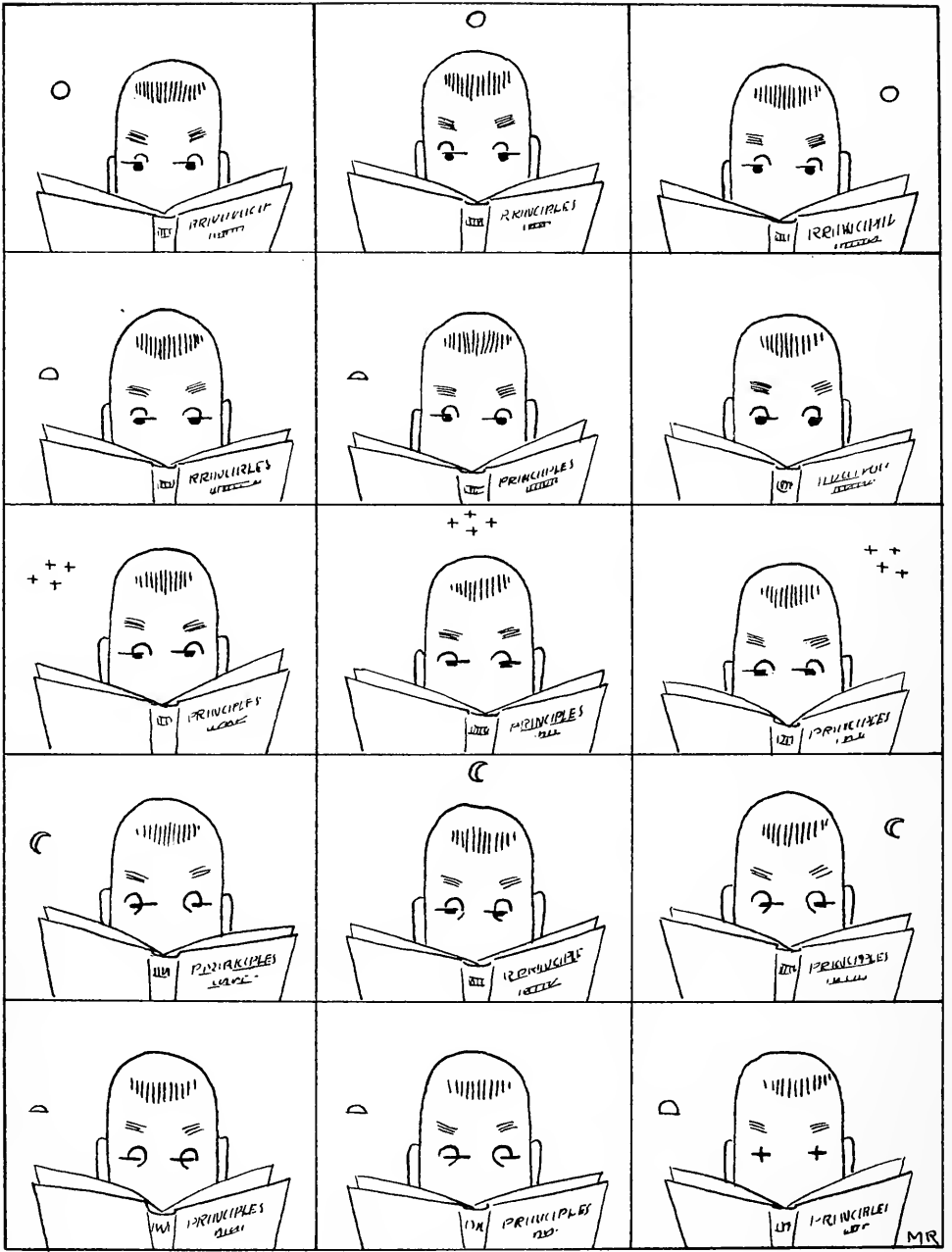
Prominent Pennsylvanian

Marcellus E. Wright, Mu '05, of Richmond, Virginia, is one of the most distinguished architects in the South. He is a former director of the General Alumni Society and president of the Associated Pennsylvania Clubs.

Many of the principal buildings in the state have been designed by Brother Wright, and he was a member of the Advisory Committee of Architects on the Williamsburg Restoration. He was also the official delegate from the United States Government and the American Institute of Architects to the International Congress of Architects in Paris, 1937.



BROTHER SAMUEL'S FRATERNITY PIN



THOSE EXAMS AGAIN

We dedicate this issue to

Epsilon Deuteron

For twenty-five years an honor to Phi Sigma Kappa . . . A chapter to which its members may be justly proud to belong. . . . A chapter whose standards and achievements have been consistently high. . . . A chapter whose good fortune it is to have the united support of its alumni. . . . A chapter whose unpretentious home has been one of its greatest cultural assets. . . . A chapter whose record of unflinching loyalty to its country and community, college and the national fraternity of which it is such an important part has been exemplary. . . .

Epsilon Deuteron, a truly great pillar of our Fraternity.



ALDEN MEMORIAL

The History of Epsilon Deuteron

By GEORGE F. BARBER '42



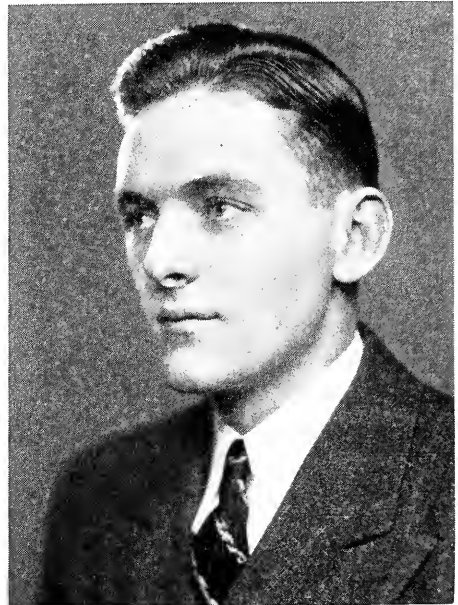
On the fifteenth day of June, 1915, Kappa Xi Alpha, a local fraternity at Worcester Polytechnic Institute, was inducted as Epsilon Deuteron chapter of Phi Sigma Kappa. This year E^A is celebrating the 25th year of brotherhood under the name of Phi Sig and the 38th anniversary of its humble but propitious beginning.

Like many other chapters that have been inducted into Phi Sig, Epsilon Deuteron was a well-established group at the outset of its Phi Sig career. Exceeded in size at the time of induction only by one other chapter, Rho Deuteron, which came in later, Epsilon Deuteron had twelve years of normal and healthy growth behind it, and a membership of over one hundred and thirty.

The origin of the organization that became Epsilon Deuteron dates back to November, 1902, when eight men met in a Worcester Tech dormitory room to found a local fraternity then known as Theta Chi. Edward W. Kimball, now an engineer with N. E. Tel. and Tel., and in whose room the first meeting was held, was chosen executive. The remaining surviving founders are Harry N. Harding, of the Norton Co., in Worcester, Robert W. Adams, of General Electric, H. Fay Baldwin, of the Massachusetts Gear Co., and Manuel G. Rosado, a consulting engineer in Merida Yucatan, Mexico.

That the secret work and obligations of this new brotherhood were so designed as to lay a firm foundation for loyalty and brotherly love was attested by a later writing of the second initiate. The following quotation from his letter is taken from an article in a 1915 SIGNET,

by Harris E. Whiting, 06; "The seriousness that was put into the laying of the obligation gave me my first idea of the meaning of friendship and brotherly love, by which all true fraternities are bound together. I have since taken the



D. E. SMITH
President, Epsilon Deuteron Chapter

obligations of an institution made impressive by centuries, but they made no greater impression on me than was made by my oath to Theta Chi." A beginning by men of such high character could not help having substantial results.

At first the members of Theta Chi occupied separate rooms, meeting often for social affairs, but in the fall of 1905, three years after the founding, they had the first chapter house. The new society grew rapidly and the next year it was found necessary to increase the membership limit to twenty, and to take a larger



THE CHAPTER HOUSE

house. In 1908 the fraternity again outgrew its surroundings, and again moved into a larger house.

In 1909, due to the advent of the national fraternity Theta Chi on the Tech campus, it was found necessary to change the name, and Kappa Xi Alpha was finally decided upon. The General Fraternity, composed of both alumni and actives was formed at this time. At the present time the alumni association, which is very active in the affairs of the chapter, is known as Kappa Xi Alpha.

The rapid growth of the Institute during the early years caused the springing up of other fraternities on the campus, but Kappa Xi Alpha continued to prosper. In 1913 the present house at 11 Dean Street was purchased and a highly successful finance plan inaugurated by enthusiastic alumni, which involved incorporation of the alumni association for the purpose of holding title. A bond issue was fully subscribed and entirely written off with accrued interest in ten years.

In 1915, due largely to the vigorous and successful efforts of Brother Harris Whiting, '16, the local Kappa Xi Alpha was inducted into Phi Sigma Kappa. The story of this, the 29th charter grant is a strange one, and the precedent set threatened for many years to weaken the internal administration of the entire fraternity.

It was in the spring of 1915 that Kappa Xi Alpha was brought to the attention of J. A. Lowe, at that time secretary of the Grand Chapter. At the request of Brother Whiting, Lowe began an investigation of the prospective chapter and was greatly pleased by his observations. The national President, W. H. Conley, Beta '91, also visited Kappa Xi Alpha and agreed with Lowe that it would be to the benefit of Phi Sig to grant their petition.

The illegality of the induction occurred because of the fact that Kappa Xi Alpha was intent on going national in June, 1915, on the semi-centennial anniversary

of W. P. I. Although a convention vote was required by the constitution, a mail vote was railroaded through on the condition that the induction be ratified at the next convention. The induction took place on June 8, 1915, under the direction of Lowe, Conley, and J. A. Boern, Pi '04, with an induction team from Alpha, and the infringement made legal at the 1916 convention. Concerning this, F. P. Rand states in his history of Phi Sigma Kappa written in 1923, "—whatever is to be said about the irregularity of this piece of legislation, the fact remains that to date the illegitimate chapter has proved a lusty, honorable, and worthy son."

The parade of momentous changes in Epsilon Deuteron's set up ceased with the joining of the national in 1915. Since that time it has grown normally and devoted its attention to its avowed principle task of fostering friendship and brotherhood. Its position on the Tech campus has always been near the top, where it stands today.

The standing occupied by Epsilon Deuteron's men on the Hill throughout the twenty-five years since the induction is well attested by the number that have been recognized by membership in Tech's three honorary fraternities. Of the 350 actives and alumni of the chapter, 54, or 15%, have been initiated by Tau Beta Pi, the engineering counterpart of Phi Beta Kappa, 34 have been members of Sigma Xi, a distinction given for notable scientific research, and 52 have belonged to Skull, a local organization which pledges the outstanding seniors in the point of campus leadership. The usual total membership in Skull is about ten a year, of which Phi Sig has averaged two. Although Epsilon Deuteron's roll is about 6% of the school enrollment, it has averaged 20% of the Skull men.

Two years ago, during the school year of 1938-1939, Phi Sig completed the only grand sweep of all of Tech's interfraternity prizes in the history of the Institute. For first place in scholarship it won a

prize of \$150 and the coveted bronze facsimile of Rodin's "Thinker." For supremacy in intramural sports came permanent possession of the last Grand Trophy, every one of which Epsilon Deuteron has retired. For "General Excellence," which combines extra-curricula activities with scholarship, the house was awarded another \$100. In the same year the Deac Dunham cup for top scholarship in Region I resided at 11 Dean Street.

Last year Epsilon Deuteron again won the "General Excellence" prize for the second year in succession. Promise for this year runs unusually high, and on the basis of the exceptional success in rushing just completed, the future of Epsilon Deuteron appears exceedingly bright.

The January Cover

Charles Perry Powell, Epsilon Deuteron '41, posed for THE SIGNET's January cover before the materials testing machine in the Testing Laboratory of W. P. I. The colors of crimson and gray used on the cover are those of W. P. I.

There is no such thing as an inevitable war. If war comes, it will be from failure of human wisdom.—Bonar Law.

The party of virility rules the hour; the party of ideas and sentiments rules the age.—Emerson.

Merit and good-breeding will make their way everywhere.—Lord Chesterfield.

Knowledge is, indeed, that which, next to virtue, truly and essentially raises one man above another.—Addison.

Cowardice asks, Is it safe? Expediency asks, Is it politic? Vanity asks, Is it popular? but Conscience asks, Is it right?—Punshon.

Temperance is the firm and moderate dominion of reason over passion and other unrighteous impulses of the mind.—Cicero.

Don A. Hamilton, '11

One of Epsilon Deuteron's alumni who has greatly distinguished himself both in private life and in the service of his fraternity is Brother Don A. Hamilton, '11.

Don's business is chiefly the making of



DON A. HAMILTON

coke conveyers for gas plants and optical machinery used in the making of optical lenses. He is the inventor of an automatic stop device used on friction gear head lathes.

In 1928 Brother Hamilton came into prominence in the Phi Sig world. From then until 1934 he served as vice-president of the Grand Chapter, and in 1934 he was made national president. He is now Chancellor of the Court of Honor.

Don's service to Epsilon Deuteron has extended far beyond his administrative duties. For many years he has been a constant visitor to the house, ever ready to advise, guide and encourage the active chapter.

Twenty Fifth Year of Epsilon Deuteron

By HERBERT W. MARSH '43

The Brothers of Epsilon Deuteron came back this fall determined to repeat their fine performance of the past two years in winning the General Excellence Award. We got off to a good start with a second place in Interfraternity tennis competition. Brothers George Barber, Tom Crossley and Pledge Warren Harding came through undefeated to the final match, when they dropped a close match to the eventual champions.

Soccer again leads in fall sports with nine representatives from the house on the varsity squad. Brother Don Smith received his letter while Brothers Bob Grant, Dick North, Pete Messer, and Pledges Norm Bergstrom and Arnold Jones showed great promise for the future. Brother Steve Hopkins continued the long string of Phi Sig managerships and Brothers Edward "Soup" Campbell and Bud Handforth were elected as assistant managers for the 1941 season.

Brothers George Knauff, Bob Wilson, Bert Marsh, and Bob Bierweiler represented the chapter on the varsity football squad with George Knauff and Bob Wilson getting their "W." Brother Knauff received several fine writeups in the local papers for his excellent work at end in spite of a knee injury which bothered him the latter part of the season. Two competitors, Brothers Pete Lindsay and Ted Pierson, were out from the house with Pete being elected as assistant manager for next year.

Brother Dick Dyer carried the Phi Sig colors on the cross-country squad during the past season.

Our representation in both local and national honorary societies is well up to par. Brothers Don Smith and George Knauff were elected to Skull, Tech Honorary Society. Brother Stephen Hop-

kins is a member of Sigma Xi and in Tau Beta Pi we have Brothers Bob Wilson as Treasurer, Don Smith as Vice-President, and Steve Hopkins as Secretary. In addition to honorary societies Brother Bob Grant is Secretary of the A. I. E. E. and Brother George Knauff is President of the A. S. M. E. Every mem-



DON SMITH AND KEN FRASER
Freshman Soccer Coach

ber of the chapter is a member of the engineering society in his particular field.

Phi Sig has maintained her standing in the journalistic field at Tech. On the editorial staff of the *Tech News*, Brother Steve Hopkins holds down the position of managing editor and Brother George Barber is a junior editor. Brother Ed Jacober is business manager and Brother John Ford is assistant business manager while Brother Earl Page is a business assistant. Brothers Bert Marsh and Dick Dyer and Pledge Don Buser are re-

porters. Brother Bob Wilson is advertising manager of the *Peddler*, Tech year-book, and Brothers Gordy Raymond and Elton Sceggel are business assistants. Brothers Ted Pierson, Soup Campbell,



BOB GRANT
Rushing Chairman, undergraduate delegate from W. P. I to National Interfraternity Conference.

and Bud Handforth are also on the business staff, while Brothers Bert Marsh, Dick Dyer, and Earl Page, are on the editorial staff.

Brothers Gordy Raymond, Fred Shippee, Jim Hinman, Bud Handforth, Tom Crossley, John McLay, and Pledges Bob Brown, Jack Wholean, Steve Porter,

and Wally Underwood represent Phi Sig in the Glee Club, while Brothers John McLay and Earl Page are in the Band.

Brother Don Smith will have his hands full this year as President of the Tech Council and General Chairman of Senior Committees. Pledge Warren Harding is the President of the Junior Class and Brother Pete Messer is Secretary of the Sophomore Class.

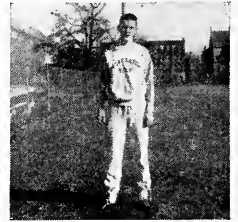
This fall an initiation was held for the special benefit of John McLay. Coming from Wortendyke, New Jersey, Brother McLay is active in the Band and Glee Club as well as in Interfraternity and interclass sports. With all his activities, John received honors both semesters last year. We are glad to welcome him into the closer bond of brotherhood.

As rushing came to a close, Epsilon Deuteron was happy to find that she had pledged fifteen men from the Class of '44.

Welcoming Pledges: Frederick Baldwin, Ansonia, Conn.; Dayton Brown, Wellesley, Mass.; Robert Brown, Meriden, Conn.; Newton Burr, Clinton, Conn.; Donald Buser, Rutherford, New Jersey; John Hagstrom, W. Hartford,

Conn.; Frederick Moulton, Southbridge, Mass.; John Newton, Selkirk, N. Y.; Richard Norton, White Plains, N. Y.; Erling Lagerholm, Attleboro, Mass.; Leonard Porter, Cleveland Heights, Ohio; Gordon Sherman, Montclair, N. J.; Howard Swenson, Meriden, Conn.; Wallace Underwood, Mattapoisett, Mass.; John Wholean, W. Springfield, Mass. We feel that the rushing chairman, Brother Bob Grant deserves a big hand.

As the winter season approaches, Phi Sigma Kappa is looking forward to a successful relay team as we are still on top with a third of our races completed. As candidates for the varsity basketball team we have Brother George Knauff and Pledges Howard Swenson, Warren Harding, and Arnold Jones. Brother Knauff failed to get his letter last year when a broken finger kept him out of action for the latter part of the season, but he should shine out there on the court this year.



DICK DYER
Cross-Country

All in all, Epsilon Deuteron is looking forward to a highly successful year in all fields.

Living movements do not come of committees—they come from individuals.
—John Henry Newman.

Every man is in one sense an historical production. The ideas which form his life have come to him through the course of development in which he moves.—Neander.

Our great thoughts, our great affections, the truths of our life, never leave us.—Thackeray.

There is always hope in a man that actually and earnestly works. In idleness alone is there perpetual despair.—Carlyle.

Worcester Tech, The Home of Epsilon Deuteron

By RICHARD F. DYER '43

Worcester Polytechnic Institute is located in Worcester, Massachusetts, a city of 200,000 population. Worcester is a city of great industrial activity which makes it an ideal site for an engineering college, and the Institute takes full advantage of its opportunities by close cooperation with the various manufacturing concerns.

The buildings of Worcester Tech stand on one of Worcester's several hills, commanding a view of much of the city. Winding roadways and paths, lined by tall elms, lead from the boundary streets to the summit. The main campus occupies thirty-seven acres, and is attractively landscaped with sloping lawns and many stately old trees. The Institute also owns a 300 acre tract of land at Chaffins, about six miles north of the main campus. Here the buildings and research projects of the Alden Hydraulic Laboratory are located.

The history of Worcester Polytechnic Institute is a story of the fortitude and determination of the founders to provide a better education for the new generation than they themselves had received as youths. Thus it was in 1865, that John Boynton, a retiring but prosperous manufacturer and distributor of tinware, came to Worcester to visit his cousin and confidant, David Whitcomb. In his mind was an idea which concerned the establishment of a free school for the practical education of young men. To assist in the founding of such a school John Boynton was ready to contribute \$100,000, practically all of his life's savings.

David Whitcomb was to be the trustee of this fund, and he was to develop the idea by consulting local civic leaders.

This he soon did by enlisting the interest of Reverend Seth Sweetser, a Worcester minister; and Emory Washburn, former governor of Massachusetts; and also George F. Hoar who was later to become a distinguished United States Senator. The plan which these men worked out provided for the combination of a tech-



ADMIRAL WAT TYLER CLUVERIUS
President of Worcester Polytechnic Institute.

nical education with practical instruction in a commercial shop. This was a novel idea at that time, and excited intense interest among educators.

The charter of the Worcester County Free Institute of Industrial Science, as it was originally named was signed May 9, 1865. The citizens of Worcester contributed over \$63,000 dollars for the con-



ELECTRICAL ENGINEERING LABORATORY

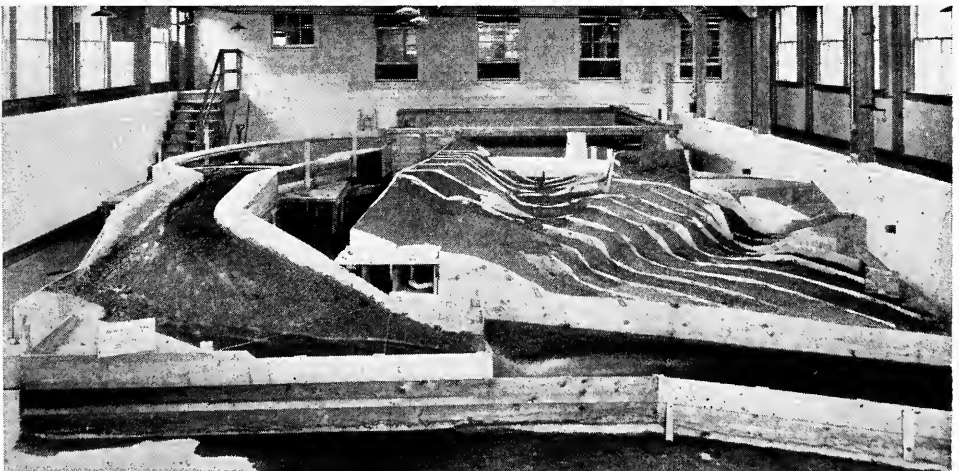
struction of a main building. Chief among these early benefactors were Stephen Salisbury, who also contributed the necessary land, and Icabod Washburn, the founder of the wire company known today as the American Steel and Wire Company. This main building was named Boynton Hall, in honor of the founder who died less than two years before the Institute began operations. At the same time, the Washburn Shops were being built, and both buildings were ready for use when the school opened November 11, 1868.

As the doors opened for the first class a faculty of three men and one woman greeted an entering class of thirty-two boys who were at least fourteen years old and had passed examinations in geography, arithmetic, and United States history. The first principal was Dr. Charles O. Thompson, a man of great ability and vision. He guided the Institute through its first fourteen years and was largely responsible for the success of the new experiment in education. The courses of study included Mechanical Engineering, Civil Engineering, Chemistry, Drawing, and Architecture. At first, the courses

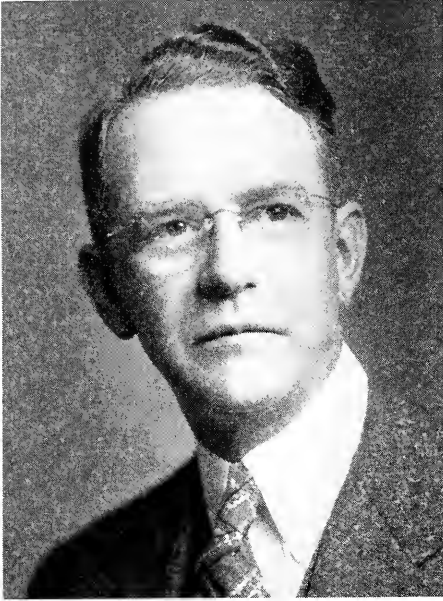
were three years in length, but by 1893 they had lengthened to four years. It was in the year 1887 that the name Worcester Polytechnic Institute was adopted, for at this time the enrollment had passed 150 and the income of the John Boynton Fund could no longer support the large numbers of students from Worcester County. However about forty students continued to receive free education while the remainder paid a tuition of \$150.

In 1882 Dr. Thompson was succeeded by Dr. Homer T. Fuller, and it was under his administration that the Salisbury Laboratories and an addition to the Washburn Shops were constructed, and funds granted by the Commonwealth of Massachusetts for the construction of the Mechanical Engineering Building, the Power Plant, and the Alden Hydraulics Laboratory. Courses in Electrical Engineering and General Science were also introduced during this period.

Dr. Charles C. Mendenhall was president from 1894 to 1901, and several changes in courses and staff personnel were made at this time. His successor was Dr. Edmund A. Engler, whose administration saw the erection of the



FLOOD CONTROL SCALE MODELS OF UNION VILLAGE DAM ON CONNECTICUT RIVER.
CHAFFIN'S HYDRAULIC LABORATORY



FRANCIS W. ROYS

Foundry and the Electrical Engineering Building. Dr. Levi L. Conant was the acting president from 1911 to 1913, and it was during this time that the alumni raised funds for the purchase of Alumni Field and for the construction of Alumni Gymnasium. Dr. Ira N. Hollis was the fifth president, and under his leadership the invested funds of the Institute were increased to over two million dollars.

Admiral Ralph Earle served as the sixth president from 1925 until his death in 1939. His administration was perhaps the most constructive in the history of the Institute, not only in material gains but also in the building of morale. President Earle secured funds for the construction of a swimming pool in Alumni Gym; and also for the construction of Sanford Riley Hall, a freshman dormitory. Shortly before his death, he inaugurated a million dollar expansion plan which included the construction of Kinnicut Hall for Physics and Chemistry lectures; Alden Memorial, a student recreation center which houses the library, reception rooms, and a beautiful assembly hall.

Also included in the program is the construction of a new Mechanical Engineering Building, now in the process of construction to be finished in 1942.

On the sudden and tragic death of President Earle, Professor Francis W. Roys, Epsilon Deuteron '09, became acting president until the inauguration of the new President, Admiral Wat Tyler Cluverius, in the latter part of 1939. Under President Cluverius the building program is being carried to completion. At the fall meeting of the college corporation, it was announced that Aldus Higgins, life member of the board of trustees, had donated a large tract of land adjacent to Alumni Field to serve as a new soccer pitch in the rapidly expanding athletic program at Worcester Tech.

The enrollment of Worcester Tech today is 650, and is held at that figure by limiting admissions. The faculty and staff numbers seventy-five, and the endowment is in excess of four million dollars. Epsilon Deuteron is proud of its home, at Worcester Tech.

JOHN A. REMON
A Trustee of W. P. I.

Epsilon Deuteron's W. P. I. Triad

Among the many alumni of Epsilon Deuteron who have done notable service toward the betterment of engineering are three whose contributions to engineering education and particularly to Worcester Tech have been great. These three men are Dr. A. Wilmer Duff, Francis W. Roys, and John A. Remon.

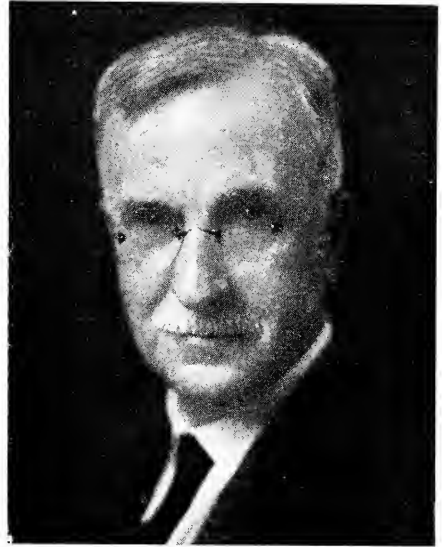
Dr. A. Wilmer Duff, of the three, is the only one who did not attend Worcester Tech. During the early years of the chapter, however, he became an honorary member, and since that time he has had a great deal of interest in it.

Dr. Duff, having received the degrees of B.A., M.A., LL.D., and D.Sc., from the universities of New Brunswick, London, and Edinburgh, came to Tech in 1899. For 37 years until his retirement in 1936, he headed the department of Physics. Author of many extensively used books on Physics, among them *Elementary Experimental Mechanics*, and *College Physics*, and a member of numerous scientific societies, he is widely known as an educator and a scientist. Possessor of a rare personal charm, and a delightful sense of humor, Brother Duff will always be popular with alumni and undergraduates alike.

Francis W. Roys, '09, entered the field of teaching soon after graduation, wisely deciding to serve his Alma Mater. Brother Roys soon won recognition and a professorship in Mechanical Engineering, and in 1923, was elevated to head his department. In February, 1939, because of the sudden death of President Ralph Earle, the faculty elected Brother Roys as their leader, and the Board of Trustees appointed him acting president of the college. Brother Roys was the recipient later of a well-deserved honorary degree of Doctor of Engineering. An able administrator, and a superb teacher, Brother Roys holds the affection and ad-

miration of all Epsilon Deuteron men; and all Tech men.

The third member of Epsilon Deuteron's Triad is John A. Remon, '11, who last June, in recognition of his long time service and interest, was elected a member of the Worcester Tech Board of Trus-



DR. A. WILMER DUFF

tees. Brother Remon, a member of Sigma Xi, honorary scientific fraternity, entered the employ of the American Tel. and Tel. soon after his graduation from Worcester Tech in 1909. In 1936, he was made vice-president of the Chesapeake and Potomac Telephone Co., which position he now holds.

Young men! do something in this busy, bustling, wide-awake world. Move about for the benefit of mankind, if not for yourselves.—John B. Gough.

If a man empties his purse into his head, no one can take it from him.—Benjamin Franklin.

Epsilon Deuteron's Alumni Corporation — Kappa Xi Alpha

Any account of the past and present of Epsilon Deuteron would be incomplete without giving due attention and credit to its alumni organization. This very active and interested group has throughout the years played a large rôle in the success of the chapter.

The alumni organization as it stands today first took a prominent part in chapter affairs in 1913, when the frater-

really showed the support of which it was capable, for a bond issue was fully subscribed without delay. In ten years the bonds were paid, and the house owned unconditionally.

Today the alumni corporation, which is still known as Kappa Xi Alpha, serves as a profitless landlord for the chapter. Monthly rent is paid by the active members, and such matters as taxes and insurance taken care of by the alumni. The excess rent is turned back to the members in the form of maintenance and improvements.

The administration of the corporation affairs is ably handled by a staff of four officers. Stephen Armstrong, '25, is now president, Stephen Hopkins, '41, is vice-president, an office which is always filled by an active, T. E. O'Neil, '38, is secretary, and A. Wilber Barr, '22, is treasurer.

Another member of Epsilon Deuteron's strong alumni group to whom the chapter owes a great deal is the present Chapter Adviser, Donald G. Downing, '26. A member of the Tech faculty, and an initiate of Skull, Tech's highest social honor, Don exerts a steadying influence on the active chapter that has done much toward its success.

Another function of Kappa Xi Alpha is the support of the chapter magazine, the *Star and Crescent*. Edited by the active chapter but published under the guiding hand of Wibby Barr, '22, the *Star and Crescent* serves to strengthen the bonds between alumni and actives and to keep the former in touch with their house.

The interest of the alumni corporation of Epsilon Deuteron has always been of the highest. To it, the active chapter doffs its hat in recognition and thanks.



DONALD G. DOWNING
Chapter Adviser

nity, then known as Kappa Xi Alpha, decided to buy a chapter house. For the purpose of financing the project, the alumni association came into being. In order to hold title to the property, it was incorporated under the laws of Massachusetts. It was then that the corporation



SKULL TOMB AND BOYNTON HALL
Skull Tomb is the Senior Honorary Society. Boynton Hall was the first college building of W. P. I. It is now used for administration.

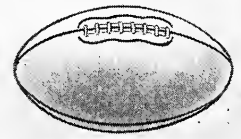
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Quarterback
FRED REED
PHI - SWARTHMORE



Right Halfback
JOE DAY
THETA DEUTERON-OREGON STATE



Right End
CHARLES DE SHANE
OMICRON DEUTERON-ALABAMA

Captain and Right Tackle
ROBERT REINHARD
OMEGA - CALIFORNIA

Right Guard
ROBERT WILSON
EPSILON DEUTERON - W. P. I.





Left Halfback
FRANK AKINS
CHI DEUTERON
WASHINGTON STATE



Fullback
GEORGE HECHT
OMICRON DEUTERON-ALABAMA



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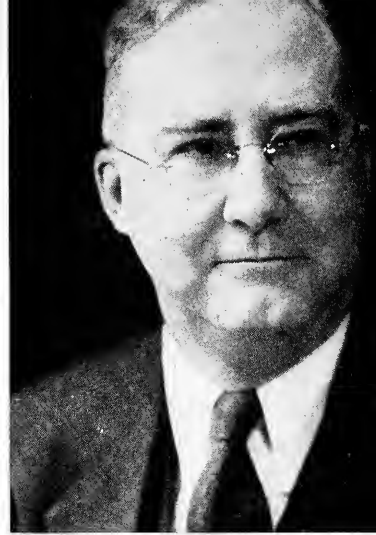
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EPSILON DEUTERON - W.P.I.



An Adventure In Education A Review



By

NELSON ANTRIM CRAWFORD
Iota Deuteron
Editor, The Household Magazine

What I am going to review this month is not a book, but a brochure—the forty-eight page folio prepared by the University of Chicago in commemoration of its semicentenary. It bears the simple title, *The First Fifty Years*.

The contents are likewise simple and lucid—with the simplicity and lucidity of greatness, for the University of Chicago is a great institution among all the institutions of the world.

It should be worthwhile for us, as men interested in education, to consider what has made this university great. In the first place, it was established with a definite objective: to teach and to learn. In 1890 there were only two American universities, Johns Hopkins and Clark, that recognized learning—research—as a principal function of a university. The next year the University of Chicago was founded, with the money of John D. Rockefeller and the driving educational genius of William Rainey Harper, to concentrate upon learning—upon “fundamental additions to the accumulated wisdom of mankind.” It was not to neglect teaching, but from the beginning it made clear the distinction between a college and a university—the college existing to

teach, the university to learn as well as teach.

From this point of view the University has never departed. The authors of the brochure do not say so, but it is my considered judgment that this institution in a brief half century has contributed as much to the sum of significant human knowledge—not mere information—as has any university in human history. For instance:

Carrel’s development of a method for the surgery of blood vessels.

Rickett’s discovery of the cause of Rocky Mountain spotted fever.

Millikan’s measurement of the charge on the electron.

Luckhardt’s discovery of the anesthetic, ethylene gas.

Billings’s discovery that teeth can be centers of focal infection.

Wright’s development of the mathematical theory of the consequences of Mendelian heredity in population.

Breasted’s reconstruction of ancient civilizations, especially of Egypt.

Smith and Goodspeed’s translation of the Old and New Testaments into contemporary English.

A vast number of other contributions are represented in the 60,000 research re-

ports issued by the University's investigators. The value of this work to world civilization is incalculable.

In its other function, teaching students, the University of Chicago differs radically from most institutions. It has never sought or accepted a conglomerate mass of young men and women. It seeks to educate only those who are capable of education and want to be educated.

Students have complete freedom. They may attend classes or not. They may take general examination when they are ready, regardless of what formal courses they have or have not taken. They spend as long or as short a time as is necessary to obtain mastery of the curriculum they are following.

The University plays down athletics, having abandoned intercollegiate football altogether. There are numerous fraternities, but they occupy a relatively minor place in the minds of the students—even the fraternity members. There are no sororities.

To quote President Robert M. Hutchins, "The University has always been in agreement with Cardinal Newman that the primary object of a university is intellectual. A university provides its students with rigorous intellectual training at the hands of stimulating individuals. Character is the inevitable prerequisite and the inevitable by-product of such training."

In addition to its work among resident students — 4,200 undergraduate, 3,300 graduate — the University has helped thousands of citizens through home-study courses (which it was one of the first institutions to sponsor), through lectures, and through the publications of the University Press. It has led the way in the production of educational motion pictures. Its Sunday radio program, the University of Chicago Round Table, is an adventure in making knowledge vivid to everyday Americans.

What has enabled the University of Chicago to be a leader in both research

and teaching? The answer is in one word: independence. Neither Rockefeller nor the many other benefactors of the institution made any effort to control it. Nor, being a privately endowed university, has it been subject to the pressure of ignorant or dishonest politicians. It has been always free to seek out the truth and teach it.

In a world increasingly dominated by authoritarian figures unconcerned with truth—in which, for example, the University of Berlin is headed by a political-minded horse doctor—-independent universities are sorely needed. In our country specifically, they can blaze trails into the jungle of human ignorance which many would prefer to leave lush and trackless. Democracy is often timid, but it is free and ready to follow where fearless leaders have trod.

Honored By Rotary International

Elden D. Finley, Beta Triton '23, of Delavan, Illinois, and Dr. Hugh F. Dormody, Omega '17, of Monterey, California, were recently elected officers of Rotary International by delegates representing the 5,000 Rotary Clubs of the world at the annual convention held in Havana, Cuba.

Brother Finley, who has been superintendent of the Delavan Community High School since 1931, was named Governor of District No. 146 of Rotary International, while Dr. Dormody, who is a prominent surgeon of Monterey, was named Governor of District No. 106. As District Governors of Rotary International, they will visit the Rotary Clubs which comprise their respective districts and will counsel with and advise club officers on matters pertaining to Rotary service activities and club administration.

Brother **DAVID T. LARSON**, Alpha Deuteron '15, Elgin, Illinois, was seated as Excellent High Priest of the Royal L. Munn Chapter 96 of the Royal Arch Masons.

“Uncle Dan” Willard

The dean of the railroad presidents of the United States, who now begins his thirty-first year as president of the Baltimore & Ohio when he is only sixty days short of his eightieth birthday, is a New



DANIEL WILLARD
Alpha '82

England product. Born in Vermont three months before Sumter was fired on and for a time a student at the Massachusetts Agricultural College, Daniel Willard has never lost his interest in New England affairs, and more than once he has contributed his influence to the argument that this section should remain in control of its own railroads.

Of all the railroad presidents who worked their way to the top his has been perhaps the most complete experience. Track laborer, locomotive fireman and engineer, conductor, mechanical foreman, train master, superintendent of

transportation—these jobs he held on various western roads. Assistant general manager of the B. & O.; assistant to the president, then first vice-president and general manager of the Erie; second vice-president of the Burlington, and then in 1910 president of the B. & O.—how is that for a Horatio Alger story?

Back in 1935 he achieved an all-time record in the presidency of the B. & O., passing the mark long held by John W. Garrett, the famous civil war president. Year by year since he reached the age of 70 he has offered his resignation, and every year it has been rejected. In spite of his enormous experience he still is willing to learn; in spite of his years he is still young. The vast reservoir of patience he disclosed in his early executive years is not yet exhausted, although he may not now reply in person to every letter of criticism as he used to do. Always his replies were to the effect, “Let us reason together.” Uncle Dan is a national institution, but New England still claims him.

Reprint from editorial by F. Lauriston Bullard of *The Boston Herald*, December 1, 1940.

Married

John E. Hill, Tau '20, and Miss Eva B. Stebbins of Claremont, New Hampshire, were married on October 23, 1940, in Montpelier, Vermont. Mr. and Mrs. Hill are now living at 151 Loomis Street, Burlington, Vermont.

Brother Hill is Vermont manager for Southgate & Company, stock brokers, of Boston, Massachusetts.

Maxwell Anderson, Omicron Deuteron '28, and Miss Billie Elkin of Lexington, Kentucky, were married on December 28, 1939. Mr. and Mrs. Anderson now reside at 207 Templeton Street, Fountain City, a suburb of Knoxville, Tennessee. Brother Anderson was a recent visitor to the national headquarters.

1941 — A New Volume

We have written the last page of the volume entitled 1940. Its pages tell the story of our past thinking, speaking and doing. After reviewing it thoughtfully we are amazed at its wide variety of contents. Who could have imagined at the beginning of the year that the volume would have the comprehensive index necessitated by the total content of our life story for just one year?

Whatever the content, whether to be reviewed with legitimate pride or with considerable regret, what has been written is written indelibly, legible to God in its entirety, to self approximately and to our fellowmen partially. It is a searching but fitting spiritual exercise to review the contents of the volumes of the past.

However, it is not a worthy or even a safe practice to be looking backward too long in a time like this. Let us learn quickly then the lessons of yesterday and apply them in helping to solve the problems of today and tomorrow. That which is of greatest significance is that we are holding a new book of 365 unmarked pages in our hands. It would be a strange experience if we could turn the pages now and read the contents which will tell the story of the year. But that isn't the way of life. We write one page at a time in this Book of Life. The thoughts, the words, the deeds are recorded a day at a time. That fact ought to give us pause for serious thinking. Each volume in the passing of the years ought to give evidence of more thoughtful, more earnest and more creative and constructive living.

Unfortunately, too frequently, we never outline the program for the next volume. We cannot expect therefore that its contents will be worthy of the dignity of high thinking and of fine living.

Standing now with this new volume in our hands, we ought, older and younger brothers in Phi Sigma Kappa, to give serious thought to the serious personal and general problems which await our coöperation in their solution. We cannot recall a year that seemed so overflowing with grave questions demanding the best thought of each individual.

In every phase of life we are confronted with the most complex problems, which dare not be ignored. These times might dismay us, we seem so unequal to the problems, but we dare not allow them to affright us or cause us to evidence a "defeatist" attitude toward them. It is a great challenge to live in a time like this, when all that is in us is called to think and to act creatively. The moral and spiritual implications of our time are so self-evident that all constructive thinkers in every profession and vocation are evaluating them as of supreme importance. Our Phi Sigma Kappa Creed contains the elements which believed in and practiced will cause the 1941 volume of each Phi Sigma Kappa brother to be written in a laudable way, concerning which, when reviewed in the years to come, it may be said "Well done."

And so, with the new volume in our hands, my brothers, let us stimulate each other to our best efforts, let us guarantee that 1941 will record a new and profounder understanding of our God, a new and deeper sympathy for our Brotherman, a new and greater loyalty to our Country, a new and more active coöperation and devotion to the principles of our Phi Sigma Kappa Fraternity, and a new and more unselfish determination that all the values in our mind and heart and soul will be dedicated to every sincere effort to solve the multitudinous problems of life and of the world and to

help build the Commonwealth of God and man.

We can make it a great volume for God, for man and for self, an immortal volume, worthy of the authorship of a son of God. Brothers, whatever we write; let us keep the pages clean and the record straight. Wherever you are and whatever you are doing, may the 1941 volume of your life have illuminated in letters of gold the words—*courageous character, sincere scholarship and faithful friendliness.*—STEWART W. HERMAN, Rho Deuteron '99.

Nichols Return to States

Growing international tension in the Far East brought Brother Nichols, Theta Deuteron '37, a field geologist, and Mrs. Nichols, back to the United States late in November from Sumatra, Netherlands East Indies. Brother Nichols had been employed in exploratory and research work for the past two and a half years by the N. V. Nederlandsche Pacific Petroleum Mij., a subsidiary of the Standard Oil Company of California.

While in Sumatra, the Nichols resided in Medan on the northeast coast, during which time he made several geological field trips into the jungles of the interior and often did not see another white man for several months at a time. He used the only means of transportation in the steaming jungles of central Sumatra, the native dugout canoes floated on muddy, twisting streams, or progressed slowly along the dim elephant trails.

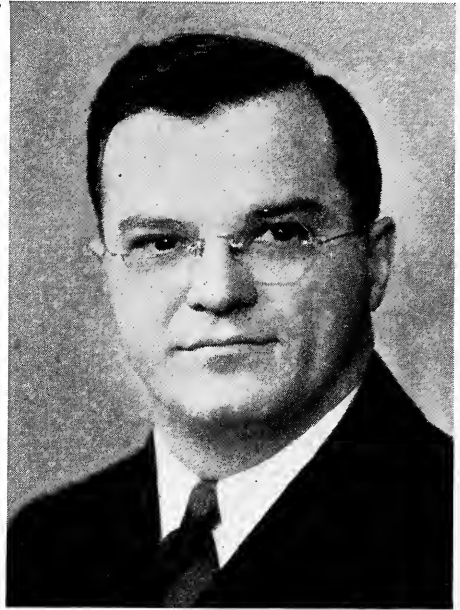
On many of the trips he encountered primitive Sakai tribes who had never seen a white man. These tribes he found to be friendly and honest. Brother Nichols said on a few occasions coolies were eaten by crocodiles and tigers, and several bitten by poisonous snakes.

Brother Nichols will attend the University of California and work toward a master's degree in geology.

Dillavou for President

Based on the political record of the Dillavou family, the Republicans might well look to the Dillavous for a presidential candidate.

The Dillavous gained national recognition this autumn by having three brothers elected to public offices on the



ORA D. DILLAVOU

same day: Ora, Alpha Deuteron '22, at Champaign-Urbana, to the Illinois State Legislature for his first term; Clark, of Billings, Montana, to the Montana State Legislature for his third term; and Ward E., of Paris, Illinois, to the office of State's Attorney of his county for his second term.

Brother Dillavou was high man in the primary and the election in his district.

Brother Dillavou is in the farm implement business with his father.

Ora is a most loyal Phi Sig and works tirelessly in behalf of the Alpha Deuteron Chapter. He is the chapter adviser of that chapter, which numbers among its pledges his nephew, George Dillavou, of Billings, Montana.

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F. W. Barlow A. R. Jones John H. Marchmont	Minneapolis, Minn. Topeka, Kans. New York City, N. Y.	Beta Deuteron Iota Deuteron Theta	'19 '27 '10	Minnesota Kansas State Columbia
James D. Thackrey	Manhattan, Kans.	OCTOBER 21, 1940 Iota Deuteron	'41	Kansas State
Bettie H. Ruedi Charles H. Ruedi	Decatur, Ill. Decatur, Ill.	NOVEMBER 8, 1940 Pi Beta Phi Alpha Deuteron	'17	Illinois
Gregg McBride	Lincoln, Nebr.	NOVEMBER 12, 1940 Sigma Deuteron	'23	Nebraska
Mrs. William Cusick Norman W. Cusick Gene Russell W. F. Ackerman	Chicago Heights, Ill. Chicago Heights, Ill. Chicago, Ill. Chicago, Ill.	NOVEMBER 22, 1940 Alpha Deuteron Alpha Deuteron Beta Triton	'41 1/2 '42 '42	Illinois Illinois Knox
Ora D. Dillavou	Urbana, Ill.	NOVEMBER 25, 1940 Alpha Deuteron	'22	Illinois
Leland F. Leland	St. Paul, Minn.	DECEMBER 5, 1940 Tau Kappa Epsilon National Editor		
Edmund Burke	Evanston, Ill.	DECEMBER 6, 1940 Gamma	'16	Cornell
Charles S. Clark	Poughkeepsie, N. Y.	DECEMBER 7, 1940 Delta Triton	'41	Purdue
Peirec Vandercook	Flossmoor, Ill.	DECEMBER 11, 1940 Alpha Deuteron	'14	Illinois
Leslie H. Belknap	East Lansing, Mich.	DECEMBER 14, 1940 Delta Sigma Phi National President		Michigan State
Walter J. Fairweather	La Grange, Ill.	DECEMBER 17, 1940 Nu Deuteron	'41	Stanford

Endowment Donors



LEIGHTON P. STRADLEY

One, who during the past year added his name to the list of Endowment Donors is Brother Leighton P. Stradley, Mu '06. He is one of the three Endowment Fund Trustees of Phi Sigma Kappa. Brother Stradley is a well known Philadelphia lawyer. He was admitted to the Philadelphia Bar in 1908 and has specialized in corporation law and state and federal taxation. For twenty-eight years he has served as local counsel for the Corporation Trust Company of Philadelphia.

In 1912, Brother Stradley became, by appointment, a member of the faculty of the Wharton School of Finance and Commerce at the University of Pennsylvania. Later he was given an assistant professorship in that University. While teaching finance and taxation, he wrote and published "Finance and Investment" and "Corporate Clearing House, Inc."

Brother Stradley has been senior mem-

ber of the law firm of Stradley, Ronan & Stevens, since 1926, the date of its inception.

Another brother who recently added his name to the growing list of Endowment Donors is Brother Wm. Clinton B. Alexander, Kappa '97. Brother Alexander is a native of Clearfield County, Pennsylvania. He graduated from Pennsylvania State College, with the degree of Bachelor of Science in mining engineering. He received the masters degree or E. M. from the same college in 1903.

Brother Alexander is the inventor of several devices for his fellow engineers. The Little Giant Tape Splice and the Autoset Plummet Adjuster are two early inventions which have been followed by several special types of looseleaf binders known as the Autolock, the Lace Lock and the Crescent Binders. More recently, he has designed and copyrighted the Crescent Accounting System for invest-



WM. CLINTON B. ALEXANDER

ments and income tax, and is the author of an instruction and reference booklet on this subject.

All the above items are on the market.

President Marchmont Busy Making Visitations

Since being elected national president of our fraternity, Brother Marchmont has spent considerable time making chapter visitations and alumni contacts in the interest of our fraternity.

He made an early visit to Beta and Xi Chapters. Later in the autumn, he spent three days in the Washington area visiting Eta, Lambda and Epsilon Triton Chapters. On this occasion he also traveled to Annapolis to visit Sigma Chapter. On each of these visits Brother Marchmont enjoyed the informal discussion with the brothers, and the cordial hospitality which they extended to him wherever he went.

Brother Marchmont also plans to visit Mu, Nu and Phi Chapters shortly, and will undoubtedly have done it by the time this SIGNET is off the press.

He attended the meeting of the Budget Committee held in Chicago October 18, 19 and 20. Brother A. R. Jones, member of the Budget Committee was also in Chicago for this meeting. The meetings were held at the national headquarters.

Regional Director George Stark was at national headquarters to discuss fraternity matters with Brother Marchmont on this occasion and at the same time, Brother D. R. Collins, Gamma Deuteron, Alumni Secretary, conferred with Brother Marchmont regarding alumni relations and the Endowment Fund.

Revolutionizing Telegraph Industry

Brother G. S. Vernam, Epsilon Deuteron '14, is engaged in development research engineering work in the Postal Telegraph Cable Co. Laboratories. The results so far achieved have been quite revolutionary in the telegraph industry.

Collins Appointed Alumni Secretary

National President John H. Marchmont has appointed Brother D. R. Collins, Gamma Deuteron '17, Alumni Secretary of Phi Sigma Kappa. Brother Collins is Account Executive with the Buchen Company, national advertising agency with its principal office in Chicago. Phi Sigma Kappa is indeed for-



D. R. COLLINS

tunate to have a man of Brother Collins' ability and experience in the advertising field undertake the work of the alumni secretaryship of the fraternity.

Brother Collins' interest in the national fraternity has never wavered since those days back in 1916 when he attended the Worcester Convention as an undergraduate delegate from his chapter. On this trip he visited every chapter in the east.

Brother Collins is especially interested in the endowment work of our fraternity. He will meet with Brother Marchmont and the Endowment Trustees in this work from time to time as the endowment program of our fraternity develops.

In Oak

By GEORGE RONALD NISH, *Alpha Deuteron '28*

Alpha Deuteron is celebrating the acquisition of a new set of dining room furniture consisting of six octagonal tables and forty-eight oak chairs purchased by its Alumni Association. The purchase of this furniture which cost over a thousand dollars is the latest of many purchases by the Chapter's Alumni Association over the life of the chapter and carries with it the story of successful coöperation between chapter and alumni.

When Alpha Deuteron built its new house and opened it in 1926, it was the result of continued conscientious effort on the part of an Alumni Association which felt that its chapter was something worth working to preserve. The Board of Directors of that alumni association has continued over the life of the chapter to counsel it wisely and well and the present excellent financial status of the Illinois chapter can be directly attributed to this group.

Throughout its history the Board has maintained a strict rule that the active chapter could only be successfully maintained by paying its own way. A fixed rental together with a monthly payment on house notes has always been demanded from members of the active chapter in order that there would always be funds to pay for the reduction of its mortgage debt and to provide for repairs and furniture. The chapter has often felt that the rental should be reduced, that the house bills should be cut down, or that the payment of house notes be postponed. The Alumni Association has at times been tempted in view of the stringency of the period to yield to these requests but on more mature thought has resisted and the chapter has always grace-

fully accepted its decision. The wisdom of this is being proved now by the possession of a strong financial position when demands upon the fraternity are so great. Additional evidence is at hand when a review is made of the furniture purchased since the chapter house was built.

The original furniture which completely equipped the new house cost over nine thousand dollars and was the best that could be bought. Since that time over a period of fourteen years the house has been almost completely refurnished. This included the purchase of a very fine electric range. Extensive payments have been made for repairs to keep the house as good as new, and the mortgage, originally \$50,000.00, has been paid down to \$17,000.00 without default on an interest or principal payment.

Alpha Deuteron feels that it has a right to be proud of its chapter, its alumni association, and their joint financial record which is second to none on the Illinois campus. It realizes that the National organization is ready and willing to help each and every chapter in every way it can but honestly believes no chapter has a right to make requests unless it has made every effort to solve its own problems.

Colonel Riefkohl Now

Brother R. W. Riefkohl, Omicron '09, now on duty in the 3rd Corps Area, Baltimore, Maryland, was promoted to the rank of Colonel on October 17, 1940.

What extravagancy is not man capable of entertaining, when once his shackled reason is led in triumph by fancy and prejudice!—Lord Chesterfield.

Chapter Invisible

George Bruce Cortelyou

To the present generation, the name of George B. Cortelyou, Lambda '96, who died at Huntington Bay, Long Island, October 23, 1940, means little. A generation ago he was a power in national affairs.

Few men took a more prominent part in the industrial and political life of this country during the early part of the Twentieth Century than did he. He was secretary to three Presidents (Cleveland, McKinley and Theodore Roosevelt); later he was, successively, Secretary of Commerce and Labor, Postmaster General and Secretary of the Treasury, and then, when he was 47 years old, he became president of the Consolidated Gas Company (later the Consolidated Edison Company), a position he held for more than a quarter of a century. The latter company was one of the most powerful utility corporations in this country.

The mere listing of these offices, however, fails to do justice to the man. True, they illustrate the manner in which he lived up to the American tradition of rising to power through unremitting toil. But back of this doggedness and energy that drove Brother Cortelyou to success were the self-discipline, the high sense of duty and the stern belief in the practical value of such elemental virtues as self-reliance, hard work and responsibility. Brother Cortelyou belonged to the old school of Americans. For generations, his forebears in New York and New England had worked hard, been true to their ideals and served their community.

Brother Cortelyou was born in New York on July 26, 1862, son of Peter C. and Rose Searly Cortelyou. He attended the Hempstead Institute, Hempstead, Long Island, and the State Normal School at Westfield, Massachusetts. He

studied music, intending to become a teacher, and taught for awhile in positions obtained for him by Professor Hinds, principal of the Hempstead Institute, and whose daughter he later married.



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While he was teaching, he studied stenography and became so proficient that he decided to make it his profession, a decision that carried him from stenographer in the office of the Federal Appraiser in New York to secretary in the White House, and carried some weight in that office. As secretary to McKinley, he was regarded as virtually a Cabinet Member and did much of the office work during the war with Spain. He also found time to acquire a law degree at Georgetown University in 1895.

It is a far cry from the Washington of today to the Washington which knew

Cortelyou as perhaps the most adroit of all public officials in his relations not only with the press but with all those who had any business, or thought they had, with him. His method of getting rid of a tiresome caller who had overstayed his time, yet whom it would not do to offend, was in those days a Washington legend.

Under Brother Cortelyou's desk, according to the legend, there were several electric buttons. When he pressed one of them, a Negro servant would immediately enter carrying a wire basket filled with important-looking documents which he announced, in impressive tones, had just been received from the White House with a personal request from the President that they be examined and signed "at once." Brother Cortelyou had only to express his deep regret at the imperious necessities of public business to send the caller on his way without offense. Fifteen minutes later, the same button and the same formidable-looking documents, "from the White House," might again be performing the same courteous service.

President Theodore Roosevelt so valued his services that he appointed him the first Secretary of the newly-formed Department of Commerce and Labor. Next, he acted as chairman of the Republican National Committee in 1904, and, incidentally, he managed the successful Roosevelt campaign in that year.

From 1905 to 1907, Brother Cortelyou was Postmaster General, and for the two following years, he was Secretary of the Treasury.

A man of few words, he demonstrated at all times that he was a man of action. His abilities were so well recognized that he received offers of a number of important and lucrative executive positions from private banking firms but he preferred the utility field, and in February, 1909, he assumed the duties of president of the Consolidated Gas Company, from which position he retired in 1935, after watching that company enjoy a remarkable growth.

In his recent years, he was regarded as a somewhat aloof figure, always gracious, courteous, but living in a world of his own. To those who worked with him and knew him, however, he stood out as a man of rare distinction of character, gentleness of spirit, and high sense of civic duty. Never vain, never self-seeking, never ostentatious, he was an American of whom the nation as well as his family and friends can be justly proud.

He leaves, besides his widow, three sons, George B. Cortelyou, Jr., William W. Cortelyou and Peter C. Cortelyou, and a daughter, Mrs. Jacob F. Wentz.

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Theodore Frederick Myler

Dr. Theodore F. Myler, Mu '09, died on Thanksgiving Day, November 28, 1940, in Xenia, Ohio.

He entered Pennsylvania from high school in Pittsburgh, and graduated in medicine in 1909. He was always an excellent balance there and performed a wonderful service to the chapter.

After graduation he was private physician to the Carnegie family for several years and traveled extensively. Then he settled down as a country doctor, just like Dr. Christian, of the radio, in a small town named Burton, Ohio, where he practiced medicine until the war took him to France with Base Hospital No. 4 and there he was elevated to the rank of Captain. When he returned, he practiced medicine in Ohio and later settled in Xenia where he and two associates organized and ran the McClellan Hospital in that town.

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Arthur Wells

Brother Arthur Wells, Omicron '36, was killed in an automobile accident near New York City on November 30, 1940.

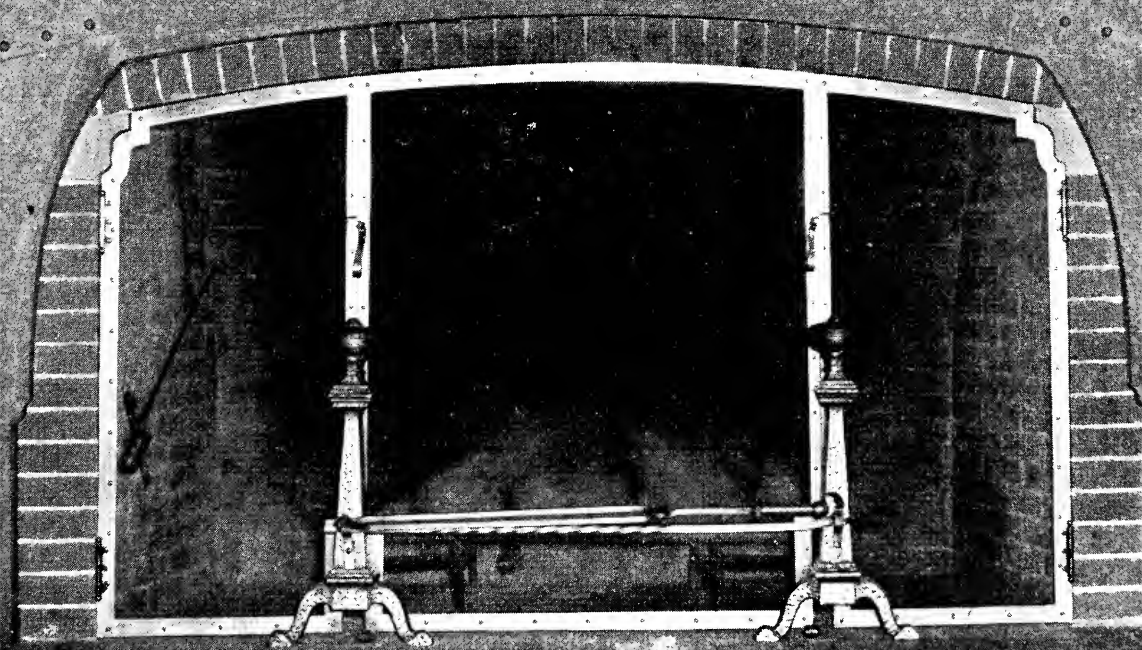
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Nothing is politically right which is morally wrong.—Daniel O'Connell.

Chapterettes



All guests we ask not what thou art
If friend we greet thee hand and heart
If stranger such no longer be
If foe our love shall conquer thee



CHI DEUTERON

Pullman, Washington

By CHUCK VOTAW AND BOB WILKINSON

Orchids to Chi Deuteron!

In activities, social affairs, scholarship —we are right up with the best of them.

An activities roundup is interesting. For athletics we have football and basketball star Frank Akins, tracksters Bill Dale (track team captain), Pat Haley and Wes Tedrow, frosh track coach Dixie Garner and acting varsity coach Pat Petchord.

Five basketball managers are active Phi Sigs. Senior Manager is new Chi Deuteron president—Phil Wainscott. Juniors Perkins and McGee, Sophomore Cudney, and Freshman Shemwell complete the impressive list.

As good a record is made in publications on the campus. Bob Boyer is Night-Editor of the *Evergreen*—tri-weekly campus newspaper. Phi Sigs are found predominately on the business staff of the *Chinook*, W. S. C.'s yearbook. Earl Cochran as Contracts Manager and Bob Wilkinson as Sales Manager rate upper masthead positions. Hopeful for advancement are assistants Sterling La Rue, Dick McWhorter, Wes Tedrow, and Don Schmick.

Washington State College Phi Sigs are in many honoraries. Two of them were chosen for the selective senior men's service honorary, Crimson Circle. They are President Phil Wainscott and ex-President Al Edes. Treasurer of Scabbard and Blade, advanced military honorary, is Phil Wainscott. Also in the organization are brothers Edes and Meenach. Chuck Votaw is secretary of the national business honorary, Alpha Kappa Psi. Recently initiated into Alpha Delta Sigma were Louie Perkins and Frank Kramer, completing the long list of Phi Sigs on the membership rolls—brothers Edes, Godon, Diedesch, Meenach, and Wilkinson. In Intercollegiate Knights, Earl Cochran, Chi Deuteron's house-

manager, is Treasurer and a junior member. Sophomore members include Dick McWhorter, Warren Smith, and Sterling La Rue; among the freshmen are pledges Dean Lindley and Joe Cochran. In the field of bacteriology, Phi Sig's star is Larry Neace, who is vice-president of Sigma Alpha Omicron. The college radio station, KWSC, is represented by News Announcer Dick Godon and Chief Announcer Bob Wilkinson. Both are members of National Collegiate Radio Guild, Godon being president of the organization. Brother Wilkinson is also a member of the national psychology honorary—Psi Chi. And speaking of honors, Chi Deuteron's popular financial advisor, H. G. Cordes, was recently promoted to the position of manager of the Pullman Branch of the Seattle First National Bank. Mr. Cordes has been active in chapter affairs since his initiation last year.

Initiation and elections have claimed part of our time this fall. New members are Frank Akins, Tom Jackson, Wes Tedrow, Dale Gibson, and Warren Smith, Phil Wainscott succeeded Al Edes as President after the latter resigned. Other cabinet officers are Hal Beard, Vice-President; Bob Pope, Secretary; Earl Cochran, Treasurer; Al Diedesch, Sentinel; Louie Perkins, Inductor; Ed Reincke, Sophomore member, and Chuck Votaw, Social Chairman.

Again this year the Phi Sigs have taken the lead in social functions on the W. S. C. campus. Under Chairman Chuck Votaw's guidance the pledge dance and the winter semi-formal were outstanding successes. The pledge dance had an Indian-summer motif, complete with wigwams and tomahawks. A modernistic Christmas with several thousand feet of varicolored cellophane was the unique theme of the winter dance. A buffet-supper followed by a fireside, a Saturday afternoon party to listen to the football game between the University of Washington and W. S. C., a number of

firesides, two exchange dinners, a friendship dinner, a faculty dinner, several after-dinner dances, and a Christmas party have all been in the social program up to now.

Another successful milestone in Chi Deuteron's history has been passed. The much-heralded "Back to Chi Deuteron in '40" celebration took place on October 17. The alumni were well entertained with a dance, banquets, and several good bullfests. It was homecoming for the campus as a whole, but many more Phi Sig alumni turned out than grads from any other group. Alumni chairman George Wegsteen reports a total attendance of eighty. Present were such distinguished alumni as Ray Hubbard, Carl Uppman, Fred Weber, Joe Kiefer, Al Ogren, Ted Ogren, Jerry Rooney, Gale Weidner, Ray Beauchamp, Mike Burke, Paul Driver, Roy Moller, V. E. McMartin, Sam Norin, George Smith and Jack Stotler. For fifteen years Chi Deuteron's affiliates have looked forward to Homecoming—1940. They came back, some for the first time since graduation, and they weren't disappointed. It was as much—and more—than they had looked forward to. "Back to Chi Deuteron in '40" was a grand success.

The picture introducing the Chapterette section is that of Chi Deuteron's fireplace. Both the panel and the fireplace are noted for their beauty. The fireplace is the largest on the State College of Washington campus, and it is understood to be one of the largest anywhere for a fraternity. The living room is designed with the fireplace as its central theme. Note the Phi Sig and W. S. C. crests.

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ALPHA

Massachusetts State College

By MARRIGAN KRASNECKI

Alpha Chapter has made no little progress this year in upholding that tra-

dition of being "one of the leaders of the campus."

To show, Alpha, through the efforts of House Manager, "Cas" Zielinski, has made many improvements in the beauty of the House.

Varsity football has been well-represented by Phi Sig through the individual performances of "Ben" Freitas, plunging fullback, and "Gildo" Santin, crushing and plowing halfback. Paul Dwyer, transformed from tackle to guard, played surprisingly well after an early-eason injury.

Phi Sig again had the biggest share of representation on the cross-country team. Captain W. W. (Bill) Kimball and little "Bingo" MacDonald shared honors in the majority of the races.

Phi Sig has again set the pace in the social whirl. The crowning dance of the fall season was the Amherst week-end formal. The decorative theme was harvest-time. We certainly reaped in much fun and frolic.

An excellent Thanksgiving banquet was cooked up by "Ma" Graves, our delicate cook, and Fred Shackley, steward. E. J. "Doc" Nestle, our boarding janitor, has earned an alias because of his continual complaining, one "Doc" Savage.

Bill Dwyer, a big unassuming likeable fellow, will be up for reelection as president of the class of '42. Other Phi Sig men to be voted on are: Tom Johnson, '41, Ben Freatas, '42, and pledges Herb Gross, '43, Gil Santin, '43, Ted LeMaire, '43, and "Humphrey" McKiernan, '43.

We are all eagerly anticipating a rollicking time at our revived annual Christmas party. The idea of it is, that, after an exchange of gifts, a little ditty will be recited by its author about some other member. After which the recipient of the slam will proceed to read his retaliating ditty, and so on.

We have the facilities to enjoy ourselves, but these cannot be had unless certain tasks are accomplished. Paul Dwyer, our inductor, has accomplished

the greatest task. Through his conscientious efforts Alpha has pledged twenty-two freshman and nine additional sophomores. They have proven themselves to be assets to a "real Phi Sig spirit."

What is this spirit? It is an arbitrary spirit. Here at Mass. State it takes a definite form. To my mind, it isn't the spirit of a scholar, a party man, a drinker, a gambler, a BMOC (big man on campus), a hypocrite, a politician, an athlete, a teetotaler, a puritan, a wise guy; no, very obviously not. Alpha Chapter incorporates all of these into one spirit and tries to find a golden mean (if only it could be called humanism). There is a bond and each cord exerts an influence on the next. Our Phi Sigger is a regular fellow, a man of the world!

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ZETA

College of the City of New York

By FRANK HARONIAN

Although Zeta Chapter is not a frequent contributor to *THE SIGNET*, we nevertheless consider ourselves one of the strongest upholders of the Phi Sigma Kappa tradition. One of the numerous evidences of this last was the union of Iota and Zeta Chapters on November 4 for a pre-election celebration. Fifteen "Zetamen" and their dates traveled to Hoboken and in the company of the whole Iota Chapter, spent a very happy evening. One of the highlights of the evening was the scavenger hunt during which the Beta Theta Pi doormat was purloined. Under the sponsorship of Brother Joe Clark, Zeta played host to Alpha Omega sorority from Queens College at a house party on November 15. For several weeks thereafter, Joe was enjoying unusual popularity among the brothers!

It would certainly be very ungrateful of us not to bring to notice the valuable and enduring efforts of Brother George A. K. Shields, Zeta '12, president of the

Zeta Alumni Association, in assisting the active chapter with the promotion of Zeta's most successful spring formal dance in many years. In addition, Brother Shields very kindly invited the whole active chapter and their dates to a cocktail party and buffet supper at his home in Forest Hills. On that occasion, the active chapter presented Brother Shields with a Phi Sigma Kappa plaque in appreciation for his services to the chapter.

As usual, a very large percentage of the active chapter is participating in extra-curricular activities and R. O. T. C. courses which are voluntary at City College. Although he has just made the rifle team, Brother Bill Hillig claims to be one of their most valuable men. Brother Joe Clark recently enrolled in the famous Sixty-Ninth Regiment, "The Fightin' 69th." Brother Johnnie R. Hane, who recently completed his training in the Air Corps, is stationed with the Tenth Bombardment Squadron at Langley Field, Virginia. Brother Bill Shields enlisted in the Naval Reserves this summer and Brothers Vinnie Moschetta and Art Honey are corporal and first sergeant respectively in the Pershing Rifles. To top things off, Brother Bill Munzinger recently captured the intramural boxing championship in the 145-pound class.

Among the alumni present at the Boston Convention were Brothers Emmet King Moore, Zeta '05, George H. Schoettle, Zeta '08, and George B. Downing, Jr., Zeta '40. The active chapter was represented by Brothers John J. Hurley and Frank J. Haronian.

We are glad to report that the active chapter has procured larger and more convenient quarters and that rushing in both day and evening sessions is progressing healthily. At the elections held during the last meeting, the following officers were chosen for the coming quarter: president, James R. Holst; vice-president, William E. Hillig; secretary, Frank Haronian; treasurer, Vito A. Visconti;



Standing, left to right: John Hurley, retiring President; James Holst, President; William Munzinger; Vito Visconti, Treasurer; and Hans Schwerdtfeger. Seated, left to right: William Shields, Inductor; Frank Haronian, Secretary; William Hillig, Vice-President; and Thomas McElligott, Sentinel.

sentinel, Thomas M. McElligott; and inductor, William B. Shields.

As this article goes to press, the boys are expectantly looking forward to Zeta's annual alumni banquet to be held on Saturday, December 14, in celebration of the forty-fourth anniversary of the founding of Zeta Chapter. At that time, we hope to be able to announce the initiation of three "regular fellows"; Thomas P. Farrell, William A. Johnston and Vincent Di Pietro, our pledges.

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RHO DEUTERON

Gettysburg College

By DAVID E. THOMAS, '42

As this article is being written, Rho Deuteron has just brought to a highly successful climax its celebration of the

Christmas social season. The annual Christmas formal dance was held on Friday evening, December 6, at the Carlisle Country Club, near Carlisle, Pennsylvania, with Roy Gibbons and his orchestra supplying the rhythms. Approximately fifty couples were present to drink deeply of the Yuletide spirit (not spirits).

On Saturday evening an informal affair was held at the house to complete the holiday week-end. As is the custom at Gettysburg, "open house" was held in all the houses on the campus to further the spirit of interfraternity kinship. Credit for the splendid manner in which the G-burg Phi Sigs were able to celebrate the first big fraternity week-end of the year goes to Brother Bob Holland, chairman of the social committee, and to his

assistants: Wayne Snyder, Jack Regester, Dick Grissinger and Ed Sammel.

Earlier in the same week as that of the dances, Rho Deuteron elected into office its second administration for the academic year, 1940-41. The honor of the presidency was bestowed upon Brother Bark Beidleman, while elections for the other offices resulted as follows: Brother Joe Dise, vice-president; Brother Dave Thomas, secretary; Brother Hen Schwartz, re-elected treasurer; Brother Dick Young, sentinel; and Brother Herm Cronrath, inductor.

These men followed into office the following brothers who had served during the first term: Brothers Jim Allison, president; Chauncey Sanner, vice-president; Elmer Ashway, secretary; Ed Sammel, sentinel; and Bob Garrett, inductor.

Turning next to the field of scholarship, Rho Deuteron was again successful in retaining its supremacy over the other fraternity groups on the Gettysburg campus. In determining the winner of the activity cup for the second semester of the year, 1939-40, there was some confusion over the interpretation of the activity point system. Although no victor could be decided upon because of this, the other nine national fraternities on the campus unanimously decided to allow the cup to remain in the possession of the Phi Sigs where it had been for the past four years.

As for individual merit in scholastic attainments, Brother George Barrett's name must not be failed to be mentioned. George is now one of the three undergraduate members of Phi Beta Kappa on the campus. He is consistently receiving "A's" but if you'd ask him about it, he'd very frankly inform you that he doesn't believe it in principle. It is expected that one or two other Phi Sig seniors will join Brother George in his new-found fellowship come next semester.

In listing the events of the past semester, the harvesting of a banner crop of

pledges cannot be omitted. Two sophomores, Bill Miller and Bill Sollenberger, together with the following fourteen freshmen should prove to be a worthy lot of Phi Sig leaders around 1943 or '44; Charley Aurand, Bob Deardorff, Erk Diehl, Jim Fresh, Carter Haas, Don Herb, Bob Huegli, John Kelso, John Menges, Dean Oleweiler, Jack Schaeffer, Dick Teeter, John Tome, and Bill Zimmerman. Pretty fine Phi Siglets, one and all!

Besides such great strides in securing good new men, the older Phi Sigs of Rho Deuteron are quite in evidence in the affairs of the fraternity. On Homecoming Day, October 26, elections were held by the Alumni Corporation to name its new executive board. With the new additions the board now includes the following alumni: Mr. J. William McIlhenny, '36, president; Mr. Carl F. Chronister, '35, vice-president; Mr. Samuel A. Schreckengaust, Jr., '35, secretary-treasurer; Dr. Stewart W. Herman, '99; Dr. Frank H. Kramer, '14; Mr. T. A. Monk, Jr., '16; Prof. Donald R. Heiges, '31; Rev. Henry W. Snyder, Jr., '37; and Mr. H. William Phelps, '38. Many plans are being laid by this group for the advancement of the chapter in a true Phi Sig manner.

With all the cogs of the chapter wheel working together in such splendid cooperation, Rho Deuteron faces the new year, 1941, with chin up and face front. It will meet the challenges of the new year as they come, fearlessly, and unflinching from the path which has proven so successful in past years.

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ALPHA DEUTERON

University of Illinois

By THOMAS RICE, '41

On October 16, the active chapter was host to our alumni brothers for the Annual Homecoming celebration at the University of Illinois, home of the first

Homecoming. Our defeat by Notre Dame failed to dampen the spirits of the alumni and brothers and nearly one hundred guests enjoyed the banquet Saturday evening. Brother Schoening was toastmaster and after introduction of the pledges, several of the Alumni gave short talks. Brother Stark told us something of the National Convention. Brother Webber, our chapter adviser, honored us by coming to our banquet, the first social event he has been able to attend since his illness of last summer. Brother Frank Smith gave the Alumni Association Report. A roll of the classes was taken and each one delegated a speaker, to express their feelings. The class of '40 reported 15 out of 16 present.

The second great fall event was our annual observance of Dad's Day. Brother Les Hellen, '43, had the pleasure of seeing his Dad receive the University's gift to the father who had traveled the greatest distance to be with his son for Dad's Day. The brothers in the stands stood and cheered his speech of thanks to the University for the gift, and to the brothers of Phi Sigma Kappa for their hospitality. He made the trip from Los Angeles, California. Another father who made a long trip was the parent of Pledge Dillavou. He drove in from Billings, Montana. After the evening banquet and the introduction of our Dads, the brothers and pledges took their Dads to some of the special plays and water carnivals that the campus associations were staging for the weekend.

Just before the Thanksgiving holidays, we saw an opportunity to exhibit our new dining room furniture and held a formal dinner in connection with Delta Sigma Phi Fraternity. Men from both houses who were going to the Interfraternity Formal, had their dates as dinner guests.

A Lil' Abner Radio dance with decorations by Brothers Russell and Amsbary is also part of our social past for the year. Among things to be looked forward to is

our Annual Sorority Chaperons Banquet, December 19, and our Winter Formal to be held January 10. We also enjoyed an exchange dinner with Alpha Xi Delta.

Alpha Deuteron failed to win the intramural softball divisional trophy for the first time in several years. Their failure was due to Brother Dick Broom's broken ankle. A faulty base marker was responsible for the accident in the second inning of the last game of the division. The Kappa Sigs were too strong for our boys without Brother Broom's fast pitching and defeated us by four runs. Other teams are competing in intramural bowling and water polo.

On December 14 the entire house is going to occupy a block of reserved seats at the Apero production of "Madame Butterfly." Brother Walter Jameson has one of the leading roles in this opera.

Since the beginning of the year we have added two pledges: Douglas Southgate, '44, is doing good work in the College of Architecture, and Zeke Johnson, '44, is a prominent swimmer.

Brothers Cusick, Brown, Simpson are working hard for positions on the Varsity Basketball squad, and will probably see some action this year.

Brother "Hank" Schrader has received a leave of absence from his commission in the Army. He stopped at the house on his way to New York to sail for Cristobal, Panama, where he will work as a student civil engineer on the new locks.

Pledge Earle Schrader, brother of "Hank," has been ordered into active duty by the Naval Reserve. He has been assigned to the *U. S. S. Crosby* and will leave December 15. He has been allowed half credit on his University work and may be initiated on the basis of the work he has completed. These two men and their being called to the Colors in the Nation's defense program bring the situation quite close to us.

Due to illness and the press of business, Brother Webber has resigned as Chapter Adviser. Brother Dillavou, State Assem-

blyman from this district, has succeeded him in the position.

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MU DEUTERON

University of Montana

JOHN McCauley AND WALT MARTIN

After getting off to a slow start rush week the Phi Sigs in the "Wilds" of Montana have been gaining momentum on the university at Missoula until we are again scrambling for first place with the other fraternities of the upper bracket in social, scholastic and athletic attainments.



OFFICERS OF MU DEUTERON

Front row, left to right: Len Daems, Treasurer; Walt Martin, President; Harold Goldstein, Vice-President. Back row: John McCauley, Inductor; Ken Nybo, Sentinel; Russell Anderson, Secretary.

Starting with the unusually low number of twelve pledges captured during rush we finished last quarter with twenty-eight new men. Two smokers, one given by the pledges and one by the actives gave everyone a chance to get acquainted, smoky and sleepy.

Brothers Nybo, Martin, McCauley, Borek and Mountjoy drove to Pullman, Washington for the Montana-Washington State football game and were very hospitably received by the Chi Deuteron chapter. Thanks again Chi Deuteron.

After pledging Earl Dahlstrom, baritone, we now have with pledge Phelan the two leading songbirds on the campus.

If this year's interfraternity song contest trophy does not adorn our mantle it will be a miracle. A one-hour minstrel show furnished the entertainment at the best attended and by far the best received convocation in years at the university. Pledges Dahlstrom and Phelan took the two leads and Brother Chebul, in black-face and singing "My Mammy," rocked the house. The University German band composed wholly of Phi Sigs, Brother, Boyle, Buntin and Degnan, and Pledges Woolston and McGrey, furnished the music at the convo.

We were complimented highly by the Dean's Office for the courtesy shown the chaperones at the fall pledge formal in the Gold Room, the largest dance hall in the SU building.

A large turnout showed up at the first call for basketball practice and if the boys can "get their wind" we stand a good chance of getting the third leg and permanent possession of the Interfraternity basketball trophy. We are the only house up to date with two legs on this award.

Walt Martin, chairman of the University Publications Board, relinquished the presidency of Mu Deuteron after a splendid job during fall quarter to Bill Fleming, senior forester. Bill, it is said by many, should be in the music school instead of forestry. It is seldom that he hits a blue note with that smooth Irish tenor. Other officers elected to hold offices for winter quarter are Lew Moore, vice-president; Ken Obrecht, secretary, and Jack Mountjoy, sentinel. Daems and McCauley retained their respective offices of treasurer and inductor.

The above men are a busy group of officers making plans for Coffee Dan's, our big annual dance, fashioned cabaret style. This dance is by far and away the most looked-forward-to sorority or fraternity function at the school. Phi Sigs alums and ex's travel from all over the state to attend this dance. We are truly proud of Coffee Dan's and will gladly

correspond with any chapter and give the details on this gala event.

It is often dangerous to step into the Mu Deuteron chapter house when the CAA pilots are doing Immelmans' or cross-countries in the parlor. One might run into a flat spin illustrated by some hangar pilot's hands and get an eye poked out. But this is readily understandable when it is visioned what happens when our group of pilots get together and discuss flying. Holders of private pilot certificates are Brothers Martin, Nybo, Buntin, Bergner; Pledges Brensdal and Petrie. Those holding limited commercial pilots certificates from the C. P. T. program are Brothers Morrison and Beck and Pledge Ingersol.

Brother Daems and Pledges Dahmer and Fiske earned letters in varsity football. Fiske, a sophomore with no high school football experience, is potentially the best backfield man scheduled to play for MSU next fall.

Pledges Johnson, Tex Cummins, Cole, Kimmit, Herman Martin, Scott, Smallwood and Ferris earned numerals in football. Cummins, who garnered a numeral at the University of Texas last year can play ball in any league and will undoubtedly prove it next year.

Freshman basketball manager is Brother Hokanson assisted by Pledge Kober. Brother Moore, capably assisted by Brother "Shoutin' Charley" Buntin, is head minor sports manager.

Although Walt Martin lost in the elections for student body president, we still have Phi Sigs holding important offices in campus government. Brother Ryan is sophomore delegate to Central Board, the governing body, and Carl Simpson is senior delegate to Store Board. Ryan and Pledge Kreiger were tapped Bear Paw last fall. Kreiger is "keeper of the bears" Grizzly mascots. Brothers Simpson and Ames were initiated as Druids, Forestry School honorary. Carl Simpson is Chief Push for the Foresters' Ball, the largest all-school dance of the year.

Too lengthy a story of what Phi Sigs are doing to keep in the news at the University of Montana makes tiresome reading. So we will be back again for the



John McCauley, university boxing instructor and Inductor; Walt Martin, fall President and Chairman of the University Publications Board; and Ken Nybo, Freshman basketball numeral winner last year, CAA pilot.

next issue of *THE SIGNET* with perhaps a little about the U. of M. which is so beautifully situated snug against a high mountain, deep in the heart of the Rockies.

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XI DEUTERON

University of Tennessee

By JOHN JENKINS

Phi Sigs at the University of Tennessee are well into a successful year. With the fall quarter closing, we feel that we have made definite progress in building a stronger fraternity chapter.

Our social program for the fall consisted of two house dances, two after-the-football-game parties especially honoring alumni, and a wiener roast given by the

pledge class honoring the active members. We were very much pleased to have so many alumni, both of Xi Deuteron and other chapters, attend our open house parties after two of the biggest football games at U-T.

In the field of extra-curricular honors, Brother Ed Story has been selected as one of the thirteen students from the University of Tennessee to be listed in "Who's Who in American Colleges and Universities." Brother Story is a junior, and the president of Xi Deuteron chapter. His campus activities include associate editorship of the *Orange and White*, the school newspaper; membership on the Y. M. C. A. cabinet; Fraternity Relations Board; and the Nahheeyali Governing Board. He also edited this year's freshman handbook, and is a member of the Publications Council.

Brother Kyle King and Pledge Jack Bailey have brought honor to our chapter during the fall quarter. Brother Kyle King has been elected to membership in Phi Kappa Phi, senior honorary scholastic society. Pledge Bailey has been elected to membership in Scabbard and Blade, honorary military organization.

During the month of November, Billy Carter, a sophomore in engineering, was added to the pledge class of the chapter. Also Brother Henry Herbert became initiated into the active chapter.

Officers elected for the winter quarter are Edward Story, president; Cecil Jackson, vice-president; John Jenkins, secretary; Charles King, treasurer; Jim Parker, auditor; and Guy Bates, inductor.

Plans are now underway for our annual formal banquet and dance. This traditional event will be on January 25, and it is hoped that a large number of Phi Sigma Kappa alumni will attend to celebrate with us. The banquet and dance will celebrate the sixteenth birthday of Xi Deuteron chapter.

No wise man ever wished to be younger.—Dean Swift.

DELTA

West Virginia University

By DON BOND, '42

Since her last article appeared in THE SIGNET, Delta Chapter has been honored by having one of her most illustrious alumni elected to the governorship of the State of West Virginia.

Senator M. M. Neely, veteran legislator and senator from northern West Virginia, defeated his opponent by one of the largest majorities ever piled up in the state by a gubernatorial candidate.

Senator Neely graduated from the University one year after the turn of the century and has spent most of his life since in the legal and legislative professions.

Plans for the big Delta Chapter Golden Jubilee are moving along rapidly, with the big celebration now only roughly three months off. A questionnaire has been sent by the 50th Anniversary committee to each alumni, requesting information concerning himself, his family and his present occupation. Material garnered from these questionnaires will be put in a beautifully-illustrated book as a souvenir of the celebration next March.

Last month, the brothers and pledges of Delta Chapter paid their respects to their new housemother, Mrs. Willard Brown Brenneman of Waynesburg, Pennsylvania, with a formal reception at the chapter house. More than 250 members of the faculty and officers of other fraternities and sororities attended the affair and complemented the Phi Sigs on a most brilliant and successful reception.

Last weekend the Phi Sigs, along with brothers of other fraternities on campus danced to the music of Jack Teagarden and his orchestra at the annual Men's Panhellenic dance. Brother William Powell headed the committee arranging for Teagarden's appearance here.

Next weekend we will present our annual winter informal dance at the chapter house, carrying out a Christmas

theme, and dancing to the music of Brother Bud Bell's orchestra. Bell's group was voted one of the ten best college bands in the East last year and has played all over the state this year. We hope to bring all Phi Sigs through THE SIGNET a description and pictures of this colorful affair next issue.

Practice has begun for the annual Christmas Carol singing contest the night before Yuletide holidays. This ancient custom, among the oldest here, takes the various fraternities around on the last night of the year on campus as they sing to and serenade the sororities with carols and fraternity songs. Brother Robert Carr is taking time off from his studies in the College of Law to lead us this year.

Campus honoraries again honored Delta Chapter last month when pledge Hugh Marsh was elected to Tau Beta Pi, engineering honorary. This makes the second member of this organization in as many years who have lived in Delta's house.

President Ernest M. Brown has just returned from Philadelphia where he has been accepted for entrance into Penn medical school next fall.

Recent initiates of Delta Chapter are Glenn Blaine Riggle, Charles Wesley Edgar and George William Hogshead.

Until next time, Delta sends wishes for a Merry Christmas and a Happy and Prosperous New Year to all her brothers everywhere.

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Franklin and Marshall

Pi Chapter continues to move forward. During the past few years Pi has grown rapidly and we believe she has steadily made progress along all lines of fraternity work.

For the last three years we have led all fraternities on the Campus at F. & M. in the number of pledges. We also believe that they have been the better men

of the freshman classes. This fall we climaxed our Rushing Week with twenty-four freshmen pledges and four upper classmen.

We are represented in all the sports of the College. Ben Heller was one of the stalwarts of the cross country team which finished its season undefeated and untied. On the football team we had such men as Warren 'Dutch' Hamscher, Robert Greiner, Bob Pearson and Ken Snyder. It was Hamscher's pass interception and touchdown run that sparked the Diplomats to their 23-21 victory over the Dartmouth Indians. His play throughout the year was of the same calibre and on several occasions his splendid kicking saved trouble for the team.

On the soccer team we had Sammy Barr. His goal scored in the Gettysburg game gave F. & M. a tie with this traditional foe.

With the beginning of the basketball season we find Dutch Hamscher turning to this sport from the football field. His play is consistent and he can be counted upon for points when most needed. Last year he lead the team with the highest percentage of shots made of baskets attempted. Once again we find Ben Heller who, after the cross country season was closed, played in one or two soccer games and is now playing basketball. Ben was on a very fine freshman outfit last year and we expect him to break into the varsity lineup before the season has progressed very far. With the coming of spring we will find Ben running the half and the mile events on the track team.

Jack Keelen and Leon Macionis represent us on the swimming team. Jack is also heading up the annual Acquado.

With our wrestling team beginning what we hope will be its fourth consecutive undefeated season, we have Dick Vaughan as the heavyweight.

In intramural sports this fall we finished second in the six man football

tournament and had several players in the Organized-Unorganized Charity football game.

At present we have won our first two games in the basketball league and our prospects are very bright for the intramural wrestling tournament.

Our banners and floats were place winners in every football pep rally this season thanks to the work of Dave Lees, Jim Christie and their helpers.

We trust that our scholastic standing will improve over our fifth place rating of last semester.

Last spring we inaugurated a program for the college for Mother's Day and we are already at work on plans for a larger and better Chapel Service for the coming year.

John Monk, '41, a major in Biology, was recently elected president of the chapter for his third term. John is also a member of the Blue Key and the Secretary of the Interfraternity Council.

Our brothers and pledges have been leaders in nearly all activities on the campus. Ed. Shelly is president of Pi Gamma Mu and business manager of the Green Room Club. John Garihan is laboratory assistant in organic chemistry, and secretary of the Student Affiliate of the American Chemical Association. Thomas Hart is a member of Post Prandial and president of the Chess Club. Esterly is the Master Electrician of the Green Room Club. David Lees is the assistant business manager of the Green Room Club. 'Rocks' Stoneback is the program manager of the Acquado. Dick Blair and Harry Lynn are student pilots in the CAA. Dick Kieffer is a member of the Calamet Club and last semester was high scholastic man in the junior class. Dolan, a transfer from Omicron Deuteron, is starring as an actor in the Green Room Club. Clark is the program manager of the Green Room Club, while Wimer is one of our several members of the Band and the Symphony Orchestra.

BETA TRITON

Knox College

Beta Triton had a large and very successful homecoming celebration October 26. Even though Knox lost to Beloit, the Phi Sigs carried on with an alum luncheon and a big alum party in the evening. In all there were about twenty visitors over the week-end.

The Phi Sigs at Knox have always been renowned for their hilarious and successful fall parties, and this year's edition was no exception. Friday evening, November 8, Phi Sigs and their gals found the house changed into a dance hall in Alaska complete with a "coke" bar in the basement. A hillbilly band furnished the music, and the couples performed square dances to the strains of "Turkey In The Straw." All were dressed as miners, bad men, cow girls, sheriffs, etc. There was a variety of entertainment during the evening, including a pledge play, and all were sorry to leave.

It looks like a good pledging year. So far eleven have been pledged and three or four more are expected at the next date. Those pledged so far are Jerry Lemon, Bill Annen, Ichiyu Irobe, Charles Trenka, Dave Heller, Bill Rennie, Bob Malley, Norman Franzen, Lewis Schreengost, Herbert Weigand, and Albert Kallenberg.

This year men of the chapter, both actives and pledges, made a good showing on the football field. Rozenow, Rasmussen, Annen and Lemon earned varsity letters, while Franzen and Malley won their numerals on the freshman squad.

We are proud to announce the election of Brother Henry Rasmussen as president of the Student Council. Also, Bill Edwards has been elected secretary-treasurer of the senior class, and Pledge Schillinger is vice-president of the freshman class—"The Combine worked." (Ask "Boss" Harville.)

At present we have the most modern

and improved kitchen on the campus. This year a new sink, new stove and a big, new refrigerator have been installed. Also, the whole kitchen has been re-decorated.

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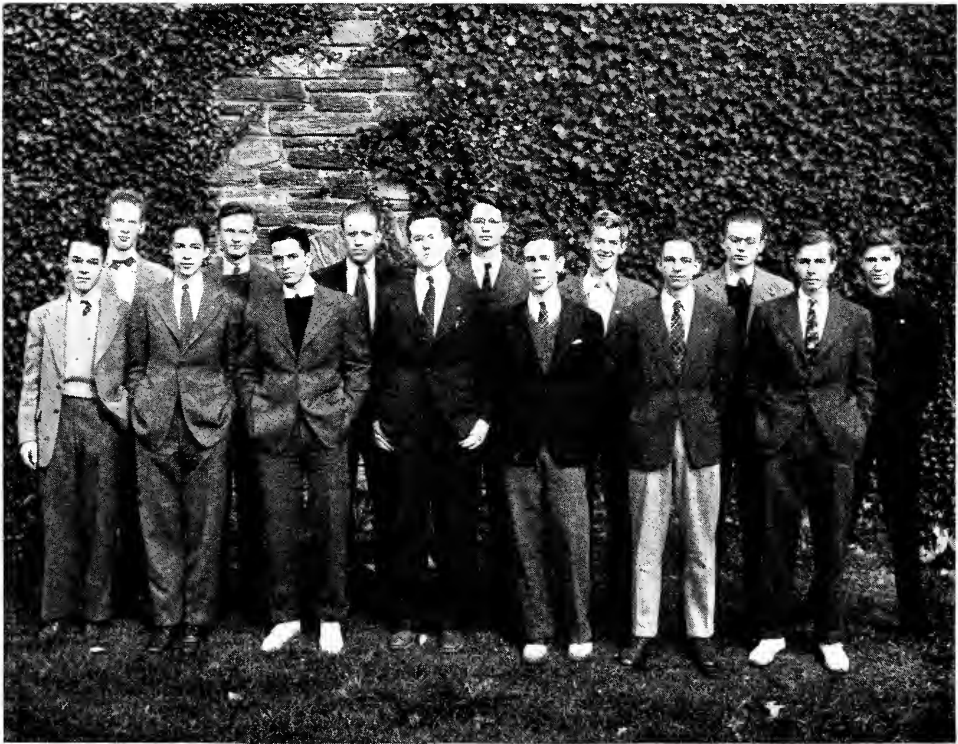
Swarthmore College

Phi Chapter is pleased to announce a most successful semester and a promising future as the new year gets under way. Our unusually heavy losses via graduation and transfer have been recouped by the pledging of fifteen ace men last October. This brings our chapter rôles up to full strength in keeping with the college expansion program.

Phi Chapter regrets the loss of Brothers Dave Hoadley, '43, who now attends

Principia, Bob McCoy, '42, who went to Earlham, Pete "Quad-Car" McBean, '42, who transferred to Dartmouth, and Frank Beury, '42, who is studying at Johns-Hopkins. Pledge-Brother Bill Evans, ex-'43, although now working, remains active in fraternity affairs.

Fraternal and social life at the chapter was given a boost last year when the basement game-room was completely remodeled and new furniture purchased. In addition to the usual Wednesday night meetings and the mixed table parties on Friday night, Phi Sigma Kappa has taken the lead on the campus in sponsoring a number of discussion groups throughout the year. These are open to all and feature a local speaker and discussion leader. It is often an occasion for faculty members to step outside their



PHI PLEDGE CLASS

Left to right: Harry Matchek, Bell Temple, Frank Tarbox, Jim Deane, Walt Donahue, Al Pemberton, Walt Canedy, Bob Spence, Dave Gale, Don Braider, Bob Friefeld, Dick Lyman, Bob Randall, Dick Paxton.

particular fields and "let down their hair" on matters of general or fraternity interest.

The annual Phi fall formal was held last November 23 at the Old Mill in Rose Valley, Pennsylvania. Forty couples attended, including a number of alumni. Our next major social event is a formal dinner-dance, held every year in the late spring.

Phi Sigs have been prominent in every field of activity at Swarthmore. President Fred Reed, '41, heads the Phi Sig athletic contingent. A member of the 1939 All Phi Sig football team, Fred sparked the Little Quakers through another successful season. He is also captain of the track team, and leading Garnet scorer in the dashes and the broad jump. In addition, he is senior manager of swimming, head of the Athletic Association, and a member of Book and Key.

Showing promise on the gridiron is Brother Walt Donahue, '44, star back on the frosh eleven. Brother Bill Erdman, '43, has been elected junior manager of football.

Brothers Walt Skallerup, '42, Sam Powers, '41, and Bob Zipfel, '42, are all varsity cross-country lettermen. Walt, who was reelected rush chairman, was also named next year's cross-country captain. He has won his letter in swimming, and is a consistent middle-distance winner on the track team. Brother Zipfel, our chapter treasurer, is business assistant of the *Phoenix*, Swarthmore's weekly publication.

Assisting Brother Hank Satterthwaite, '42, senior manager of cross-country is Brother Bob Reiting, '43, junior manager.

Brother Bob Van De Mark, '42, is junior manager of swimming as well as star pitcher for the Garnet baseball team.

Phi Sigma Kappa's representation in soccer comprises Brothers Blair Luckie, '42, and John Thomson, '43. Brother Frank Erdman, '41, is senior manager

and Brother Don Pelz, '42, junior manager of soccer.

Returning to the fencing team this year are two Phi Sig veterans, Chuck Canedy, '41, and Tom Fudakowski, '42.

Our representation on the staff of the *Phoenix*, weekly college publication is strong this year, despite the graduation of Brothers Bill Camp and Jack Pember-ton, former editor and business manager respectively. Chuck Canedy, former chapter treasurer, is business manager; Bob Zipfel is business assistant; Brother Bob Cahall, '41, is feature editor, and Don Pelz is a junior editor.

The October 1940 SIGNET carried the story of the election of Bert Brown, '16, to the position of Director of Region II. Bert is an alumnus and has been Advisor of Phi Chapter for some years. An active participant in the Phi Sig national and alumni organizations, Bert has won the admiration of every one in Phi Chapter. His regular counsel will be sorely missed in our meetings. We wish him every success in his new capacity and hope he can get back to his home chapter often.

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Williams College

The Williams College chapter of Phi Sig has gotten underway to one of its most promising years. All the fellows have distinguished themselves in some way on the campus and even the new pledges have moved right into college and fraternity activities.

Frank Bush is probably the most outstanding member of the chapter. Last year Frank was elected to Gargoyle, the college honorary society, as well as Phi Beta Kappa. He was one of the best hitters on the baseball team and was the high scorer of the basketball team. Now Frank has taken over his duties as captain of the basketball team and is well on his way to another fine season.

Jim Case and Art Wright are once

again the leading breast strokers on the swimming team. As well as copping many first places with the mermen, Art is a member of the Williams News Bureau and will take over his duties as Special Features Manager on the college radio station, WMS. Speaking of the radio station, Harry Hogan and Ray Rodé are two of its top-notch announcers. In fact, Ray will head the announcers next year. Bill Witherell is now in charge of the Interviews Department while Jack Largey and Bob Coates are working on the business end of the organization. Pledges John Andrews and Pete Kiernan are also connected with the station and should be well up among the officers when their senior year rolls around since the station is still in its formative stage and is growing rapidly.

Bob Ingram is still booking reservations with the airlines of the country in his rôle as manager of the Williams Travel Bureau.

The Glee Club's Librarian is Roy Eblen who is also connected with Cap & Bells, the college dramatic organization.

The college newspaper has many representatives from Chi Chapter this year. They are Ren Case, Jack Largey, Bill Hatch, Bob Wright, Bob Howell and Pledge Don Hammond.

This article would be far from complete if mention were not made of Sam Bacon who will probably prove to be one of the greatest distance swimmers who has ever come to Williams. Sam was breaking many varsity records while a freshman last year and has surpassed all expectations thus far this year. Pledges Pete Kiernan and Hank Hewetson are doing very well with the freshman team which is exceptionally good this year.

And so it is easy to see why Chi is having and will continue to have one of its most active years.

ZETA TRITON

Montana State College

Zeta Triton chapter welcomes into her bond four new members, Brothers Robert Baarson, John Rousseau, Al Evans and Ross Peace, initiated on October 13, 1940.

This quarter's pledge class includes five sophomores, and twenty freshmen, many of whom are outstanding in scholarship and activities. Pledge Larry Erpelding is a member of the staff of the *Montana Exponent*. Pledges Ralph Hammerstrom and Carl Johnson are being considered as members of the freshman basketball squad. Several pledges have made high grade averages thus far and will probably be chosen for Phi Eta Sigma, national freshman scholastic honorary.

The active chapter members, too, are prominent in all phases of campus activity.

Brother Pierce Patterson occupies the post of Commissioner of Publications for the Student Senate, is the Scribe of the local chapter of Intercollegiate Knights, and as chairman of the Student Directory Committee.

Brothers Everett Shuey, Bill Ralston and John Rousseau are members of the local chapter of Intercollegiate Knights.

Brother Edward Bohlig is a member, and Brother Robert Baarson a pledge, of Alpha Chi Sigma, national chemistry honorary. Both are also members of the American Institute of Chemical Engineers.

An outstanding football player at Montana State College is Leonard Scharmota, president of Zeta Triton chapter.

Brother Robert Woodward, past member of Intercollegiate Knights, is historian of the local chapter of Delta Phi Delta, national art honorary, and is a member of the Architects Club. Brother Clarence Davidson is also a member of the Architects Club.

Brother Jack Payne, inductor of the chapter, has been a member of the Bob-

What is most honorable is also safest.
—Livy.

cat Band for four years. He is president of the collegiate chapter of the Future Farmers of America, and is a member of the Agriculture Club. He was also a member of the "M" Club and occupied the position of Chairman of the Minor Sports "M" Club tournament.

Brother Everett Shuey, chapter house manager, is a member of the Agriculture club, Rifle Team and Intercollegiate Knights.

Brother Carl Fjeld is coaching the Gallatin High School reserve basketball team while attending school.

Brother Harold Johnson, who is a member of Phi Eta Sigma, freshman scholastic honorary, from last year, is a member of the Society for the Advancement of Management.

Brother Albert Evans is a member of the American Society of Electrical Engineers and also of Rho Epsilon, radio society.

Those who are members of the staffs of one of the three college publications, the *Montana Engineer*, the *Montana Exponent*, and the annual, the *Montanan*, are: John Medlin, Lee Knedler, Harold Johnson, Larry Erpelding, Robert Woodward, Pierce Patterson and Ted Johnson.

Alumni who were present at a meeting to discuss the possibilities of constructing a new chapter house were "Lefty" DeVore, George Jacoby, Dr. Seitz, Joe Braley, Professor Plew, Sam Barer, Don Nash, Bud Lowe, Bill Johnstone and Ed Harding.

Zeta Triton plans a pledge training period followed by initiation for the middle of January, at which time the freshman pledges will be eligible for membership.

Social events of Zeta Triton for this quarter included a semi-formal party, which was the first to be held in Montana State College's new Student Union Building, a pledge fireside, several informal firesides at the chapter house and several dinner parties.

House officers this quarter are: Leonard

Scharmota, president; Carl Fjeld, vice-president; Robert Woodward, secretary; Bill Ralston, treasurer; Pierce Patterson, sentinel; and Jack Payne, inductor.

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THETA DEUTERON

Oregon State College

By NORMAN E. HALL

Homecoming held the spotlight for Theta Deuteron this year when the grads came "home" to renew old friends and make new ones with their successors. Alums and their wives were entertained at the chapter house as well as at the Oregon vs. Oregon State football game and an alumni dinner-dance sponsored by the OSC Alumni Association.

Brother Vic Sears, captain for the Oregon game, did a fine job playing left tackle position for the varsity team this past season. Vic was chosen all-coast tackle, all-American by the *New York Sun*, and at the time of writing, is candidate for all-American. Vic was married December 15 to Mary Groshong of Portland.

The Phi Sigs were well represented on the varsity football squad this year, having five of the boys on the team. Brothers Joe Day, right half; Norman Newman, left guard; and Pledges Lloyd Wickett, left tackle; and Quentin Greenough, center, along with Brother Sears, did their best for the Beavers this past season.

The brothers and pledges combined their efforts and abilities to win their respective leagues in intramural football and basketball this year. Intramural swimming is next on the program, and the boys are all ready to go when that sport opens.

The social life of the chapter so far this year has been more than enjoyable to all who attended the various functions. An informal fireside started the ball rolling, then our annual barn dance, and finally winding it up was the formal dinner held preceding the Sophomore class dance in early December.

Initiation this last term saw three new members added to the roster of the fraternity. The new brothers include Carl Johnson, Lynn Loomis and Bill Wales. Brothers Johnson and Loomis are from Eugene, and Brother Wales from Klamath Falls.



PLEDGE LLOYD WICKETT
Left Tackle

The United States Army, Navy and Marine Corps have enlisted the services of a number of the brothers in recent months. Brother Charles Rice is a 2nd Lt. with the 9th Field Artillery at Ft. Lewis, Washington; Brother Sweetland, 2nd Lt. reserve, was called to a year's active duty at Ft. Benning, Georgia; and Brother Blakely and pledges Latanzi and Kortermeyer went along to Camp Murray, Washington, with the Oregon National Guard when it was mobilized last September. Brothers Glenn, White and Wallace are training for air corps commissions; Glenn and White with the U. S. Navy and Wallace with the U. S. Army air corps. Brother Earl Warren is holding a commission with the U. S. Marines.

Last spring term, golfers Carl Peterson and Johnny Graham held third and sixth positions, respectively, on the varsity golf team. Peterson plans to act as an assistant to Coach Gill as well as manager for the team next year. Brother Bill Baker played with the rook squad last spring.

This year, with one of the finest memberships and pledge groups the house has had, Theta Deuteron is looking forward to another successful year under the guidance of our chapter adviser, Professor S. H. Graf, and President Nat Giustina.

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OMICRON

Massachusetts Institute of Technology

By GAGE H. CROCKER, '43

The brothers of Omicron started the year with their usual gusto in giving the house an almost entirely new interior. The painting and refurnishing alone accomplished wonders. Brother Radimer is to be especially commended for the fine headstart he gave the brothers by his activity along this line during the summer. This vigor and spirit brought excellent results during rushing season as is evidenced by the nine promising pledges which were selected from an unusually large number of freshmen that "Ham" Johnson, our efficient rushing chairman, managed to contact. The pledges have already secured a firm hold on positions within the many school activities. These nine potential Phi Sigs are: Robert L. Cahoon, Robert J. Peterson, George M. Reppetti, Charles W. Ritterhoff, Gordon P. Caldwell, William W. Murray, Richard C. Maconi, Robert M. Marr, Jr., and Peter W. Forsbergh Jr.

The only inter-fraternity sports competition which has taken place thus far this year is football. The Phi Sigs sent onto the field their brave and bold eleven with high hopes. When the final whistle blew after the first hard fought battle, our team found the enemy had slipped over the line with a seven point lead. Such was the fate of our Phi Sig engineers in the second game; and they were forced to retire for the season, filled with the determination to have their revenge next year. The coming basketball season is focusing the spotlight on our stars of other years in this sport, and also some

bright prospects among the freshmen who have gained fame in their secondary schools.

Indoor sports have shown a remarkable popularity among the brethren. Take, for example, the fall barn dance. Everything from punch and pumpkins to straw and hay-fever was present—not to mention a number of Wellesley sirens imported for the benefit of the freshmen. All were conveniently secured through the efforts of "Ham" Johnson. Still remembering the magnificent Thanksgiving dinner, the fellows are now looking forward to the annual Christmas formal on December 14, preceded by another exceptional feast.

In outside activities the house is being ably and widely represented. Dick Langworthy is engaged in the activities of the national honorary signal corps fraternity, Pi Tau Pi Sigma; and Tom Mitchell is doing his part in Alpha Phi Omega, the national fraternity of the Boy Scouts of America. Rex Beisel, last year's editor of the "Omicron Tech," has joined Sherm Crites and George Burr in the ranks of birdmen in the C. A. A. Already Rex claims the experience of five hours solo flying. Sherm, our two and a half year veteran in the C. A. A. flying game, was one of the honored few throughout the country to take the seaplane training. Ken Radimer is holding down the managership of the Office Division of the Technology Christian Association. When the official M. I. T. football team was organized this year, Bruce Anderson and Carl Meurk promptly went out for it and consequently fought for their alma mater in several of Tech's games. Everyone is keeping his eye on these two husky lads, who are bound to be triple threat material for Tech next year.

To strike a note of joy and a bit of sadness the facts have finally come out that not one, but two of our brothers are being wed this winter. Brother Stevens and Brother Crites are the two lucky

men. We wish them all the happiness that they can handle.

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OMICRON DEUTERON

University of Alabama

On Sunday evening, September 22, 1940, Omicron Deuteron officially opened its social season with an informal buffet dinner held at the house. There was plenty of entertainment, and the food was grand, thanks to our housemother, "Mama" Jones. Attendance, including pledges and actives, numbered over 50. More of these Sunday buffets, which have become so popular, are being planned for the future.

Once again, we are proud of this year's crop of pledges. 1940 has blessed us with 34 fine boys, with all the stuff it takes to make a good brother. Last year we initiated more men than any chapter in our region, so we're starting off again this year with another "bang" to keep up our record.

Omicron Deuteron held elections last chapter meeting and the following men were named officers for the coming term: Jack Cowing, president; Byard Sooy, vice-president; Les Russell, secretary; Benny Kopacz, treasurer; Hugh Downey, inductor; and Ken Outram, sentinel.

A strange thing happened this year at the Phi Sig house. It seems that last year, only one member had a car and we found it rather difficult to drive any distance as a group. However, this year we have 12½ automobiles (Sooy's is the "½") parked in front of the house. It seems as though everyone had the same idea this summer.

To help acquaint the new pledges and brothers of Omicron Deuteron, a smoker was held at the house Sunday, September 29th. Speeches were given by Jack Cowing, Les Russell and Byard Sooy. Howard Bedell served as toastmaster and introduced our guest speaker, "Doc" Lester Raines, head of the speech depart-

ment at the University of Alabama. After the refreshments, the usual bull sessions and card games got into full swing.

Last year we lost the coveted interfraternity cup by only 13 points. This year the chapter has set out to win back this trophy. In the sports field, we were very well represented on the "Crimson Tide" by three of our most respected brothers, Chuck De Shane, 200-lb., Don Salls, 178-lb., and George Hecht, 235-lb.

In the first game against Spring Hill



DON SALLS
Fullback

College, De Shane and Salls were outstanding performers. Hecht, in the last quarter, booted the extra point to make the score 26-0. Both Salls and De Shane are heralded as future All-Americans. (Watch THE SIGNET in 1942 for the result of our prognostication).

Pledge Johnny Horning, from New York City, has already been selected as a member of the varsity cross country team.

Brother Bob La Polla and Pledge Jack Brantner, captain of this year's "Bib Red" basketball team, have been working out daily. With Brantner as the nucleus, Coach Hank Crisp is confident of winning the Southeastern Conference championship.

By the time this goes to press, the cross country team should be in full operation. New men out for the team are: Kenny

Ackerman, Leo Misick, and Frank Webb. Oldsters returning are: Byard Sooy, one time winner of the event, Austin Gerber and Al Golo.

With such a fine group of athletes as this, Omicron Deuteron should go to the top and take the coveted all-around athletic cup.

One of the new pledges, Ken Ackermann, has a whole chest full of medals—real gold and silver, too. Guess what he plays? The oboe. We're proud to call him a pledge—he's been state champ of Illinois for four years, tooting the oboe.

Pledge Jack Lake, president of the All-American Hot Rocks, is forming a new chapter on the campus. Jack's winning smile is knocking out all the campus beauties. (Maybe he's advertising tooth paste).

Pledge Al Crock, otherwise known as Otto, is having a hard time keeping up with "Beat Me Daddy Eight To The Bar." We've heard that Otto has been offered a radio contract, but he simply *couldn't* take it.

Having finished playing a scrappy game of golf against Byron Nelson, Pledge Treau is down here to swing the clubs for dear old Phi Sigma Kappa.

Pledge Larry Kelly (not of Yale) says he is through playing football for awhile—too much publicity. He says he's a Boston Blue Blood.

Pledge Johnny Harris is quite the persuader as far as making teachers give him A's instead of F's. It's all in the way you study, says John.

Pledge Marvin Woodard, our newest pledge, has managed to take a good grasping hold on the University of Alabama's monthly magazine, *The Rammer Jammer*. He is circulation manager and has the editorship in mind for next year.

We're fortunate in having Hugh Downey, former member of Eta Chapter at the University of Maryland, come to Omicron Deuteron to add his new ideas and introduce a different personality to Alabama. We're expecting big things

from Hugh and "thanks" to Maryland. In turn, F & M should consider themselves very, very lucky to have James Joseph Dolan with them. "We all" are missing "Trigger" Dolan's magnetic personality and we've lost a darned competent secretary. The boys of Omicron Deuteron all wish Jimmy a big year.

Our chapter house looks as if a new house has been placed over our regular house as we've completely refurnished the downstairs, installed indirect lighting and done over all floors. Brothers Jack Cowing and Benny Kopacz had charge of the remodeling.

Brothers Bedell and Cowing are both trying their darnedest to win over their girls for their very own instead of other "finks" who horn in now and then. Howard boasts his true love to be none other than Homecoming Queen Mary Worthington, and Jack (pin if he could) Cowing has the same feeling for the Birmingham Christmas Carnival Queen, "Miss Illinois" Sue Uran. Both brothers are seniors and we think they have the "rosy path" in mind, even if it does have thorns and Army officers connected with it (something in common for both boys of the front office.)

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EPSILON TRITON
The American University
 By DANIEL S. WENTZ II

The opening of the 1940-41 school term at The American University found the Epsilon Triton Chapter with a sadly depleted chapter roll. Probably our greatest loss lay in the fact that Brother William Fausold '41 had taken the formidable step of matrimony. Brother Latimer Evans was elected to the presidency thus left vacant, and the history of the chapter in the ensuing months thoroughly vindicated the wisdom of the choice. Under Brother Evans, Epsilon Triton has had one of the most generally successful semesters in its existence.

Pledging, of course, was our first concern, and the chapter entered into the rushing season with a sort of grim determination that could not fail to be successful. Robert Eugene Hoover, a senior, who had formerly been a Phi Sigma Kappa pledge, was found to be eligible, and he was promptly pledged. No time was lost in completing his formal initiation, along with pledge John Bachman, a sophomore. This dual addition made a welcome increase to the chapter roll. In the middle of rush season, John Dean, a sophomore, expressed a desire to affiliate himself with the chapter, and he was promptly pledged. Rushing season was highlighted with a swimming party at Washington's swank Shoreham Hotel; a visit to the professional wrestling matches at Turner's Arena; and a weekend Pioneer Party at Brother Don Kayhoe's farm in Virginia over the Armistice Day vacation. Also included in the whirlpool of entertainment to which the rushees were treated was our Fall Informal Dance, held at the Hay Adams House.

All of this concentrated rushing culminated in the pledging of thirteen men, the largest pledge class ever accepted by the Epsilon Triton Chapter. These men include: Bob Amatucci, a member of the football squad; Dick Struble, another A. V. griddler; Grover "Wee Wee" Payne, a blonde gridiron giant; Maurice Posada, a citizen of Colombia, S. A., who has lived in England for the past twelve years; Fred Sharrah, another football hero—two-ton lineman; Tommy Cornell, also of football fame; Arthur Mauch, pigskin toter; Carroll Greene, active in cheer-leading and the Frosh Debate squad; Roland Cornwall, also a member of the football squad; Alan McCulloch, brother of Brother Ronnie McCulloch; Lanier McLaughlin, son of one of the University's trustees; Mac Potter, a really first-rate footballer who is destined to make an enviable name for himself; and Wendell Williams, a tall lanky Ohio boy who became president of the Freshman

class. With the extra-ordinary pledge class the chapter felt justly proud. With two carry-over pledges from last year, the pledge class of fifteen men now outnumber the active brothers. To celebrate the good fortune of the chapter in securing



THE 1940-41 PLEDGE CLASS

First row, left to right: Bob Amatucci, Dick Struble, Grover Payne, Maurice Posada, and Tommy Cornell. Second row, left to right: Harry Nielsen, Bob McCarthy, Art Mauch, John Dean. Third row, left to right: Carroll Greene, Roland Cornwall, Alan McCulloch. Fourth row: Wendell Williams.

such a choice collection of pledges, and to commemorate the good fortune of these pledges in being able to associate themselves with an undeniably first-rate fraternity such as Phi Sigma Kappa, the chapter treated the new men to a dinner at the Swedish Inn.

During the fall the chapter was pleased to accept, at a dinner in the University Dining Hall, the Region III scholarship cup. This was displayed conspicuously in the Book store for several weeks thereafter. Pledge John Dean was formally initiated by the chapter. Brother Ronnie McCulloch has terminated his official-connections with the American University to accept a position in the Washington office of a prominent insurance company. Brother McCulloch is still actively connected with the chapter.

Among the crowning occurrences of a very eventful first semester was the acquisition of a two-room frame building

situated on the University campus which is to be converted into a combination meeting house and lounge room. Through the kindness of Mr. H. E. Walter, business manager of the University, Mr. Kenneth Hoover, Phi Sigma Kappa alumnus and a member of the Board of Trustees of the University, and Mr. Willard Barnsley, University engineer, the building was secured by the chapter at an invitingly low rate. Certain alterations will be required, and the installation of an electrically circulated hot water heating system is in progress. The chapter looks on this acquisition as a first and important step toward the acquisition of a fraternity house sometime in the future. We gratefully acknowledge the instant support of the alumni chapter in assisting in certain financial arrangements anent panelling and furnishing the building.

With this pre-eminently successful sea-



PHI SIGMA KAPPA MEMBERS OF AMERICAN UNIVERSITY FOOTBALL SQUAD, 1940

Line, left to right: Mac Potter, Bob Amatucci, Harry Nielsen, "Wee Wee" Payne, Freddie Sharrah, Brother Kenny Fox and Art Mauch. Back-field, left to right: Roland Cornwall, Bob McCarthy, Tommy Cornell, Dick Struble.

son among campus fraternities, our prospects for the new year are certainly as inviting as they have ever been. We hope that our success, instead of localizing itself in the cranial region, may be converted to an incentive for increasing the rôle of leadership now filled by Phi Sigma Kappa on the American University campus.

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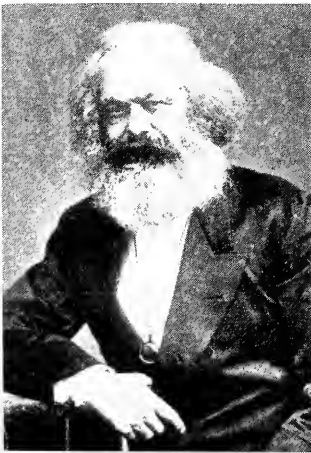
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A MODERN DICTATOR AND FOUR FAMOUS EXILES

Louis Napoleon and the Refugee Problem

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It is not given to many refugees to nurse the hopes that Louis Napoleon had. Hope lay ahead, ignominy behind—an ignominy made only the worse by the glaring contrast the career of his long-dead uncle had provided. Nor did many refugees have the responsibility of supporting the prestige of a name like his. For years he had spent his time looking out upon the world with an aggrieved air because he bore a name a tired old Europe had tried hard to forget. For years he had worn his great title like an ill-fitting garment, trying to reconcile the inhospitality of his native France with his position as the nephew of the man who had given her history an undying luster.

Always this Bonaparte had the one objective in view: to reestablish the prestige of France in the grand manner of his illustrious kinsman. To call the attention of France's common people to his own interest in their welfare he had espoused the nascent liberalism of the Italian patriots; and he had strained his none too abundant mental fibers in writing of the virtues of French nationalism. He had even wandered into the labyrinth of socialist dialectics and had come out with a literary gem dripping with vision which he called by the euphemistic name: "The Extinction of Poverty"—a work whose chief virtue lay in its concealment of the hypocrisy which had motivated its composition.

With this preparation, then, and with the French Revolution of 1848 as a setting, Louis Napoleon, nephew of the great Corsican, was ready to bring into

existence the Napoleonic Legend—a strange nationalist-utopianism which visualized the establishment of a powerful, a prosperous, and glorious state through political unity, cooperation be-



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tween capital and labor, governmental aid to workers (especially public works), economic or plutocratic liberty, and imperialist expansion.

Actually this program was but a means to an end and this end was the restoration of the Napoleonic dictatorship. "What is more erroneous," wrote Louis Napoleon before his return, "than not to recognize the preeminence of those

beings who appear in history from time to time like luminous beacons, dissipating the darkness of their epoch, and throwing light into the future? To deny this preeminence, would, indeed, be to insult humanity by believing it incapable of submitting, long and voluntarily, to a domination which did not rest on true greatness and incontestible utility. Let us be logical, and we shall be just."

Nor did all refugees share Louis Napoleon's faith in his own radiancy or his particular brand of logic. One in particular, Karl Marx, recognized the significance of Louis Napoleon's return to France, but questioned his "incontestible utility." "At the very time," scornfully wrote Marx, "when men appear engaged in revolutionizing things and themselves, in bringing about what never was before, at such very epochs of revolutionary crises do they anxiously conjure up into their service the spirits of the past, assume their names, their battle cries, their costumes, to enact a new historic scene in such time-honored disguise and with such borrowed language."

Unfortunately, while a few realized that this liberalism was but a detour on the road to Cæsarism, most Frenchmen in 1848 were certain that they were traveling on a new path—a road that was bound to lead to democracy—both political and economic.

As Europe tired of the Napoleonic excesses earlier in the century, so now were men tired of their pale successors, Metternichian reaction and plutocratic ascendancy. Democratic reforms, social equality, a more popular system of education, separation of Church and State, and national independence, these were the fruits of progress Europe's millions sought to pick. As in England, in America, and in France prior to 1789, so in Europe in 1848 the old order was gradually disintegrating, and the revolutions which swept over France, Italy, and Central Europe only served to hasten the

destruction of the politico-social anachronisms of the time. True, most of the uprisings were unsuccessful. Nevertheless, the cause of liberalism—national unity, republicanism, constitutionalism, and proletarian consciousness—remained. In practically every European country thousands of men and women subscribed to the doctrine of personal liberty, untrammelled by political, religious, economic, and racial dogmas or traditions.

It was in France that the greatest advances in liberalism were made. By 1848 most factions—legitimists, Bonapartists, republicans, socialists, and intellectuals—were demanding political changes, especially the overthrow of the colorless, weak, and plutocratic monarchy of Louis Philippe. Finally their agitations precipitated a crisis. A revolution followed, and the Orleanist monarchy was overthrown.

Unfortunately the adherents of liberalism stumbled. The road to dictatorship now was made easy by internal dissension among the liberals. Moved by increasing unemployment and unrest among the workers, radical leaders, especially the red socialist Louis Blanc, refused to accept a bourgeois republic as the sole goal of liberalism. A socialist state, in his opinion, was the ultimate end, and the establishment of national work shops (ancestor of the WPA) was the immediate need.

This program produced divisions within the ranks of the liberals. Mounting opposition to the radical plan finally led to the new revolution (in the spring of 1848). In the uprising the socialists were crushed, and the republicans proceeded to draw up a bourgeois constitution, and to create the second French Republic.

This new revolution prepared the way for the rise of a man on a pony. The alliance of the factions which had made possible the overthrow of the monarchy was destroyed, and the various groups,

embittered by the issues rising out of the socialist revolution, nominated and backed their respective candidates, each committed to a definite monarchist, Catholic, or republican cause. Here was a rare opportunity for a citizen with a great name to run for the presidency under the banner of the most alluring of all causes—lambent patriotism. Louis Napoleon, using the Napoleonic Legend as a crutch, quickly seized this opportunity and as a candidate for the presidency proceeded to preach this gospel.

Inspired by this nineteenth century religion, Candidate Louis Napoleon promised everything to every man. Liberty, prosperity, peace, security, glory—all were to be their lot. Each class was to have his backing in its attempt to reach Utopia. To the wage-earner and the peasant he promised work, land and security; to the business man he guaranteed economic liberty, industrial and commercial development, and colonial expansion; and to the Catholic he offered control of education, protection of the papacy, and converts. Louis Napoleon's rhetoric proved almost as powerful as his uncle's sword.

The opposition was unable to stop this "great promiser." "Why should I not vote for Louis Napoleon," cried a peasant. "I who had my nose froze off at Moscow." Thousands of sentimental Frenchmen, hearkening to the siren call of nationalism, voted for this little man with a face like a fish. He, alone, they believed would give everyone a square deal.

President Louis Napoleon soon discovered that before he could carry out his promises he would have a call for a new political deal. Powerful groups in the Assembly stood in his way while throughout the land, monarchists despised him; many republicans distrusted him; most socialists hated him; and a considerable number of intellectuals disowned him.

that he would have his way if he could win the support of the propertied classes. This he tried to do by becoming the first of our modern "red-baiters." And, for a whole, he was reasonably successful, building up a strong following in the various conservative groups.

Socialist activities in the so-called Mountain Party of the Legislative Assembly did much to help Louis in his attempt to rise as the defender of property. Extremists, led by the socialist candidate for the presidency, Ledru-Rollin, were very bitter in their criticisms of the conservatives, and on June 13, 1848, as a result of their denunciations of the French expedition (called The Roman Expedition) to overthrow the Roman Republic and to reestablish the Papacy, a crisis occurred and over thirty socialists in the Assembly were forced to leave the country.

Spurred by this criticism of the Roman Expedition which to him was a matter of personal pride as well as of national honor, Louis Napoleon vigorously attacked "the perpetrators of disorder," who were hampering the activities of his government's domestic and foreign policies. Speaking through one of his officials he said: "We desire to defend society by all means that the constitution allows us and that justice does not reprove, we desire to make a legal war against socialism in order to prevent a civil war. . . . We desire to begin a Roman Expedition into the interior against anarchy."

This Napoleonic opposition to radicalism had the enthusiastic support of the so-called "Patriotic" bourgeoisie who not only hated but also feared the weak socialist faction. "A red is not a man," wrote a bourgeois columnist, "he is a red; he does not reason; neither does he think. He does not have either the sense of truth; nor the sense of justice; nor of the beautiful; or of the good. He is not

you and I . . . he is a demented and degenerate being." Later, moved by bourgeois vituperations, the government sent circulars to all prefects, asking them to "rectify the false ideas, to reestablish truth, to warn the good citizens, to put them, above all, on their guard against socialism, because socialism is nothing less than barbarism."

In the early fifties the French business men were actually afraid of this brand of radicalism, even though the socialist movement was on the decline, especially in the rural districts. Consequently when the good bourgeois patriots heard that a certain parlor-pink novelist had been elected to the assembly in 1850 there ensued such a panic that Hübner, the Austrian Ambassador to Paris, wrote: "They (the bourgeoisie) are dancing, and in the drawing rooms, they are making music; but at the same time, they are buying gold, and preparing their passports."

But it was the radicals, not the "bourgeois patriots," who were forced to leave their native land. As a result of the mounting opposition to the socialists, republicans, and certain intellectuals, there occurred between 1848 and 1850 a great exodus of unfortunates from France who joined other refugees in Switzerland, in Belgium, in various parts of the New World, and in England, especially in London.

Thus the suppression of the revolution of 1848 in Europe resulted in the emergence of a very significant refugee problem. Thousands of Italians, Poles, Germans, Rumanians, Russians and Frenchmen sought liberty in alien lands. In the vanguard of these outcasts were Ledru-Rollin, Louis Blanc, Proudhon and other French radicals who arrived in London in June of 1848. In the following year Karl Marx and Friedrich Engels, the German socialists, took up their residence in the same city; and soon they were joined by hundreds of politi-

cal and social exiles from the various reactionary countries of Europe.

Among the political refugees who had agitated for national unity and constitutionalism, or republicanism, Italian exiles were predominant. Such patriots as Rossetti, Orsini and Garibaldi were welcomed in London. Outstanding among them was Mazzini. It was this genius with his severely classical head and the dark eyes that combined the fire of a fanatic with the mildness of a saint, who incarnated, as no other, the thought and the desires of a national freedom, "not swathed in the ceremonies of an ancient civilization but quickened to new life by the sense of its own inherent being and the contribution it might so make to the Great Society of Man." Indeed, to this ardent republican-nationalist, nations were "the citizens of humanity as individuals are the citizens of nations."

Mazzini's faith in the law of progress as the manifestation of Godhead may have been weak, but he stood "for the conscience in modern democracy." Thus it was that because he was more a philosopher-poet than statesman, that he gave to the refugee movement a spiritual inspiration of which none of the others were capable. Unfortunately this man of vision could not furnish the practical leadership that the refugees needed at that critical time.

External oppression and internal dissensions soon made of the refugees lost voices in the wilderness. At first they were tolerated in the various foreign lands, but this catholic viewpoint of their hosts was soon numbed by the opposition of the French, Austrian and Prussian governments. The exodus from Switzerland to London ensued. A few, however, had to remain because Louis Napoleon influenced the Swiss government to forego a traditional liberalism by placing some of them in a concentration camp. Foreign pressure made Belgium also a poor place for the refugees.

In fact, by 1850, it was merely the safest route for exiles on their way to London.

Factionalism greatly weakened the refugee cause. At first attempts were made to bring the various groups together through the establishment of newspapers. In Belgium, Proudhon, the French anarchist, and Herzen, the Russian nihilist, published a paper called "The Voice of the People, 1848." But this *vox populi* was hushed within a year on account of governmental interference and financial embarrassments. In London, Mazzini sought articulation through the press, but decided instead to cooperate with the French radicals in the printing in France of an international sheet called "The Voice of the Exiles." This publication, however, was stamped out by Louis Napoleon in 1851.

Nor were the refugees able to organize a United Front. In 1850 some of them did create "The Central European Democratic Committee" and issued a manifesto calling on all those refugees to join who believed in "God at the top, the people, the universality of citizens, free and equal at the bottom; progress for rule; association as a means—in short Liberty, Fraternity, Equality, and also an Association of Nations." It also asked all those who felt "strong within their hearts a holy indignation against . . . tyranny and falsehood" to subordinate their particular causes to the one fundamental issue.

At first most republicans, socialists and nationalists answered this clarion call to unity, and such leaders as Ledru-Rollin and Mazzini became members of the governing body. Moreover, the Society of French-Democratic Exiles, the Committee of Democratic-Socialist Refugees from Germany, the Hungarian Democratic Society, and the National Italian Committee, accepted the leadership of this organization.

Like pouting children, French and German extremists refused to join this

society. Blanqui and Marx claimed that they had not been consulted when this proposition was discussed and therefore refused to participate. Moreover, quarrels between the socialist factions led by Blanc and Ledru-Rollin resulted in the failure of a considerable number of French refugees to back the committee.

Financial, as well as factional troubles, greatly diminished the influence of the refugees. By 1852 a large number of these unfortunates in London were badly in need of aid. Certain types of workers among them, such as shoemakers, tailors, cooks and skilled artisans had a relatively easy task in finding means of livelihood. Unfortunately, the greater number were not included in these occupations and thus were unable to procure any sort of employment. These refugees were reduced to sleeping in garrets and accepting charity. A number of British liberals did all in their power to help these aliens, and funds were collected in France. Opposition to this relief work by the reactionary governments, especially that of France, made it very difficult for charitable organizations or individuals to do much good.

From the beginning, Louis Napoleon was regarded by the refugees as their Nemesis. Therefore they refused in 1848 his offer of pardons to those French refugees who would return and accept his leadership and instead demanded that he resign the presidency, or be overthrown. Leader of this opposition was Ledru-Rollin who in the "Voice of the Refugees" begged all liberals to subscribe to "War on Kings, Brotherhood of Peoples, Universal solidarity, Human solidarity, and for France in particular the reestablishment of a real republic with universal suffrage . . . the right to work . . . voluntary association . . . free obligatory education . . . and the abolition of all indirect taxes and monopoly."

A second and even more vague appeal was voiced by Mazzini in another article in the same issue. In it he called for the united action of the masses in a war against reaction, concluding in this heroic vein:

“ . . . God is God and humanity is his Prophet! His victory is yours for the taking; the initiative is up to you. There is fraternity in exile and in persecution under the baptism of prison or in the field of battle; in the name of all oppressed . . . pray or protest for those who have missed until now the call of our common mother.”

These fervent entreaties to unite brought no response from the various refugees. Many socialists bemoaned the manifestos as far too conservative. Moderate liberals in their timidity thought that the time was not ripe for a call to revolt. Other radicals, including Proudhon, the anarchist, accepted the ideas expressed in the articles but refused to recognize Ledru-Rollin and Mazzini as their leaders, claiming that these men could not be counted on to carry through a program of social change in the coming revolution.

In 1851, Louis Napoleon became the most powerful and bitter enemy of these refugees. He denounced at that time their radical plans as a plot to overthrow the governments of Europe and called upon all nations harboring these dangerous persons to oust them. Actually he assumed the role of chief alien-baiter in order to make himself a virtual dictator. The presidential election was in the offing, and Louis Napoleon was too much of a political opportunist to be caught napping. When certain radicals planned the nomination of a bricklayer, Louis Napoleon was quick to perceive the validity of the principle of divide and rule. He determined accordingly to win again the support of moderates of all groups by championing the political and social

rights of the bourgeoisie, and the security above all offered to Frenchmen by a unified nationalist state.

The support of a large part of the masses was gained by turning on the Legislative Assembly and demanding that the law it had passed, depriving about three million people of the ballot, be revoked. As the apparent defender of universal suffrage, Louis Napoleon at the same time called upon the dear people to back him by voting in a plebiscite to reestablish universal suffrage, and also to extend the term of their protector (Louis) from four to ten years. Already in control of the government by means of a *coup d'etat*, Louis had the pleasure of seeing his program supported by a majority of 92 percent of the votes. History has its ironies.

The reasons for the Emperor's remarkable victory are not difficult to ascertain. Not only did he win popular approval by his clever if hypocritical defense of universal suffrage, but he also obtained the backing of the propertied classes; especially the rich bourgeoisie, by flaying the socialists. In fact, he even convinced many conservative souls that republicanism as well as socialism menaced their security.

Perhaps the best bourgeois reason for Louis Napoleon's victory was expressed by the prattle of one of his lip-servants when he said:

“I am for authority against revolt, for preservation against destruction, for society against Socialism; for the possible freedom of good against the evils of liberty . . . to vote for Louis Napoleon is not to approve all that he has done, it is only to choose between him and the total ruin of France.”

It required less than two decades for Louis Napoleon to prove to his gullible supporters that the two were almost synonymous.

Who Was There?"

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"When the hour was come, He sat down, and the twelve apostles with him."—
Luke 22:14.

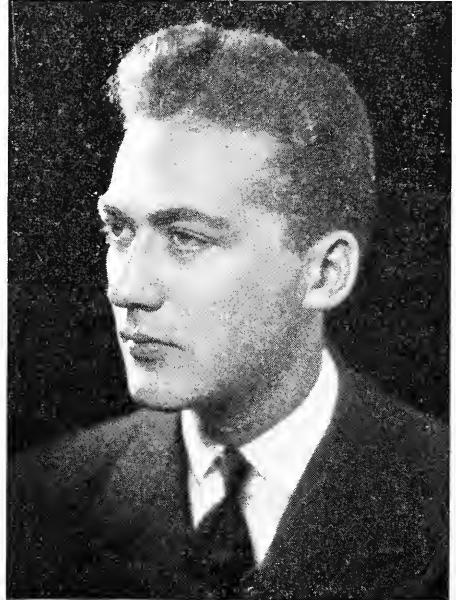
Familiar indeed is the inclination to shut ourselves off from the past with the naive and superficial comment, "but we are so different now!" How blandly we raise proud barriers against the generations of yesterday! When we do peek disdainfully over, all too often we draw back in Pharisaic smugness and exclaim, "O dear, how cruel men were then,—how ignorant,—how intolerant, how restricted and barren their lives! Thank Heaven, everything is changed today!"

But is it really true? Are brutality, "man's inhumanity to man," and demonic cruelty, only some extinct monstrosities of prehistoric times? Are greed, lust and blighting selfishness dead? Is tolerance or ignorance, or bigotry, absent from our individual life and our social relationships? Who can be so blind, or so callow as to answer in the affirmative?

The past is not so "long ago" and the present is not "so different" as we turn back to the Last Supper and consider the men who were there.

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Who was there? The Sacred Page bears the record that "His apostles sat down with Him." The Greek derivative for "apostle," in more literal translation, means "one sent forth," an "ambassador" or "commissioner." The "apostles" were called apart from the larger mass of "disciples" or "learners." They composed



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the intimate "inner circle" of twelve about their Master. Mark (3:14-15) describes their position and function more specifically: 1) They were ordained to be with Jesus; 2) They were sent forth to preach—their status was elevated to "fishers of men;" 3) They were endowed with the power to heal sickness; and 4) They

were charged to cast out the devils that tormented their fellows. These were the carefully selected, deeply trusted and devoutly trained men who were there twenty centuries ago in the hallowed Upper Room at Jerusalem.

Consider them individually: Draw them apart from their fellows! What were the impulses that motivated them? What traits distinguished them? What secret faults and inclinations did Jesus see in those men upon whose shoulders would soon fall the responsibility of nurturing His Kingdom?

Peter was there. Jesus had called him the "Rock" and on Peter's unreserved enthusiasm and faith had declared "I will build My Church!" Here was a masculine and passionate man, a man of flaming declaration, a man of responsive, almost mercuric, temperament—but one whose crudities and blunders must have provoked much anxious concern for the Master. And it was Peter who, only a few hours after that Last Supper, as he furtively warmed himself at an open fire, three times vehemently denied his allegiance to Jesus of Nazareth. Peter, who thrice heard the ominous crow of the cock, he sat at that Holy Table.

James "the greater" was there, the son of Zebedee, with John his brother, "Boanerges" they were called, or "the Sons of Thunder." James lived up to the implications of that title—bold, vigorous, aggressive—a propagandist of the first rank. But it was James who stooped to the shabby suggestion that his mother intercede with Mary, on his behalf, for the honored "right hand" position when the Kingdom would be established. James was there in that Upper Room when the Master said, "he that is greatest among you, let him be as—he that doth serve."

Youthful John was there. In DaVinci's inspired canvas of this scene, John's beardless face is lighted with adoration as he leans affectionately on Jesus' breast.

Not as vigorous as his brother, John was sensitive, idealistic, impressionable, warm hearted and tender. Jesus was drawn to the spontaneous and youthful loyalties of John, and, at the Cross, entrusted to him the protection of His mother. Yet the ethereal idealism, the radiant "hero-worship" of John was insufficient to stop the ecclesiastical bigotry and political arrogance which condemned the "Son of Man."

Andrew, Peter's brother, was there. A former devotee of John the Baptist, his vibrant mind, his fidelity to truth had brought him into the inner circle of four. But when the unnamed lad offered his humble loaves and fishes in the presence of the five thousand, it was Andrew who pointed out the ridiculous futility of feeding so many with so little. Andrew, who was decisive in pointing out the impossible, whose mind moved in the negative orbit of "it can't be done"—that man was there when Jesus broke bread and shared the cup.

And Philip was there. One day Jesus was instructing these friends about the character of God, whom he called "Father," when Philip interrupted, "Lord, show us the Father." One can still feel the wistful disappointment in the answer, "Have I been so long with you, and yet hast thou not known me, Philip?" Poor thirsty Philip, whose interests were bewitched by distant mirages, while at his very side was the well of "living water."

Bartholomew was there. Scripture says that he was a man "without guile." He accepted Jesus as "The Messiah,"—God's crowning answer to the desperate hopes and ardent prayers of His people. But where was Bartholomew when, under the taunting caption, "King of the Jews," His "Messiah" hung like a criminal on the Cross? His early allegiance must have waned—for he was not among the faithful who stood on the hill of the Skull! But Bartholomew was there that

night when Jesus washed their feet and called them "friends."

Matthew, the hated customs-officer, the despised "publican," ostracized from the nice society of the dominating classes, he was there! Could it be that Matthew's presence was colored by the desire to find recognition within this gracious fellowship which was denied him in the society of his own countrymen? Is it possible that the humoring of his own ego was one factor in his loyalty to Jesus of Nazareth? Yes, Matthew was there!

Thomas was there. It was Thomas who replied dubiously, some forty days later, when the exciting news was whispered that the Lord had risen. "Except I shall see in His hands the print of the nails—and thrust my hand into His side, I will not believe." Thomas, the doubter, was there.

James and Thaddeus were there. These men were sincere beyond a question, dependable, unobtrusive, never a source of anxiety or distress in the company of twelve. But there came a time when these very qualities of retiring self-effacement and modest allegiance were inadequate! They were timorous and silent when they should have spoken with burning hearts and empassioned words! James and Thaddeus were there.

Simon, the Canaanite, was there. Here was a man keenly alive to the profound social ills of his generation; a man of intense nationalistic leanings; a man of action whose desire for concrete and tangible political changes impelled his allegiance with the radical party known as the "Zealots." Could it be that Simon hoped to sharpen his peculiar political axe on the promise of the New Kingdom? Might it be that his zealousness corroded to opposition when the "spiritual" nature of Christ's Kingdom became clarified? For though Simon sat at The Table, he was not at his Master's side on the torturous climb to Golgotha.

Judas was there! Without exception,

the Gospel writers all place his name last. Judas, who shared the hardships of the apostleship, who faithfully served as steward or treasurer for the little band—surely that man was not all bad! Yet he is history's most tragic and solemn example of: uncontrolled disappointment; of the nearness of sin to saintliness; and of the black abyss to which treachery and deception inevitably lead! Judas Iscariot who betrayed Him with a kiss—he was there!

Yes, these are the twelve men who were there!

But are they so foreign to our understanding, so far beyond the radius of our own experience? Who among us can say, as their lives unfold, as their virtues and their faults are laid bare, "they are so different from us?"

Do not we know something of the quick and boisterous loyalty and animation of Peter; and also something of his mis-directed energy; his muddling delinquencies; and his flagrant denial of the Lord under the pressure of circumstances? Like Peter, have we not heard the cock crow of conscience and hung our heads in shame?

Do we not see laid bare our own shrewish self-interest in James' campaign to grasp a higher position over his brethren? Have we ever used the tools of the villain to win preferment or favour? Have we resentfully begrudged the sharing of approbation and acclaim? Have we not observed how self-interest, the impulse to "look out for number one" may tarnish all one's acts and make tawdry every achievement?

Have we not all held in our breasts the fresh and youthful loyalties of John yet also realized how precarious a thing hero-worship really is? Have not we all heard the "sounding brass" of idealism without works, or the "tinkling cymbal" of worship without service? Have we ever withdrawn to the ivory tower of high principle, when the call of the hour

demanded the vigorous support of that principle on the harsh battlefield of living?

Is Andrew's closed mind to that which is new and unknown, a strange phenomenon to us? Have we ever worshipped our own prejudices, even as a pagan chants to the idol created with his own hands? Do we not know something of that?

Do not we know something of Philip's failing? Have we not all wandered in strange and distant places only to discover that all for which we sought is as near as breath, and as close as our right hand?

Have not our hearts surged to the inspiration of some noble idea, some pregnant need, some crying cause, even as Bartholomew's? But do we not also know how the winged flight of time may dull and deaden—how surely inertia may dethrone enthusiasm, and indifferent passivity may supplant warm and unstinting affection?

Cannot we understand Matthew's desire to receive the solicitude and recognition of this fellowship which was barred against him in other societies? But do we not know of that knavery which camouflages selfish and ulterior motives behind the banners of majestic causes!

Has Thomas' doubt and suspicion and the negative outlook which questions all motives, entered the orbit of our experience? Have not we observed the skeptic's perverted seed grow in a human soul until confidence and faith become a withered and repulsive thing? If so, we know that Thomas is not so far away!

Have we ever eulogized the quality of quiet and slow-moving dependability, which marked the character of James and Thaddeus? But have we not known how ineffectual silence and acquiescence may be before clamoring battalions of a powerful opposition? Have not we wept

Is Simon's resentment, when new truth failed to jibe with its own pet prejudices, unknown to us? Have not we seen partial, half-truth which is flaunted as "the final word?" Have not we drawn back fearfully before the challenge to elevate our common practices and readjust our accepted values?

Is the treacherous betrayal of Judas alien to our understanding? Who among us, has committed some foul act, which, in anguished remorse, we should wish to tear from memory, even as Judas in torture and despair flung the thirty pieces of silver on the temple floor? Do not we know of infidelity to the promptings of the "still small voice" and of betrayed stewardships to sacred ideals and hard-won convictions?

Dare we now ask again, who was there that night in Jerusalem so long ago when Jesus saw the secret sins of their hearts, yet in love and mercy, with unbowed faith and undaunted hope, broke the bread and offered the cup?

Who was there?

Were not we all?

God forgive me—even as Jesus forgave the twelve—for I was there.

Were you?

McIntyre Visits Central Office

The national headquarters was proud to receive a visit from Brother William A. McIntyre, Mu '04, on January 19th. On this occasion Brother McIntyre presented the national headquarters with a distinguished looking Meerschaum pipe of Old Chief Barrett. The national headquarters is most proud to add this to its growing collection of memorabilia. To this collection Brother George J. Vogel, Gamma '91, added eight fraternity convention badges; oldest among them is a badge of the 1900 Convention.

All political parties die at last of equal

Student Beware

By WILLIAM ELLIS ZIMMERMAN, *Lambda '23, Personnel Director, Sun Oil Company*

My father came to the side porch and summoned me into the house immediately. The almost sharp tone of his voice left little doubt in my youthful mind as to the urgency of the command. Having previously paid the price that was the inevitable result of disobedience in my father's house, I left whatever claimed my attention at the time and calmly obeyed.

The fact that the arrival of a guest had not been discussed by members of my family and the sudden command to come into the house may have been responsible for the impression the subsequent introduction made upon me. From then on I dated my desire to go to college.

Having completed the subject under discussion, my father recognized my presence by means of a somewhat formal introduction to the guest. Had not this introduction ended with the words "Henry has just graduated from college," perhaps I would have been bored and annoyed with the entire formality. This introduction brought into real life, actually standing before me, a man of whom I had heard so much during the months just past. Henry was a native son. His parents and my own had been raised together and were natives of the community in which I was born. Since so few young men of that not too remote period had the experience of attending college, Henry's academic career had been followed by a host of admiring friends.

What Henry studied in college was immaterial insofar as I was concerned. My curiosity centered entirely upon the fact that Henry had attended college, and what was even more exciting he had actually graduated. Therefore, I had what to youthful me was the rare experi-

ence of meeting a college man in the flesh and the creation of what was to later become my idol.

Having carefully followed Henry's career I find that I was not the only one to whom this college graduate assumed unknown and almost unbelievable proportions of mysterious capabilities.



WILLIAM ELLIS ZIMMERMAN

The business world then in restless pangs of expanding production, was also inclined to treat the college man as an advanced guard of cultured wise men.

The successful business man of that period had come up the hard way. In most instances he had worked with the men in the mill and talked their language. His route to the office had been through the works, perhaps from mechanic to foreman and from superin-

tendent to executive. What he lacked in a formal education was off-set by a driving power so necessary at a time when big business was young and tactics less genteel.

The college man around the turn of the century was a curiosity in appearance as well as an industrial possibility. Not content with bringing less obvious ideas and technique into the business world, his appearance was also quite startling. The turtleneck sweater, full peg trousers and bulldog shoes may not have added much as a commercial advantage even though lending color to the man underneath. In complete disregard of the uniform that distinguished, at least to some extent, his mental capacity, the business world was ready if not waiting for this breath of academic Springtime.

The industrial stage could not have offered a more ideal setting. Agriculture, which up until this period had been the country's main enterprise, was now giving way to rapidly expanding industry. Steel was even at this time firmly entrenched in the front rank of leadership and soon to become king of the hill. Evidence of full grown manhood was amply displayed in the Chicago Haymarket Riot in which dynamite raised its ugly head for the first time in a labor dispute. The gasoline buggy was first tested by Charles E. Duryea, with a startling display of power. Bankers quick to discover the financial possibility, followed this test with interest.

Hard-headed business men of that day realized full well the change that was taking place. They also were not blind to the fact that business must keep up the pace or take the count. New and more fertile fields were opening up with every new patent and invention. Problems of sales and organization pressed upon the business world with ever increasing pressure. The one man business organization was found unable to withstand the avalanche of advancement

that for a time threatened to destroy it. New departments, territories and specialties constituted the doorway in front of which business executives welcomed Henry and his fellow college graduates. With a setting such as this, it is not difficult to understand the rapidity with which the college man gained success and executive control. How welcome would have been only a fraction of this opportunity to the marvelously equipped graduates that I have had the pleasure of interviewing during the past five years. How interesting it would be to observe the comparative results obtained by the two groups on both the individuals and industry generally.

There is little doubt but what the success obtained by the college man greatly influenced the subsequent increase in college matriculation. The extent of this increase can be better explained by the following figures. In the academic year of 1900-1901 the number of male and female students enrolled in universities and colleges, not including normal and teachers' colleges, was 114,372. A similar enrollment for 1937-1938 totaled 1,205,256, thus representing an increase in college population between the two periods of 1,090,884. During the same period the number of students taking some form of college work increased from 167,999 to 1,350,905.

It is also interesting and of importance to note that immediately following the last World War another change began to appear on the industrial horizon. This change, although in some respects unrelated to college matriculation, is as I shall show later, important to the college graduate of today. Here we find the beginning of a decline in the number of young men serving in apprenticeship for such trades as machinists, stone masons, carpenters and riggers. The decrease in apprenticeships in these classifications continued to decline until the bottom was reached in the depression of 1929.

This condition, later to become serious, continued for the following ten years, during which time few mechanics, with the possible exception of welders, were created in the major mechanical crafts. Unfortunate as this situation may be, the fact still remains that industry took the count, mills were closed and sources of mechanical training became dry and subsequently almost disappeared.

The evidences of the recent depression are too fresh in our memories to be reviewed here. To me it is a story of world wide tribulation about which a man must be wary of his utterances, lest he provoke the ironic and inextinguishable laughter of the gods. We may do well to forget it and in so doing, repent and confess our sins, praying that a kindly historian may grant us the boon of absolution.

One fact, however, we must remember, and to those who have recently graduated from college it is almost impossible to forget. During this so-called depression men have entered college, graduated, and have, like foreign ambassadors, presented their credentials to industrial doorways, only to find acceptance extremely difficult.

The inability to find a position was by no means the fault of the applicant. Let it be said to the everlasting credit of this courageous, long-suffering breed of men, the words "discourage" and "dishearten" were not a part of their vocabulary. I have been deeply impressed with the fine qualifications and outstanding personalities represented in the hundreds of college men who during this unfortunate period faced me across my desk.

These men as a class were not only willing to work, they accepted enthusiastically any position industry had to offer. In some instances to my knowledge, this was true even though it included, at least at the beginning, the use of a pick and shovel. Statistics show that comparatively few in this group find their way

into mechanical trades and from there to positions of supervision and management. In comparison with the vast number of college applicants during this period, these cases may be looked upon as exceptions, rather than the general rule. College men generally did not lose sight of the career for which they started, and even against tremendous odds, worked doggedly toward the success within its boundaries.

Because the majority of young men during the past decade followed academic pursuits, leaving vocational training to a few with mechanical inclinations, American industry is faced with a perplexing problem—millions of unskilled and unemployed men on one hand and a dearth of skilled craftsmen on the other.

This condition is at present disturbingly evident in the aviation industry, which, with present Government plans for the manufacture of thousands of airplanes in as short a time as possible, finds itself in the period of its greatest expansion with a limited number of skilled mechanics. It is, therefore, not uncommon to find from ten to three hundred college men, depending on the industrial area, applying for a single vacancy, while at the same time it is difficult to locate a machinist or welder.

Keeping pace with the rapid improvement in operation and method, most industries have abandoned the haphazard method of selecting and employing men. The antiquated hire-and-fire procedure has been replaced with the more scientific method of fitting a square peg into a square hole. Since the ability of a craftsman can only be measured by a sample of his work, the procedure in hiring mechanics is relatively easy. Much more difficulty is experienced when dealing with the more or less intangible factors represented in the employment of college men.

Let us now consider the problem of the Personnel Director, whose mission it is to fill a vacancy in his industry, the specifications of which are for a college man. Squarely before him are the applications of twenty-five men, all of whom seem ably fitted for the position, and from which one must be selected. In making a decision in which he endeavors to be equally fair to both the applicants and the industry, and to get the best value for the money involved, he decides to let the scholarship of the applicants solve his problem. So back to the office of the Dean he goes, and from dusty files is produced the yardstick by which college men are measured.

We now find ourselves back again to the old stalking-horse, that irksome, disputed, kicked about question of scholarship. The pulse of industry is no longer quickened by the presence of college men in its ranks. The thousands of college-trained men produced each year has materially altered the reception accorded to Henry. Mere graduation from college is no longer a matter of industrial interest or perhaps social prestige. Of far more importance to industry, is the scholastic standing of the graduate, the character and quality of his work, by which he must be ultimately judged.

There is perhaps little comparison between a toolmaker and a chemist, but one factor is common to both; namely, the interest and effort exercised in order to excel in either field. As the product of the toolmaker is determined by his training and interest in his craft, so should the interest and ability of the chemist, engineer or student, be measured by his scholastic standing. It is a difficult matter to sell a Personnel Director on the applicant's profound ability to fill the vacancy when there is little in the scholastic record to substantiate that contention.

Another factor to be considered here is not only the employment of the appli-

cant, but what is equally important, his future advancement in the department of industry. Expansion and growth carries with it the problem of promotion, which is conceded to be of vital importance to the harmonious relations between men and management. Working agreements and labor contracts have long since relegated to limbo the old procedure of promotion by the back door, jerk-and-pull method. A well conducted industry no longer tolerates promotion on the basis of keeping company with the boss' daughter. Therefore, in selecting a chemist or engineer, the Personnel Director is deeply impressed with the fact that he is at the same time selecting the head of a group or section leader, within the department.

Since promotions are generally made on the basis of ability, we are now confronted with the question of what to do with those who are not capable or lacking ability. Should the incapable be promoted, management is sure to receive a complaint from those who are, and complaints breed discontent. The men not promoted because of incapability must be subjected to the unfortunate experience of seeing younger and newer men move up to positions to which they should have been promoted. The ability to take a setback depends, of course, on the individual. Sooner or later we have what industrial relations chooses to call an adjustment problem.

Problems of adjustment are generally evident from three to seven years after employment, during which time other changes have invariably taken place. Within this period the employee has generally become married, perhaps, purchased and is paying for a home, and other interests have become involved. The problem of adjustment, therefore, becomes a matter of serious interest not only to the industry but to the employee as well. Call the latter cases the Personnel Director's mistakes, if you will, the

fact still remains they are mistakes and must be corrected.

The solution is by no means a simple one. Much depends on the ability or inclination to make the adjustment, which in most cases necessitates a transfer to another department and a reduction in salary.

If the adjustment is a thorough one, and it generally is, again the scholastic record of the individual comes out on the desk to haunt or console the owner. The record now becomes a guide to correct what previously may have been a mistake or error in judgment. We may be assured that this error will not be repeated. If a transfer to another section or department is necessary, the one in charge is generally reluctant to accept both a poor or mediocre scholastic record and an adjustment problem child, all wrapped up in the same little bundle. In organized industry all have a job to do and none but the foolish would select inferior tools or associates with which to accomplish the task.

It would be unwise, and no doubt erroneous, to say that none but the smart boys can find a place in the industrial sun. Since all have an equal right to compete, all must be measured by the same rules of the game. As previously stated, science has rapidly written into the rules of employment new factors of measurement, which include scholarship and mental capacity. Modern developments such as job analysis and specification are designed to define units of occupation and set up standards of qualifications necessary for effective execution. These scientific methods recognize no substitute for ability or mental preparedness.

Standard qualifications must by necessity be dependent upon the record of the individual during the process of measurement. It is highly probable that the industrial scout, when visiting a campus,

certain standards of job specification. These standards, once set up, must apply to all. To do otherwise, may be considered unfair practice.

Rules of measuring ability in employment are being written for a more scientific industry. It is necessary that qualifications are geared to the standard of the job, let the chips fall where they may. As the weld produced by the welder is tested for its tensile strength, so must the ability of the college graduate be tested by the standards of his scholastic record.

Having argued, during my college days, the comparative advantages of scholarship, I am only too familiar with the general pattern these discussions generally assume. Since these learned dissertations provide for the continuity of innumerable bull sessions and a sounding board for chapter orators, I sincerely hope the ancient practice is carried on.

In dormitories, fraternities and wherever college men may gather, the student will continue to argue the advantages of scholarship. The individualist will try to win his battle on the strategy of—it is my time and my money, what I choose to do with both concerns only myself. Regardless of which contestant wins the decision, both must eventually be tested in the flaming forge of industry. Both must be weighed in the scales of scientific employment. One will secure economic stability, the other must continue to struggle in a web of his own weaving.

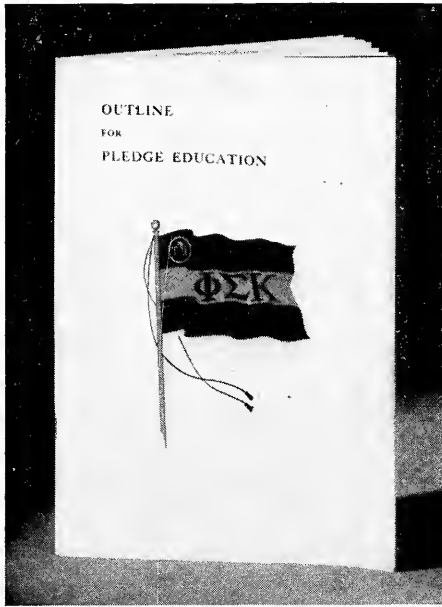
Joseph H. Batt Honored

A reception and ball were held at the Willard Hotel, Washington, D. C., Wednesday, January 29, 1941, to honor Brother Joseph H. Batt, Lambda '14, as Grand Patron of the Order of the Eastern Star.

There is no greater delight than to be conscious of sincerity on self-examina-

New Pledge Manual

The 1941 edition of the *Outline for Pledge Education* preceded this issue of THE SIGNET off the presses. Authorized by the Council and edited by Brother Earl F. Schoening, Editor of THE SIGNET, the new pledge manual, in size and



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make-up, is a departure from its three predecessors. The present page size is that of THE SIGNET, and the number of pages has been increased from 48 to 72.

Substantially increasing the content is a new section entitled "Some of the Chapter Houses of Phi Sigma Kappa." Pictured in this section are 21 of the chapter houses of Phi Sigma Kappa.

The cover is attractively adorned with the Phi Sigma Kappa flag in color. The National Interfraternity Conference Fraternity Criteria is nicely featured, and new and more complete fraternity and sorority pledge button and badge plates are included in the new manual. The pledge manual also contains a new map by Brother Edgar Farr Russell, Eta '22,

which shows the geographic locations of the active chapters of our fraternity.

Sections on Phi Sigma Kappa service and chapter management have been added and the material on alumni clubs rewritten. The manual also contains pictures of the Founders, including a picture of Dr. Brooks in color, and pictures of the national officers of the fraternity.

Twenty-five hundred copies have been printed for gratuitous distribution to the chapters.

Gus Riemondy Cited for Soccer Ability

Recognized by coaches and officials as one of the outstanding collegiate soccer players in Pennsylvania, Gus Riemondy, Nu '41, captain of the Lehigh booters, may earn an All-American berth because of his brilliant defensive and offensive play.

Playing in 30 contests in the past three years as the mainstay of the Engineers, Gus has been praised by each of the rival coaches and leading referees, against such teams as Princeton, Army, Navy, Penn State, Cornell, Syracuse, Pennsylvania, and Haverford.

The referee of the Lehigh-Lafayette contest this fall praised him as "a clean player who makes every minute count." . . . Coach Harry Carpenter, who has been in charge of Lehigh's soccer program since 1912, rates Riemondy as the finest competitor ever to report for soccer on South Mountain.

Gus has been on the league team selected by coaches of the Middle Atlantic States Association for the past two seasons. He'll be prominent on the basketball court this winter, too, and is also a track star.

Herbert D. Swift, Omicron '15, is back once more in the New Hampshire Legislature, serving on important committees.

“Gentlemen Aren’t Sissies:” Not Even Those With a Taste For Good Books

By WILLIAM J. HAMILTON, *Beta Deuteron '10, Librarian, Dayton Public Library,*
(*President Ohio Library Association 1939-40*)

The title has been borrowed from Mr. Jonathan because it fits even though we discuss mental not sartorial fittings or matters of etiquette. There used to be a wise-crack current among college fellows, “Don’t let your studies interfere with your education,” but isn’t there a chance that we may let our “education” interfere with the all round development for which after all we do come to college?

Is a rating on a Junior Ball committee or an inter-fraternity basketball team or success as a wirepuller in campus politics going to contribute to the man of real influence you hope to be when you’ve been out of college a dozen years? Or are you just wasting time and vitality chasing a will-o’-the-wisp—a pup chasing his tail in a circle?

As far as what goes into the making of a man whose counsel is sought—and paid for—things have not changed such a lot in the three hundred years since Bacon said, “Reading maketh a full man.” The reading of books is still one of the best roads to a place of weight and importance in your circle or your community.

Years ago I copied from a source which I can no longer identify, a statement combining beauty and inspiration: “The best result obtained from college with its liberal and honorable traditions is that training in the humanities which leads the raw boy into the ranks of the understanding, enabling him to sympathize with men’s mistakes, to feel the beauty of lost causes, the pathos of misguided epochs, the ceaseless whisper of permanent ideals.” And then to combine

George Crabbe’s lines with those of Amy Lowell:

“This, books can do—nor this alone:
They give
New views to life, and teach us how
to live.”
“For books are more than books, they
are the life,
The very heart and core of ages past,
The reason why men lived and worked
and died
The essence and quintessence of their
lives.”

And what are we as fraternities doing to help our younger men appreciate this? For one thing the younger men will continue to abide by the values the upperclassmen set in action and thought. Perhaps the seniors and alumni need to revamp the house patterns and atmosphere.

I remember with chagrin one of our freshmen who told me very confidentially that he was bound for a Minneapolis Symphony Orchestra concert that evening, but wound up with the abject plea, “Gosh, don’t spill this to any of the other fellows, or they’ll ride me for fair for going High Brow.” Who he was worried about I don’t know, for Glenn, our Phi Beta Kappa, was both good company and intelligent, and “Fuzz” composed and listened as well as he played, and Jack, our wit, knew music and books as well as he did his law. But somewhere as a group we had fallen down.

In contrast I remember a visit to Chi Chapter fifteen years ago, and the conversation at the table—perhaps it was

unusual to have two librarians at dinner—but it was good talk which showed real knowledge on the part of the fellows seated at my end of the board. And afterwards when I was shown the library alcove off the living room I understood, for there were interesting, up-to-date books on various subjects lying around—



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and used—not just a dusty set of Harvard Classics and the assortment of ancient textbooks that sometimes passes for the House Library.

Perhaps Beta Deuteron has changed, and perhaps Chi has changed. There is no use hunting for the cause or the culprits of past years, but what can we do right now to make Phi Sig seniors better rounded men than the freshmen we take in.

Said a prominent industrial leader in my town: “The men my organization seeks are not technicians or lawyers, you can find them on any tree, but men who are equipped for leadership, who know how to wear dress clothes, and have minds furnished with broad knowledge,

who never have to take a back seat in the conversation on any topic. Sometimes I find the guy who went after knowledge because he appreciated it has acquired stamina and character in getting it that may be lacking in the college man who simply sat and let knowledge be poured into him.”

You can't build up a fraternity library overnight or change a chapter attitude towards books by a formula, but you can't get a real education without reading any more than you can learn to dance by taking a correspondence school course. A good encyclopedia by all means, and an unabridged dictionary, but no “cure-all” sets! A sturdy reading table—absolutely taboo to the card players! Adjustable shelves if the chapter purse will stand the strain, otherwise fixed shelving, but no shelf more than nine inches deep or three feet wide as even hardwood eventually buckles under book weight!

And then *Books!* Buy them as you do music for the chapter piano or records for the chapter phonograph. Get one or two a month, try having a book committee, and an occasional enthusiastic booster's review at the chapter meeting. Build your collection up on the individual interests of the fellows, for any hobby grows by feeding your special knowledge and sharing it with others. Don't forget what Mortimer Adler said in *How to Read a Book*: “A list of books should not be regarded as a challenge to finish every item, it is an invitation which you can accept by beginning wherever you feel most at home.”

The puzzled house committee and alumni advisers do not have to evolve library collections out of their own inner consciousnesses. There is nothing a librarian likes so much as to be asked for suggestions, and we are not all the aloof, ivory tower type. You might be surprised by finding a human being where you expected a dry as dust grad-grind.

Talk over the problem of stirring latent interests with live and readable books, with your college librarian, and the librarian of the town public library. Perhaps you can arrange for some small group loans of books for House use, only don't expect to get the new titles that every one else is clamoring for this month. If I know Frank Walter and Carl Vitz in Minneapolis, Beta Deuteron will have no trouble, nor will Kappa at Penn State where Willard Lewis has worked on just this problem, nor Delta Triton with Lloyd Josselyn around. Also there are plenty of alert women in the library field who know what men like and who know the worth-while books to meet those likes. And finally don't pass up your local bookstore people.

I'm concluding with a list, *not* "The Chapter Library," but a few suggestions of additions—some comparatively recent titles from the dozens of readable books to which the fellows should be exposed. The House Library should be a cafeteria counter where you can select beef steak or buttered toast, for you can't expect to develop much muscle fibre on a diet of cream puffs.

How Do We Get This Way?

Adamic, Louis, *From many lands*, Harper, \$3.50, 1940; Armstrong, Louise, *We too are the people*, Little, \$3.00, 1938; Beals, Carleton, *Pan America*, Houghton, \$3.00, 1940; McWilliams, Carey, *Factories in the field*, Little, \$2.50, 1939; Robertson, Archibald, *Government at your service*, Houghton, \$2.75, 1939; Salter, John T., *Pattern of politics*, Macmillan, \$2.25, 1940; Seldes, George, *you can't do that*, Modern Age, \$.50, McLeod, \$.75, 1938.

Thought Before Action

Fadiman, Clifton, *I believe*, Simon & Schuster, \$3.75, 1939; Jonathan, Norton H., *Gentlemen aren't sissies*, Winston, \$1.50, 1938; Thouless, Robert H., *How to think straight*, Simon & Schuster, \$2.00, 1939.

Science Back of Technology

Casteret, Norbert, *Ten years under the earth*, Greystone, \$3.00, 1938; Ditmars, Raymond L., *Fight to live*, Stokes, \$2.50, 1938; Hogben, Lancelot, *Science for the Citizen*, Knopf, \$4.50 (text ed.), 1938; Peattie, Harold, *This is living*, Dodd, \$4.00, 1938; Scheinfeld, Abram, *You and heredity*, Stokes, \$3.00, 1939; Sears, Paul B., *Deserts on the march*, Univ. of Oklahoma, \$2.50, 1935.

Technology to Start On

Burlingame, Roger, *March of the iron men*, Scribner, \$3.75, 1938; Morrison, A. Cressy, *Man in a chemical world*, Scribner, \$3.00, 1937; Porterfield, John, and Reynolds, Kay, *We present television*, Norton, \$3.00, 1940; Williams, Alford J., *Air power*, Coward-McCann, \$3.50, 1940.

The Fine Arts

Alda, Frances, *Men, women and tenors*, Houghton, \$3.50, 1937; Elliott, Hughes, *Fashions in art*, Appleton, \$4.00, 1937; Flexner, James T., *America's old masters*, Viking Press, \$3.75, 1939; Grant, Margaret, *America's symphony orchestras*, Norton, \$3.00, 1940; Levant, Oscar, *Smattering of ignorance*, Doubleday, \$2.00, 1940; Pach, Walter, *Queer thing*, painting, Harper, \$4.00, 1938; Taylor, Deems, *The well tempered listener*, Simon & Schuster, \$2.50, 1940; Zaidenberg, Arthur, *Anyone can draw!* Illustrated Editions Co., \$2.50, 1939.

Literature Outside the Classroom

Eastman, Max, *Anthology for the enjoyment of poetry*, Scribner, \$3.00, 1939; Edman, Irwin, *Philosopher's holiday*, Viking, \$2.75, 1938; Gassner, John, *Twenty best plays of modern American theatre*, Crown, \$3.00, 1939; Nash, Ogden, *the face is familiar*, Little, \$2.75, 1940; Thurber, James, *Fables for our time*, Harper, \$2.50, 1940.

Readable History

Allen, Frederick L., *Since yesterday*, Harper, \$3.00, 1940; Embree, Edwin R., *Indians of the Americas*, Houghton,

\$2.75, 1939; Gunther, John, *Inside Asia*, Harper, \$3.50, 1939; Lamb, Harold, *March of the barbarians*, Doubleday, \$3.75, 1940; Pribichevich, Stojan, *World without end*, Reynal, \$3.50, 1939; Van Loon, Hendrick, *Story of the Pacific*, Harcourt, \$3.00, 1940.

Travel

Hedin, Sven, *Silk road*, Dutton, \$5.00, 1938; Keith, Agnes, *Land below the wind*, Little, \$3.00, 1939; Mason, Gregory, *South of yesterday*, Holt, \$3.00, 1940; Phillips, Henry, *New designs for old Mexico*, McBride, \$2.75, 1939; St. Exupery, Antoine, *Wind, sand and stars*, Reynal, \$2.75, 1939.

These Have Lived

Buchan, John, *Pilgrim's way*, Houghton, \$3.00, 1940; Hughes, Langston, *The big sea*, Knopf, \$3.00, 1940; Mora, Constanca de la, *In place of splendor*, Harcourt, \$3.00, 1939; Van Paassen, Pierre, *Days of our years*, Hillman-Curl, \$3.50, 1939.

Hopkins on Tour

Brother M. E. Hopkins, Chi '09, has done fine work for the national fraternity as special deputy of the Council at Omega Chapter. By the time this issue is distributed, Brother Hopkins will be on a special tour for the fraternity, visiting certain chapters designated by Brother Marchmont. The purpose of his service is to deal with special problems.

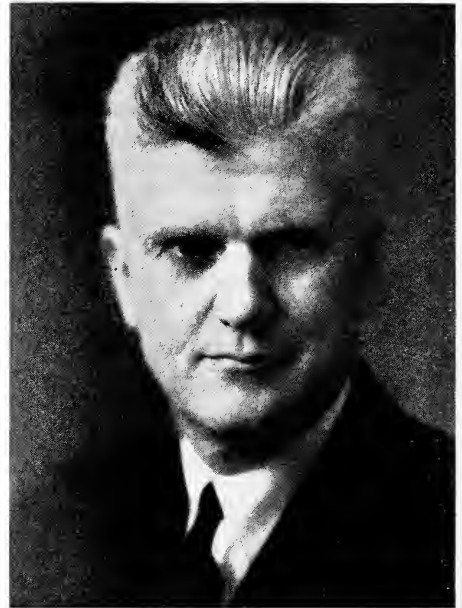
Conley Convalescing

Brother Walter H. Conley, Beta '91, has been at his home convalescing from illness suffered since his return to California from the last convention. The SIGNET wishes him continued improvement.

Norman K. Wilson, Alpha D. '14, is manager of the Materials Cooperative Association, with offices in Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

Rotary International Presidential Nominee

Tom J. Davis, Mu Deuteron, Hon., on February 1, 1941, was selected by the nominating committee of Rotary International as its nominee for President of Rotary International for 1941-42. Members of the committee from Canada, Aus-



TOM J. DAVIS, Mu D., Hon.

tralia, Ecuador, and the United States, met at Rotary headquarters in Chicago.

Brother Davis is one of the most prominent attorneys in Montana and is a member of the Montana and American Bar Associations. During his membership in the Rotary club of Butte, Brother Davis served as president and committee chairman. He has been active in Rotary International as district governor, committee member and chairman, and third vice president, and is now chairman of the aims and objects committee, and a member of the convention committee.

Election for president of Rotary International will be held in Denver, Colorado, where Rotary's 1941 convention meets next June.

Wise Words on Agriculture A Book Review



NELSON ANTRIM CRAWFORD
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Editor, The Household Magazine

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Government publications are proverbially stodgy reading. They are getting better, however, thanks largely to the young men of ideas and literary talent whom Mr. Roosevelt, Mr. Wallace, Mr. Hull, and others have brought into the federal set-up. And now I find a government publication that I believe any commercial book house would have jumped at the chance to publish. It is *Farmers in a Changing World*, the new Yearbook of Agriculture¹.

Time was when the Yearbook of Agriculture was a dull, ponderous volume filled with dreary technical articles by scientists who knew laboratories a lot better than dairy barns and with statistics ranging from the mean temperature in Flagstaff, Arizona, to the market price of kaoliang in July of the year upty-ump. The new volume is still ponderous—in actual weight, for it contains 1215 pages, but not in subject matter or treatment.

What the volume does is to cover the history of American agriculture with special reference to the changes that have

¹Your Senator or Congressman will get you a copy if his quota is not exhausted. Otherwise, you can buy it for \$1.50 from the Superintendent of Documents.

taken place in the last two or three generations. It deals not only with production, which used to be practically the sole concern of agricultural students, but with economic relationships (including those between farming and urban industry), with social trends (including tenancy, migration, and patterns of living), with philosophies of life for a rural culture, and, most important of all, with the implications of agricultural policy for democracy. Each division of the book would justify a review, and certainly will repay a studious reading.

The thing that interested me most was the posing of innumerable questions that confront agriculture in the United States today. We are inclined to think of the farm situation as if it were simply one problem, summed up by many a sympathizer in the words, "The farmer needs parity with industry," by many a thoughtless business man in the sentence, "All the farmer needs to do is work hard and not spend so much money, and he will get along all right, just the same as his grand-daddy did."

Actually, agriculture is confronted, for instance, with a vast and steady decline in farm exports; with the fact that 50

per cent of the farmers produce 90 per cent of commercial agricultural products, leaving the remaining 50 per cent of farmers to constitute a marginal if not a surplus population; with the uncontrollable and thus far unpredictable vagaries of weather; with the conservative individualism of farmers in a culture which has radically altered its economic standards, its philosophy of life, and its moral values; with scores of other issues that flow from these.

Farmers in a Changing World does not answer the questions. It would be a quack book if it did, for no one knows the answers. It does, however, make useful suggestions, though its greatest usefulness is in presenting the problems for the thoughtful consideration of American citizens.

While the writers are not pessimistic, I was especially impressed by the refutation of the frothy idealism that has characterized so much writing about rural life, from Emerson down to contemporary sociologists. As Paul H. Johnstone says in the book, "The concept of the farm as a gentle haven from the world's strife is in flat contradiction to the tendencies toward commercialization, mechanization, specialization, and urbanization that are the dominant trends of modern agriculture. And yet it is a fact that this idyllic agrarian fundamentalism has been perpetuated principally by the intellectual and reform elements that have been most active in modernizing American agriculture."

Farmers in a Changing World is not a book solely for farmers, professors in agricultural colleges, and students pursuing courses in agriculture. As Arthur P. Chew remarks, "the agricultural problem is not a separate thing, walled off entirely from matters of urban concern and of such a nature that the city dweller can take it or leave it alone. He cannot detach himself from it. He has a vital interest in the distribution of the people

on the land, in the relationship they have to it, in the use they make of it, and in the amount and distribution of the resulting farm income."

No sounder words were ever written. With nearly seven million families on the land, fully half of them living from hand to mouth, it will be a severe indictment of democracy if this great segment of our population is allowed to deteriorate further. The situation cannot be resolved by means of a magic wand in the hands of President Roosevelt, Vice-President Wallace, Secretary Wickard, or anyone else. It is the concern of every American whether he lives in New York City or on an arid farm in Nevada.

Fraternity Editors Association Competition

Due to the scarcity of entries in the first annual competition sponsored by the College Fraternity Editors Association, it was not possible to make the awards at the 1940 National Interfraternity Conference meeting as originally planned.

The time for entering the competition was extended but through an oversight Phi Sigma Kappa was not notified with respect to the date of extension and was therefore not represented in the first annual competition, a fact which the editor extremely regrets.

The editor of *THE SIGNET* has enjoyed the support which *THE SIGNET* has received from the alumni and active chapters alike, and appreciates the enthusiasm with which it has been accepted by the fraternity.

He hopes that the committee on awards and those in charge of the competition management will pardon the prejudice of the editor when he states that he believes the last four issues of *THE SIGNET* contain several items which would make interesting competition in any college fraternity magazine competition.

Gettysburg College

GETTYSBURG, PENNSYLVANIA

OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT
HENRY W.A. HANSON

March 3, 1941

My dear Mr. Schoening:

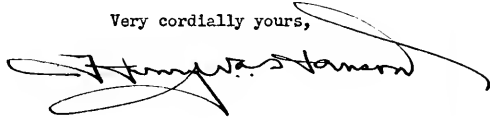
I have learned with pleasure that the national magazine of Phi Sigma Kappa plans to give recognition to the Fifteenth Anniversary of our local chapter.

While our local chapter is celebrating its Fifteenth Anniversary as a member of your distinguished national fraternity, the history of our local chapter dates back to 1897.

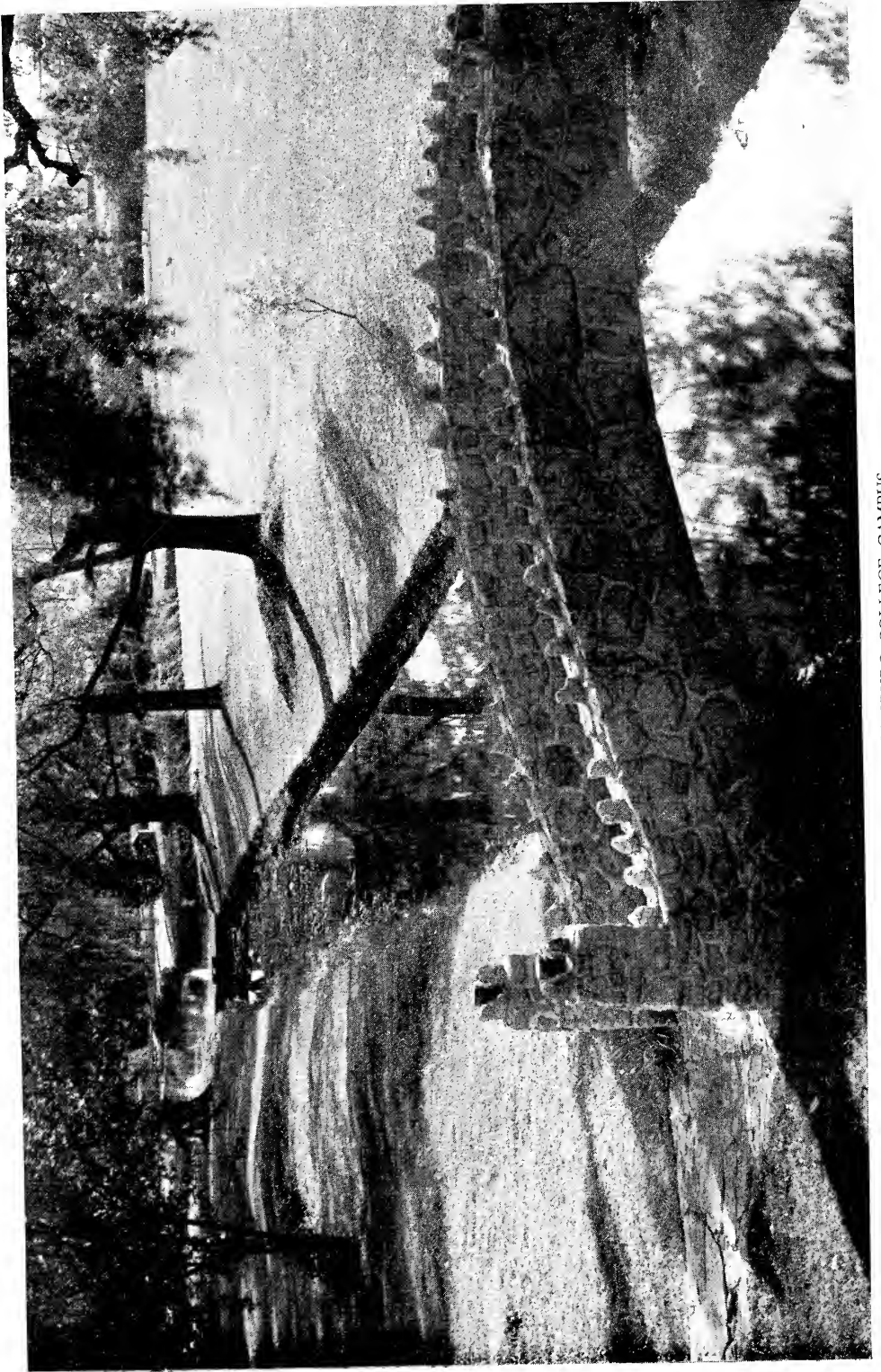
During all these years, this fraternity has made a major contribution to the life of our campus. In high standards of moral integrity, as well as in scholastic excellence, our local chapter of Phi Sigma Kappa has attained an enviable record.

It is a privilege to congratulate both the national fraternity and our local chapter on the happy occasion of this Anniversary.

Very cordially yours,



Mr. Earl F. Schoening
10 South La Salle Street
Chicago, Illinois



THE TIBER, GETTYSBURG COLLEGE CAMPUS

Historical Sketch of Rho Deuteron

By STEWART W. HERMAN, *Rho Deuteron* '99



THE last decade of the last century witnessed an unusual number of births in activities on the campus of Gettysburg College, e.g. various athletic sports were developed and placed upon a substantial basis for continuance on an Inter-Collegiate scope; the literary activities were broadened by the establishment of the monthly *Mercury* as a literary journal and the founding of the weekly *Gettysburgian* as the College newspaper; the founding of the Pen and Sword Society to honor annually ten men of the upper classes who excelled in literary or athletic achievements. In the same year of the birth of these major campus activities (1897) a group of young men, all of whom were among the leaders of this expanding program of activities, who had been inspired by the dynamic character and unselfish counsel and leadership of William J. Gies '93 (at that time an Assistant Professor in Yale University), determined to found a local fraternity, based upon principles of character, scholarship and brotherhood, which would enable them to be more helpful to the College, to their college mates and to each other. The question of nationalization was considered and eventually rejected lest the ideals sponsored might not be able to be maintained. The possibility of making this the Mother Chapter of a new national fraternity was also considered and finally rejected. Despite the fact that all of the founders had been invited and declined to become members of national groups, the establishment of a local was difficult by reason of misunderstandings and criticisms. The quality of this new group was tested in the fires of opposition, which served only to fuse

them into an exceptionally devoted brotherhood. They knew what they believed in and what they stood for, and were determined to maintain their ideals of a worthy community of interests on the college campus, of which eventually the College and all campus groups would be able to speak with a measure of satisfaction.



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The temporary name was Promethean Club, and the temporary meeting place was in Gettysburg's famous Judge Wills' house on Centre Square, in the room directly above that in which President Lincoln spent his time in Gettysburg and in which he evidently put the finishing touches upon his immortal Gettysburg speech.

While occupying these quarters a new name was selected, a new constitution



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and a ritual were adopted. The Druid Fraternity, with its dignified and beautiful Druidic symbolism, was now finally established. The remarkable similarity between portions of that ritual and that of our new ritual is most striking. The original intent was to limit the membership to seven, a perfect number and guaranteeing true brotherliness, but most worthy material necessitated enlarging the number. The original seven undergraduates were G. F. Abel '97, E. W. Meisenholder '98, C. H. Tilp '98, R. W. Woods '98, W. H. B. Carney '99, S. W. Herman '99, and A. M. Stamets '99. This group was soon enlarged not only to ten but to sixteen by reason of the available material in the exceptional Class of 1901. The initiates since 1902 have ranged from a low of two in just one class to fourteen in a number of classes, the average being about ten, which has usually been the objective.

Because of the time and care taken in selecting men, and the continued emphasis placed upon the original principles, the growth of the Druids was substantial and the rating received on the campus by Faculty and Student Body was progressively satisfactory.

After twenty-eight years of steady adherence to the local tradition, a vivid demonstration of the ability of a "Local" to survive and flourish, it became increasingly desirable to the Nationals on the campus and to the Druids that conditions having changed on the campus, where a number of new locals had been organized and were endeavoring to become national, that the oldest existent local should now nationalize. During this period of transition there resided in Gettysburg an unusually able and charming personality, Ralph Crow, now deceased, who became interested in the Druids, learned our ideals, principles and personnel. He was most tactful and untiring in persuading us to abandon our "isolationist" policy for our broader use-

fulness and greater good. After a most careful study of the choices presented and the meeting personally of national leaders, it was unanimously decided to petition Phi Sigma Kappa.

The petition was granted and the induction in 1925 will be remembered by all who attended it as the most largely attended in the history of Phi Sigma Kappa. One of the national officers said to the writer: "In practically every particular this event takes on the proportions of a National Convention."

It is most proper to say that those who opposed nationalization, because of their fears of a "let down" in principles and objectives, have labored most enthusiastically and loyally to disprove their fears and to demonstrate that a national chapter may have all and more advantages than a local, provided untiring vigilance and effort are observed, and dependence is not placed solely on the facts of nationalization and a few outstanding alumni, which too frequently are the sole "sales talk" of weak chapters.

In the forty-four years of history we have moved twice—to a home purchased on Washington Street, opposite the campus, and then just before induction, into our present home, opposite the Women's Division of the College. Our present home, which invites all brothers who may visit our Nation's Shrine at Gettysburg, is well adapted for our purposes but is scheduled for enlargement because of our large membership. Our house, which has been named "Druid Hall," in great appreciation of our historic past, was the former home, built by the really great and beloved baseball player, "Eddie" Plank, who desired that we should occupy his home.

The emphasis on character has been continued during the fifteen years in Phi Sigma Kappa, the stress placed upon each brother doing his best in scholarship and contributing his quota of service to

all campus activities has enabled Rho Deuteron to be awarded the Scholarship Cup each year without an exception since induction and to win the General Activities Cup awarded for all campus activities, for the last four successive years.

Our chapter has led by a wide margin in election to Phi Beta Kappa and the Gettysburg Honor Society. At the last celebration of our induction into Phi Sigma Kappa, the alumni had an opportunity to express their pride in the active Chapter. The "Actives" voiced their affection for the Alumni, who have continued their interest and who are always given the warmest welcome when returning to our Fraternity Home. It also afforded an opportunity to evaluate and to praise our beloved Phi Sigma Kappa, which has truly fulfilled all promises to us and has opened wide doors of usefulness for us.

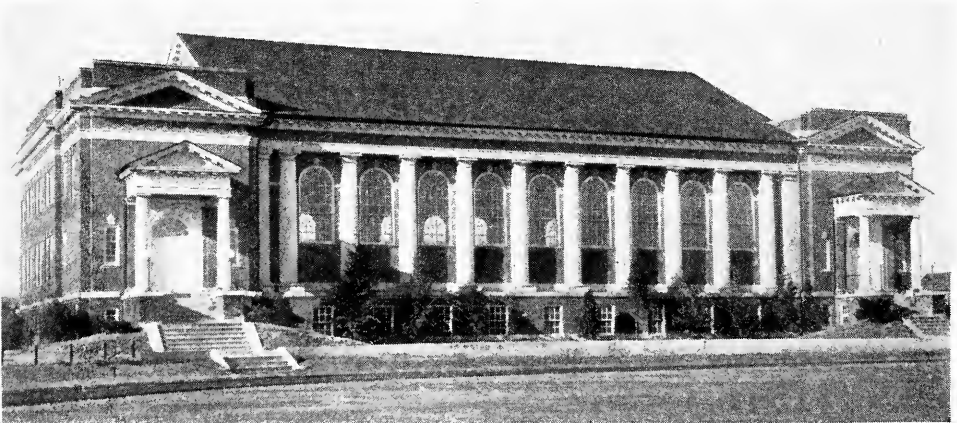
Rho Deuteron has endeavored to express appreciation further by bringing to Phi Sigma Kappa the honor of leadership in scholarship of all chapters of all fraternities in the Interfraternity Conference. Our pledge is unflinching loyalty to dear Phi Sigma Kappa so long as she adheres to her great Principles and confesses her Creed.

The writer of this sketch begs leave to add a tribute to the exceptional leadership of Phi Sigma Kappa by men of sterling character and outstanding ability. Only a great Fraternity can produce, sustain and retain such gifted and worthy leadership. All hail, brothers of Phi Sigma Kappa everywhere! Rho Deuteron salutes you! Let us face forward and march onward together!

The Gettysburg Induction

"The induction of Rho Deuteron Chapter was the largest ever held by Phi Sigma Kappa, according to the national officers who attended the chapter installation at Gettysburg, March 12 and 13. During that period thirty members of the active Druid Fraternity, of Gettysburg College, and over sixty alumni of the organization were initiated into the rites of Phi Sigma Kappa.

"Among those who attended the induction of the new chapter at Gettysburg College were Alvin T. Burrows, president of the fraternity; W. A. McIntyre, chancellor of the Supreme Court; Charles H. Ruedi, recorder; Gilbert J. Morgan, auditor; Dr. Horace R. Barnes, regional vice-president; A. C. Otto, inductor, and R. P. Horner and R. G. Lafean, of the official induction party."—THE SIGNET, July 1925.



EDDIE PLANK MEMORIAL GYMNASIUM

Rho Deuteron of Phi Sigma Kappa

By ALVAN E. DUERR, *Chairman Committee on Public Relations, and Chairman, Scholarship Committee, National Interfraternity Conference*

For fifteen years some twenty-two hundred reports of fraternity scholarship have been passing over my desk annually. In that time I have come to follow them with interest, which at times has become personalized. One principle has gradually established itself for the bulk of these reports, that a seismogram would describe best the year to year performance of most chapters, the ups and downs representing with real accuracy the degree of constructive leadership in these chapters at different periods.

Among these many chapters, my attention has gradually been fixed upon two or three, because of the uniformity of their performance. And first among these has stood the Gettysburg Chapter of Phi Sigma Kappa. For in the twelve years that our present method of computing indices has been in force, it has never dropped below 20 per cent better than the average of all men in its college, and in 1938-1939 reached a maximum of 47 per cent above the average of all men. Its average standing for the twelve years has been 35 per cent better than the men's average of its college. This record is unique among the twenty-two hundred chapters of the sixty national fraternities on some one hundred and eighty campuses from which we have been receiving scholarship reports.

That any chapter with such a record would have a first lien on Phi Beta Kappa elections goes without saying, so that phase of its chapter record did not intrigue me; but I did wonder what kind of men the chapter was drawing, whether by any chance the chapter was merely a scholastic monastery which concentrated on one phase of collegiate life. But my next discovery was that for

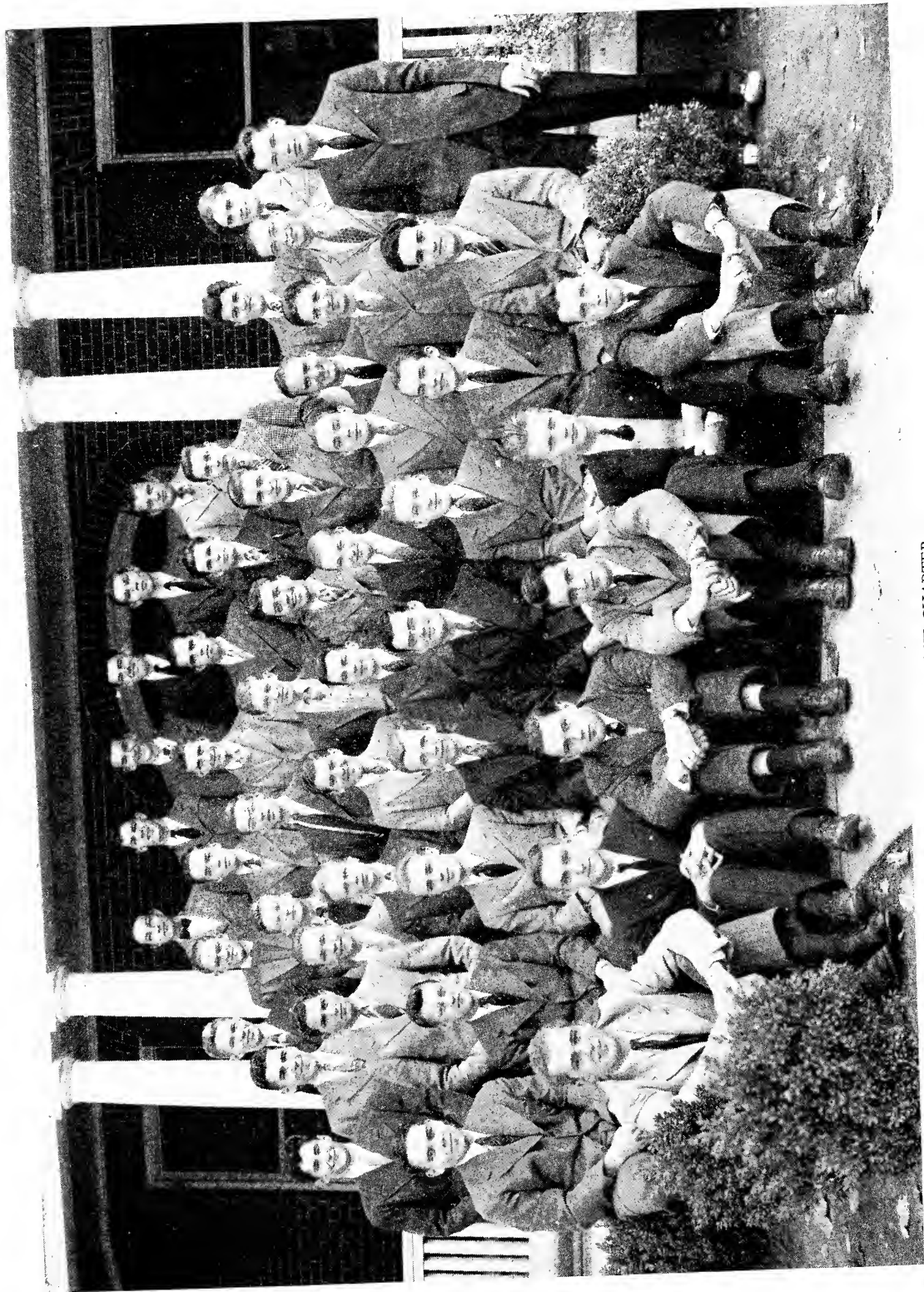
the past four years it has also held the Interfraternity Activities Cup, representing excellence in all campus activities. Apparently the cycle is complete, and we have a well-rounded group of men who are thoroughly representative of all



ALVIN E. DUERR

phases of undergraduate striving. They are not only scholars, they are leaders. They are getting what they came to college for—the mental training which will enable them to do well the work which they will be called on to do after they leave college, and the training for leadership which will enable them to vitalize that work among their fellows and to impress themselves upon the communities in which they live.

That is my idea of what a fraternity should stand for, and I want to add my word of congratulation to this chapter



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which has made so distinguished a record, and has demonstrated so signally how vital fraternity life may become when it is fired by a purpose and by consistent leadership.

The world needs men who have formed the habit of doing their job, and of doing it as well as in them lies. The job of the college man is study, and that is why I personally am interested in the scholarship record of fraternity men. What they study is not too important; but how they study, how they see their job through, is of the utmost importance; for it is the only indication we have as to how well they may be expected to do their next job. If I were employing men, I should expect to find some very good ones in this particular chapter. And if we watch the career of these men after they leave college, it is my belief that we shall find an unusual proportion of men who have made good and have become leaders among their

fellows. And that is the objective of a college education.

The Gettysburg Induction

"During the course of the two days' events, guests had arrived from almost all of the chapters located in eastern colleges and universities, so that over one hundred and fifty members of Phi Sigma Kappa attended the banquet held at the Eagle Hotel, Friday evening. This banquet marked the formal conclusion of the induction of Rho Deuteron Chapter. Dr. Geis acted as toastmaster.

"The first speaker introduced was Dr. Henry W. A. Hanson, president of Gettysburg College. The message which he brought to the Phi Sigma Kappa present was the fact that the time for individual groups has come to an end, and that the men who hold to the spirit of brotherhood are the builders of a greater tomorrow in American life." — THE SIGNET, July 1925.



STUDENT CHRISTIAN ASSOCIATION BUILDING

Living the Cardinal Principles of Phi Sigma Kappa

By DAVID E. THOMAS, '42

Ever keeping in mind the Cardinal Principles of our fraternity, we, of Rho Deuteron, have striven and are now striving to make real in our living the three points contained therein.

Are we, as a chapter, promoting brotherhood? Are we stimulating scholarship? Are we a brotherhood which aids each member to attain a finer and nobler character which he will carry and which will carry him through life? These are the questions which we keep before us.

While it is true that no complete or fully conclusive answer can be given through the medium of the written word alone, at least such a record may indicate the direction in which Rho Deuteron is moving. One in search of further evidence would have to live within the circle of our brotherhood.

The best evidence we can give in writing is that of our scholastic record. We have led the other nine national fraternities on Gettysburg campus in scholarship every semester since our induction into Phi Sigma Kappa. That sort of a record speaks rather well for our adherence to the second Cardinal Principle.

The quality of our brotherhood may be indicated by our attitude toward others, as well as by our attitude toward ourselves. Ours is not an all exclusive brotherhood. We work in activities of common interest with members of all other fraternities on our campus as well as with non-fraternity men. And yet, before a man becomes eligible for the special bond of brotherhood, he must meet the most exacting requirements. Our sense of brotherhood does not shut

us off from others, but neither does its quality suffer because of that fact.

While our pursuit of the third Cardinal Principle, that of developing character, may only be indicated in a very incomplete fashion because of its very nature, we do feel that our record in campus activities may offer some small evidence pointing in that direction. The least it can argue is that we do not have a chapter of "grinds."

The new staff of "The Gettysburgian," campus newspaper, has just been announced, and we find that Phi Sigma Kappa has three out of four of the senior editors. Brother David Thomas is the new Managing Editor, while Brothers Elmer Ashway and Fred Wentz are Associate Editor and Literary Editor, respectively. Pledge-brothers Charles Aurrand, Don Herb, and John Kelso will serve as news reporters.

On the retiring staff of the paper we were also well represented. Brother Barkley Beidleman was Editor-in-Chief and Brother Ken Cann was Business Manager. Brothers Cal Trunk and Chauncey Sanner were Associate Advertising Manager and editorial board member, respectively. Brother Dick Young was an Assistant Circulation Manager. During Bark's capable editorship, "The Gettysburgian" was awarded All-American Honor Rating, an above-excellent award, by the Associated Collegiate Press.

Another Phi Sig editor is Brother Art Kramer. He was Editor-in-Chief of the 1940 "G-Book," college guide book for freshmen.

In the field of music, Phi Sig also leads. Brother Jim Allison is the student leader of the band and orchestra, while Brother Dick Snyder is manager of the a capella choir.

Turning to the field of campus honorary societies, we find that Brothers Chauncey Sanner and George Barrett are presidents of Pi Lambda Sigma, pre-legal fraternity, and the Pre-Ministerial Association, respectively. On the governing body of the Student Christian Association, we find three brothers: George Barrett, treasurer, Howard McCarney and David Thomas. Pledge-brother Jim Fresh is the freshman class' representative on the Men's Student Council.

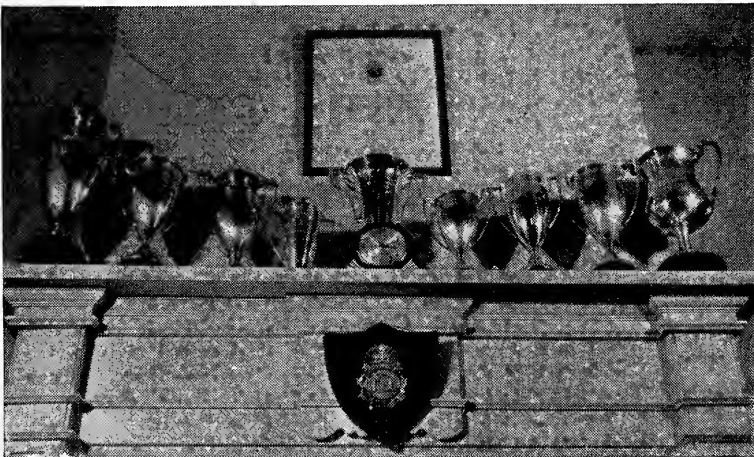
On the varsity debating squad are Brothers George Barrett and Fred Wentz. Pledge-brother Don Herb is manager of the freshman squad.

Sports around the campus also manage to occupy the time of many brothers. Brother Bob Heim was senior manager of the football team this past fall, while Pledge-brother Nelson Arigo was a

member of the squad. We find Brothers Elmer Ashway and Howard McCarney managing the basketball and wrestling squads, respectively. Brother Henry Schwartz is the college's star wrestler, having failed to lose a match in the past two years. Ace pitcher for the baseball team this spring will be Brother Ralph Cox.

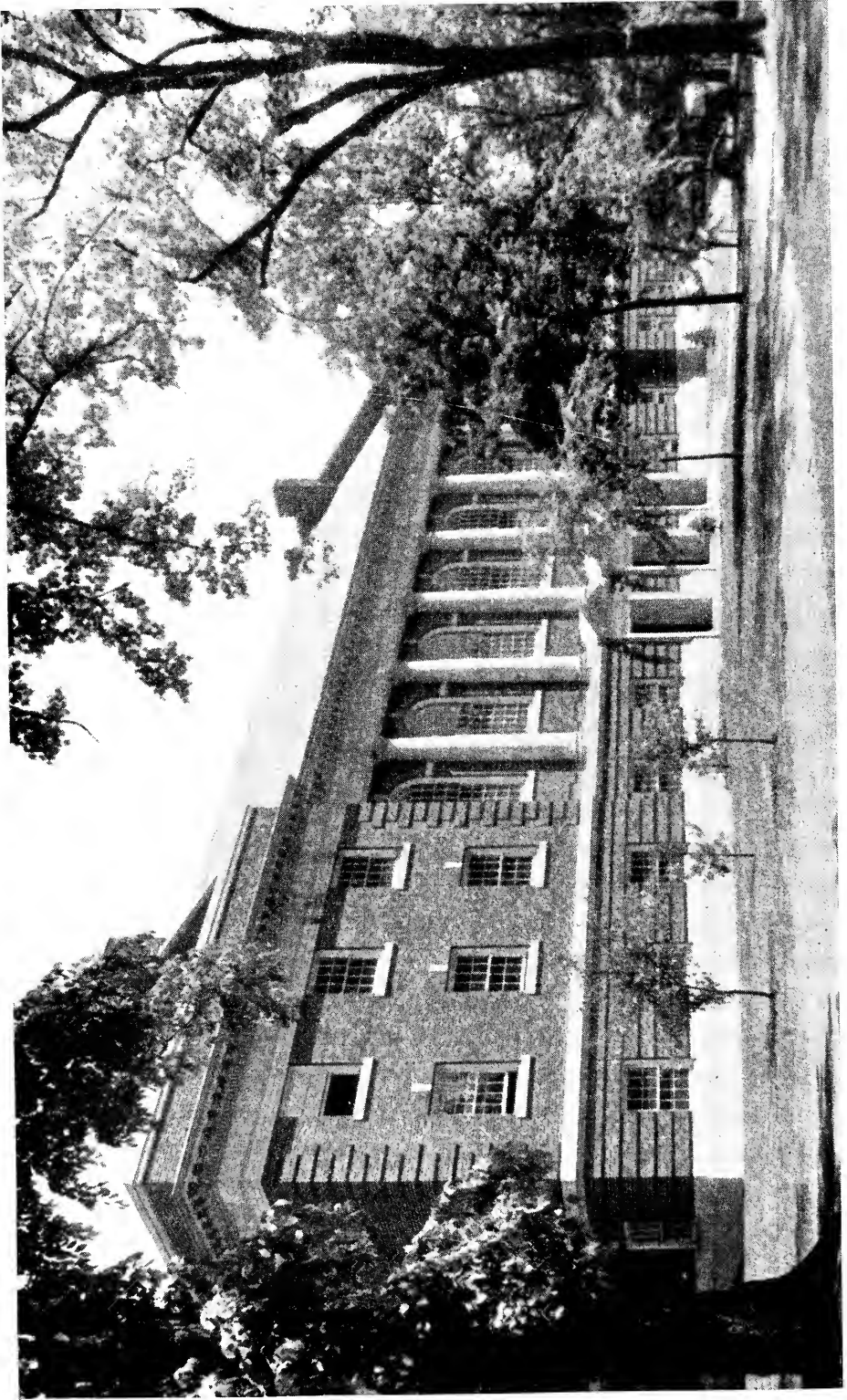
As was said above, a broad and intensive activity list does not necessarily indicate a superior character quality, but it at least does show that the brothers are interested in trying their hand at jobs other than those required for graduation. By way of putting this idea into action, we have won the Activities Cup, in competition with other national fraternities, for the past nine consecutive semesters.

If a summary of our various records on Gettysburg campus leaves the reader unconvinced as to the seriousness of Rho Deuteron's effort to live the Cardinal Principles of Phi Sigma Kappa, we ask you to come and see us for yourself. Our doors eagerly await the visits of our brothers any time during the school year.



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The cups represent leadership for thirty-two consecutive semesters in scholarship and for nine consecutive semesters in activities on the local campus, besides a couple of cups denoting leadership in both fields in the Middle Atlantic Region of the national Fraternity.



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Gettysburg College

Gettysburg College was chartered and opened for classes in 1832 in response to the needs of the Lutheran Church for an institution of college level and to the desire of the progressive element of Adams County, Pennsylvania, to have a college in its midst. According to the chief founder—"the college he aimed at was to be unsectarian in its instructions, but at the same time to be prevailingly under Lutheran influence and control." Being the first institution so established, Gettysburg College is the oldest affiliated college with the Lutheran church in America.

The leader in the movement which resulted in the founding of Gettysburg College was Reverend Doctor Simon S. Schmucker who had been influential for some years in the shaping of educational policies of the church. He was preeminent as a scholar, a teacher, and a public spirited citizen since his arrival in Gettysburg in 1826. When he was graduated from Princeton in 1820, he wrote that he had among others two ambitions—to found a Lutheran Seminary and a college. Within twelve years this man of action and vision saw his ambitions realized at Gettysburg.

A second champion of the college in its infant days was Thaddeus Stevens, then a resident of Gettysburg, who is well known as the "Saviour of the Pennsylvania Public School System." Mr. Stevens was instrumental in getting the college an \$18,000 state grant, the only one in the college's history, at a moment when it was most helpful. He served on the Board of Trustees for 34 years.

The college officially named in the charter as "Pennsylvania College at Gettysburg," received the \$18,000 legislative grant with a provision that \$3,000 be appropriated toward the erection of a college edifice. Additional funds were

provided and in 1836 there began the erection of "Old Dorm," the campus home of thousands of young men. For some years the building served the whole need of the college. In 1846 Linncon Hall was built and dedicated as the first



HENRY W. A. HANSON
President of Gettysburg College

edifice in this country, conceived, designed, and erected through the agency of students to be devoted to Natural History. The "White House," home of Gettysburg presidents was erected in 1860. These three buildings, many times remodeled and renovated, stand as the "white" heart of the Gettysburg campus.

In 1921 Pennsylvania College officially and legally assumed the name by which it has been popularly known for years, "Gettysburg College." The name implies, and history shows, that the College earned the right to the distinctive name by the full measure of service rendered

in the War and in the Battle, both of which the name suggests.

A majority of the students discontinued their college courses to enter the Civil War. Almost all of those remaining organized, late in June, 1863, Company A, of the 26th Regiment, Pennsylvania Volunteers, which after a brief period of training were among the "first troops to oppose entrance of the rebels into Pennsylvania, and the first to draw blood in that historic combat." A monument on the battlefield describes the part the "College Company" played.

On the occasion of its centennial celebration in 1932, the United States Government placed on "Old Dorm" a bronze tablet that indicated the part that building played in the battle. It reads, "This building served as a union signal station June 30 and July 1 and 4, and as a hospital for the care of both Union and Confederate wounded July 1 and for some weeks thereafter." The Pennsylvania College book reads, "The incident of General Lee's ascent to the cupola of Old Dorm for observation on July 2 is well known to the citizens of Gettysburg." Thus Gettysburg College's connection with the Battle was most intimate and significant.

Seven presidents since 1832 have grappled with the problems of financial and academic nature that have marked the progress and growth of Gettysburg College. The present president is Dr. Henry W. A. Hanson, a man of great ability and boundless energy, who was inaugurated in 1923. Since that time more than a million dollars have been added in buildings and endowment, and internal changes have been effected to place Gettysburg high among institutions of college level.

Great changes have taken place in the more than a hundred years since the college was founded. It is a far cry from the humble beginning in a single building on an acre of ground to the present

campus of nearly a hundred acres on which there are some twenty buildings worth two millions of dollars, from the teaching staff of five professors to the present faculty of fifty members, from the simple humanistic curriculum of 1832 to the elaborately developed courses in arts, sciences and business administration of a century later, and from a student body of 63 to the present enrollment of more than 600 young men and women.

At Gettysburg, fraternities have long since come to occupy a well-recognized and acknowledged position of value. Several of them have been on the campus since Civil War days, and most of them have made signal contributions to national fraternity development. Phi Kappa Psi has been on the Gettysburg campus since 1856, four years after the fraternity was founded. Miller Hall, their present meeting lodge, is the oldest house in America devoted to distinctly fraternity purposes. The national magazine of Sigma Chi and the song book of Alpha Tau Omega originated with the Gettysburg chapters. The Gettysburg chapter of Sigma Alpha Epsilon was the first chapter of that fraternity north of the Mason and Dixon line. Other national fraternities on the Gettysburg campus are Phi Gamma Delta (1858), Phi Delta Theta (1875), Theta Kappa Nu (1924), Phi Sigma Kappa (1925), Tau Kappa Epsilon (1926) and Kappa Delta Rho (1928).

Three days after the enabling act was passed, Gettysburg College made application to Congress for a unit of the Reserve Officers Training Corps. The approval of the application shortly thereafter gave the College the first unit to be established in American Colleges and Universities. The present unit, under the command of Lieutenant Colonel Lester L. Lampert, enjoys the rating of "excellent."

During its more than a century of unbroken service to society, the College has trained many men who have become eminent. While its graduates have gone into almost every walk of life, sixty per cent have been ministers, teachers, doctors, lawyers and scientists. Achieving in diverse fields, Gettysburg College alumni place the College third among Pennsylvania's Institutions in the percentage of living graduates in a recent volume of *Who's Who*.

Gettysburg College enjoys the "A" rating of all standardizing bodies, standing on a parity with the other recognized institutions of the country. It is a member of the Association of American Colleges and Universities and the Association of Colleges and Secondary Schools of the Middle States and Maryland. This

College has a chapter of the Phi Beta Kappa scholarship fraternity.

In athletics, Gettysburg College is a member of the Eastern Pennsylvania Collegiate football, basketball and baseball conferences. At present, Gettysburg is holder of the championship of the football conference and runner-up in the basketball conference, which has been won six out of the nine years of the conference by Gettysburg. Gettysburg wound up the wrestling season by placing third in the Middle Atlantic Collegiate Wrestling Championship after being the winner for the two previous years. Gettysburg teams are popularly known as the "Bullets."

Under the direction of Professor C. E. Bilheimer, athletic director, Gettysburg College has developed an important physical education and health program.



GLATFELTER HALL

College and Battle

By JOSEPH H. WRAY, '43

In those three renowned days of hectic and gory fighting that comprised the world-famous Battle of Gettysburg, the most decisive battle of the Civil War, Gettysburg College played an important role.

Old Dorm, now used as a freshman dormitory, was used as a hospital by both Union and Confederate soldiers and likewise served as a signal station for the Southern command. In addition, a company of soldiers, largely composed of Gettysburg undergraduates, had a part in postponing the battle for a day, thus enabling more Union troops to be rushed to the scene of battle.

Gettysburg, located only a short distance from the Mason-Dixon line, was in imminent danger of Southern invasion from the outbreak of the war. However, it wasn't until the hot, dry summer of 1863 that Gen. Robert E. Lee's army launched its Northern invasion.

Lee's forces had reached the vicinity of Gettysburg by the last of June, but despite this fact college classes were in session. However, gunfire was heard on the morning of July 1 and college classes were suspended thereupon and weren't resumed until the next term.

On that fateful afternoon, the Union Signal Corps occupied the cupola of Old Dorm. This point afforded them an excellent panorama of the entire battlefield. However, the Union Armies were forced to abandon their vantage point and late in the afternoon the Confederate forces occupied the entire northern end of Gettysburg, which included the college campus.

Toward evening scores of Confederate wounded streamed onto the campus and Old Dorm was converted into an emergency hospital. By this time the remain-

ing students had fled the campus. Only the college president and his family remained. The students living in Old Dorm had hastily packed their belongings and stored them away.

When the Union Army once again took possession of the college grounds on July 4, at least 500 battered and wounded men, mostly Confederates, were housed in Old Dorm. Many died and were buried on the campus, but their bodies were later exhumed and moved to new graves.

After the removal of the casualties to field hospitals several weeks after the struggle, considerable renovation of the building was necessary before the Dorm could be reoccupied by the college. There had been no deliberate destruction, but as a natural result of its use the structure had been considerably defaced, furniture destroyed, and certain fixtures removed. Also, many books in the library rooms had been used as pillows for wounded fighters and were bloodstained and useless. Some of these volumes are on display in the college library today.

Repair work was begun immediately on Old Dorm with aid from the government and church donations. It was ready for occupancy in September, for by this time the college had returned to normalcy. However, all told the college sustained remarkably few ill effects from the conflict, partly owing to its location apart from the scene of heaviest fighting and partly to its use as a hospital base.

But the college had another share in the Battle of Gettysburg aside from the use of the campus as a hospital. Undergraduates yet today talk rather boastfully of how Gettysburg College students indirectly won the Battle of Gettysburg. It all dates back to the Gettysburg com-



OLD DORM

Oldest college building. It was built in 1836-38, remodeled in 1889 and 1925.

pany of soldiers in advance of the regular Union armies, who for a short time halted the Southern armies east of Gettysburg, and permitted the Union command to bring more troops to Gettysburg and prepare to fight the celebrated battle. Had this Southern delay not occurred, Lee's regiments could have taken Gettysburg with ease and moved on to Harrisburg, their ultimate goal.

When it was evident that Pennsylvania was to be invaded by the Confederates, Governor Curtin issued a call for volunteers on June 16, 1863. Sixty-one students of the college, together with a number of students of the nearby Gettysburg Lutheran Theological Seminary and a number of townsmen, formed a company and were made Company "A" of the 26th Regiment of the Pennsylvania Emergency Militia. This outfit was designated to defend the mountain passes three miles east of the college.

On June 26 this small band of soldiers met advance units of Gen. Early's Confederate division of 6,000 men who were heading for Gettysburg after having successfully burned Chambersburg. Believ-

ing the Union troops to be greater in number than was actually the case, the Confederate forces did not attack at once. The college company pulled a coup when it discreetly withdrew and made a hasty retreat toward Harrisburg, hotly pursued all the way by the enemy troops. One skirmish occurred near Hunters-town. In this conflict Company "A" lost several men. However, the small band had sidetracked the large Confederate forces for a full day. They had prevented the huge Southern army from storming Gettysburg and perhaps Harrisburg. In the intervening time the Union forces were able to militate at Gettysburg and prepare to meet General Lee's charges.

The Gettysburg Induction

"The two veterans of the Gettysburg College faculty, Dean P. M. Bikle and Dr. E. S. Breidenbaugh, professors emeritus, spoke briefly on the changed position which fraternities have come to hold since the middle of the past century. Their reminiscences were interesting."—THE SIGNET, July 1925.

Our Alumni

By CHAUNCEY M. SANNER, '41, *Alumni Committee Chairman*

Rho Deuteron feels that to uphold its standards and keep a continuity of brothers in the house it must have the best support possible from the most alumni. Throughout the year numerous "house grads" come back for athletic events, for vacation "let-ups," etc. On our anniversary week-end of March 15, we make a special drive to bring as many alumni back as possible to help celebrate the memorable occasion. To show that we are succeeding is but to recall that for at least the past several years we have had about fifty alumni returning for the occasion—a campus record.

This year our banquet will be held in the Blue Parrot Tea Room in Gettysburg on March 15 at 6:30 p. m. Dr. S. W. Herman, our national Chaplain and an alumnus of Rho Deuteron, will give the invocation. Dr. Henry W. A. Hanson will greet the assembly of brothers and pledges in the capacity of President of Gettysburg College. Brother Herbert L. Brown, our newly elected Regional Director, and Brother Earl F. Schoening, our national Secretary-Treasurer and Editor, will address the banquet.

This event will mark the end of a week-end full of fraternal activities. Included will be the initiation of approximately ten freshmen pledges which always takes place on the Thursday preceding. Then on Friday, March 14, the campus fraternities will gather in Eddie Plank Gymnasium to foster a better interfraternity spirit through the media of speeches and skits.

To our way of thinking, we believe alumni look for at least two things in returning to their fraternity home. One is genuine homelikeness and fellowship. The second is a continuation of the achievements which they as college stu-

dents secured and were proud of in their collegiate days. We feel we succeed reasonably well in fulfilling these two obligations and believe we owe our alumni our efforts in future fulfillment on our part.

It is timely and appropriate, at this time, to state that we are in the midst of the first year of an active drive to solicit alumni support for the reduction of our mortgage. Such soliciting is based on voluntary contributions of alumni fulfilling their individual Gold Leaf pledges of contributing \$100 in 10-20 years. Recognition is given to those contributing. The name "Gold Leaf" is in edification of the symbol of the Druids—the Oak Leaf—and is but a furtherance of such use as initiated in our chapter magazine and undergraduate mouthpiece and microphone to our alumni—The Oak Leaf magazine.

Further, depending on the success of this drive and other variable factors, we plan an addition to our present house. If the projected plan is effected, it will mean a new dining room on the first floor, four additional study rooms on the second floor, and additional space for sleeping in the dormitory of our house. With this arrangement the house will accommodate twenty-four to twenty-six brothers.

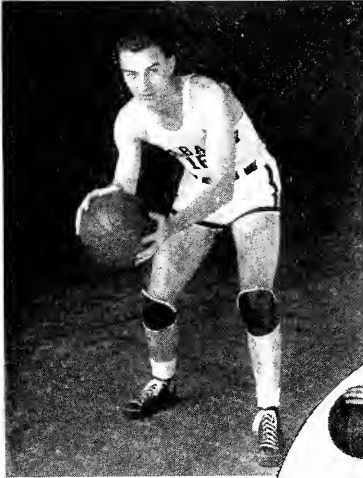
The Gettysburg Induction

"Arrangements for the affair were under the direction of E. Raymond Baublitz, president of Rho Deuteron Chapter. In a short talk, he thanked the nationals on the campus for their cooperation and aid prior to and following the acceptance of the Druids into Phi Sigma Kappa."—THE SIGNET, July 1925.

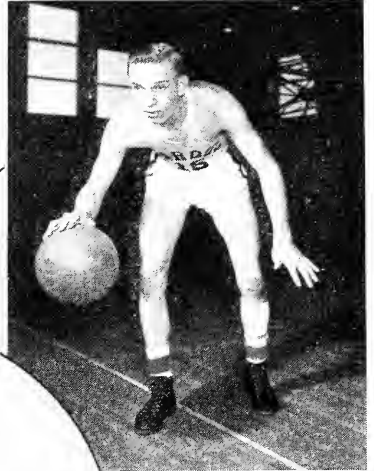
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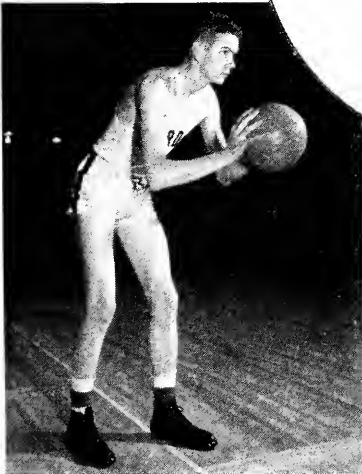
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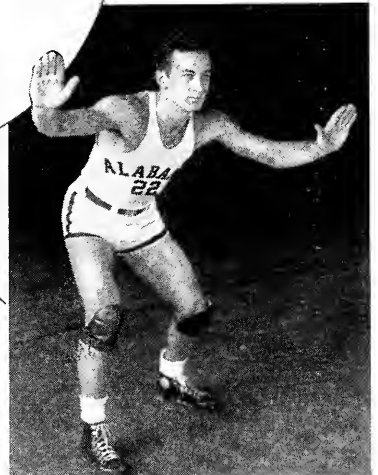
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Delta Triton
FORWARD-CAPTAIN



GEORGE KNAUFF
Epsilon Deuteron
CENTER



NORMAN R. SWARTS
Delta Triton
GUARD



BOB LA POLLA
Omicron Deuteron
GUARD



The President Speaks

I speak to you at a time when uncertainty prevails in the lives of all Americans. Never before has there been so much perplexity concerning our national welfare, and what to do about safeguarding our heritage.

We, in Phi Sigma Kappa, share this responsibility. We cannot sit back supinely and think we are unaffected by the happenings in the world about us.

Your course of action is plain. Be of serious purpose—endeavor to strengthen your Chapter by improving scholarship—by the securing of acceptable pledges—by insuring financial stability—and by cherishing the ideals so well set forth by our Founders. This is your obvious duty at all times. But, at this hour, it is a thousand times more essential that you strive for Chapter unity and Chapter strength and power.

I have been privileged to visit in the past five months almost one quarter of our chapters. I am proud of the determination and sincerity of purpose displayed by those with whom I have come in contact.

Undoubtedly a similar spirit prevails in all of our Chapters.

Let each of you have a firm resolution to prepare yourselves as best you can for any eventuality which may arise.

Your Chapter needs your enthusiasm and effort. I feel certain that you will not falter when there is so much to be accomplished.

JOHN H. MARCHMONT



PHI SIGMA KAPPA GUEST REGISTER

NAME	ADDRESS	CHAPTER	CLASS	COLLEGE
Walter Honigman	Chicago, Ill.	DECEMBER 21, 1940	'37	U. of Illinois
Curtis E. Wayne	Chicago, Ill.	Alpha Deuteron Alpha Tau Omega	'38	DePaul U.
Richard G. Novak	Riverside, Ill.	DECEMBER 23, 1940	'43	Knox College
Claude H. Weitz	Minneapolis, Minn.	DECEMBER 27, 1940	'41	U. of Minnesota
Robert A. Nelson	Cleveland, Ohio	Chi Deuteron	'33	U. of Illinois
William L. Coale	Indianapolis, Ind.	Alpha Deuteron	'33	U. of Illinois
Bob Ashley	Peoria, Ill.	Alpha Deuteron	'39	U. of Illinois
George W. Stark	Indianapolis, Ind.	Alpha Deuteron	'31	U. of Illinois
R. F. Schramm	New York, N. Y.	Alpha Deuteron	'33	U. of Illinois
Frank Fernholz	Chicago, Ill.	DECEMBER 31, 1940	'37	U. of Illinois
Franklin C. Palm	Berkeley, Calif.	JANUARY 3, 1941	Grad.	U. of Illinois
L. M. Gossett	Wilmette, Ill.	Alpha Deuteron	'21	U. of Illinois
Alf E. Nelson	Torrington, Conn.	JANUARY 4, 1941	'43	U. of Minnesota
Maxwell Anderson	Fountain City, Tenn.	Beta Deuteron	'28	U. of Alabama
Nelson Antrim Crawford	Topeka, Kansas	Omicron Deuteron Iota Deuteron	Hon.	Kansas State
William A. McIntyre	Wayne, Pa.	JANUARY 19, 1941	'04	U. of Pennsylvania
W. F. Ackerman	Chicago, Ill.	FEbruary 1, 1941	'42	Knox College
Stewart S. Howe	Evanston, Ill.	FEbruary 4, 1941	'35	U. of Illinois
Charles M. Eaton	Chicago, Ill.	Kappa Sigma	'27	Knox College
T. G. Richards	Chicago, Ill.	Beta Triton Beta Triton	'27	Knox College
Norman V. Benedict	E. Chicago, Ind.	FEbruary 5, 1941	'42	Purdue U.
John C. Shepherd	Chicago, Ill.	Delta Triton	'40	U. of Illinois
Emory Hultgren	Chicago, Ill.	Alpha Deuteron	'40	Northwestern
Gilbert Wascher	Chicago, Ill.	Alpha Deuteron	'40	U. of Illinois
Ralph J. Watts	Appleton, Wis.	FEbruary 13, 1941	'07	Massachusetts State



Don't be a Timothy Tacit

—when the gang begins to sing

This is Timothy Tacit '24—a grand boy—went out for sports—swell student—great party boy. But now, when the crowd begins to sing the old favorite Phi Sig songs, he feels awfully foolish. He just can't put the right words to the right music. All his life he's going to be that way—UNLESS!

Unless what? Unless someone puts these things down for him in a way that he can follow—even though he doesn't know a note. Well, we've done that! We've made a recording of six of our best known songs—all on a single, double-faced record.

Now, when the Light of Your Life says "Don't the Phi Sigs have any good songs?" you can slip out the old platter—slap it on the Vic and sit back in smug satisfaction—even though you can't sing a note.

FOR ONLY \$1.00 YOU CAN GET THIS RECORDING OF 6 PHI SIG SONGS

On one side are "Phi Sig Sweetheart Song," "Phi Sigma Kappa Sweetheart" and "Phi Sig Moonlight Girl"—all in waltz time. On the other, in march time, you get "The Old, Old Toast," Phi Sigma Kappa Fair," and "When the Phi Sigs Come Back Home." Clarence Fuhrman's KYW Rhythmairs furnish the music and the Wanderers Male Quartet the words.

Whether you're undergrad or alumnus you'll get a kick out of this record. But you'll have to move fast. There's only a limited supply.

Clip the coupon, pin it to a dollar bill and get it on its way today.



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CHAPTER INVISIBLE

Harris A. Robbins

THE SIGNET notes with regret the passing of Brother Harris A. Robbins, Kappa '01, of Brooklyn, on October 25, 1940, after a brief illness. He was a charter member of Kappa Chapter.

After receiving his engineering degree from Pennsylvania State College, Brother Robbins entered the employ of the Brooklyn Manhattan Transit Company as a substation operator and was later promoted to superintendent of power of the entire system, remaining in that post when the lines were taken over by the New York City Transit System last spring.

Brother Robbins was a member of the American Institute of Electrical Engineers, the American Society of Mechanical Engineers and the American Electric Railway Association.

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Arthur C. Jones

The national headquarters has received word of the sudden death of Brother Arthur C. Jones, Epsilon '05, at Vero Beach, Florida, in January.

Brother Jones' father was the Jones of Dow, Jones Company, owners of the Wall Street Journal and developers of the famous Dow-Jones theory on market movements.

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John Theodore Graff

THE SIGNET has just been advised of the death on March 18, 1940, of Brother John T. Graff, Gamma '00, at Washington, D. C.

Brother Graff was born in Washington 62 years ago. He started with the Western Electric Company in New York City in 1900 as a foreman on switchboard installations. In 1902 he became a special inspector for the Chesapeake and Potomac Telephone Com-

pany in Baltimore, and in 1913 became Division Plant Engineer of that company. During the World War he served in the Signal Corps of the U. S. Army, and was for a time the Captain of a company composed entirely of Chesapeake and Potomac men. He left the service as a major. In 1920 Brother Graff became Supervisor of Methods and in 1927 General Plant Supervisor at Washington, D. C. In 1929 he was elevated to the office of First Engineer of the Virginia company, which position he continued until he was made Assistant Vice President a few months before his death.

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William Lauer

THE SIGNET has received word of the death of Brother William Lauer, Gamma '00, which took place in New York City, June 24, 1940.

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Dr. Raymond Clinton Reed

Dr. Raymond Clinton Reed, Gamma '96, who was instructor in pathology and bacteriology in the Vet College from 1896 to 1901, died October 12, 1940. After several years in private practice as a veterinary in Elmira, he joined the faculty of the University of Delaware, later accepting a professorship at the University of Maryland, where he taught until retirement in 1938.

He is survived by his widow, Fannie J. Blauvelt, Cornell 1898.

MARRIAGES

The marriage of Miss Elizabeth Kuhn of Columbus, Ohio, and Brother Ernest McEvers, Alpha Deuteron '18, also of Columbus, took place on October 19, 1940, at Covington, Kentucky. After a trip to New Orleans the couple returned to Columbus, where they will make their home.

Mrs. McEvers formerly was associated with the Columbus public schools and Brother McEvers is affiliated with the traffic department of the Ohio Bell Telephone Company.

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The marriage of Miss Armana Brown and Brother Eldred Timson, Tau '37, took place on Saturday, February 1, 1941, at White River Junction, Vermont.

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Prescott E. Mead, Jr., Gamma '38, married Miss Clara Alden of Albany on October 26. Bill Kattrein, Gamma '41, and Ed Pesnel, Gamma '39, served as ushers.

Brother Mead is managing the Crossroads Inn near Albany.

The marriage of Kent L. Brown, Gamma '38, to Miss Betty C. Myers of Cleveland Heights, Ohio, took place June 26, 1940, at the home of the bride's parents.

Brother Brown, a former chapter rushing chairman and Cornell track man, is a student at the Medical College of the University of Buffalo. The bride, Cornell '37, was president of Delta Gamma.

Mr. and Mrs. Brown may be addressed at 40 Kent Street, Westfield, New York, from where mail is forwarded.

BABYGRAMS

Blessed in the bond, to Chenery (Alpha '25) and Mary Salmon, Bardwell, born December 10, 1940.

When and Where You Can Celebrate Founders' Day

BETA DEUTERON

March 7th, 6:30 p. m.
Covered Wagon
Speaker—D. R. Collins

BETA TRITON

March 15th
Chapter House
Speaker—Ralph J. Watts

DELTA TRITON and ALPHA DEUTERON

March 15th
Delta Triton Chapter House
Speaker—George W. Stark

CHI DEUTERON

March 15th
Chapter House
Speakers—C. Marc Miller
U. G. Whiffen

RHO DEUTERON

March 15th, 6:30 p. m.
Blue Parrot Tea Room
Speakers—Earl F. Schoening
Dr. S. W. Herman
Herbert L. Brown
Dr. Henry W. A. Hanson

LAMBDA DEUTERON

March 15th, 6:30 p. m.
Chapter House
Speaker—James Pollard

ETA DEUTERON

March 15th, 8:30 p. m.
El Cortez Hotel
Speaker—Franklin C. Palm

PHI

April 12th, 7:30 p. m.
The Chester Club, Chester, Pa.
Speaker—Herbert L. Brown

OMICRON and PHI SIGMA KAPPA CLUB OF BOSTON

March 15th, 6:00 p. m.
Chapter House

PHI SIGMA KAPPA CLUB OF CHICAGO

March 14th, 7:00 p. m.
Adventurers' Club, 14 N. Michigan
Speaker—Captain Nightingale

DELTA

March 15th, 6:00 p. m.
Chapter House
Speakers—John H. Marchmont
Hon. Matthew Mansfield Neely

Chapterettes



Editor's Note

As has been the custom since the May, 1940, issue of *THE SIGNET*, the editor plans to introduce the chapterette section with a full-page bleed cut. He will choose for his subject a picture which he believes has special merit and appropriateness for such a position whether the picture has been submitted to the editor for that purpose or whether it has been submitted generally with a chapterette, or for some other purpose in the magazine. The chapter whose picture has been chosen for that purpose in a particular issue will lead the chapterette section in that issue. The editor encourages chapters to submit pictures for the chapterette introductory page. If the picture is suitable and is not used in an issue immediately following its receipt, it will be used as soon as possible thereafter.

The picture used to introduce the chapterette section in this issue is that of Edgar A. Jones, Jr., Alpha Triton '42. Brother Jones is editor of the *Argus*, the college paper of Wesleyan University.

ALPHA TRITON Wesleyan University

By DAVID PECK, '42

The first semester of the school year was a successful one for the Alpha Triton Chapter of Phi Sig. The pledging of eleven freshmen started the ball rolling late in September. Fall sports then attracted the attention of the brothers, "Orkie" Kline rushing back and forth between the chem lab and the football field, Bob Bentley playing goalie on the soccer team, and Walt Schuyler and Dave Peck plodding along on the cross-country squad. Brother Art Aldrich managed the cross-country team, and Art Schuck was rewarded for hours of ball-chasing by receiving the soccer managership for next year. Meanwhile, Pledges Green, Gramley, Warner and Watts were winning their numerals on

the freshman soccer team. The Phi Sig touch football team had only a fair season with two victories, two defeats, and a tie.

In December, after the Thanksgiving Vacation, Alpha Triton initiated eleven pledges in a ceremony made especially impressive by the presence of President John Marchmont and Regional Director George Rupert. As usual, the initiation banquet which followed was one of the big events of the year. The new brothers are Tom Fizzolio, '41, and Ed LeClair, Bill Gramley, Al Green, Don Haight, Aus Hodge, Al Jenkins, Fred Lorenson, George McNear, Ben Morgan and Lew Warner of the Class of 1944.

As the wrestling season approached, Brothers Kline, Schuyler, Dayton and Tillmanns began to get in condition for this sport in which so many Wesleyan Phi Sigs have starred. Harry Detjen and Bob Jacobs reported for basketball scrimmage. Brothers Haight and Jenkins are now fighting for positions on the freshman wrestling team, while Brother Gramley is making quite a splash as a member of the frosh swimming team. In line with Alpha Triton's flair for managing sports, Ted Jones is competing for the basketball managership, Fred Mears, swimming, Walt Schuyler, wrestling, and Bill Davenport, the intramural sports managership. The runner-up for the championship last year, the Phi Sig basketball team has at present won five games and lost only one. The first team is composed of Brothers Wieners, Bentley, Davenport, Jones and Lorenson.

But Alpha Triton is really proud of the part played by members of the fraternity on the *Argus*, the college paper. For the first time in the history of the school, the editor and the business manager of the *Argus* are in the same fraternity—Phi Sigma Kappa. In receiving the editorship after two years of hard

work, Brother Ted Jones has achieved the main ambition of his college career. Brother Fred Mears is certain to do a capable job as business manager, and is well qualified to assume the heavy responsibilities of that position. Also associated with the *Argus* are Walt Schuyler on the Senior Business Board and



FRED MEARS
Business Manager,
Wesleyan Argus

George Morton on the Junior Editorial Board. Four of the freshmen are at present trying out for positions on the *Argus*, Jenkins, Morgan and Warner for the editorial board and Lorenson for the business board.

Phi Sig is represented on the *Olla Podrida*, the college year book, by Dave Peck and Art Schuck, who are both members of

the Senior Editorial Board. Brother Jim Fizzolio, who received Phi Beta Kappa last fall, is the business manager of the *Cardinal*, the college magazine, to which "Orkie" Kline is a contributor. Singing in the Wesleyan Glee Club this year are four Phi Sigs: Brothers Durgin, Dayton, McNear and Lorenson. House President Charlie Essig and Bill Preston spent most of their time this fall adding up flying hours for the C. A. A. course offered to college students.

With exams and winter house parties out of the way, Alpha Triton is now ready to start the second semester.

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Swarthmore College

Phi Chapter is starting on an active campaign to help the freshmen brothers become oriented in college and fraternity

life. At the request of the freshmen, a committee has been formed to lead discussions in the fraternity, social, athletic, and general college activities. Dancing classes are being organized, with the help of several co-eds, to add to the social poise of the chapter as a whole. While these discussions and classes are mainly for the benefit of the freshmen brothers, they are open to all the brotherhood interested.

In an effort to improve the ease of running meetings, a steering committee has been formed in Phi Chapter. All business involving financial expenditures must be brought before this committee before it can receive any action from the chapter. This is in an effort to reduce the unnecessary haggling in meetings.

Since the last Phi Chapterette, officers have been elected for the first quarter. Brother Bob Cahall, '41, is the new president, with Bob Barto, '41, acting as vice president. Brother Don Pelz, '42, is filling the office of secretary, and Brother Bill Erdman, '43, filling the post of treasurer. Brother Blair Luckie, '42, is the new rush chairman.

Brother Pelz has moved up to the position of Managing Editor on the *Phoenix*, the college weekly publication, and Brother John Thomson, '43, has become a junior editor. Brother Bob Zipfel has climbed into Brother Chuck Candedy's shoes as business manager and Brother Bob Reitingner, '43, is following along as assistant business manager. Brother Ted Goodman, '43, has been appointed photographer for the *College News Bureau*, the student publicity agency.

Brother Frank Erdman, '41, a senior engineer who was last spring elected to Sigma Tau, the Honorary Engineering Society, has been elected to Sigma Xi, the Honorary Scientific Society. He is the only engineer to receive the honor this year.

The *Phi-Loso-Phi*, official publication

of the Phi Chapter, is under way and will be out in time for the annual chapter banquet, which is being held the first or second week in April. Brother John Thomson is acting as editor. The *Phi-Loso-Phi* is the oldest of the chapter publications of Phi Sigma Kappa to appear in a printed form.

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BETA

Union College

INITIATES

Beta has been fortunate this year to initiate eight men whom we expect to number among our most valuable chapter members. Each of them has shown evidence of becoming true fraternity men and of living up to the promise we saw in them as pledges. Three men were initiated at a special ceremony held on October 10th, while the remaining five became members at the regular December initiation.

The three pledges who became brothers in October were all upperclassmen. Among them was Richard Frederick Hoffman '43, of Baltimore, Maryland. One of our three Baltimore Polytechnic alumni, Dick has had consistently a better-than-Dean's-list average, ranking near the top of his class. He was a member of the Freshman football squad last year, and this year he was one of the few sophomores to receive an "aUa" award for varsity football. Dick is a candidate for a Civil Engineering degree and is known around Union's Phi Sig house for his gentle southern drawl.

Another of our three early initiates was Thomas Louis Parsons '42, of Leonia, New Jersey. "Pat," as he is invariably hailed throughout the school, is another ex-Frosh footballer. After he had captained the Phi Sig intramural team through its season, Pat went back to the varsity squad for its last few games Soci-

Pat is one of the men Beta will look to for much support during his last year and a half in college.

Robert Landis Shepherd '43, third of our October initiation class, and another of our Baltimore Polytechnic alumni, still calls Baltimore his home town. "Shep" is probably the chief cause for the nickname "Baltimore Pep Boys," by which he and Brothers Hoffman and Leland have come to be known. His unceasing energy has earned him a lot of sincere respect in the house and in the college and it kept him in the first ten in his class throughout most of last year. He was one of three sophomores to get a "Block U" for cross-country, and is a member of the "Christian Association."

Leading off in our December initiation group was Joseph Atkinson Heaney '42, of Kingston, New York. Joe's pride and joy are the Union Mountebanks, college dramatic organization, with whom he appears regularly. Joe is a candidate for a Bachelor of Arts degree and is a welcome addition to our chapter group.

First of our four freshman initiates was Warren Eugene Hoffman '44, from Buffalo, New York. Warren joins Brother Davison of the "B. S. in Chemistry" gang, and by now we suspect that he is a familiar figure in the Chemistry lab. Warren is an active member of the campus Christian Association.

From Swarthmore, Pennsylvania, Beta has welcomed James Edgar Smith, II, '44, one-handed bridge expert and frosh cross-country man. Jim is a mathematics major and a new-comer to the house bowling squad, and is out for the college Mountebanks Glee Club.

Warren Elmer Burnham '44, from across the Mowhawk in Scotia, arrived first at the Phi Sig house via motorcycle, and has continued to do so, via motorcycle throughout the year without fail—well, almost without fail. He joins

gade and joins a number of Phi Sigs in the division of engineering.

Edward Latting Johnson '44, of Schenectady, promises to keep the boys on their toes in parliamentary procedure, and has already joined the house's Dean's list men. His father, Theophilus Johnson, a Phi Sig from Theta '17, has been a welcome addition to the house fathers; just as Ed has made a welcome addition to its active members. Ed is a prospective member of the "Concordiensis" (Union's newspaper) staff.

INTRAMURALS

Beta Chapter initiated the fall sports calendar with a glorious campaign in touch football. With talented line and backfield action, accuracy and progress were the watchwords; and a very favorable season was the reward of the endeavor of our boys.

Among the veterans back, reporting for action, were Parsons, Green, Leland, Albright, Davison and Branch, while Burnham, W. Hoffman, Shepherd and Glenn proved worthy newcomers.

In the 21-0 defeat of Sigma Phi, our offense, led by Parsons and Glenn, proved an overwhelming obstacle to the opposition. Likewise Delta Phi and South College fell victims to the flashing Phi Sig attack.

The fall campaign ended with a defeat in the semi-finals, but the season was definitely a successful one.

The Phi Sig basketball quintet has thus far won laurels and praise in the ranks of the undefeated.

With Glenn, Parsons, Davison, Dake and Branch composing the first team, and Smith, Albright, R. Hoffman and H. Hoffman as able substitutes, the team has come through two games victoriously.

Glenn, Davison and Parsons starred in the first contest with a 19-18 defeat of Sigma Phi. Our further practice and better playing were displayed in the second game of the season, however, when

a dazzling Phi Sig attack left the bewildered Theta Delta Chi's on the short end of a 28-12 score.

From the early results the team has thus far shown, we can be quite certain of bigger and better results in the coming games.

The bowling team is yet in the warming up stage and our first contest will be held in mid-January.

Although we have lost two of our best bowlers, we have a group of men who can maintain a steady and progressively better average.

Our hopefuls are Glenn, Parsons, Dake, Green, Loomis, Burnham, and Smith, and new talent is being discovered at every practice.

While the intramural season is yet only half over, we can truly say that we have able athletes and good records in all sports in which we have participated. We hope that 1941 will be as good a year in intramurals as 1940 has been.

BETA ON THE CAMPUS

As in previous years, Beta has its representatives in a goodly number of campus activities. Phi Sigs this year have established a firm position in many campus undertakings, and look forward to even greater influence on the Union campus in the future.

Dick Hoffman and "Pat" Parsons represented the house on the varsity football squad, with Dick receiving an "aUa". Warren Burnham was out for freshman football.

Bob Shepherd won "Block U" award for varsity cross-country, while Bernard O'Neill, rivalling the team's co-captain for the second spot in the team ranking, spent most of the season on the sidelines with a bad ankle. Jim Smith participated in all the freshman team's meets.

Two freshmen, Warren Burnham and Ed Johnson, represent the house on Union's newly organized fencing team. Ben Leland is out for the hockey team.

George Loomis and Bernie O'Neill

will represent the house on the ski team. They, with Granger Tripp, are also members of the Outing Club, of which Brother Frederick A. Wyatt, Beta '32, is faculty adviser.

Don Green and George Loomis are members of the Radio Workshop, of which Granger Tripp is secretary. Brother Tripp presents a weekly program of college news to a Latin American audience via short-wave.

Beta's representation on the *Concordensis*, Union's campus newspaper, has continued its successful participation, which received its impetus last year. Brothers Tripp, O'Connor and Dake are on the sophomore board, while Brother Johnson is among the freshmen on the staff.

Union's engineering organizations number four Phi Sigs in their memberships, Brothers Leland and Hoffman being in the American Society of Civil Engineers while Brothers Shepherd and O'Neill are in the American Institute of Electrical Engineering. Brother Leland is on the program committee of the former group.

Brother Joe Heaney had a leading role in the most recent production of the "Mountebanks," the college dramatic group, and Brother Bob Dake has a part in their next production, with Brother Heaney returning for another performance. Jim Smith is understudying two of the roles in this play.

This year the voices of Brothers Jones, Dake and Smith will blend with those of the college Glee Club.

Our two "B. S. in Chem," Brothers Warren Hoffman and Bob Davison, are both active members of the Chemistry Club. Brother Hoffman is also a member of the college Christian Association, as is Brother Shepherd.

Brothers Shepherd and Tripp were both elected to this year's student council, governing body of the student government. Brother Tripp is executive sec-

retary of the Student Committee for Democracy, while Brother Leland acts as chairman of that group's decorations committee.

Phi Sigma Kappa is represented this year on the Inter-Fraternity Council by Brother Wesley Albright and on the Community Chest committee by Brother Granger Tripp.

Ben Leland has this year been the chief organizer and president of the Railroad Club.

DEAN'S LIST

Beta lost some of its consistent Dean's list men last year, but from present indications, there are enough of the new members to carry the torch throughout this year. Among the juniors, Brothers Davison, Leland and O'Neil have kept their places in the select group, while the sophomores list Brothers Shepherd, Hoffman and Tripp in the upper strata, and Brother Johnson of the freshman class has received the honor for the first time.

ELECTIONS

Beta's midyear elections brought an almost entirely new group of men into office. These men, selected from the most energetic and active group in the house, give promise of being one of the best executive bodies to administrate the house. Unhampered by old precedents, this group of men have lots of new ideas and viewpoints, which they have promised to use with faithfulness and energy.

Our new head of the house is Benjamin Towne Leland, of Bridgeport, Connecticut. A promising civil engineer, Ben has been active in class affairs on the Union campus. Vice-president is Thomas Louis "Pat" Parsons, popular social studies man from Leonia, New Jersey. "Pat" was captain of Beta's intramural football team, later a member of the varsity squad, and has been active in house social affairs. George Williston Loomis of Washington, D. C., sophomore language and literature man, was named secretary. George is a member of

the house bowling team. Robert Wilder "Scotty" Davison, of Providence, R. I., candidate for Bachelor of Science degree in Chemistry, was re-elected treasurer. "Bob" has been a house basketball star for the past three years. Richard Frederick "Dick" Hoffman, Baltimore engineer, is the new house sentinel. Dick is a varsity football player and intramural baseball man. Robert Avard "Bob" Duke, of Saratoga, is the new inductor. "Bob" is in the social studies division, a member of the house bowling team, and a member of the glee club.

WOMEN'S AUXILIARY

Beta is proud and fortunate to be able to announce the formation of a Women's Auxiliary group among the wives of some of its Schenectady alumni. Mrs. Frederic A. Wyatt, Mrs. Douglass C. Todd, Mrs. Arlan T. St. Louis, Mrs. Reuben Head and Mrs. Harry Cregier have taken over the leadership of this group. They plan a covered dish supper for February 18th at the chapter house.

Beta has long felt the need of the organized assistance of such an able group and will be sincerely grateful for its existence.

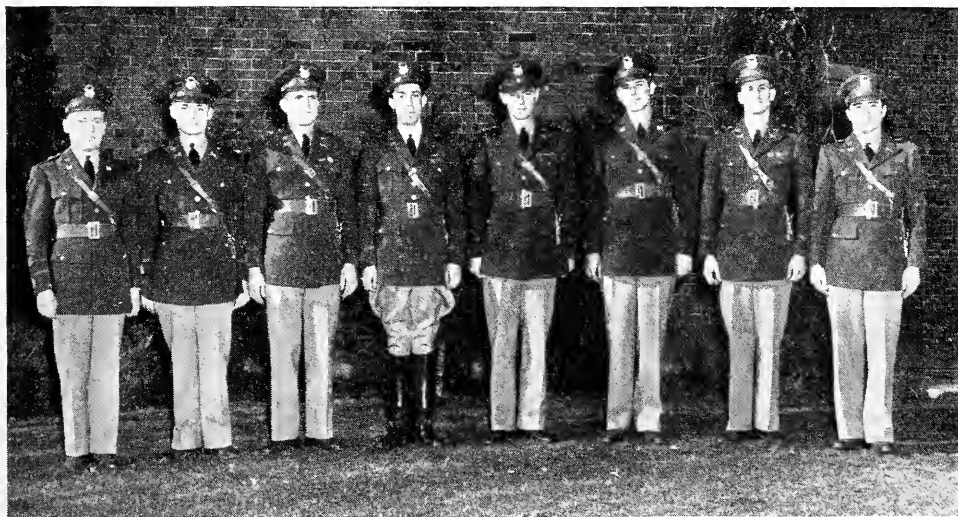
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CHI DEUTERON

Washington State

By BOB WILKINSON and CHUCK VOTAW

Since the last issue of THE SIGNET, Chi Deuteron Phi Sigs who have acquired spotlight positions have been: Bill Dale, star quarter miler; elected vice-president of the Associated Engineers; Phil Wainscott, Chi D. Prexy, who was selected to represent Washington State College in Who's Who Among American Colleges and Universities; Pledge George Miller, who was elected reporter of the Agriculture Engineers, and Brother Bill Wooten, who was elected vice-president of the Game Management Club; new Pledge Gerald Weitz is Night Editor of our tri-weekly paper, *The Evergreen*.



SENIOR R. O. T. C. UNIT CADET OFFICERS

From left to right: Housemanager Earl Cochran, a junior and cadet 2nd. lieutenant in the Engineer Battalion; Bob Wilkinson, junior and a cadet 2nd. lieutenant in the Infantry; Chi D. president Phil Wainscott, cadet captain and a senior; Al Edes, cadet lieutenant-colonel and regimental executive officer; Tom Meenach, cadet captain; Bob Boyer, 2nd. lieutenant in the R. O. T. C. Engineer Battalion; Larry Neace, a cadet 1st. lieutenant; and Jim Symbol, cadet 1st. lieutenant. Wainscott, Edes, and Meenach are members of Scabbard and Blade, senior advanced military honorary.

Our pledging this year has broken previous records. We have added to our list of twenty, four more men since the last edition of *THE SIGNET*. They are: George Miller, George Hutcheck, Jim Fredrickson and Gerald Weitz. With the coming of the new semester we should have several more good men who will carry us through the school year in fine shape.

Our Basketball Conference is really close this year, and with Brother Frank Akins carrying out a tough guard assignment, Washington State should be one of the leading contenders.

Our most important social event of the year, the Founders Day formal, will be held on March 15 at Strupplers Ballroom. Music for dinner and dancing will be furnished by Johnny Harris' band in which the Phi Sigs are represented by Brother Tiny Endsley. Our social calendar will be rounded out for the rest of the semester by a full program of after-dinner dances, firesides, and exchange dinners.

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KAPPA

Penn State

By C. PHILIP MOORE, JR., '43

Kappa Chapter returned from its between semester vacation to set sail into the last semester of the 1940-41 school year, after increasing its scholastic record for the third straight semester. The seniors of the chapter led the latest Kappa advance, followed closely by the freshmen, sophomores, and juniors in that order. Brother B. Boyd Harrington, Jr., '41, had the highest average in the house. The freshmen were led by pledge John H. Germain, the sophomores by Brother Ellwood R. Hendrickson, and the juniors by Brother J. Kimber Grimm, Jr.

The end of the first semester found Brother Carl King and Brother John T. Kendall graduating. Brother Kendall, a second lieutenant in the United States

Reserve Corps, has secured admission into the regular army and is now at Fort Benning, Georgia. Brother King, who has no position as yet, is seeking work in sales and is considering trying for entrance into the United States Army Air Corps. Pledge Harry A. Browne, Jr., '42, has moved into the house to fill the vacancy left by graduation.

On December 12, 1940, Kappa initiated three new brothers. The new brothers were James E. Hartman, '42, F. Lloyd Convers, '43, and C. Philip Moore, Jr., '43. Another initiation will be held in the latter part of February to initiate all pledges who have met the requirements for initiation.

There have been many improvements made on the house in the last several weeks, the largest being the addition of a large new game room in the basement of the house. This room, which has just been completed, is finished in natural knotty pine with a sound-proof composition ceiling, tile floor and indirect lighting. The entire house is proud of the new addition which was the idea of the chapter treasurer, Brother B. Boyd Harrington, Jr.

Brother William C. "Bill" Jeffry, Penn State's soccer coaching genius, has just completed his eighth consecutive season without defeat, during which time his teams have run up a string of 61 games without a loss. For the second consecutive year, Penn State shared the intercollegiate soccer championship with Princeton.

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LAMBDA CHAPTER

George Washington University

By LEE MORAN and SAM VON KUMMER

Probably no one cares what Joe College did at G. W. or how the chapter is progressing but the National Chapter asked for it and we all like to see our names in print, so here goes nothin'.

During late September and early Octo-

ber, the weeks were crammed with parties and dances as the chapter enjoyed one of its most successful rushing seasons. When the whirlwind of rush parties, which left the actives as well as the rushees dizzy, had subsided, Phi Sig pledged more than 25 of the choicest rushmen on the campus.

During the last week in October, three new names were added to the active roster when Jim O'Brien, Dick Johnston and Murdaugh Madden were initiated after a short-but-snappy Hell week. The new initiates, together with the Jack-O'-Lanterns and Witches were guests of honor at a fancy-dress Hallowe'en Dance.

One of the standouts in the professional football world was Lambda's contribution, Brother Bob Nowaskey, star end on the World Champaion Chicago Bears. Brother Nowaskey, who starred for three seasons on George Washington's grid squad, consistently played good ball during the regular campaign, and starred in the title game played here in Washington, when the Bears white-washed the Redskins, 73-0.

Other alumni of whom Lambda is especially proud are Brothers Jack Butterworth, Art Zahn and Hal Kiesel. All three were picked by John Busick, who has observed George Washington's basketball team during the past decade, to be on the Colonials' All Star basketball team. It is during this period that George Washington's basketball teams have enjoyed consistent success, ranking each year with the top teams in the East.

During the past few months, several of Lambda's actives have entered the service of our country and others have become subject to early calls to the colors.

Among those who have gone on active duty in the Army are Brothers Jack Ellis, Jim Thomas, and Hugh Allen. Brothers Mal Oliver, Roger Power, and Warren Martin have gone on active duty with the Marine Corps. In addition,

for a commission in the Army Air Corps and Brother John Boyd, who has just completed the C.A.A. flying course given at the University, is endeavoring to follow the same course.

Lambda is by no means showing any favoritism toward the land forces and several Lambdamen have signified an intention of trying for commissions in the Navy. They are Brother Al Payne and Pledge Jack Lowentrout.

Several other Lambdamen are subject to call in the near future under the luck of the draw in the draft. Among those who will probably be privates in Uncle Sam's Army in a short time are Brothers Mike Dinneen, Dave "Yard Bird" Bearer, Ed Terrell, Lee Moran, Sam von Kummer, and Bob Spiller, an alumnus of Alpha Chapter.

Continuing its effort to maintain its splendid record in interfraternity competition during which the Phi Sigs have won more cups than all the rest of the fraternities on the campus combined, Lambda has already taken one cup during the present school year.

Captained by Brother Ernie Sandoval, the Phi Sig tennis squad which was molded around the Stehman brothers, Floyd and Harold, swept all competition aside in annexing the net title for the second consecutive year. Rounding out the championship squad were Brothers Hugh Horton and Sam von Kummer.

In the only other interfraternity events conducted during the first semester, the Phi Sigs enjoyed little success. The basketball team finished second in its division and the golf team placed fourth in the one-day tourney.

The outlook in interfraternity sports for Lambda during the second semester is bright. The pingpong team was off to a good start and the bowling team was expected to round into shape in a short time. When the springtime comes back, the Phi Sigs are expected to put one of

history on the field and should stand an excellent chance of capturing that title.

Officers, who were elected in December and are now serving the chapter, are: Jack Bradley, president; Carl Bauersfeld, vice-president; Bob Iliff, secretary; Sam von Kummer, treasurer; Al Beardsley, pledgemaster; and Dick Thompson, sentinel.

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DELTA TRITON

Purdue University

By C. S. CLARK

Delta Triton Chapter greets the spring semester bolstered by the knowledge of a fine record in pledging, in activities and in scholarship. At the present writing our chapter boasts a stellar group of eleven pledges, one and all of whom are readying themselves for their part in the life of the active chapter. Of the following group, seven will be initiated in March, following Fraternity Week observances.

Edwin L. Karpick aspires to become an Electrical Engineer, is on the squash team and comes to us from the U. S. Navy; Ted Lazarz, enrolled in the Trade and Industrial Education School, confines his activities to the Pi Beta Phi house; Howard J. Willhoyt is studying Chemical Engineering and works out with the Fencing squad; Allen J. Buckreus is a Mechanical Engineer; John Slocum, an Agriculture student, is out for a position on the Student Union Board; Bruce C. Johnson, of the School of Agriculture, plays with Irv Given's fine campus band; Harry A. Weber, enrolled in Electrical Engineering, is in Purdue's Military Band. David W. Shook studies Agriculture and hopes for a position on the staff of the *Purdue Agriculturist*; Richard L. Morgan is enrolled in the Forestry Department this January and awaits the callout for Freshman Baseball Manager; George H. Kimball is in the

Mechanical Engineering School and is a member of Scrivener Club; John G. Hayes is an Agriculture student and is out for boxing.

Social activities for the fall semester included a pledge dance held in the Purdue Memorial Union Building which was attended by over 250 more or less joy-mad couples. In addition to this we had fun at two radio dances spaced at the proper intervals to relieve the monotony of books and term papers.

The following active members of Delta Triton distinguished themselves on the campus during the semester just completed: Brother Bob Igney added to his laurels as captain of Purdue's Big Ten Conference basketball team by gaining the coveted rating of Distinguished Student, upon the basis of his last semester's work on the books. Also rated Distinguished was Brother Chester Reigle, who continues as president of the Scrivener's Club, campus literary organization. Brother "Dusty" Swarts is one of Brother Igney's teammates on the basketball court.

Brother Dick Kratzer is in the midst of a successful season with the swimming team. This year Dick has broken his own records in the Purdue pool and last week set a new pool record at Michigan State College. He swims 200 meter free style and on the medley relay team. Brother Dave Adams has removed his academic deficiencies and is again with the track squad.

Brother Jud Dillon has made considerable success with his work in the military department, entering his junior year in advanced training at the top of his class. He is a member of Scabbard and Blade and the Purdue Order of Military Merit. We of the chapter feel that Brother Dillon's work with the Military Ball Committee had a great deal to do with the success of that dance which fea-

tured the bands of Charley Barnet and Gus Arnheim.

Brother Floyd Kelsey this year writes the last pages in a book which we feel is as fine as any record in school and activities yet compiled in the chapter. Five times elected to the presidency of the chapter, president of Xi Sigma Pi, forestry honorary, vice-president of the Forestry Club, Forester's Ball Committee and Distinguished Student. Also enrolled in advanced Military and working for part of his expenses during the last year, Brother Kelsey has been blessed with success in his every activity.

Brother Gib Kegerreis succumbed to dreams of wedded bliss during Christmas recess when, ably assisted by Brother Elkin as best man and a delegation of the brothers, he took in matrimony the hand of Martha Whitehead, Delta Gamma. Now he has two cars to trade in on that Chevy he wants to buy!

Plans for the coming semester include observance of Founders' Day in conjunction with Alpha Deuteron here at the house, a spring formal, trade dinners with Delta Gamma and Phi Mu, more of those radio dances, and several visits from Brother Stark, our regional director. Our only hope is that Brother Stark brings with him some more luck for Purdue's teams. At the last basketball game he attended, Brother Igney and assembled forces were victorious over George's alma mater, Illinois, by the score of 29 to 46!

To lend leadership to the chapter in the coming quarter, the active chapter assembled in solemn conclave and pulled names of the following officers out of the hat (and we really are kidding): Brother John Huffman, President; Brother George Huffman, House Manager; Brother Norman Swarts, Treasurer; Brother Irving Overmyer, Sentinel; Brother George Freck, Secretary; and Brother Charles Clark, Inductor.

EPSILON DEUTERON Worcester Polytechnic Institute

With the close of classes for the mid-year recess, Epsilon Deuteron can look with pride upon the excellent showing of the chapter in the activities on the campus of Worcester Tech. The Interfraternity Sports competition found Epsilon out in the lead, and the brothers are out to keep that lead.

A great deal of credit is due the House relay team, for they won a first place, and another cup to terminate a thrilling season. A first place tie between Phi Sigma Kappa and Lambda Chi Alpha was the result of the scheduled races, so a run-off was held. The inspired running of Brothers Pete Messer, Charlie Powell, and Bob Grant and Freshman Pledge Gordy Sherman put the team in the lead from start to finish, and so to victory.

The House basketball team also did quite well in the Interfraternity loop by ending up in a third place tie. Again the Freshman pledges were active with Gordy Sherman and Don Buser displaying good teamwork with such veterans as Brothers Don Smith, league high-scorer, Tweet Berggren, Hoot Hinman, Ted Pierson, and Dick North.

At the recent elections, Brother Steve Hopkins was elected President, Charlie Powell is Vice-President, George Knauff is Treasurer, George Barber is Inductor, and Bailey Norton is the new Sentinel, with Dick North as Secretary.

Varsity sports are full of Epsilon Deuteron influence for Bob Wilson, regular,



STEVE HOPKINS
President, Epsilon
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and Bob Grant and Pete Messer, alternates, help make up the Tech relay team which already has one victory to its credit this season in the Boston Knights of Columbus Track Competition. A look at the roll of the college basketball team finds George Knauff playing excellent basketball at center. Pledge Warren Harding is also a member of the varsity as a forward. On the Jayvee team Pledge Allan Jones and Howie Swenson are the team's high-scorers at center and forward respectively, and Pledge Jim Donahue is a dependable reserve.

There has been a great deal of interest among the brothers in the fine art of skiing during the past winter. Charlie Powell is a Class C skier after having breezed through the tests in fine fashion. Frequent weekend trips were made to the nearby Mount Wachusett ski trails and slopes, as well as to more northerly points in Vermont and New Hampshire. In fact at times during the winter the house seemed to be more like an army ski patrol barrack, with the smell of ski wax, harness oil, and the clumping of ski boots filling the house and annex.

Epsilon Deuteron extends her greetings to other Phi Sig chapters everywhere, and welcomes visitors at all times to the campus of Worcester Tech and the chapter house.

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BETA DEUTERON

University of Minnesota

By ALF NELSON

From the Atlantic coast to the Pacific coast have come students to enjoy the fellowship of Phi Sigma Kappa in the Twin Cities. Among the distant states represented at Minnesota's Beta Deuteron Chapter are Washington, Montana, Connecticut, and Massachusetts, while one member comes all the way from Italy.

With half of the winter quarter already gone, we Phi Sigs can congratulate our-

selves with our rushing program, which was carried on according to the rules set up by the Interfraternity Council of the University. Our pledge class now numbers thirteen members, who are fast becoming learned Phi Sigs under the able tutelage of Pledgemaster Guy Renzaglia. Guy is a graduate of George Washington University, where he was a member of the varsity football team. He is now taking graduate work here at Minnesota.

In addition to many smokers and record parties held during the fall quarter, the annual Klondike Party was successfully managed. This quarter, our program of rushing smokers, pledge parties, and house dances has been happily carried out. Bert Baston, our All-American contribution to the famed Golden Gopher football coaching staff, was among the many alumni who have assisted us in our rushing campaign.

Our two most eagerly awaited functions of the school year will soon be at hand. The traditional Blue Party, which is scheduled for March 1st in the Italian Room of the Hotel Radisson, will be a formal dinner dance, appropriately carried out in a blue theme. Soon after the Blue Party will be the Annual Founders' Day Banquet, to be held March 7th at the Covered Wagon.

In the scholastic field, the chapter has shown considerable improvement. The pledges have instituted a plan whereby the pledge receiving the highest scholastic rating for the past quarter will have his name engraved upon a bronze plaque, which will be kept at the chapter house.

Our men have been accepted into such honorary societies and fraternities as Xi Sigma Pi, Alpha Zeta, Phoenix, Phalanx, Phi Delta Kappa, Alpha Sigma Pi, and Phi Alpha Theta.

Athletically, Beta Deuteron is taking part in a vigorous program. We were represented by strong teams in touchball and volleyball during the fall quarter. The Phi Sig basketball team, anxious to

follow in the footsteps of our highly successful team last year, is doing very well. It is now entering the quarter-finals of the Interfraternity league competition. Among last year's veterans of the cage quintet are: Jack Smith, Gene Taylor, Alf Nelson, and Larry Elsenpeter. The new members of the squad are Guy Renzaglia and Al Lamarre.

The new roster of officers of Beta Deuteron is: Charles Sanborn, President; Eugene Taylor, Vice-President; Alf Nelson, Secretary; Richard Navickas, Treasurer; John Smith, Sentinel; Lawrence Elsenpeter, Inductor.

And now with the chapter working much more smoothly than it has for several years past, we are looking forward to even greater success for the spring quarter, which begins March 31st.

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BETA TRITON

Knox College

By DOUGLASS DAILEY '43

Beta Triton of Phi Sigma Kappa held their annual winter formal at the Custer Hotel Ballroom. This year's formal was a dinner dance. The alums were well represented by Woody Baker (President of the Beta Triton Alumni Corporation), Chuck Eaton, Bill Hinckley, Bob Padcock, Ken Stroker, and others. Stan Stanley furnished the music for what everyone considered a swell dance.

Exams are just over as is the semester. Though the fraternity indices aren't out yet, the chapter made a very good average, as it did last time.

We are not mentioning how we are doing in intramural basketball except that our "Busy" B team remains undefeated. (P. S.—The team hasn't played a game yet.)

Pledge Irobe and Brother Novak have gone out for the newly formed Knox Wrestling Team which expects its first match in the spring.

George, our new mascot. A very small combination terrier and bulldog, George (eight weeks old) has a ferocious growl, chews anything on sight, and haunts the kitchen.

Recently Brother Wilkinson has moved out of Seymour Hall into the house. Now we'll get the full benefit of that personality smile.

Brothers McKinstry, Jones, and Prexy Ackerman are the latest victims of the pin-hanging racket.

During the short vacation between semesters, all but five of the brothers living in the house went home. A considerable time was had by those who stayed.

Three of our twenty-one year olds (and over) may be in the army next summer on account of the draft. Jerry Kearnes Dick Novak, and Pete Harville are the ones who have been called and are on the deferred list.

There are big plans for a Founders' Day Banquet here March 15th. We hope to have Ralph Watts, Director at Large, come down for the day.

April 25th is the date for our spring formal. We plan a big dance just as successful as our last formal.

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OMEGA DEUTERON

Southern California

By JOSEPH B. COMSTOCK, JR.

Flash! Joe Dolan breaks 80 in golf! Believe us, Brothers, this *is* news.

Here at the University of Southern California there has just been established a branch of the Naval Reserve Officers Training Corps. Six of these neat uniforms are filled by Phi Sigs. The fellows are Barney Coleman, Joe Dolan, Don Douglas, Claude Ogle, Howard Thorsen, and Vic Wise. Ogle and Douglas leave within two months for the Training Field at Pensacola, Florida.

Joe Reising and Johnny Luber are seeing lots of action on the Varsity Basket-

adept at taking them off the back-board, while Johnny is one of the strongest guards on the coast. Virgil Fornas and Ralph "two-point pledge" Foster star on the Frosh Basketball team.

House elections left Bill Wickett House President. Bill's well-grounded knowledge of House rules and regulations and his ever-manifested regard for the fraternity unanimously elected him to the office. Other election results are Tom Taylor, Vice-President; Joe Comstock, Secretary; Joe Reising, House Manager; Murray Roberts, Inductor; Art LaLonde, Sentinel.

Howard Thoreson and Art LaLonde are among those who recently brought prestige to the chapter. Howard was elected President of the Lutheran Club, and Art, President of Sigma Beta Chi, professional Trade and Transportation Society.

Phi Sig had a distinctive honor on the campus last semester. Our Pledge Class was voted the outstanding Pledge Class at S. C. It was so chosen by the sororities, the bases of selection being sociability, character, and scholarship. This Pledge Class had the highest scholarship average on the campus. "V. H." Holland and Art LaLonde deserve credit for their "fostering" traits as Pledge Masters and for Art's charts.

Mrs. William Becker is the President of the Mothers' Club this year. Too much cannot be said in appreciation of our "Mas" for their interest and hard work for the Chapter. When we moved into our new House this past fall the Mothers made curtains, bought furniture, rugs and Venetian blinds. They have given benefit Bridge Parties and are sponsoring a Father and Son Dinner this month. Their activities have given them a rating among the three top Mothers' Clubs on the campus. They are strongly represented in the Interfraternity Mothers' Club, of which Mrs. Joseph Comstock is the Vice-President.

As for alumni news items—Homer Merchant '28, has just been promoted to western sales manager of the United Air Lines. Paul Jones, the House Adviser, has just opened new law offices in Los Angeles. Dick Smith '40, married his classmate, Helen Johnson. Bill Fortney '40, took the vows with the home town girl friend of Storm Lake, Iowa. Joe Comstock, Sr., Tau '15, has at last arrived! He is the proud owner of a combination radio and record-player. Dr. Franklin Palm, the new Regional Vice-President, visited the Chapter the other evening. It is suspected that his Summer Session course in International Relations will be strongly attended by Phi Sigs, providing they can get seats.

In conclusion, Omega Deuteron feels that it is steadily progressing and solidifying its position on the U.S.C. campus. Its morale is high, its alumni are interested, its new House a big improvement over its former quarters, and its actives are found in every worthwhile activity in the University.

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PI

Franklin and Marshall

By JAMES G. CLARK

Pi Chapter is proud to announce the acceptance of three of its seniors to outstanding medical schools here in the East. John Monk, president of the chapter, has been accepted by Jefferson, Richard Kieffer by Johns Hopkins, and Sam Barr by Temple University. These are by no means the only members of the chapter who will attend graduate school this fall, since a large percentage of our seniors will be fortunate in doing so after having decided on the site for their further education.

Two of our brothers had the good fortune of being able to make a hasty but exciting "good will" tour from Phi Sigma Kappa at Franklin and Marshall College to five colleges and universities in the

South. Those brothers, Dave Lees and Bob Orem, visited chapters at Maryland, George Washington, American, Tennessee, and Penn State.

The historical committee of Pi Chapter has done some commendable work on a set of questionnaires which will be sent to the alumni for the purpose of acquiring interesting information in preparation for our 40th anniversary which will be celebrated in 1943. For most of this work we are indebted to Brother Pat Pattinson.

We should like to announce that we are carrying on a successful construction week in preparation for the initiation of a large number of our 24 pledges.

Along the line of sports, we are happy to say that our basketball team is undefeated after four games. Besides playing other fraternity teams the glorious five has successfully encountered outside teams, such as, St. Joseph and St. Anthony, Ephrata and Mt. Joy

Captain and coach of the team is Russ Buckley, sophomore, who played for Penn Chapter before coming to F. and M. Other members of the team are Brothers Shelley, Lynn, Monk, Lumb, Pledges Byles, Martin, Bray, Killea, Grunnert, and Bair, and Hoffman, a transfer from Dickinson who has house privileges. In varsity basketball, Dutch Hamscher is tied for first place in number of points scored.

Producer as well as stunt diver of the F. and M. Aquacado of 1941 is Jack Keelen, who played an important part in making last year's Aquacado a great success. In cooperation with Jack work two able men, Bob Greiner and "Recks" Stoneback who also worked on last year's production.

Out for spring football are Greiner, Hamscher, Roberts, Pearson, and Snyder. Pi Chapter has once again shown initiative by installing a system of pledge teams which will compete with other pledge teams in various sports.

The next production of the Green Room Club, dramatic organization on the campus, will be "Golden Boy" in the production of which over a dozen brothers will participate. Our outstanding



PI CHAPTER PLEDGE CLASS

Left to right, back row: Bray, Stehamn, Ripple, Agner, Bair. Center: Lehman, H. Schultz, Renz. Front: Adams, Killea.

actors, Jim Dolan and Dean Hoffman, are expected to play leading roles. Newly elected to membership in the club are Dem Bailey and Dick Lumb.

Newly elected to Pi Gamma Mu, social science fraternity, are Bill Kephart and Jim Clark. Ed Shelley is president of the local chapter. Ed is also distinguishing himself on the Debating team, in the Green Room Club, and in many sports.

Four members of our chapter form a well balanced quartet in the Glee Club; however, we cannot vouch for their tonal quality.

As an interesting sideline several of the brothers of this chapter are making a collection of goldfish. We fervidly hope that they are not considering a revivication of that old goldfish swallowing race which took place not so long ago.

The most important social event of the year was the recent marriage of Brother Bob Greiner to Miss Jeanette Van Dusen of Pequea, Pennsylvania.

DELTA
West Virginia

With the necessary preliminaries of the first semester now past, the brothers of Delta Chapter have been recently turning their efforts toward preparation for the Main Event—the 50th anniversary March 14-15-16.

To Phi Sigs Everywhere:

This year, Delta Chapter is celebrating her 50th anniversary—her 50th year of service to the mountain state.

On March 15th and 16th, the chapter is holding her ceremonies in commemoration of this great event.

On behalf of Delta's alumni, actives and pledges, I would like to take this opportunity to invite all Phi Sigs throughout the country to visit us during this week-end and take part in the celebration.

Among the many events will be a dance, a banquet, and an informal smoker. Also, the University campus will be host to the Eastern Intercollegiate Boxing Championship matches that week-end. The final dinner will feature such speakers as Brother Marchmont, and Gov. M. M. Neely of West Virginia.

Again let me assure all chapters of a warm welcome and a firm hand of brotherhood for their representatives at Delta's birthday.

Fraternally,
E. M. "Ted" Brown,
President.

ternal revenue collector from Parkesburg. Brother Yoke is the father of Pledge Frank Yoke, president of the Freshman Class.

More than 500 persons are expected to attend the celebration as alumni from all over the state will return to the mountain campus to survey its progress.

Next week is the annual military ball, with Vincent Lopez and his orchestra providing the music. Scores of Phi Sigs and other fraternity men will don tails, tuxes, uniforms and what-have-you to swing it at the last military ball to be held in the old armory.

Work begins in a couple of months on a new modern armory and the campus is still expanding. The new million dollar Mineral Industries building will be finished in a matter of months and the new health center breaks ground next week.

Three Phi Sigs have gone to the Army as second lieutenants. Lieut. Tom Wilson took his post at Ft. Benning and Lieuts. Carroll Smithson and John Nicholas have as yet to learn their destination.

President Ted Brown was reelected at a recent meeting—a fitting tribute to his splendid leadership during the first quarter of the school year. Amiable Ray Goodwin continued as vice-president, Dick "Nose" Bayne as secretary, Al Sanders became sentinel and Greene was chosen treasurer.

In sports, both Phi Sig basketball teams, boasting many former high school stars, are as yet unchallenged and undefeated. Championships in both divisions of basketball will again put us in the running for top honors with but softball, track and horseshoes left on the books.

One of the best pledge classes in years boasts one of the highest scholastic averages in Phi Sig history. Along with an excellent record this semester by the active chapter, the Phi Sig rating may

Tentative speakers for the big banquet include President Marchmont, and Brother M. M. Neely, newly inaugurated Governor of West Virginia. Toast-

a complete report on all standings at the next writing.

The pledges recently presented the actives with a new record rack, to go with their newly-purchased console radio-phonograph.

The *Delta Mountaineer*, a weekly Phi Sig publication, will make its first appearance soon.

In conclusion, let us repeat our invitation to every chapter to send a representative to the anniversary.

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XI DEUTERON

University of Tennessee

Although our numbers have been somewhat smaller this quarter due to our "co-op" engineers being away from school, we still have, nevertheless, an excellent chapter spirit. This enthusiasm reached its height when our basketball team defeated the Phi Gamma Delta quintet in the intramural competition here at the University of Tennessee. The Phi Gams, winners of the intramural basketball trophy for the past several years, were favored before the game, but our team entered the game determined and gave them a walloping defeat.

Our team is composed of Brothers Bates, Arthur, Parker, and Pledges Flatt and Brown. Our next opponent will be Delta Sigma Phi.

On January 25th Xi Deuteron Chapter celebrated the sixteenth anniversary of its induction into Phi Sigma Kappa with a banquet and formal dance. John H. Marchmont, national President of Phi Sigma Kappa, was our guest for the celebration and our banquet speaker. Many alumni returned for the evening, and the entire affair was termed a definite success. As in past years, our formal dance, given at the exclusive Holston Hills Country Club, was well attended by our campus friends, and proved to be one of the social highlights on the school calendar.

Our pledges have organized themselves into a very active group. Their officers are Laurence Maney, president; Bert Gray, vice-president; Roque Fajardo, secretary; and Billy Bryan, treasurer. They have even started publishing regularly a mimeograph newspaper. We are looking forward to initiating all of them this spring.

Oscar Brown, freshman in business administration from Knoxville, has been added to our pledge roll.

We are looking forward to a successful year. Our vacancies in the chapter will be refilled when our "co-ops" return to school in March, and we plan to finish up the year with a "bang."

Although a little late, may we thank other chapters for their Christmas greetings? And may we add our best wishes for success to all Phi Sigma Kappa chapters and members?

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ETA

University of Maryland

By ALLAN C. FISHER

Eta Chapter heads into the second semester at the University of Maryland with enthusiasm after enjoying a very successful first half year which saw Phi Sigma Kappa lead all other Greek clubs in number of men pledged and further extend its influence in undergraduate activities on the Maryland campus.

At the completion of rush week held in November Eta men found themselves with 32 new pledges, more than any other fraternity on the campus. This was the fourth straight year that Eta had either led the campus or been among the first three clubs in number of men pledged. Only a few days passed before the number of new men was increased to 37. A substantial part of this pledge group will probably have been initiated by the time this article reaches print.

Quite a few of these pledges have already tried their wings in the extra-

curricular field. Pledges Cliff Davis, John Watson, Owen Ridgeway, Bob Wright and Bill Brownell are members of the Pershing Rifles, honorary military drill group. Davis is drillmaster of the Rifles. Watson, Wright, Charles Jones and Dick Barr are members of the Freshman Rifle Team. Pledge Frank Sheridan plays with the frosh basketballers.

Among the actives Brothers Orville Shirey and Allan Fisher were recently tapped for membership and initiated by Omicron Delta Kappa, national honorary leadership fraternity. Both brothers qualified for membership by being editor of *The Diamondback*, student newspaper. Shirey is present head of the paper and Fisher is a former editor. Bob Rice, chapter president, is also a member of ODK.

A number of brothers are participating in the government CAA program, which is very popular at Maryland. Jerry Hege, Audie Hambleton, Jimmie Burnside and Thornton Gillette have now secured their wings. Brother Frank Smith, who has just finished army flight training at Randolph Field in Texas, took the primary flight course at the university last year and was one of the twelve Maryland men who formed the first advanced CAA flight training course in the United States held last summer at Greenbelt, Maryland. Frank will soon be on active duty with the army.

In the academic field Brother John Hutchinson recently had an outstanding record recognized when he was made a member of Alpha Chi Sigma, national honorary chemical fraternity.

Officers now heading the chapter are: Bob Rice, president; Bill Schoenhaar, vice-president; Tommy Watson, secretary; Hammond Rau, treasurer; and Bill Katzenburger, sentinel. The office of inductor is temporarily vacant at this writing.

During the Christmas holidays the basement of the chapter house was ex-

tensively remodeled. Walls which formerly limited floor space were removed and the large room which resulted was paneled attractively in knotted pine. A modern bar was installed and was christened with elaborate ceremonies during a dance held especially to celebrate the occasion.

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ZETA TRITON

Montana State College

By TED JOHNSON

Five new men are wearing the Phi Sig jewels at Zeta Triton. Initiation was held on February 2nd for Clarence Sundahl, Jack Caffrey, Richard Merritt, Victor Smith and Harry Cornwell.

On Friday, January 31st, the Phi Sigs swung out to the tune of a fireside at the chapter house. Everyone had a swell time, as is the usual case at such an event.

Everyone is looking forward to Friday, February 14th, which is the occasion of our annual formal dinner dance, which will be held at the Baxter Hotel. Everyone will turn out in traditional style and enjoy an evening of dancing to the tune of the Novachord Trio, and a dinner that only the Baxter can serve.

Members of Zeta Triton are prominent among the campus activities. During spring vacation, Brothers Jack Payne and Johnny Medlin will tour the state with the famous Bob Cat band. Jack, who is a senior, has made the enviable record of playing all four years in the band. Jack is also very active in other phases of campus life. At present he is chairman of the committee for the M-Club athletic tournament. Johnny Medlin, who is a sophomore, has made a good start by playing two years on the band, besides being a member of the *Exponent* staff. Brother Merritt and Pledge Erpelding are also members of the *Exponent* staff. Brothers Pierce Patterson and Victor Smith will be in the public eye next

week. Both have leading roles in the winter play, "Petrified Forest." Brother Robert Baarson has become an active member of Alpha Chi Sigma, national honorary society for chemistry students. A new pledge is Ralph Barkemeyer. Herman Beidemann, who was absent from school last quarter, has returned to take his place among the Phi Sigs. Herman, a past member of Intercollegiate Knights, is a member of the Physics Club and holds an office in the Wesleyan Club.

Zeta Triton entertained several guests from Mu Deuteron Chapter during the games between the college and university. We would be pleased to have any Phi Sig passing through Bozeman stop in for a visit at the chapter house.

The chapter officers for this quarter are as follows: Leonard Scharmota, president; "Stub" Fjeld, vice-president; Robert Woodward, secretary; Pierce Patterson, sentinel; and Jack Payne, inductor.

Brother Bill Jeffries, who would have been a senior this year, stayed out of school and is tool designer for Douglas Aircraft Corporation in California. Next year he will have a year's leave of absence to finish school. Before Bill left, he was prominent in activities at school. He was elected president of the college chapter of the American Society of Mechanical Engineers for this year. He was also to have had an office in Wesleyan Club. Jim Copenhaver, '40, is working for Boeing Aircraft Corporation in Seattle, Washington.

Plans for a new chapter house for Zeta Triton have been drawn up and discussed. We have a large lot two blocks from the campus upon which to build the house. Plans for financing the building are being considered by the Alumni Corporation, and by the local alumni group. We hope soon to have the new house, to replace the one used at present, which is inadequate for the needs of the chapter.

OMICRON DEUTERON

University of Alabama

By BYARD SOOY '41

Omicron Deuteron, after outlasting a very severe siege of the flu and examinations, has embarked upon this semester with everything pointing to a very rosy future.

We lost only two boys at mid-terms and their loss is severely felt around the house. To compensate for this loss we were very pleased with the reregistration of Bill Grant, a pledge from Grosse Pointe, Michigan. Bill stayed out the first term to help his father, a prominent builder of airplane motors for the British government.

This chapter is also pleased to present three new pledges: Dick Kerwin, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania; Edward Dennis, Baltimore, Maryland, and Elmer Cooley of Frenchtown, New Jersey. This is just the beginning and we are having a contest to see if we can get at least 25 pledges by the end of February. So far we have 13.

Speaking of contests, the pledges (God bless 'em) have challenged us to a battle of brains. At the six weeks the group having the lowest scholastic average is to treat the winner to a party. The pledges are boasting of 2.3 pre-med student, Leo Misuk, and 1.9 aero student, Dick Kerwin. The brothers are putting up 2 point John O'Dea, engineer.

This week all the boys are enjoying the Boogie-Woogie of Will Bradley and torrid swing of Charlie Barnet at the annual mid-winter formals.

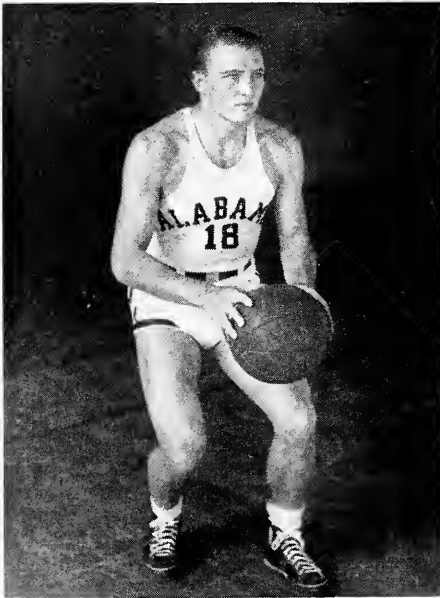
Also this week, but not enjoying it too much Brothers Salls and Hecht, and Pledge Avery are out on Denny Field every day in spring football practice. Salls last term played three different positions in backfield and Coach Thomas has promised him he will play at one spot this year, fullback. Avery is being

groomed to take over the blocking back slot vacated by Brother DeShane's staying home. "Chuck" was married during Xmas. Hecht was chosen all-conference sophomore guard last year.

Without the services of Pledge Jack Brantner, captain of this year's Tide basketball team, the team went down to defeat at the hands of Miss. State 30-31, and to the favorite of the S. E. C., Kentucky 36-38. Aiding the lost causes were Brother Bob LaPolla, forward and Bart Avery, guard, both stellar sophomore performers.

Another of the old boys to show up this term is Brother Walter Beck, last year's mainstay on the pitching staff. Walt has another year to perform for Alabama. Two other boys will be out there fighting for outfield positions and it looks as if Elmer Cooley will get the call in right field over Bob LaPolla. Cooley last year hit .500 in the Penn.-N. J. Bi-State League.

Coming up in the social whirl this



BART AVERY
Tide Guard
Omicron Deuteron

month, we are giving a Monte Carlo party. It will be complete with roulette wheels and dice tables.

The chapter basketball team has been practicing daily under the tutelage of the injured Brantner for the forthcoming interfraternity league. The starting lineup as far as we have been able to ascertain has Kerwin and Sooy at forwards; Misuk or Cooley at center, and Drew, Little or Cooley at guards. For reserves there are Wasson and Treu, forwards; Webb, center; Outram, Kopacz and Weatherbee at guards. In a practice game against the Baby Tiders, the Phi Sigs won by a score of 32-28. The next day the tables were reversed with the score amounting to 43-26. Twenty points against us were scored by 6-foot-5 Jim Homer.

Brother Kopacz has had his championship softball team out practicing every afternoon. To replace the loss of Pilecki, Chambers, Cappon and Whitlow, he is grooming Weatherbee, Harris, Wasson, Misuk and Golo.

Several of the boys went to Miami between semesters in a station wagon. Before they had gotten halfway home they had to hitch-hike the rest. The station wagon is still about 200 miles from school, still being repaired.

Brother Cowing is in the height of his glory this week, having attained one of the top political positions on the campus, that of a member of the Cotillion Club, sponsor of the mid-winter and spring formals.

Well, here's hoping to see you in the next issue.

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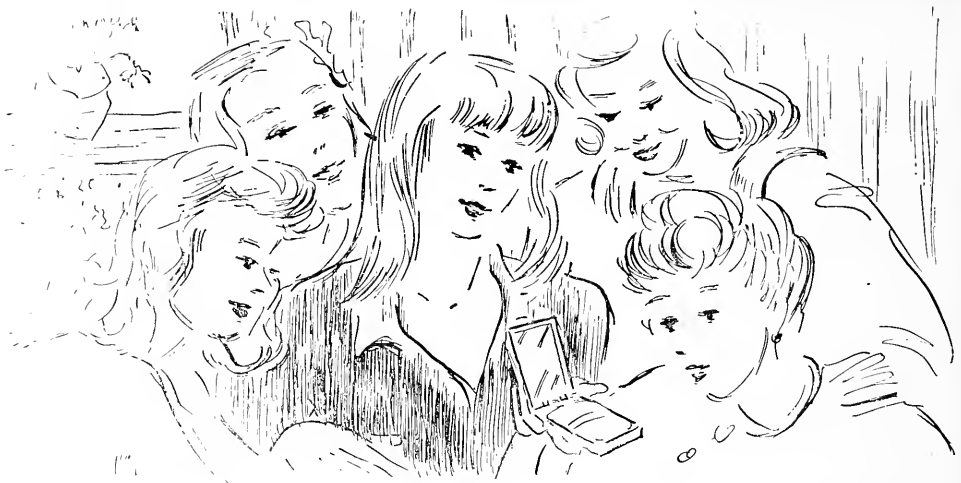
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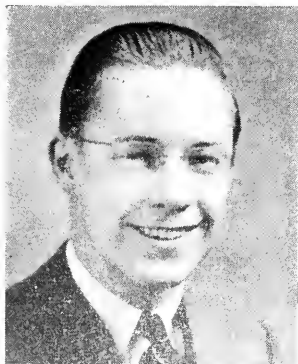
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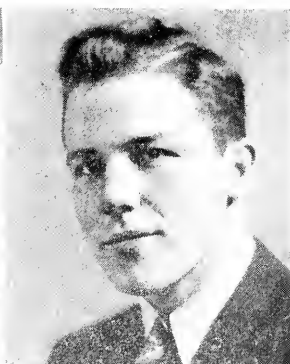
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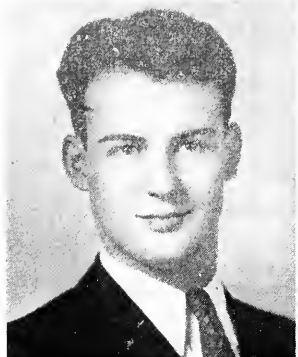
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Cheechako Musher

By CHARLES O. MORGAN, *Delta Deuteron '36*

A Cheechako seeking new adventure for writing and picture material in Alaska plus a curiosity about the North in wintertime summed up my purpose in joining the Army's dog team expedition which set out from Haines on January 25 to start the overland trek towards Fairbanks some 600 miles distant.

What happened between January 25 and March 4, a matter of 39 days later, makes the story.

Object of the Army's trip was first to test the winter clothing, foot gear, sleeping bags and other wearing apparel under actual winter conditions; and to transfer some 40 dogs from Chilkoot Barracks (at Haines) to Ladd Field (Fairbanks). Use of the dogs in Fairbanks is planned for possible rescue of Air Corps pilots who might crash during the winter in areas not to be reached by other modes of transportation (and there are many such areas).

Permission was granted for me to accompany the expedition to take pictures, movies and stills, and "cover" the story, by Brig. Gen. Simon B. Buckner, Jr., Commander of the Alaska Defense Command. Throughout the trip the fullest coöperation of the Army was accorded my efforts.

Due to complications in time and communications, only three days were allotted me to assemble a complete outfit for the trail. This included dogs, sled, clothing, food and miscellaneous equipment. Among the latter items was snowshoes, an implement so necessary for travel in the North, but which heretofore I had only read about or gazed at through windows.

Having been in Alaska only since July, 1940, my experience with practically all equipment necessary for the

trail was as limited as it was with snowshoes. I'd ridden on but one dog sled and had never attempted to drive a team. A gee-pole, with which I was soon to become most intimately acquainted, was as much a stranger to me as a webbed foot is to a chicken. (A full account of



The Flying Fortress arrives at Burwash Landing, landing on the ice of Lake Kluane. Brother Charles O. Morgan in foreground wearing mukluks.

this instrument will follow later in the story.)

After considerable radio advertising, personal inquiry and a few trips outside of Anchorage, three good dogs were located and matched with two young and untrained Malamutes secured in the city. Two experienced Malamutes aided me in hitching up the dogs the first time and exercising them with the sled. These same two friends made out a list of food and clothing . . . the rest was up to me!

Fortunately the dogs were not vicious, but like all sled dogs they need little if any excuse to start a fight. This fact was

demonstrated to me the first night on the trail when the "fighting five," as I then and there named them, chewed up two fingers when with bare hands I simply tried to referee their fight.

A throw-back to wolf strain accounted for the steel-grey eyes of the black leader and his two brothers. Putting strange dogs together generally brews trouble in a team so this driver had to be on the alert throughout the trip that a fight didn't develop . . . or at least dive in wielding a dog chain to break up the snarling, growling ball of fur . . . a moment before a dog team.

Many persons not acquainted with dog teaming think that all dogs used for sleds are Huskies. This is a misconception for there are few purebred Huskies left, there originally being the McKenzie River Husky, a strain developed by Indians in that part of Northern Canada, and the Siberian Husky, a smaller and white dog, according to some of the old-timers of Alaska. Webster defines the Husky as "an Eskimo dog of an unstandardized breed."

Malamute is a term used for many sled dogs in the North today. This is not a breed but an Indian term translated into English means "mongrel." A Malamute is simply a cross of several breeds of dogs. Birddog blood will be found in many Alaskan and Canadian dog teams. Many dogs do have wolf blood in them, there being some instances where tamed wolves have been used in teams.

A driver has to keep the upper hand with sled dogs to get the most work out of them and always to remain the unimpeachable master. However gentle a team, one must use caution in handling the dogs, since it is never known when they might attack a man. A musher's firmness does not necessarily mean cruelty.

I outfitted myself with woolen breeches, woolen underwear, wool shirts

(two pairs each), several pairs of woolen socks, shoe packs, two pair of mukluks, an assortment of gloves and mittens, fur cap, and fur trimmed canvas parka. The picturesque fur parka is used primarily in the windy Arctic areas above the Circle and very little on the trail. Many times we stripped to our shirt sleeves while mushing. A fur parka is much too heavy for trail work in ordinary weather. Our coldest weather was 35 degrees below zero. More commonly we enjoyed temperatures from 10 degrees below zero to 15 degrees above. Zero weather is the best for mushing.

A fur cap I obtained the night before I left when Jack Faey, a listener to my radio broadcast, loaned me his. I have returned the cap to him and as he says, if he couldn't make the trip at least his cap could.

For food supplies there was tea, old reliable beans, dried fruits, sugar, tea, flour, jam, butter, rice, oatmeal, dehydrated potatoes, canned vegetables, powdered milk. These supplies I later pooled with the Army and cooked with them.

For eating while on the move there were chocolate bars and dried salmon strips. For the dogs I had 100 pounds of smoked salmon and 90 pounds of tallow. Dogs are fed once each day, in the evening after cooling off from the trail.

Having gathered my equipment, I took the train to Seward, the seaport town 100 miles to the south of Anchorage. After a three-day boat-trip, this Cheechako musher was landed in Haines where Chilkoot Barracks are located. Two days later with transportation furnished by an army truck halfway and mushing the remainder of the distance, I arrived at Pleasant Camp, the base for the dog team expedition. Accompanying me to this point with a waiting army sled was Col. G. Hoisington who had come from Fort Richardson (Anchorage) to inspect the expedition before it

started on the trek. Col. Hoisington and Col. Wampler, commander of the post, loaned me a seven-foot army sled. The sled was 23 inches wide, the same as the longer sleds being used by the Army mushers. My own I shipped back to Anchorage after spending most of one night conditioning it for the trip.

As we were to discover very soon, the width of these sleds and toboggans was not suited for the type of country and snow conditions through which we were traveling.

There were eight enlisted men and two officers in the detachment. Maj. Charles H. Hart, Jr., and Capt. Avery Cochran were the officers in command. The Army had 43 dogs divided into five teams to pull the two toboggans (used for breaking and packing the trail) and three sleds, all being 23 inches wide.

The mercury dropped to 22 degrees below zero the morning of January 25 as we prepared for the official start of the expedition with Fairbanks but 30 days away . . . so we thought at the time. After hitching up my team I was kept busy taking pictures of the trip's beginning. The cameras worked fine without special lubrication except for adjustment of footage.

It was at this early stage of the trip that I cut a gee-pole. This is simply a pole, usually a small tree six to seven feet long, which is attached to the front side of the sled and used to steer it. Usually on the right-hand side, it protrudes upward so the end is slightly below the armpit of the musher and thus grasped with his hand as he straddles the towline. There is just room for the driver to walk on snowshoes between the front of the sled and the wheel dogs. The towline to which the dogs are hitched is adjusted in length for this purpose.

A sled laden with 500 to 800 pounds requires considerable steering and maneuvering by the musher with the gee-pole. The "gee-pole jig" became the by-

word of the trip for the soldier mushers when the gee-pole swung viciously up and down and sideways, often cracking us in the ribs or pitching us headlong into the deep snow at the side of the trail. Although master of this vibrating pole most of the time, this innocent looking stick of wood sometimes caught us off balance. Short curves on a crooked mountain trail through thick underbrush and trees required special skill in control of the gee-pole, especially on down grades.

During the first day of travel we went four miles to an advance camp where supplies were cached. We crossed the International border into British Columbia a half hour after starting from Pleasant Camp. Only an insignificant post designated the boundary . . . no one stopped us . . . only the quietness of a beautiful mountain winter scene, interrupted with the occasional yip of our dogs, greeted the expedition. Permission for the expedition to cross Canadian soil had been obtained by Gen. Buckner from the Dominion Government.

Most hazardous of that day's travel was cutting our trail into the side of a 45 degree snow slide around the edge of a mountain. Had a sled, dogs, or driver slipped, all would have toppled 300 feet to the rocky bottom and open water of the river below. Passing this hazard without mishap, it was not until weeks later that any sleds had to be fished from the icy waters of creeks.

On the second day of the trip snow began to fall . . . a condition which was to grow steadily worse until we were unable to move a single sled for several days. This happened in the coastal mountain range as we were going through the Chilkat Pass (which is west and south of the Chilkoot and White passes made famous during the gold rush days). The snow . . . and rain . . . soaked everyone of us as we cut

wood, fed the dogs, dug our tents out or tried breaking trail. There was no game in this vicinity thus making hunting useless. Before we finally made our way from this area about six feet of snow had piled up on the three feet already there.

For days we relayed our supplies forward from the base camp. Breaking trail one day on snowshoes did not assure us that any trace would remain the next day. Some days, in making a round trip to an advance cache, the trail made going out would be filled by the time the mushers returned that evening with loaded sleds.

What sunshine we did see for many days was only a fleeting glance between thick clouds hanging low overhead. A complete drying session of one's clothes had to be held in the tents each night. We had two tents. Added to the natural fall of snow, the spruce trees frequently dumped unexpected loads of snow down our necks. Our choice of words at such times very closely approached those used on the dogs at moments.

After days of struggling and pulling neck and neck with the dogs, the loads were moved to timber line. From that point there were 22 miles of untimbered travel over the 3,000-foot summit to timber on the far side.

Since there was no wood to burn, the 22 miles had to be made in one day. Bill Muncaster, six feet of easy-going but powerful and untiring man; Major Hart, world war veteran; Corp. David Lindeneau, and myself struck out one grey day to break trail across the summit.

Leaving timber line ahead of the remainder of the party so as to make their travel easier, we expected to make the 22 miles that day. Not far from camp we found the trail snowshoed by Bill the day before had been blown full making it necessary to do this work again. The dogs wallowed in soft snow

to their bellies, tiring them and necessitating the three mushers to hitch themselves into the necklines . . . a little action which means that the driver is the biggest dog of all. The major broke trail on snowshoes ahead of Bill's team of five large freighting dogs. The neckline is a rope extending from the front of the sled which the driver places around his neck and pulls . . . at the same time he must keep the gee-pole firmly grasped in his hand while plodding along on snowshoes with the towline slapping the inside of each ankle. Curved and up and down hill trails with the sled ready to overtake the trailing snowshoes . . . the towline ready to trip the musher . . . the gee-pole playing a tattoo on the ribs . . . an occasional dog fight to stop . . . added to the complications making it all a part of mushing.

A grey day in this country obliterates many peaks, plays tricks on the eyes . . . making up grades look much the same as down grades . . . hides small canyons until the very brinks are reached . . . and leaves one with a feeling of isolation.

The combination of these conditions, plus the snow storm blown in upon us with a stiff wind, slowed our travel so we progressed but 11 miles instead of 22 as darkness overtook us at five o'clock the evening of February 2.

Pitching Bill's silk tent in the blizzard, we found ourselves in the bottom of the small but windy canyon of Stonehouse Creek. Our only facilities for cooking was a single burner oil stove. This burner also was used for drying our clothes during the next three days we were marooned in this storm.

It must have been a miracle which kept the tent from being blown away that first night. We crawled out of our sleeping bags at 4 a. m., dressed and awaited the inevitable destruction of the tent by the wind . . . a fate which somehow we were spared. A trip up the canyon by the guide and myself failed

to disclose a more sheltered spot from the storm. Since the tent was rigged only to small willows, it was necessary to build a snow and brush windbreak several feet high to keep the tent on the ground instead of decorating the far side of the canyon. Thereafter we used brush camps.

Stories related by the major in his southern drawl (Virginia) and Bill's tales of the North enlivened the dark days the four of us spent huddled in that seven-by-eight-foot tent. On the fourth day the remainder of the party moved up from timberline where they had undergone a drenching from rain . . . the wet snow we had was bad enough. Leading out several hours ahead again to break trail, our quartet headed for Bear Camp cabin, on the other side of the summit. It was that day that four blisters were worn on the bottoms of my feet from trying to snowshoe in mukluks. We spent two days at Bear Camp drying out sleeping bags, skinning a moose brought in to fill our deficient chow supply, and enjoying the luxuries of a cabin . . . the luxury principally being a roof over our heads and a dry place to lie in.

From Bear Camp the entire expedition moved as a unit for the first time since the beginning of the trip . . . making quite a sight as five army dog teams, the guide's team and my own strung out along the trail for more than half a mile. As the people at Dalton Post said a few days later when we arrived in that small settlement in the Yukon Territory, it reminded them of the Gold Rush stam-pede.

Dalton Post is named after Jack Dalton who drove thousands of head of cattle from Haines to Dawson to sell for beef during the Gold Rush. Our route from Haines as far as Dezadeash Lake followed the general course of the famed Dalton Trail. Many of the people, white and native, had worked for Dalton during his activities in the North.

Beautiful mountainous country, crimson sunsets . . . the like of which we seldom see in the States . . . towering spruce . . . river canyons . . . the moon and stars overhead . . . these were the sights which made the trip worth while. Nature in all its silence and peaceful quiet made us forget for a time the worries of the warring nations across the sea . . . it was difficult to imagine that we actually were traveling in a country at war. For more than three weeks we had no communication with the Outside . . . but proving that we were not entirely a part of this natural peacefulness, the entire party conjectured upon the state of war . . . wondering . . . desiring to hear news of the world. When at last we did reach the remote cabin of a prospector and ex-Mountie who had a battery operated radio set, the batteries were run down and we could hear very little except that Joe Louis had won another fight.

From Dalton Post where we were fed fresh vegetables and homemade biscuits by hospitable Jack Pringle and his native wife, we journeyed to Klukshu, an Indian village. Additional dried salmon was purchased at both settlements to replenish the dwindling dog food supply.

So heavy were the loads and so steep the hills upon leaving Klukshu Lake that the efforts of the dog teams had to be augmented by every available man plus a block and tackle to put the sled on top of a particularly difficult hump. It took more than two hours to move the sleds over this series of bad hills. No more had we reached the top of the ridge, which we were to follow to Deza-deash Lake, than the sun softened the snow trail bogging down the sleds and making it necessary to wait about three hours for conditions to improve.

Nothing was more discouraging than to have sleds overturn into the deep snow, or cut into the trail until the bottoms drag as the snow becomes soft.



Expedition rests at Dalton Post, sleds with gee-pole show in foreground.

Men literally had to right the sleds every few yards under these conditions, repeated often during the trip, making it equally wearing upon mushers and dogs. One cannot walk without snowshoes and with these webs the musher becomes entangled with the sled while jostling the gee-pole and trying to balance oneself on the hard center of the trail.

First contact with the Outside was established February 19 when the most welcome sight of the Flying Fortress, the Army bomber from Fairbanks, greeted our eyes. Our signal by means of panels on the ground was to bring food. An answer was dropped from the bomber as it swept low overhead. Next day at Kathleen Lakes, the bomber returned with food and mail for the men. Our food supply was running low since being so far behind schedule. Another concern was securing sufficient dog food. Before we reached the end of the trail, dogs had to be rationed food to make it last.

Three days after the plane had dropped us food, we were in a real "jackpot" . . . lost and in the middle of a fallen timber area. Burned over and fallen timber is difficult for foot travel, the

blackened but still solid tree trunks lying like so many scattered matchsticks. It was a problem to take heavily loaded, long and wide sleds through this jumble of logs and underbrush.

After several scouting parties were sent out to find the best way out, the narrowest spot of fallen timber was located. A cross cut saw and axes were used to clean away the large logs, the rest we simply pulled and lifted the sleds over, lifting the sleds around right angle corners. In some stretches literally every foot of the trail had to be cleared of small trees and brush so thick a snowshoer could walk but a few feet in a straight line. When teams came over this trail the driver often lost sight of his lead dog around one or two curves ahead.

After six days of traveling by compass, sighting on a distant mountain peak, blazing and breaking a new trail, we traveled 20 miles to a most welcome roadhouse at Bear Creek. This was like an oasis in a desert since we had eaten our last food that morning. Several dogs had died and one sled was abandoned during the previous six-day period. It must be admitted that the outlook was anything but encouraging many times during these long six days.

It was at Bear Creek that we met Ed Borders, the much publicized and sturdy University of Alaska student, who was making a 1,300 mile trip alone from Fairbanks to Hazelton, B. C., over the route of the proposed International Highway.

The roadhouse, located on the government road (hardly more than a rut running between trees) between Whitehorse and Kluane Lake, was operated by Mrs. McIntosh. She was the only white woman we saw on the entire trip.

It was only a matter of a few more days' travel from here to Burwash Landing on Kluane Lake. Several dogs were out of harness due to sickness and sore necks.

Reaching Kluane Lake on March 3, it took us one day to travel the 35 miles to Burwash Landing from one end of the lake. This was the greatest distance traveled in any one day of the trip. It was also the first day that we were able to ride. Largely responsible for this good time was a stiff wind at our backs. We hoisted make-shift sails making the sleds skim over the ice and hard, crusted snow leaving the dogs with little to do but run to keep out of the way of the sleds.

Our stay in Burwash Landing, a settlement of about 30 Indians and a few white people, extended two weeks after the trip was ordered terminated by Gen. Buckner. The condition of the dogs, seven having died by this time (12 by end of the trip) and the rapidly melting snows between us and Fairbanks, did not warrant continuation of the trip. One of my dogs died at Burwash, after his hard work was over.

The Flying Fortress made two trips to convey the soldiers, myself, forty dogs, and all equipment into Fairbanks. The average speed for the 200 miles we covered afoot with the dogs was five miles per day. We traveled from four to ten hours per day. It took the bomber less than two hours to take us some 450

miles into Fairbanks. By flying to Anchorage on a commercial plane a few days later, I covered the last 900 miles of my trip in less than four hours as compared to the first 200 miles in 39 days.

The advantage of the airplane over the dog team is recognized by the Sourdoughs without regret. The dog team is still the only means of communication and travel in some remote spots where



Child at Burwash poses with his father. Soldier of expedition with native toboggan.

airplanes cannot land. Mail contracts are still awarded dog team drivers in certain sections of Alaska. The airplane, however, carries supplies to remote mining districts, or whisks passengers to distant points.

Testing of winter clothing, footgear, sleeping bags, etc., for soldiers in Alaska was accomplished on this dog team expedition. The Army also discovered the wide sled used was not adapted for the country through which we traveled. In-

stead of the 23-inch toboggans and sleds we used, a 16-inch toboggan is more practical and is used by Indians of the country.

Now stationed at Fairbanks, the dogs will be used, it is planned, in case of emergency. Dogs and mushers owe the Air Corps a rescue since the bomber rescued the entire detachment from the middle of the Yukon.

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As a writer, I have only one desire—to fill you with fire, to pour into you the distilled essence of the sun itself. I want every thought, every word, every act of mine to make you feel that you are receiving into your body, into your mind, into your soul, the sacred spirit that changes clay into men and men into gods.—Thomas Dreier.

Secret of success: Start in any chosen direction and keep going.

Corrupted freemen are the worst of slaves.—Garrick.

Louis Napoleon and the Refugee Problem

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Strong government came with Louis Napoleon as Prince-President, while thousands of Frenchmen of radical hue were forced to quit France. Exile or obscurity in England, the Channel Islands, and other foreign havens of refuge became the fate of the remaining members of the radical group in the assembly. A few remained in Switzerland and in Belgium, but most of these unfortunates finally landed in London.

The plethora of exiles in one city created a real refugee problem. Troubled by reports that these men without a country were conspirators who might involve England in domestic imbroglios on the continent, a few members of Parliament favored a bill designed to permit the removal of these refugees. Most Englishmen, however, tended to back the exiles, largely because of British opposition to anything like coercion from across the sea, especially from a Bonaparte.

Let Sparta daggers use, and Rome the sword,

But let us not in haste revenge to fetch,

A Brutus to knave Bonaparte afford,

But for a bitterer future keep the wretch.

Savage literary attacks by various refugees, such as this one by Victor Hugo, finally forced Louis Napoleon to move against these reputed "trouble makers." Although he had previously stated a desire not to intervene in the internal affairs of neighboring states, the Prince-President, in January 1852, was reported to have intimated that with the support of Prussia, Austria and Russia, he might

have to act if Switzerland and Belgium failed to get rid of the subversive refugees. At the same time, he asked England to end all radical activities within her frontiers. Unperturbed, England called Louis Napoleon's attention to the fact that it had long been England's policy to offer all on equal terms the shelter of her country, providing that these aliens obeyed the laws of the land. A tacit slap at the Prince-President was the mention of the fact that in the past England had permitted refugees, "illustrious in rank and position," to enjoy the same protection.

Despite this rebuff, Louis Napoleon persisted in his attempt to force the refugees out of neighboring countries. Turning upon Switzerland, he announced that she was nurturing "hotbeds of Socialist doctrine," and that he was determined that Switzerland must act against these radicals, although he hoped that French military occupation of that country would not be necessary in order to solve this problem. When he heard of this threat, the British Ambassador concluded that France actually planned to impose upon Switzerland a form of government like her own. "The expulsion of the Refugees is the Patent," he said. "A change of government, a restricted Press, and a severe Policy, the secret object aimed at."

The real malice behind Louis Napoleon's attempts to suppress these irritating Frenchmen abroad, lay in the widespread rumor that the Prince-President intended to assume the title of Emperor. To the

refugees the consummation of this plan would mean the end of liberty in France—if not throughout Europe. Pathetic was their beating of the tocsin to arouse Frenchmen at home in whose breasts lay dormant the spirit of the Revolution. "Citizens," said one of their manifestos,

"Louis Napoleon is outside the law, Louis Napoleon is outside humanity. This malefactor has ruled for ten months. The right to insurrection is permanent and dominates the whole situation. Friends and brothers, in the presence of an infamous government, the negation of all moral law, obstacle to all social progress . . . in the presence of this government borne by force and which ought to perish by force . . . the citizen worthy of the name does one thing and has only one thing to do: load his gun and await the hour."

Heroic these words doubtless were, but equally futile as was proved in the election held on November 22, 1852, when 96 percent of the votes were cast in favor of Louis Napoleon's assumption of the title of Emperor. Graced now with the appellation of Napoleon III, the Emperor proceeded to build up a real dictatorship, while at the same time he extended pardon to some 2,000 political prisoners in exile. In January, in celebration of his marriage to the beautiful Eugénie, he told 3,000 persons that their political sins were forgiven.

Significant, indeed, was the fact that the only persons who accepted this clemency were those still living in France. Most of the refugees refused to admit the supremacy or the legitimacy of Louis Napoleon's rule. Three outstanding émigrés, Ledru-Rollin, Kossuth and Mazzini, proceeded instead to form what was known as Triumvirate to replace the famous Central Committee organized to unify exiles. This new group soon became the spearhead of a refugee agitation in which Ledru-Rollin and oth-

ers wrote pamphlets calling upon all French liberals especially to unite against this tyrant in the imperial purple.

No dictator likes to be called ugly names, and Louis was no exception. Again he appealed to the British government to curb the radicals within her borders, and again he threatened to intervene in Switzerland, if the leftist refugees were not expelled.

In 1853 the prelude to the stupidly useless Crimean War gave Napoleon III and the British government something to think about. Desirous of getting Louis Napoleon's support in a war to check the Russian advance in the Near East, England now tried to arrange a settlement of the refugee question with France and advised Switzerland to carry out a similar policy.

To reach this goal England held out as bait free passage to all refugees who would go to the United States. At the same time there was organized in Belgium a Society for European-American Colonization in Texas. One, Victor Considerant, promoted this organization and was supported in his attempt to raise 5,400,000 francs by the French refugees in Belgium. Both of these movements were unsuccessful. The refugees were bent upon the overthrow of conservatism in Europe and did not propose to leave the battlefield. They did back the allies in the war against the reactionary Tsar Nicholas I, yet many of them hated Napoleon III so enthusiastically that they even expressed beliefs that Russian Cossacks might do more good than harm in Paris.

During the war, many refugees secretly returned to Paris to prepare the overthrow of the Emperor. In a number of cases their return was facilitated by the Consul for the United States, George R. Sanders, who, as a friend of the refugees, provided them with passports until he was removed from office by his government. Meanwhile optimistic exiles even

went so far as to predict that as a result of the conniving of a number of Americans with Ledru-Rollin, Kossuth and Mazzini, a plan was being formulated to involve the United States in an European war as an ally of the refugee factions. According to this story, while the European powers were engaged in the Crimean War, "the torch of insurrection was to be kindled in Western Europe and fanned to a general conflagration." The ensuing inaction of the United States disproved the tale.

While American help did not materialize, the refugees were encouraged by nationalist developments in Italy following the conclusion of the Crimean War (1856). Lack of unified and coordinated effort once more blocked the purpose of the exiles. Many backed Mazzini in his desire that the refugees cease their unrelenting attacks upon Napoleon III whose evanescent liberal attitude toward the Italian nationalist cause was removing a section of radical antipathy. Others led by the French radical, Felix Pyat, continued to berate the Emperor, even going so far as to threaten his life.

A crisis was reached when someone tried to assassinate the Emperor (1858). Following the attempt of this Italian fanatic, Orsini, the French Government once more asked England to arrest two famous refugees, Ledru-Rollin and Victor Hugo, who, according to French communication, were implicated in the crime. In reply the British Government stated that it could not consider these men murderers purely upon such a declaration by the French Government. Palmerston, the British Prime Minister, to mollify Napoleon III, however, did introduce into Parliament a conspiracy-to-murder bill. But this proposed law was badly defeated by an opposition that was still determined not to bow to a dictatorial government.

Actually Louis was, by 1859, a pseudo-dictator. Confronted by growing oppo-

sition, the result of his expensive and seemingly futile internal and external policies, he now tried to salvage a few remnants of his political prestige by posing as the champion of Italian-Nationalism and French liberalism. And so while participating in the Italian attempt to expel the Austrians from Italy, he planned the liberalization of his government. Again he threw out the sop of another amnesty to all political offenders; and again the various leaders of the French refugees, Pyat, Blanc and Victor Hugo, for example, refused to return to France until this "son of Satan," as Louis was called, had been overthrown.

The bitter hatred on the part of the refugees became more and more venomous during the sixties. At that time Napoleon III, in poor health, witnessed the complete failure of his foreign policies, evidenced by the collapse of his attempt to establish a French Empire in Mexico and his inability to prevent the rise of a powerful Prussian state in Central Europe. Moreover, the cost of government as a result of war, corruption, easy credit and public works, had created considerable bourgeois opposition to his rule. The result was that every attempt on his part to grant concessions to the liberals, merely increased the opposition to him.

In the early sixties various groups agitated either for the liberalization of the Empire or for its overthrow. One faction (called *Les Cinq*, and comprising such influential republicans and liberals as Ollivier, Cavaignac and Favre), demanded the establishment of responsible parliamentary government and freedom of debate. Another, the workers in industrial centers, who were inspired by socialists, republicans, monarchists and refugees, agitated not merely for reforms, but for the abolition of the Empire. Also, there were many industrialists who opposed Napoleon's free trade policy, his expensive public works program and his

futile imperialist adventures. And finally there were Catholics and liberals who denounced various aspects of his foreign policy.

Goaded by this opposition, bewildered Louis Napoleon in 1867 announced his intention of liberalizing his government. He also promised to eliminate the deficits in the budget and to grant such reforms as freedom of the press.

These concessions, however, only seemed to encourage Napoleon's opponents in their attempt to undermine the Empire. Especially active were the republicans and socialists (mostly ex-refugees) in their determination to prevent a reorganization of the Army. At a time when a powerful German state was being created across the Rhine, such liberals as Favre and Ollivier condemned these military preparations and maintained that the government should instead liberalize itself and stand for peace. Calling attention to the critical financial situation in France, these "pacifists" appealed to business men as well as radicals for support in their opposition to further expenditure of money for military purposes.

Despite this unrest all Paris in the summer of 1867 was dressed in holiday attire, the streets of the city were gay with bunting, and on the wide boulevards cosmopolitan crowds jostled one another while looking at the latest wonders of their age. Street vendors did a profitable business, displaying tintype profiles of Empress Eugénie's son, Loulou, small miniatures of the Cathedral of Notre Dame, exotic perfumes and hand-painted china ashtrays. There were people from all parts of the world. From the wilds of Wyoming came a troupe of cowboys to entertain the populace; from the Orient came mysterious magicians; while from Essen, the Germanies, came Herr Friedrich Krupp who exhibited a long-range gun and won a prize.

The World's Fair had been launched by Napoleon III who had invited the leading monarchs to attend. But why did he hold this spectacular event at such a time? Surely the failure of his Mexican Expedition, his miserable diplomacy during the Austro-Prussian (Seven Week's) War, and the internal unrest in France were poor excuses for a celebration of any kind. But perhaps there were other reasons for it. Perhaps the Emperor was attempting to bolster his faltering regime by falling back on the simple expedient of government by exhibition. Perhaps he deliberately gave the people something to see, trusting that they then would ask no questions; for after all, a superficial brilliance often obscures inner corruption and decay.

Undoubtedly, most of the good people of Paris were stirred by the exhibition and also by the sight of royalty in their midst. To this cultural capital of Europe had come the pleasure-loving Edward, Prince of Wales, whom some called Edward the Caresser; and there was also a scion of the House of Orange who was promptly nicknamed Prince Citron. Prussia was represented by the tall but feeble William, leaning on the arm of his crafty minister, Bismark. From Denmark came the autocratic Christian IX, who several years later died as the result of a love affair in a Hamburg dive. Present also was the corrupt unrepentant "son of Mohammed," Sultan Abdul Hamed II, who found Paris to his liking. There were minor rulers from the Balkans, but towering above them all was the Tsar of Holy Russia, Alexander II, who arrived in the company of his mistress and his favorite son, Gogo. Paris, truly, was a bawd, flaunting her finery before an appreciative clientele.

One day while Kings and nobles were enjoying the decadent privileges accorded their class; while the crowds were thrilling at the blazing fireworks; and while Napoleon III and Eugénie were prepar-

ing to award numerous prizes to proud winners, a cablegram was handed the Emperor. He read the contents, and then ordered the gayety to cease for that day. Soon the sad news spread throughout the city "The Hapsburg Archduke, Maxmilian, is no more. He was executed in Mexico—June 19th—on the Hills of the Bells." Then occurred an unusual period of quiet. Perhaps at that time (as on June 28th, 1914, when the assassination of the Austrian Archduke Francis Ferdinand helped to precipitate the World War) many people had a premonition of a coming catastrophe. And, finally, when the Universal Exhibition faded out, and Kings, mistresses, and ministers departed, leaving the stage quite alone to Napoleon III, perhaps he, pondering over the problems confronting him and the failures of the past, realized that his ephemeral triumph was like a lamp against the dusk of evening. For was not the twilight of Bonapartism already at hand? Was not France soon to learn that the Napoleonic legend was only a fairy tale?

The refugees by that time knew that they were right,—the Second Empire was doomed. Accordingly they stubbornly refused all offers of compromise. To the last, Louis Napoleon tried to appease them. Again in 1869 and in 1870, the Emperor offered freedom to the refugee leaders who would return to France and recognize his rule. But each time, his offer was ignored. In fact, while within France he was able to command a following sufficient to dominate all plebiscites, including the last one held in 1869, he never was able to stamp out his enemies in foreign lands.

Finally, on September 4th, 1870, the twenty years of opposition by the refugees to the Second Empire was rewarded. Napoleon III, beset by internal dissension and possessing an inefficient army, was defeated by the well-organized Prussian forces. At last, the problem of the

refugees was solved. Quickly they returned to France, pouring in, as it were, to fill the void in government occasioned by the capture of the Emperor at Sedan. Their moment of supreme triumph had come after twenty years of exile and persecution. The Second Empire lay crushed between the twin pressures of Bismarkian diplomacy and the powerful Prussian army. But even now, these Frenchmen who had stubbornly withstood the trusts of the Corsican's nephew were unable to sink their differences in a *union sacre*. Bloody partisanship was reflected in the revolt of the Commune of Paris, when the moderate radicals supported the National Assembly in its plan to conclude peace with the Germans and then to create a bourgeois republic, while the extremist followers of Pyat, Blanqui and Proudhon manned the barricades in the hope of establishing a socialist state. Through sheer weight of numbers, the bourgeois emerged victorious, and over the ashes of both Napoleonic imperialism and socialist hopes, these petty proprietors erected the Third French Republic, an edifice destined to suffer the trip-hammer destruction of another Teutonic war machine.

As to the refugees themselves, their dreams of plucking the fruits of "Liberty, Equality and Fraternity" soon assumed the aspect of a nightmare when Bismark, the iron-fisted Architect of the German Empire, supplanted Napoleon III as the incarnation of rampant reaction. This successor of Metternich, garnering the moral and material backing of the Austrian Emperor and the Tsar of Holy Russia in opposing all subversive doctrines, pointed an accusing finger at France as the fountainhead of these menacing ideas. Both the principle of conservatism and that of German diplomatic security were involved in Bismark's ensuring attempts to draw tight a *cordon sanitaire* around prostrate but seething France. Once more, Great

Britain, the leading exponent of bourgeois capitalism, was called upon to add her weight to this crusade against socialism and all that it stood for. From the objective perspective of their "tight little isle" it was all too apparent to the British that Bismark was using this ideological shibboleth of radicalism as a screen for his attempts to completely subjugate France. For her refusal Britain was scolded by Bismark as being the "native land of international radicalism."

Thus, with the creation of the German Empire, the mantle of Metternich was taken up by Bismark, carrying on the tradition of reactionism in Central Europe established by the wily Austrian prince. Thus, too, began that prolonged attack by Prussia upon the stubbornly vigorous corpus of western liberalism, an onslaught that received a momentary check in the years 1914-18, but which, in our day, has resulted in the collapse of another French government and in a refugee problem of untold dimensions in comparison to the plight of Louis Napoleon's enemies. Europe's homeless millions are, indeed, (the pathetic product, many times multiplied, of the seeds of disintegration sown by earlier dictators.

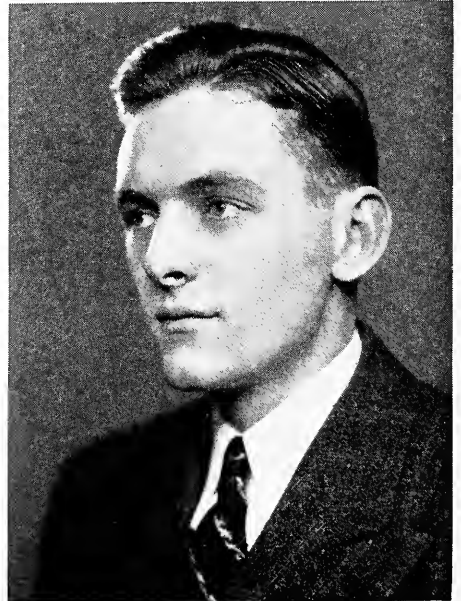
Conscientiousness has in many outgrown that stage in which the sense of a compelling power is joined with rectitude of action. The truly honest man, here and there to be found, is not only without thought of legal, religious, or social compulsion, when he discharges an equitable claim on him; but he is without thought of self-compulsion. He does the right thing with a simple feeling of satisfaction in doing it, and is indeed impatient if anything prevents him from having the satisfaction of doing it.—Herbert Spencer.

Life Insurance is a Design for Successful Financial Living.—Paul Speicher.

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The Housemother

By THANKFUL C. JONES, *Housemother of Omicron Deuteron Chapter of Phi Sigma Kappa*

My entrance into the field of housemothering was prefaced with the usual good (?) advice from friends: I must remember that you can always tell a college man, but you can't tell him much—the first four years; an equally trite but more helpful suggestion was to “keep your eyes open, your mouth shut and mind your own business.” I was also well primed with all of the current and asinine twaddle about the selfish, inconsiderate, unrestrained and head-strong attitude of “this younger generation.”

The “new psychology” of “freedom of self-expression for the child, at all costs,” which came into vogue in the last generation, and was applied to and encouraged in this generation, led me to suspect that housemothering this modern un-repressed, un-inhibited and un-spanked generation would be no easy job. (It wasn't and still isn't, but I love it.) Approaching my work with these mental reservations, I was wholly unprepared for the warm welcome the boys gave me; their fine consideration and interest shown in fixing up the room I was to occupy; their many efforts to make me comfortable and happy, and least of all for the frank and sincere gestures of friendship and affection they continue to show me. I never dreamed that this would prove to be one of the happiest, most interesting, exasperating and enriching experiences of my life.

The influence that a housemother can have on a chapter covers so much ground and still, paradoxically, is so limited, for after all, these boys we are expected to mother are nearly grown men, or at least most of them think they are. While occasionally we find one who is carrying an adolescent 'hang-over' to college with

him, the majority are well developed mentally and emotionally, and capable of some pretty straight thinking for themselves.

I have nursed many of my boys through the physical illnesses, from measles to complete physical and mental collapse,



THANKFUL C. JONES

and I have had the blessed privilege of being their confidant and advisor in many of their emotional problems, but they usually think their way through these problems themselves.

It is a bit shocking and disconcerting at times to see them so frankly and openly *human*, but personally, I am afraid there is little that we, as housemothers, can do about it, except to stand by, as their own mothers would do—hating the sin, but loving the sinner—until a period nearer normal sets in; for deep, deep down in

their feelings I've discovered that the majority have the same old-fashioned ideas and ideals that past generations have had.

With my own boys here, I find that open criticism, like okra, is definitely "out," but I am continually surprised at their open-minded and fair consideration and acceptance of constructive suggestion.

Every housemother would like to feel that she has added something to the moral and spiritual uplift of her chapter, but that influence is such a subtle thing, and cannot always be measured by outward appearances. She may think that confidential talk she had with Bill had made a different man of him, only to find later that one look (without any talk) from Mary or Jane was all he needed.

The material results of her influence and help are so much more obvious. We have had an example of this since I came here two years ago. I was the first all-time housemother this chapter had had. The chapter was small and the house and grounds a bit run down at the heel. Experienced supervision over the kitchen and dining room and careful buying resulted in considerable savings and we were able to wipe out most of the long standing indebtedness, which of course, raised the financial rating of the chapter. Last year the boys felt financially able to redecorate the downstairs, do over the floors, install new indirect lighting and refurnish the living and date-rooms. All of this seemed to call for an outside paint job and a new lawn, most of which the boys did themselves. Giving the house a face-lift, inside and out, seemed to raise our morale too. The house seemed more like home, and the boys began bringing their dates over to the house oftener. With an all-time chaperon the girls felt more free to come over any time of day without incurring the disapproval of the Dean of Women or their own housemother.

There is nothing that contributes more to a homelike atmosphere, so keeps the boys on their toes, and gives a house such a feeling and air of importance as having a group of fine girls coming in often. All of this, with a few cleverly arranged parties and suppers (and these boys have a reputation for putting on clever parties), and we began to feel that we were back on the campus map in a big way. Incidentally, the chapter has doubled its membership.

College is expected to give the intellectual and practical knowledge (I wish I could add the word "wisdom") that a man takes into life, but the intimacy of fraternity life provides the "battleground" and experiences for personal, mental and emotional adjustments, and often the cultural background, which is equally as important to a successful and happy life. If a housemother can uphold the social and cultural standards and training in her chapter, and be an honest, just and un-prejudiced "referee" in the "adjustments," she has a wonderful opportunity to be a fine influence upon that chapter.

I am one of the newer members among the housemothers on this campus, and naturally don't know all of the answers, yet if I were asked what qualities are most essential and likely to make a housemother a fine influence on her chapter, I would say "A social and cultural background is needed to start with; the capacity to "take it"—something that cannot be explained until you have lived through it, and only housemothers will understand—will help her keep her health and sanity; but a natural or even cultivated SENSE OF HUMOR is an absolute necessity. These qualities, plus a sincere effort on her part toward sympathetic understanding and affection for her boys and their problems (the affection will not have to be cultivated, it comes), should and will, I believe, make

her a fine influence on the chapter, a good housemother.

I had almost forgotten to add that a practical knowledge of how to order some 700 or 800 well-balanced, nourishing and attractive meals will be of inestimable value and a fine influence, for "the way to a man's heart is still through his tummy."

And as a housemother I might add that I know of no occupation that pays such soul-satisfying dividends.

You may have gathered from this article that I have a pretty fine group of boys and that I am rather fond of them. Come on down and meet them and see for yourself.

My greetings and a hearty "God Bless You" to all Phi Sigma Kappas everywhere.

Region Three Scholarship Winner

Omicron Deuteron is the winner in the scholarship cup competition in Region Three for the year ending June 1940.

The trophy is awarded to the chapter showing the greatest improvement in scholarship in one year over the next preceding year. The trophy was donated by the Knoxville alumni club and it is now in the possession of Epsilon Triton. It will be delivered to Omicron Deuteron Chapter at a time arranged by that chapter.

Expenses, including round trip railway and Pullman fare, for a representative from the chapter in possession of the trophy to the winning chapter is paid from the Southern Travel Fund.

Everyone now believes that there is in a man an animating, ruling, characteristic essence, or spirit, which is himself. This spirit, dull or bright, petty or grand, pure or foul, looks out of the eyes, sounds in the voice, and appears in the manners of each individual. It is what we call personality.—Charles W. Eliot.

Largest Interfraternity Meeting

By JOSEPH B. COMSTOCK JR.

One of the most important gatherings of fraternity men in the history of Greek letter organizations was held in Los Angeles on March 19, 1941. It was the twenty-first annual Occidental-U.S.C.-U. C. L. A. - Interfraternity Conference, which brought fraternity men from those three outstanding southern institutions to the S. C. campus in the afternoon for round-table and panel discussions, and then climaxed the day with a dinner at the Shrine Auditorium (the only place in Los Angeles large enough to accommodate the crowd), where over 4,000 Greeks and their friends sat down together at dinner.

With true California spirit, Los Angeles fraternity men set themselves the 4,000 mark for the dinner because last fall 3,000 fraternity men and their friends dined together in New York. So, the Los Angeles dinner drew almost 5,000 and the caterers groaned under the strain.

In the afternoon the discussions were held at Bridge Hall under the direction of prominent local fraternity alumni, with representatives from each of the three schools taking part in each discussion. The five topics discussed were: 1. Successful Rushing Techniques; 2. Training Pledges for Effective Membership; 3. Creating a Stimulating Atmosphere for Scholarship; 4. Hospitality in the Chapter House; 5. Sound Business Practice in Chapter Finance; 6. Initiation Practices. In each case the fellows got down to cases and exchanged actual experiences which had proved effective.

The speaker of the evening was Senator A. B. "Happy" Chandler of Kentucky. Honored guests at the dinner were Dr. Rufus B. von KleinSmid, President of U.S.C., the Hon. Fletcher Bow-

ron, Mayor of Los Angeles, Dr. Remsen Bird, President of Occidental College, and Allen G. Ritter, representative of the National Interfraternity Council. Conrad Nagel, of screen and radio, was Toastmaster, and Gary Breckner was Master of Ceremonies. Several well-known figures from radio and motion picture industry entertained during the evening. The "Merry Macs" brought down the house.

This Conference was unusually important on account of the realization on the part of fraternity men that they must adapt fraternity programs to the conditions of the present grave emergency. Facts were looked in the face, experiences were shared, and plans were made which will strengthen the bonds of loyalty, patriotism, and service, which have always existed between Greek letter men and their country.

A Table of Phi Sig Service



Left to right: Back row: Phi Sigma Kappa rushing circulars, songbooks, directories, the historical motion picture. Center row: SIGNET, record. Front row: History, felt banner approximately 2' x 3'. Covering the table is a 6' x 9' Phi Sigma Kappa flag.

The songbooks are \$1.00 per copy; directories 50c; records \$1.00; histories \$3.00; felt banner \$3.50; and flag \$12.00.

The rushing circulars are distributed gratuitously; the historical films are furnished upon request; and THE SIGNET is furnished each member of the undergraduate chapters, Endowment Donors, and alumni who pay alumni dues. All of this service may be obtained through the national headquarters.

Endowment Donor

A newcomer to the ranks of the Endowment Donors of Phi Sigma Kappa is Brother Harry D. Lovering, Beta Deuteron '14.

Brother Lovering is president and treasurer of the Lovering Construction Company, contracting engineers, of St. Paul, Minnesota.



HARRY D. LOVERING

The years between his graduation from college and the formation of the company were spent gaining engineering and building construction experience in a variety of projects.

Brother Lovering and his company have built a number of fine high schools and also university buildings on the campuses of the University of Michigan, Michigan State Normal, Purdue, University of Montana and the University of Idaho, southern branch. At present, he is occupied with the construction of a low rent housing project at Butte, Montana, and another at Rock Island, Illinois.

Brother Lovering was a member of Scabbard & Blade and Tau Beta Pi while at the University of Minnesota, and belongs also to several engineering societies.

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Omicron Association Meets

Many of the alumni attending the meeting of the Alumni Association of Omicron Chapter of Phi Sigma Kappa renewed old acquaintances in Boston and over at M.I.T. in Cambridge. Throughout the week-end many alumni could be found reminiscing and making new acquaintances among the active chapter. On Sunday morning a business meeting to discuss matters of mutual interest to both the chapter and the alumni association was held.

The following officers for the association were elected for the ensuing year: President, C. D. Proctor, Vice-President, E. J. Finneran, Jr., Secretary, C. L. Austin, Treasurer, H. D. Swift. Other members of the returning alumni included the following: D. L. Eckhardt, E. Gunnell, T. H. Talbot, M. K. Weill, G. P. Rupert, Jr., J. P. Warbasse, Jr., G. Lawson, S. Chamberlain, E. C. Bishop, E. R. Harris, B. H. Newcomb, K. J. Radimer, F. L. Warner, G. G. M. Bull, A. R. Dorman, Jr., J. Suydam, and W. H. Brockett.

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Chance With DuPont

Brother Franklin Chance, Xi '37, is research chemist with the DuPont Company, located in Wilmington, Delaware.

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Wear your learning like your watch, in a private pocket; do not pull it out and strike it, merely to show that you have one.—Lord Chesterfield.

When you define liberty you limit it, and when you limit it you destroy it.—Brand Whitlock.

When love and skill work together, expect a masterpiece.—John Ruskin.

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Founders' Day in L. A.

The Founders' Day Dinner was held on March 14th, at the Mona Lisa Restaurant. There was no principal speaker for the evening; instead President Scriven called for impromptu speeches from the brothers. This meeting saw the return of Brother Walter H. Conley, who has been missed since his trip East. Inci-



GARDNER O. HART
Secretary

Phi Sigma Kappa Club of Southern California.

dentally, while not well, he seems to be much improved and we again look forward to his usual appearance at dinners.

The attendance was around 100 and with extra entertainment furnished by the pledge class of Omega Deuteron Chapter, the meeting was highly successful.

Brother Frank Scriven refused to be drafted for a third term as president of the alumni group. However, if he only devotes a third of the time and energy he did as president, his presence will be felt at all times.



ROBERT E. JONES
Secretary

Phi Sigma Kappa Club of Western Montana.



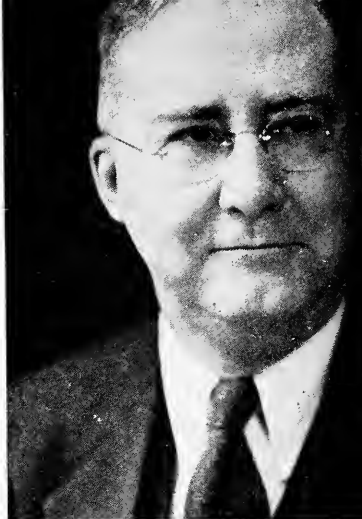
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Phi Sigma Kappa Club of Detroit.

Fern Gravel

of Iowa

A Book Review



By

NELSON ANTRIM CRAWFORD
Iota Deuteron
Editor, The Household Magazine

Just after the turn of the century there lived in a small Iowa town a little girl with ambitions to be a poet—like Longfellow and Whittier, not James Whitcomb Riley, whom she considered “as silly as can be.” Presumably her inspiration came as overcompensation for not being pretty; in fact, she herself, with the uncanny insight of precocious children, recognized this fact when she wrote:

“If I am famous for my lectures and
poetry
It won't matter so much about my
looks.”

This little girl gave herself the fanciful name of Fern Gravel and called her home town Millersville. She wrote verse interpreting the village from her own child point of view. As she approached adolescence she stopped writing and her early work would not have been preserved had it not been for an older confidante to whom she sent it. Now it has been gathered together and published under the title, *Oh Millersville!*¹ by Fern Gravel. It is the funniest book I have read in years, yet at the same time it

¹ Muscatine, Iowa: The Prairie Press. \$2.

gives a picture of early twentieth century small-town life that a sociologist might envy.

In it appear actual incidents: a visit to the State Fair in Des Moines; a speech by William Jennings Bryan, where the townspeople made so much noise that even his roaring voice could not carry to Fern on the outskirts of the crowd; the drowning of Willie Keane; the revival meeting at which Ede Slaughter, the town drunk, got converted though “he hadn't even shaved”; the chautauqua; the concert by Blind Boone; the medicine show; the fire at the Gilbeys', where Fern kept the family cat from disaster.

The people are as real as the happenings. Fern liked her father even though he wouldn't go to church. She was ashamed of her uncle, the druggist, who did the liquor selling in the community and laughed about it. There were the Mitchner boys, whose father snipped their ears with a pair of shears. There was the Rev. Mr. Dotson, who belabored sin in the town:

“Mr. Dotson prayed so hard
That he would repent.
He didn't mention my uncle's name,
But people knew who he meant.”

Best of all, there were the Smouses, the banking family, the richest folks in town. Those were the days when distinction was measured by the size of one's house, and the Smouse residence had twelve rooms though only two of the family occupied it. And wasn't it something:

"They have a bathroom with a hot-water fausset
And a very beautiful water-closet
Right in the house. They don't have to go
Outdoors at night, through the cold and snow.
They have the only furnace in this town;
It heats all the rooms, upstairs and down."

And, of course, Mrs. Smouse set the social standards for Millersville:

"My mother has had some calling-cards printed.
The reason is Mrs. Smouse.
She thinks she ought to leave one
When she goes to their house.

"Mrs. Smouse was the only one
Who had calling-cards before;
But now that my mother has them
I expect there'll be more.

"My mother has put a little table
In our vestibule.
You leave your cards there, in a cut-glass dish:
That is the rule."

But Fern had distinction of her own: she traveled—to Des Moines, to Chicago, down the Mississippi to New Orleans, at least in imagination. And—

"Every evening there was singing
By the colored waiters,
And several times we saw
Some very large alligators."

Likewise, she had a mind of her own, as shown by her birthday present to Mr. Hendrixon:

"He doesn't care for reading,
And the book was poetry;
But whether he wanted it or not,
That was the present he had from me."

There are innumerable gems in the book; for instance—

"He hung himself with a halter
Because he was sorry he had got married.
And when Mrs. Reasoner came home
Her husband was dead and buried."

"The ugliest boy in Millersville
Is named Elmer Eccles.
He has lost his front teeth
And his face is covered with freckles."

"I was born in this town
And I know I ought to love it.
But sometimes I just can't.
Maybe I would if there was more of it."

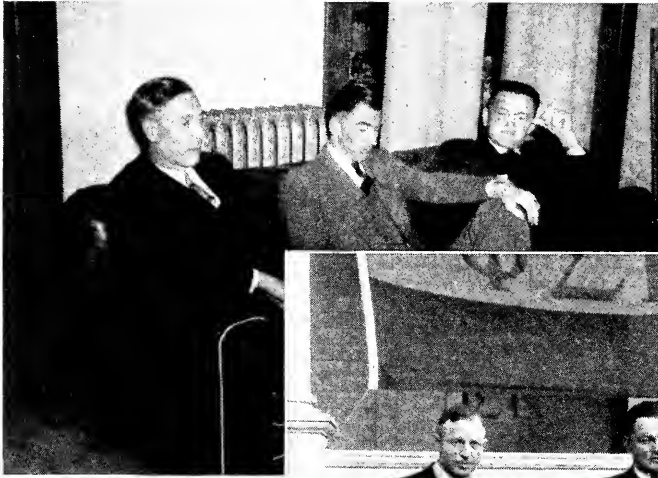
I know of no livelier recent book to chuckle over by oneself or to read aloud at a party. If I were sure what Iowa town Millersville really is, I should be tempted to fulfill the author's wish:

"I hope, some day, people will travel,
To see the home of the poetess, Fern
Gravel."

Hartley To Welcome Rotary

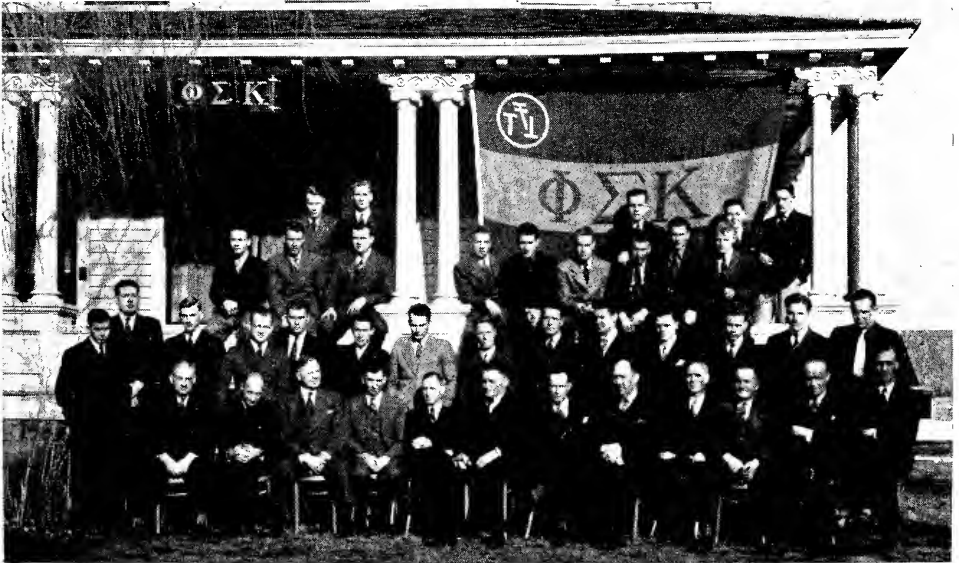
Carney Hartley, Gamma '94, of Denver, Colorado, is taking an active part in preparations for the 32nd annual convention of Rotary International which will be held in Denver from June 15 to 20.

Brother Hartley is one of the most prominent mechanical engineers of Denver. As a member of the convention House of Friendship Committee he is assisting with plans for the welcoming and entertaining of the expected 10,000 convention guests. According to Brother Hartley, delegates to the Denver convention will represent the majority of the 210,000 Rotarians and 5,000 Rotary clubs of more than 60 countries of the world.



Below, left to right: Lloyd DeVore, George Jacoby, Frank Neill, Directors of Alumni Corporation.

Above, left to right: Lloyd Johnson, C. Marc Miller, George Jacoby, Directors of Alumni Corporation.



FOUNDERS' DAY GROUP AT ZETA TRITON.

Zeta Triton's Founders Day Celebration

Zeta Triton was host to Omega Beta and Phi Sig alumni from throughout the state at their second annual Founders' Day Celebration, on Sunday, March 30.

Brother C. Marc Miller, Regional Director for Region VI, was present at the chapter house for the celebration.

Among the alumni present were: George Jacoby, Frank Neill, and Lloyd (Lefty) DeVore, directors of the alumni corporation; Fred Browning, L. R. Daems, Dr. R. E. Seitz, Joe Braley, James McMahn, Don Nash, Chet Roecher, Dennis O'Connor, Bud Lowe, Bill Johnstone, Jim House, George Baxter, Rev. William Reeves, Lloyd Johnson, Selway Carlson, Clarence Davidson, Jim Bourne, Corby Tilton, and Ed Schiller.

The celebration consisted mainly of a banquet at the chapter house and the burning of a mortgage, which has been on the house since the time it was purchased.

During the years around 1932 when the nation was in the midst of the depression, the chapter, then local Omega Beta, experienced some hard times. They had a time making ends meet and finally could not meet all their obligations. Three men from Helena, George Jacoby, Frank Neill and Lloyd DeVore, who had organized the alumni corporation, sensed something wrong, and went to Bozeman to investigate. They found a task before them which seemed impossible, but through hard work they established additional credit among the local business men, and organized a program for paying off the debt and mortgage in regular installments. It was this sound program and the worthwhile advice of the alumni group which resulted in finally paying off the last of the mort-

gage. This chapter is probably the only fraternity here which owns its house.

Brother Jacoby, president of the alumni corporation, and Brother R. E. Seitz, one of the charter members of Lambda, were the principal speakers. Brother Jacoby outlined the history and progress of the fraternity while Brother Seitz spoke of



BURNING THE MORTGAGE

Foreground, left to right: Frank Neill, George Jacoby, Lefty DeVore, Stub Field.

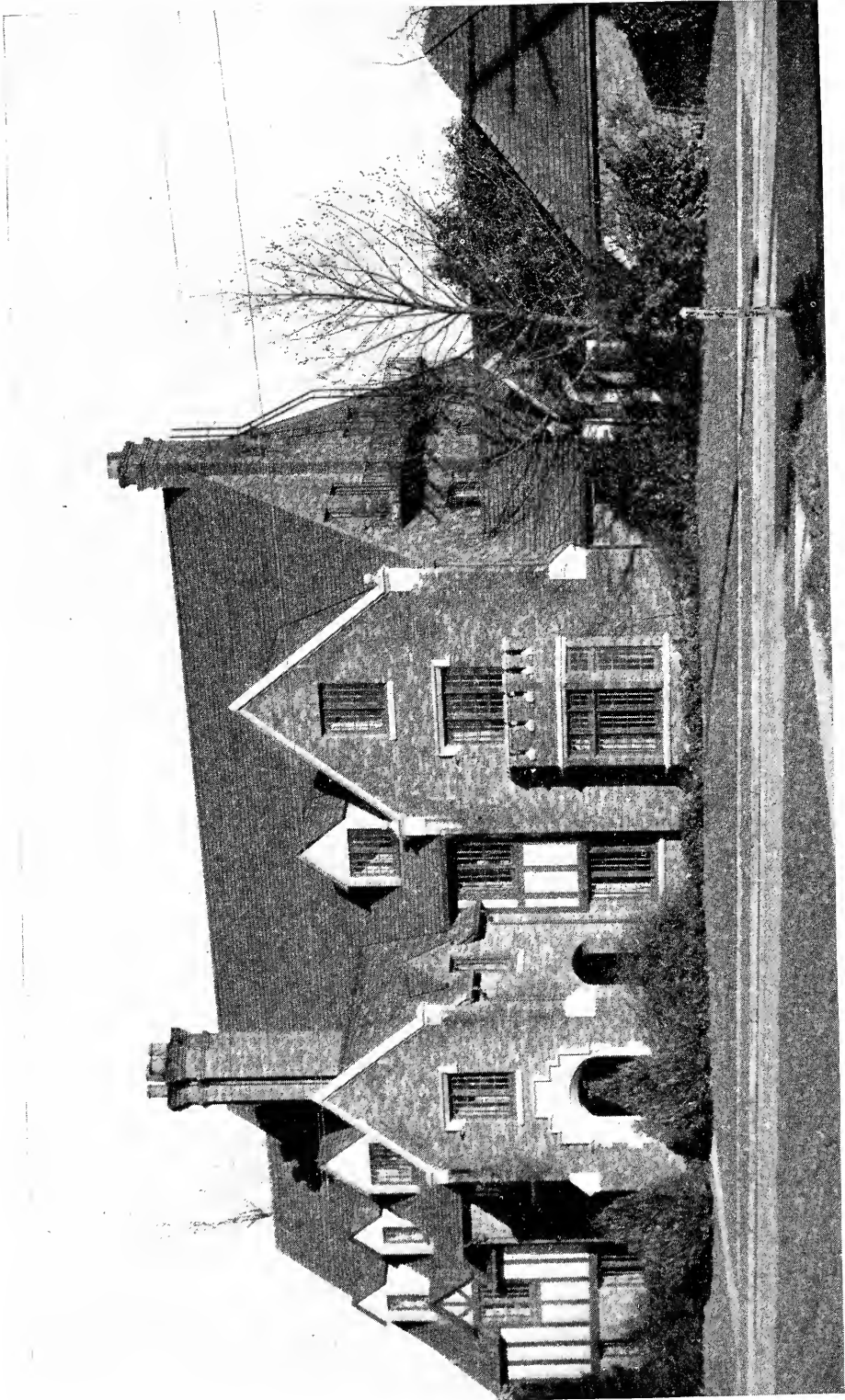
the need for social organization and commended the work of the alumni group. Brother C. Marc Miller also addressed the group. Many of the alumni present spoke a few words.

Motion picture reels of the 15 leading football games during 1940 were shown as part of the entertainment.

During the afternoon, many matters pertaining to the policy of the chapter were discussed.

It is planned to make the Founders' Day Celebration an annual event.

I think the first virtue is to restrain the tongue; he approaches nearest to the gods who knows how to be silent, even though he is in the right.—Cato.



THETA DEUTERON

THETA DEUTERON TWENTIETH ANNIVERSARY

By NORMAN E. HALL

Theta Deuteron celebrated its twentieth anniversary as a chapter of Phi Sigma Kappa on February 19, with a banquet at the house that evening. Guests for the evening included Phi Sig members of the faculty and alumni living in Corvallis.

Professor Oran M. Nelson, first advisor for the chapter, spoke briefly on the history of the chapter. The experiences he had in that capacity, he said, "were experiences with which I will never part." Brother Nelson also stressed the need for scholarship, sound house finances, and closer relationship with the alumni.

The actual start of Theta Deuteron was back in October, 1915, when thirteen boys from Roseburg, Oregon, decided that by living together, they could reduce living expenses. They banded together, forming an organization known as the Umpqua Club. In 1918, the Umpqua Club became known as Zeta Epsilon. Two years later the organization joined the trend for national affiliation. Phi Sigma Kappa was chosen as the best available fraternity and was consequently petitioned. The national granted the charter and Zeta Epsilon became the thirty-second chapter, Theta Deuteron, of Phi Sigma Kappa on February 19, 1921.

Since its organization as the Umpqua Club in 1915, Theta Deuteron has grown from a membership of thirteen men to one with a membership of fifty. As the group grew larger, new locations were acquired, till 1929, when the present house was built.

Theta Deuteron is today one of the large fraternities on the campus, a fraternity with its membership active in varsity and intramural sports, journalism, military and honor societies, and various other campus activities.

Columbus Club Celebrates

The Phi Sigma Kappa Club of Columbus held their Founders' Day Banquet, March 13th, at the Ohio Union. Brothers who attended the banquet were: Ferdinand A. Riss, John M. Yore, Francis T. Rudy, Robert E. Leach, B. L. Scott, Thomas T. Potts, all members of Pi Deuteron chapter, Maurice L. Moggie, Iota Deuteron, and Elgin W. Scott, Jr., Eta.

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Robert H. Goebel, Delta Deuteron '36, has been called to active duty in the Navy. He was a naval reserve officer holding the rank of ensign. He reported to the Philadelphia Navy Yard on March 15th to the U. S. S. Washington, battleship nearing completion. A graduate of the University of Michigan Engineering School, he was assistant superintendent of a branch plant of Keeler Brass Company, Grand Rapids, Michigan. He is married and has two children.

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Howard Russell, Xi '40, who is serving on the medical staff of the United States Army, has recently received his corporalship. He is now stationed at Plattsburg.

After his graduation, and until he went into the Army, Brother Russell was employed at Pilgrim State Hospital at Long Island, New York.

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John E. Hill, Tau '20 is now manager of the bond and investment department of the Rutland Vermont office of A. M. Kidder & Company.

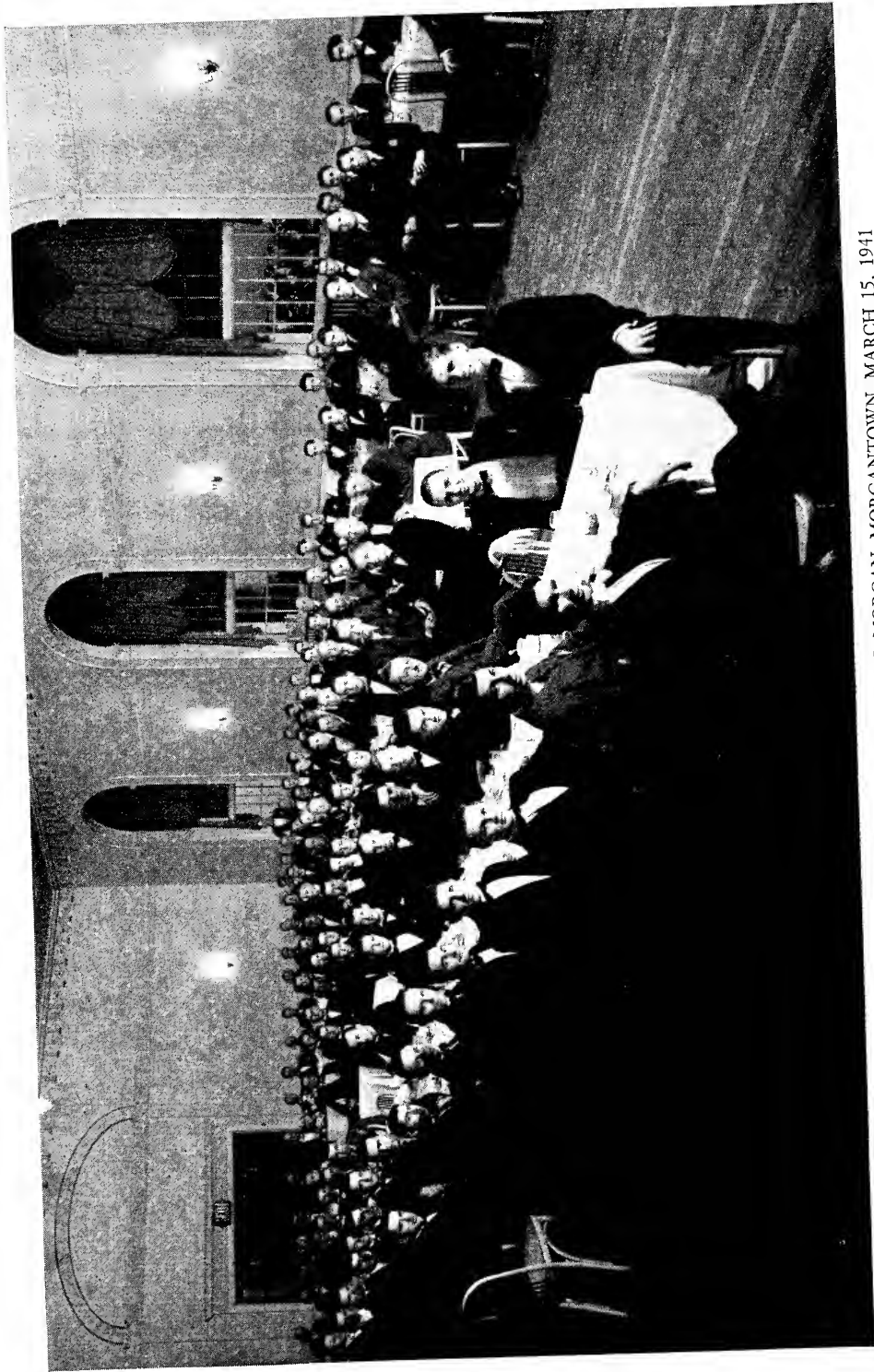
Be yourself and think for yourself; and while your conclusions may not be infallible they will be nearer right than the conclusions forced upon you by those who have a personal interest in keeping you in ignorance. You grow through exercise of your faculties, and if you don't reason now you never will advance.
—Elbert Hubbard.



TO DELTA CHAPTER
FOURTH UNIT OF PHI SIGMA KAPPA
A FRATERNITY DEDICATED TO THE IDEALS
OF BROTHERHOOD, SCHOLARSHIP, AND CHARACTER
PRESENTED BY THE CHURCH IN RECOGNITION
OF FIFTY YEARS OF SERVICE TO COLLEGE MEN
FEBRUARY 1941

The Phi Sig Spirit

It is extremely difficult for the members of Delta Chapter to set in insignificant words the feelings which possessed us at our chapter's Golden Anniversary. Our sentiments could not be classified as a separate list of emotional reactions, but more as a mixture of all feelings. A feeling of reverence—reverence for the Phi Sigs who have passed on and joined the Chapter Invisible; a feeling of pride—pride in belonging to the greatest single organization on our campus—a link in the chain of the greatest organization on any American campus; a feeling of respect—respect for those national leaders who have kept the silver and magenta flying high for well over the half-century we represent; a feeling of hope—hope that our brothers will continue to motivate the very beats of the nation's heart as they have done for so long; and a feeling of genuine satisfaction—satisfaction of seeing a task well done as our first and last member exchanged greetings and typified the spirit which pervaded the souls of every Phi Sig present.



THE FIFTIETH ANNIVERSARY BANQUET, HOTEL MORGAN, MORGANTOWN, MARCH 15, 1941

The Anniversary Celebration

Many years will pass before the active members of Delta Chapter will have an experience so thrilling, so rich and full or so uplifting as was the commemoration of the 50th anniversary of her founding.

At noon on Saturday, March 15, alumni began to arrive at the chapter house; members of the class of 1891, of the class of 1900; younger men of the class of 1939, 1940 and 1941 met and began to re-live days gone by.

Reminiscence was the order of the day, and many were the memories of happy school days which were called to mind—within an hour three of the founders hunted up the minutes of the first meetings and began to pore over them.

Later in the afternoon, the officers conducted an exemplification of the new

Morgan which turned out to be the high spot of the whole weekend.

Brother John H. Marchmont, national president, and Brother Herbert Brown, Regional Director from Region II, whose presence undoubtedly did more than any other single factor in making the entire



President John H. Marchmont presents the Council Fiftieth Anniversary plaque to Chapter President Ernest M. "Ted" Brown.



An ex-Governor of West Virginia, Howard M. Gore, center, talks things over with "Speed" Carter and Professor John B. Grumbien at the banquet.

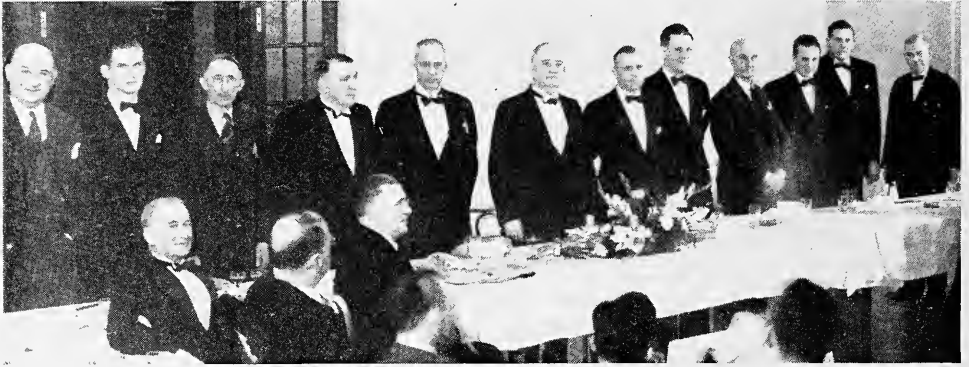
ritual for the benefit of those alumni who had not seen it; and Brother Florian G. Ross, '92, one of the earliest initiated members, wishing to reconsecrate himself to Phi Sigma Kappa, was initiated and given the highly-prized pearls which designate membership.

On Saturday evening alumni and members of the active chapter held a most enjoyable banquet at the Hotel

celebration a success, both gave very enterprising talks, climaxed by the presentation of the anniversary plaque by President Marchmont to chapter president Ted Brown.

Brother Herbert Brown's talk was a masterpiece of simplicity. He took the cardinal principles of Phi Sigma Kappa and, with them, answered many questions raised today—concerning the dubious future of the college fraternity. When he had finished his address, there was no doubt left in the audience that the college fraternity is not only here to stay, but is an unforgivable omission from any college man's program.

Brother Marchmont stressed the fact that Delta was one of the most solid and united chapters he had seen, and ended his brief but stirring address with a beautiful tribute to the chapter and then gave Brother Ted Brown the plaque. Brother Marchmont struck every Phi



The banquet speakers' table: left to right: Carl G. Bachmann, former Congressman; Ed. C. Siegrist, Chairman of the Anniversary Committee; Florian G. Ross, Founder; J. O. Knapp, Chapter Adviser; National President John H. Marchmont; F. Roy Yoke, toastmaster; Herbert L. Brown, Director from Region II; Ernest M. "Ted" Brown, Chapter President; Capt. George M. Alexander, first initiate; Charles Taylor, sing-leader; William J. "Speed" Carter, chaplain; and Howard M. Gore, ex-Governor of West Virginia.

Sig here as being one of the wisest choices for national president ever made.

His wide experience in this type of work has given him that cosmopolitan air which he so ably brings into use when making new contacts. Delta extended her heartiest welcome to him—and he accepted with a graciousness which pleased us all.

One of Delta's most illustrious sons was toastmaster—F. Roy Yoke, state collector of internal revenue. His wit and wisdom was in full force as he called on and introduced the speakers, one by one, made his sparkling comments between speeches and finally ended the banquet with a fervent prayer that in 50 more years his son, Frank Yoke, president of the freshman class, might see his chapter in the condition he sees her now.

The banquet was followed by a closed dance in the Hotel ballroom where more than 200 alumni and their wives got back into the swing of college life.

The reception on Sunday afternoon at the chapter house was attended by more than 300 persons, including University officials, among whom were Dr. and Mrs. Charles E. Lawall, president of the University; Dr. and Mrs. Richard Aspinall, assistant to the president; deans of

the colleges and schools, departmental heads, parents and friends of chapter members, and most of the alumni and their wives.

Every member of Delta Chapter, from the oldest founder to the most recent initiate was impressed with the realization of how much a sincere bond of brotherhood and true fraternity can mean to an individual, and is grateful for the opportunity to be present at such an occasion.

To Kappa and Mu chapters, who sent delegations, and to all the other chapters for their kind telegrams and letters of congratulation, we extend most sincerely our thanks—and wish to remind you that you are always welcome at Delta Chapter—on the broad Monongahela.

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May Cover

The cover drawing for this issue is the work of Marion Rupert (Mrs. George P. Rupert Jr.), who has done several fine cartoons for previous issues of THE SIGNET.

The cover is run in the Blue and Gold of West Virginia University in honor of Delta Chapter. In further honor to Delta THE SIGNET has printed the special section devoted to it in blue and gold.

Our Founders — True Men All

By DON BOND '42

The beginning of Delta Chapter 50 years ago does not belong to any one man. It belongs to a group of twelve men—our founders. But, even with their foresight and drive, the founding of the chapter would have been impossible had they not had the advice and wisdom of another older Phi Sig to guide them.

This man was John Ashburn Cutter, Alpha '82, Beta '86. Now a retired physician residing at 40 Perry Street, New York City, Dr. Cutter was the guiding influence behind the setting up of Delta's charter. It was his congratulatory message that our founders first framed and hung in our chapter room. It was his message of congratulation again that was read at the 50th anniversary.

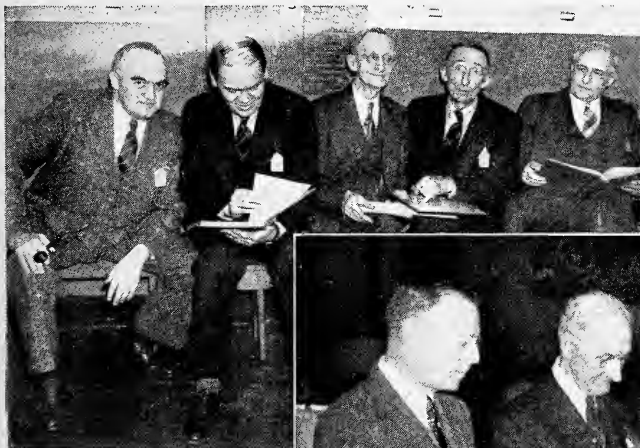
To Dr. Cutter, we now express the appreciation of the entire Delta Chapter,

for his faithfulness, his loyalty and his great leadership.

First among our founders was Captain George M. Alexander, later to become a pioneer in electrical development in the state and head of the Monongahela West Penn Public Service Company. He was one of the founders of the Jacksons Mill 4-H camp, on the site of Stonewall Jackson's boyhood home, and now one of the leading youth retreats of the East.

Wilson L. H. Camden, now retired, resides at Mountain Lake Park, Maryland. His was the guiding spirit behind the drafting of the chapter's first charter.

Little can be learned of Robert H. Ramsey, save that he was one of the most brilliant of the founders, one of the campus leaders and later a famed physician in Central West Virginia.



Old members look over the records and minutes in the chapter room. Left to right: Dana Hicks, Wayne Mason, C. C. Coffman, F. G. Ross, and Benjamin King.

Herbert L. Brown, Director from Region II, Founders George M. Alexander and Florian G. Ross, and President Marchmont look over the program of a celebration of a bygone year.



Harry W. Smith was one of the state's pioneer editors and journalists. He founded several papers and gained nationwide fame for his editorials during the Spanish-American war.

Claude W. Gore is still living, near Clarksburg, West Virginia. A retired lawyer, and a gentleman farmer, Brother Gore was a law partner of the father of Haymond Maxwell, also a Phi Sig, and former chief justice of the State Supreme Court of Appeals.

Isaiah C. Herndon held the enviable record of being circuit judge of McDowell County for 24 years, and was later prosecuting attorney of that county.

J. Carl Vance opened up the virgin deposits of oil and gas in central West Virginia and was Clarksburg's leading insurance broker for several years.

Clarence E. Mayers is living yet, a retired professor in Chicago. He was formerly a professor of law both here at the University and later at a private institution in the Illinois metropolis.

Cyrus Earl Vance was an insurance broker, living now here, now there. Most of his fame as a business leader, however, was gained in Washington and Atlanta.

John A. Greer was the first of the founders to join the Chapter Invisible. He was a young physician at Sistersville when death struck.

Kemble White is the chief counsel for the huge Hope Natural Gas company at Clarksburg. His memory has helped the chapter no end in compiling material for the 50th anniversary publications.

Florian G. Ross, youngest of the founders, is a consulting civil engineer at Pittsburgh, and was the life of the party at the celebration last month.

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My congratulations and best wishes to Delta. May your fine record inspire you to new and greater accomplishments—

Earl F Schoening.



Chapter officers include, standing: Dick Clark, Inductor; Allen Sanders, Sentinel; seated: left to right: Dick Bayne, Secretary; Ray Goodwin, Vice-President; Ted Brown, President; and Charles Greene, Treasurer.

Fifty Years—Rich in History

By ALLEN SANDERS '42

When members of the class of 1891 came back to help celebrate the 50th anniversary of the founding of Delta Chapter, shook hands with the members of the class of 1941 and immediately began to tell us about their school days, one of the first things they said was, When I was here, Phi Sigma Kappa was THE FRATERNITY.

It was with a great surge of pride that we could smile back at them and say, It's never changed.

Delta's position on the campus here at West Virginia is upheld by the loyalty and coöperation of an active chapter of almost 70 members, who, along with keeping their fraternity on top, find time for active participation in other campus activities.

Among them are Brothers Joe Condry, law 1, president of the student body last year; James Wolverton, law 3, former president of Phi Alpha Delta, honorary legal fraternity and varsity football and basketball player; William J. Speed Carter, law 3, Phi Beta Kappa, present president of Phi Alpha Delta, member of the law quarterly staff; William I. Powell, law 1, president of the freshman law class and chairman of the men's panhellenic dance committee; Ernest M. Ted Brown, president of Delta Phi Alpha, German honorary and former president of Alpha Epsilon Delta, pre-medical honorary; Jack Brown, member of the University social committee; and Frank Yoke, president of the freshman class.

Besides these few, there are many other members of the active chapter who are participants in honorary societies, varsity athletics, dramatics, campus politics, the R. O. T. C. unit, the University Band and other extra-curricular activities.

The present chapter house was built in 1929 at the cost of \$60,000 and is large

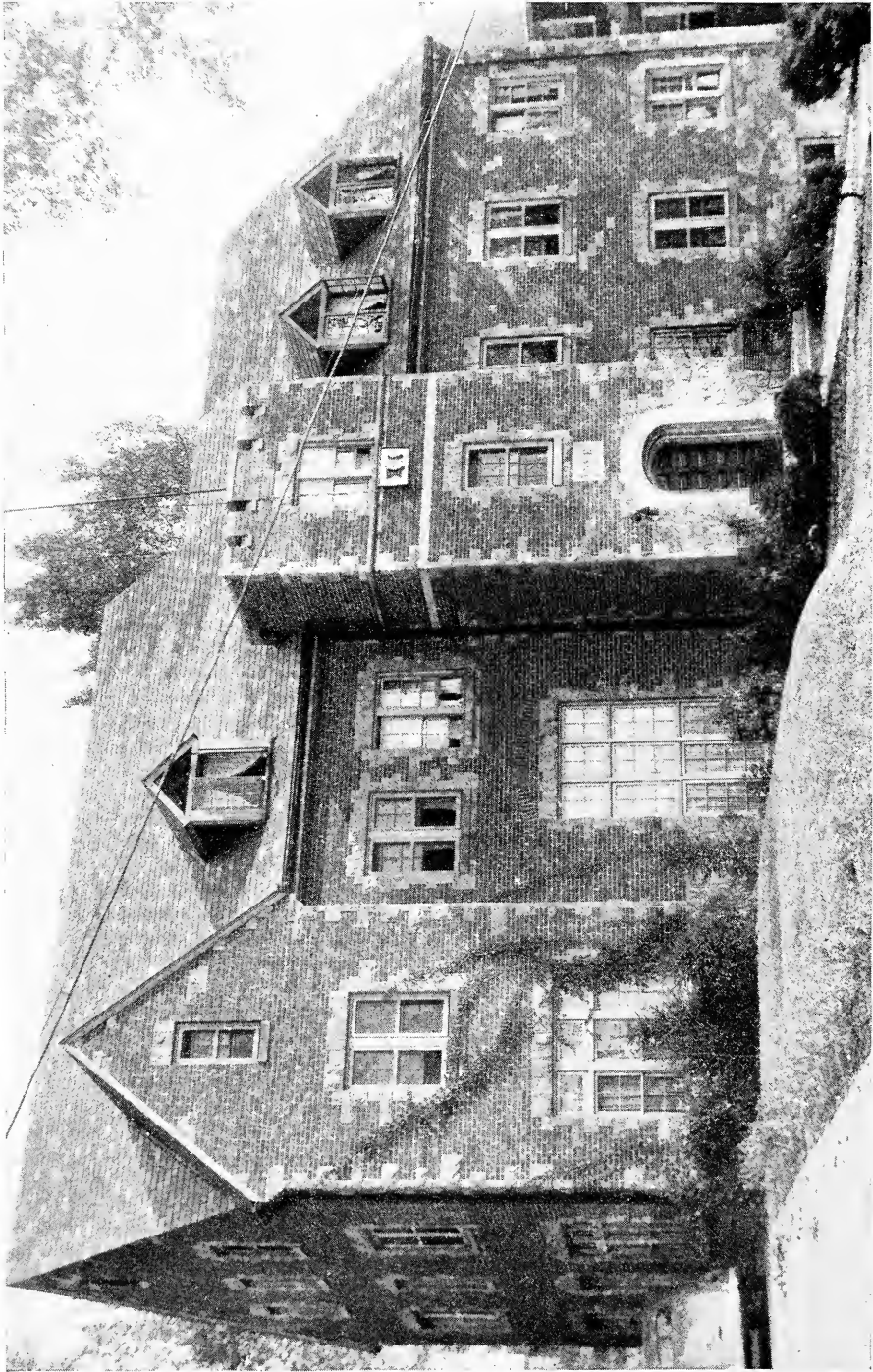
enough for 45 men, representing an expansion which is in reality a tribute to the foresight, imagination and lofty ideals of ten men who met on February 24, 1891, and organized the second fraternity on the campus of West Virginia University. Fifteen days later, they initiated two more members.

The first chapter meeting was held in a rented hall. This continued until a few years later when a chapter house was bought which became the home of the Phi Sigs until 1929.

Throughout the years of development and expansion there have been numerous obstacles, barriers which would have caused men of ordinary character to fail; but Delta has been fortunate in that on her membership rolls are the names of many outstanding citizens of the state and country.

Among these are Matthew M. Neely, who has a record of 16 years in the United States Senate and is now Governor of the State; Howard M. Gore, former Secretary of Agriculture and ex-Governor of West Virginia; John Kee, United States Congressman; Fred L. Shinn and Carl C. Calvert, members of the State House of Delegates; Dr. Russell Bailey, former All-American center on the University football team and diplomat of the American Board of Surgery.

William Holt Woodell, assistant Attorney General and former student president on campus; Carl G. Bachmann, former Congressmen and member of the State liquor control board; F. Roy Yoke, Collector of Internal Revenue, past director or governor of the Rotary International; and many others who have a long record of service to the country and the public. Many have gone far in the field of medicine, including: Dr. Wm. R.



DELTA CHAPTER HOUSE

Goff, one of the country's most famous goiter specialists and president of the student body here in 1911-1912; Dr. Gory Hogg, who has successfully combined political prominence with a distinguished clientele; Dr. Ralph Condry, outstanding heart specialist; Dr. John Condry, one of the State's finest surgeons; Dr. S. J. Morris, head of the University Student Health Service; Dr. Edward Vacheresse, former boxing coach and now a leading physician—to name but a few.

In the legal profession can be found Judge Haymond Maxwell and Judge James A. Meredith, both past chief justices of the State Supreme Court of Appeals; Judge Milton Easley, one of the southern states' most distinguished jurists; Judge George Seldon Wallace, special Circuit Court Judge and president of the Park Board of Huntington; Captain George M. Alexander, the chapter's first member, past president of the Monongahela West Penn Public Service company, a leading figure in the establishment of Jacksons Mills, pioneer 4-H

camp of the world and a leading attorney; Captain Kemble White, founder, chief counsel of the Hope Natural Gas company; Charles H. Hardesty, also a past president of the West Penn and a leading figure in West Virginia; Frederick L. Thomas, leading attorney of Charleston and past president of the Charleston Bar association; H. W. Largent, attorney in Morgantown and president of the State Young Republicans league; C. E. Mahan, Jr., a leading corporation lawyer; T. D. Stewart, present member of the chapter house association and one of Morgantown's leading attorneys; William E. Neely, boxing coach at the University and now a practicing attorney—again, to mention but a few.

In all other walks of life can be found alumni of Delta Chapter who are outstanding in their fields including J. O. Knapp, director of Agricultural Extension Work at the University, who is also chapter adviser and a personal friend of each and every member of the active chapter; Fred E. Vandale, Spencer



A few of Delta's sports and scholarship trophies are kept in the trophy case at the chapter. The huge basketball trophy below was awarded this year for the winning of intramural basketball.



MATTHEW MANSFIELD NEELY, *Delta '01*
Governor of West Virginia

banker; Henry C. and Edward Woodyard, owners of the largest weekly newspaper chain in the world; Fredrick McIntosh, member of the University board of governors; Florian G. Ross, founder, Pittsburgh's outstanding civil engineer; Bennet S. White, member of the University faculty; and hundreds of other men who have contributed much to Delta's advancement.

PROSPECTUS

Phi Sigma Kappa's three cardinal principles furnish an ideal of attainment for

any group of men, and in years to come, Delta expects to try more than ever to promote brotherhood, stimulate scholarship and develop character, an undertaking to which every member of the active chapter is pledged.

It is only in following a path to a common goal that the fellowship and strength of true fraternity can ever be realized. Therefore, Delta shall go forward in service to West Virginia University.

This is our goal.

Mountaineer Athletes Are Sturdy— and Famous

Delta Chapter has gone far in the realm of athletics, boasting of everything from an All-American center to two dynasties of University boxing coaches.

Russ Bailey, '19, was chosen center on Walter Camp's All-American football team, and thus became the only Phi Sig from Delta Chapter ever to distinguish himself in such a manner.

The great Vic Wojcihovski, '36, famed Notre Dame back of a few years ago, joined Delta Chapter before his matriculation to South Bend, where he joined the rolls of the Irish immortals.

Bill Karr, '33, staunch lineman for the Chicago Bears, was also a member of Delta Chapter and played three years of brilliant collegiate ball before entering the realm of the pros.

Lloyd S. Backman, one of the best-known baseball pitchers of his day, was the St. Louis Cardinals' ace hurler for many years, and starred on the immortal "Rat" Rodgers' nine while at the University.

Two Phi Sigs, Eddie Vacheresse, '29, and Bill Neely, '34, have been boxing coaches at the University, with Neely holding that post at the present. Dur-

ing his student days, Neely was Vacheresse's pride and joy, undefeated at 135 pounds for three years in dual competition, and twice E.I.C. champion of his class.

Today, Phi Sigma Kappa at the University boasts of another great football player, perhaps greater than any who have gone before—Charley Schrader. The big, likeable fullback is only a freshman now and is already what Coach Bill Kern calls one of the best prospects he's ever had. In high school Charley was all-state for two years, and is expected to spark the Mountaineers through their toughest schedule in more than a decade next fall, against such foes as Army, Navy, Fordham, Kentucky, Penn State and Michigan State.

Keep watching for the name—Schrader. You're going to hear lots from it!

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Brothers of Delta Chapter—

Phi Sigma Kappa

Sincere congratulations on your 50th anniversary—

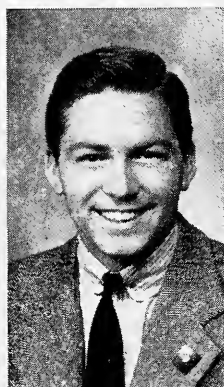
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Phi Sigs Lead in Politics, Too

By JOSEPH P. CONDRY, *Law 1, ex-President of the Student Body*

The governing body on the West Virginia University campus is the Student Council. This particular body of students consists of ten members, of whom the president of the student body is ex-officio member and president.

Other members of the council are the vice-president of the student body, the individual class presidents and four members from the



JOSEPH P. CONDRY

campus at large. The student council serves in many and sundry capacities, being considered the standing executive committee of the student body and carrying out all actions resolved upon by the campus, or rather by voting members of the student body who are eligible to

vote for the candidate whose petition they sign.

Student politics usually begin about one month prior to the election which usually takes place on the first Wednesday in May. The political season is dominated by party caucuses, political banners, platform speeches, etc., all culminating with two large rallies the night preceding the election.

The election of our student officers is, in some respects, analogous to our national election. On the campus we have two parties, the Student Union party, which is made up of the fraternities and sororities, and the Independent party, consisting of students not affiliated with any social Greek group.

Naturally, Phi Sigma Kappa is a member of the former and has played a most important part in the yearly campaign.

Two years ago, it was my privilege to be elected president of the student body. With this began a new realm of politics for the Phi Sigs, for we gained control of the campus then and have it still in the palms of our hands.

Last year Harold "Punchy" Neely was chairman of the Student Party and became the biggest political "boss" the campus has ever known. Under "Punchy's" leadership, the Phi Sigs swept Jack Brown into office on the social committee and Frank Yoke to the presidency of the freshman class.

Today William "Spike" Powell is the spokesman of the party and governs practically every nomination on the ticket.

Brother Don Bond is in line for the managing editorship of the *Daily Aethnaeum*, daily student paper, for next year—a position which will decide the political affiliations of many students during the coming year.

In short, ever since the days of Governor Neely and Governor Gore, the Phi Sigs have had the political "big wigs" of the campus—and still have them today.

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Xi Chapter meeting tonight send congratulations on Fiftieth Anniversary Regrets no brother could attend

Fraternally—

Robert Wagner Secy.

The Campus on the Broad Monongahela— West Virginia University— Home of Delta

By ALLEN SANDERS

West Virginia University, the home of Delta Chapter, with an ever-increasing enrollment of 3,500 students, comprises more than 65 acres near the center of Morgantown, on high ground overlooking the Monongahela river and much of the surrounding countryside.

The physical plant includes 30 state-owned buildings, ranging all the way from historic old Martin Hall and tradition-infested Woodburn—both built around 1867—to the new million dollar Mineral Industries building, still in the process of construction.

Other features of the University's physical set-up are two buildings leased from private owners, five demonstration and experimental farms near Morgantown, three experimental farms and three agricultural extensions centers located at suitable places throughout the state, a summer surveying camp for chemical engineering students, and a summer camp for forestry students.

The University has one of the widest and most widely-known educational ranges in the East, with a College of Arts and Sciences; College of Law, College of Engineering and Mechanical Arts, College of Agriculture, Home Economics and Forestry; College of Education, College of Pharmacy, School of Music, School of Medicine, School of Mines, Graduate School, Summer School, School of Physical Education and Athletics, School of Journalism, Division of Military Science and Tactics, and numerous experiment stations and extension service in agriculture, mining, liberal arts and education.

The financial and business offices of the University are directed by the State Board of Control, of which the newest appointee is Brother Howard M. Gore, '00. President of the powerful board is Brother Walter Thurmond. Gore is a



CHARLES A. LAWALL
President West Virginia University

former Governor of the State and United States Secretary of Agriculture—the first of two Phi Sigs to become gubernatorial leaders of West Virginia.

Leaders in the faculty are Brother J. O. Knapp '16, director of the agricultural

extension service and chapter adviser; Dr. Samuel J. Morris '15, professor of physical education and director of the Student Health Service; John B. Grumbien '08, superintendent of buildings and grounds; Bennet S. White '97, professor of engineering; William E. Neely '34, boxing coach; and Leland Taylor, Alpha Chapter, professor of zoology.

Today the University is in the midst of an unprecedented expansion program under the leadership of Brother Matthew M. Neely, newly-inaugurated Governor of the State. Brother Neely is the second Phi Sig from Delta Chapter to fill this high office. He served his state brilliantly for 16 years as an active member of the United States Senate before being elected last fall to the office he now holds.

The new Mineral Industries building, mentioned before, is to be the best equipped in the country, with a model coal mine below the basement to be the last word in modern educational methods. Besides this edifice, there is to be another addition added to the beautiful Women's Hall. Construction has already begun on a new, modern Health unit and plans are being drawn up now for a new armory for the division of Military Science and Tactics.

The University originated from the National Land Grant (Morrill) Act of July 2, 1862, and the subsequent action of the Legislature in accepting and carrying out the provisions of the Act. On January 9, 1866, the board of trustees of the Monongahela Academy in Morgantown tendered to the Legislature, for use of the contemplated state or land-grant college, all its property, including Woodburn Female Seminary, on condition that the college should be located at Morgantown. On January 30, 1867, the Legislature accepted the property, and on February 7 passed an act permitting the permanent establishment of the Agricultural College of West Virginia

and authorizing the Governor to appoint 11 suitable persons as a Board of Visitors.

The Visitors held their first meeting on April 3, 1867, at which time they appointed Dr. Alexander Martin president and established collegiate, scientific and agricultural departments of instruction. Military training was introduced at this time under the provisions of the Morrill Act.

By an Act of December 4, 1868, the name of the College was changed to West Virginia University and the Board of Visitors to the Board of Regents. On July 1, 1919, the Board of Regents was merged into the State Board of Education. By an act passed April 14, 1927, the control of the University was vested in a Board of Governors.

Following the establishment of the University, expansion was rapid. The College of Law was added in 1878; the College of Engineering in 1887; the Agricultural Experiment Station in 1888; the College of Agriculture and the School of Music in 1897; and the School of Medicine in 1902.

With the opening of the new century two decades of consistent growth were entered upon. A Department of Pharmacy was added to the School of Medicine in 1914; in the same year the Department of Home Economics, until then a unit in the College of Arts and Sciences, was transferred to the College of Agriculture. The Division of Agricultural Extension was organized in 1912, and Liberal Arts extension centers were established as early as 1916.

In 1917 an extensive building program was inaugurated, which has added eight major units to the campus. The Engineering Experiment Station was organized in 1921 and the School of Mines in 1926. In 1927 the work in Education, hitherto administered in a department of the College of Arts and Sciences, was transferred to the newly-created College

of Education. In 1928 the Division of Physical Education was created.

Paralleling this development, faculties were methodically strengthened, curricular adjustments steadily undertaken and foundations laid for social, industrial and scientific research agencies as bases for still broadened fields of service. The movement culminated in the order of the Board of Governors of January, 1930, providing for establishment of a Graduate School looking beyond degrees of Master of Arts and Master of Science, which the University had steadily conferred for half a century, to the more advanced curricula leading to the degree of Doctor of Philosophy.

In 1936, the Department of Pharmacy was discontinued as a unit in the School of Medicine and was established as a College of Pharmacy. A year later the Division of Physical Education and the Department of Athletics were combined to form the School of Physical Education and Athletics. The Course in Forestry, begun in 1935 as a two-year course in the College of Agriculture, in 1937 was enlarged to a full four-year course enabling this college to grant the degree of Bachelor of Science in Forestry. The unit then became the College of Agriculture, Forestry and Home Economics. In 1939 the department of journalism was discontinued as a unit in the College of Arts and Sciences and was made a School of Journalism.

The University today stands unparalleled in the State for educational advantages and facilities, and is rapidly taking its place as one of the ranking Universities of the East.

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 Delta Chapter of Phi Sigma Kappa —
 672 North High St

Congratulations on your fiftieth anniversary may you have fifty more as prosperous and successful—

Mu Mu Chapter of Sigma Chi.

An Alpha Man Commends Delta

“The Fiftieth Anniversary banquet of Delta Chapter took me back to the time when I sat at my first Founders’ Day Banquet, some thirty years ago, at Alpha Chapter.

“I recalled the reminiscences of the Founders of Alpha (and of our fraternity). Had I shut my eyes and listened to Delta’s Founders, I could have imagined myself again an undergraduate. It was good to recall pleasant memories and to renew and make acquaintance with the distinguished founders and alumni of Delta.”

Leland H. Taylor, Alpha '14,
 Professor of Zoology at W. V. U.

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Ernest M Brown—

Care Phi Sigma Kappa Hotel Morgan
 Kappa sends her heartiest congratulations to Delta on her 50th anniversary and may God grant as much success in the next 50 fraternally—

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Heartiest congratulations from the Phi Sigs at Minnesota—

Beta Deuteron of Phi Sigma Kappa.
 Phi Sigs.

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I greatly regret that I am unable to be among you on the 50th anniversary of Delta Stop However I will be with you all in spirit and memory Stop With best wishes to all alumni and activities I remain fraternally yours—

DeWitt White 1st Lt USA.
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Tribute to Youth

By DON BOND '42

On the morning of Delta's celebration came a simple, unassuming letter—written in 1941—but bearing the unmistakable style of 50 years ago.

A masterpiece of simplicity, the letter was written by a Fairmont lady, who found fond memories of a busy college



"Mother" Stoetzer looks over the program of Phi Sigma Kappa's first anniversary celebration 49 years ago with Florian G. Ross, one of Delta's earliest initiates.

life by looking back 50 years to the night when her escort was toastmaster at the first Phi Sig convention in Morgantown.

The letter read:

"To the President of Phi Sigma Kappa fraternity:

"Dear Young Friend—

"I have seen the notice of your fraternity's 50th anniversary, and it brought back to me memories of your first banquet, and the fact that I had kept my program of the occasion. I am sending it to you, thinking your chapter would like to file it.

"I went to the banquet as the guest of

the toastmaster, Melville Davison Post. The banquet was quite an occasion in social circles of Morgantown, as caterers did not come often from Pittsburgh for banquets.

"Your coming party brings back happy memories. Wishing great prosperity to your organization,

"Yours sincerely,

"A Morgantown Girl of Long Ago,

*"MADGE BROWN STOETZER,
"Fairmont."*

Mrs. Stoetzer, known to her hundreds of friends as "Mother Stoetzer," is the widow of the late Rev. H. G. Stoetzer, Fairmont Presbyterian minister.

Enclosed with the letter was the program of which she spoke, an elaborate five-page folder with the words, "First Annual Banquet of the Phi Sigma Kappa Club of West Virginia, June 6, 1892," written on the front.

The true wit of the late 19th century is seen in the program with short literary excerpts following each item of the menu and of the program.

Toastmaster of the evening was Mrs. Stoetzer's escort, Melville Davison Post, who was one of Delta Chapter's earliest members and who later earned for himself the title of "America's favorite author" for his "Uncle Abner" and *Saturday Evening Post* stories.

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Phi Sigma Kappa Fraternity—
University of West Virginia

Congratulations on your Fiftieth Anniversary may the next fifty be as successful as the last. Fraternally—

Lambda Chapter.



PHI DEUTERON

Phi Deuteron Converts Slave Quarters Into Recreation Rooms

By STROY G. WITTEN, '41

In 1937, Phi Deuteron purchased the house which now houses our chapter at the University of Kentucky. The house is a beautiful and spacious Southern mansion located on one of Lexington's most beautiful streets, and is ideally constructed for a fraternity house.



The fireplace adds the homelike touch.

With the purchase of this house, we also inherited a spacious basement which had been used as slave quarters by one of Lexington's wealthiest families. The basement had been more or less discarded and hoards of rubbish and dirt had accumulated there. Aside from the furnace room and one other small room used for storage space, practically no use had been made of this space by the chapter.

Ever since Phi Deuteron has occupied our present location, and even at the time of purchase, mention was made of the potential possibilities of this space for game rooms. However, up until this year, nothing constructive had ever been done. It was immediately following the Christmas holidays that earnest consideration was made of actually doing some

work. The boys in the house made a proposition to our alumni whereby we would do all the work if they, the alumni, would pay for the cost of the material used for the job. Our very worthy alumni accepted this challenge.

Under the leadership and perseverance of Brother Woody Belcher, who was then our president, we began work upon this dungeon. We worked during our spare time through the day and at night, many times working practically all night. In the one large room which we now call our "Fireside Room," we removed all the plaster and lath from the walls and ceiling, and removed an old wood floor which had probably been in the room since its original construction. After the floor was torn away, it was necessary to remove about two feet of dirt



Pool and ping-pong room.

in order to allow for enough height after a concrete floor was made. In the other two rooms in which we have placed our pool and ping pong tables, even more work was done. In each of these rooms was an old brick floor which was removed along with the plaster and lath. Practically all of these bricks were used to build

a new wall in the space from which our old stairway had been removed. It was here that Brother McGary became a bricklayer by trade. He was very ably assisted by Pledges Bennett, Nutting, Racke Jernigan and Conley, who hereafter prefer to be known as hod carriers. Beautiful lighting fixtures were placed in each room by Brother Belcher. In our other room, which is the largest of all, we have built a beautiful fireplace which has added a homelike touch to the entire surroundings.

After the concrete floors were made and the walls and ceiling were completed, the entire space was painted. We were then ready to furnish our new play rooms. We were very fortunate to have a Mothers' Club which bought new furniture for us.

The Phi Sigs at Old Kentucky are very proud of these new recreation quarters, doubly so, perhaps, because we did the work ourselves. The only expense involved was for concrete, lumber, lighting fixtures and materials which were used in the actual construction.

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Lawrence Fraternity Quadrangle

On the week-end of March 21-23 five handsome new fraternity houses, financed and built by the college and the fraternities in complete cooperation as a joint project, were formally dedicated to the accompaniment of a great display of spontaneous enthusiastic spirit.

The new buildings are the culmination of an unique history of constructive fraternity policy at Lawrence College, where, for many years, the fraternities have been recognized by the college as an integral part of the educational program and have been used as such.

The fraternities will all manage their own kitchens and dining rooms and chapter activities, with the college supervising and maintaining the dormitory

functions of the buildings. This is all accomplished at the same average per-student outlay as was the case in the old set-up in which the fraternities occupied houses which were totally inadequate.

The houses are built to a common floor plan, but an ingenious architect and an imaginative group of individual committees contrived to introduce many variations both in exterior and interior finish and design, so that they are distinct and individual homes.

Each house is built to accommodate twenty-two students and provides a comfortable three-room suite for a house mother as well as adequate quarters for a cook. Ample provision has been made for formal living room, library, card room, and music room, as well as for lounge and game rooms in addition to the regular requirements of a student residence.

Each house has a handsome chapter hall which the local groups have furnished to their own individual tastes and requirements.

The tribute of the entire college and fraternity world is due the entire Lawrence College community and especially to the vision and spirit of Dr. Wriston, President Thomas N. Barrows, a member of Phi Kappa Sigma, George Banta, Jr., past president of Phi Delta Theta, President of the Board of Trustees of the college, and Brother Ralph J. Watts, Alpha '07, business manager of the college.

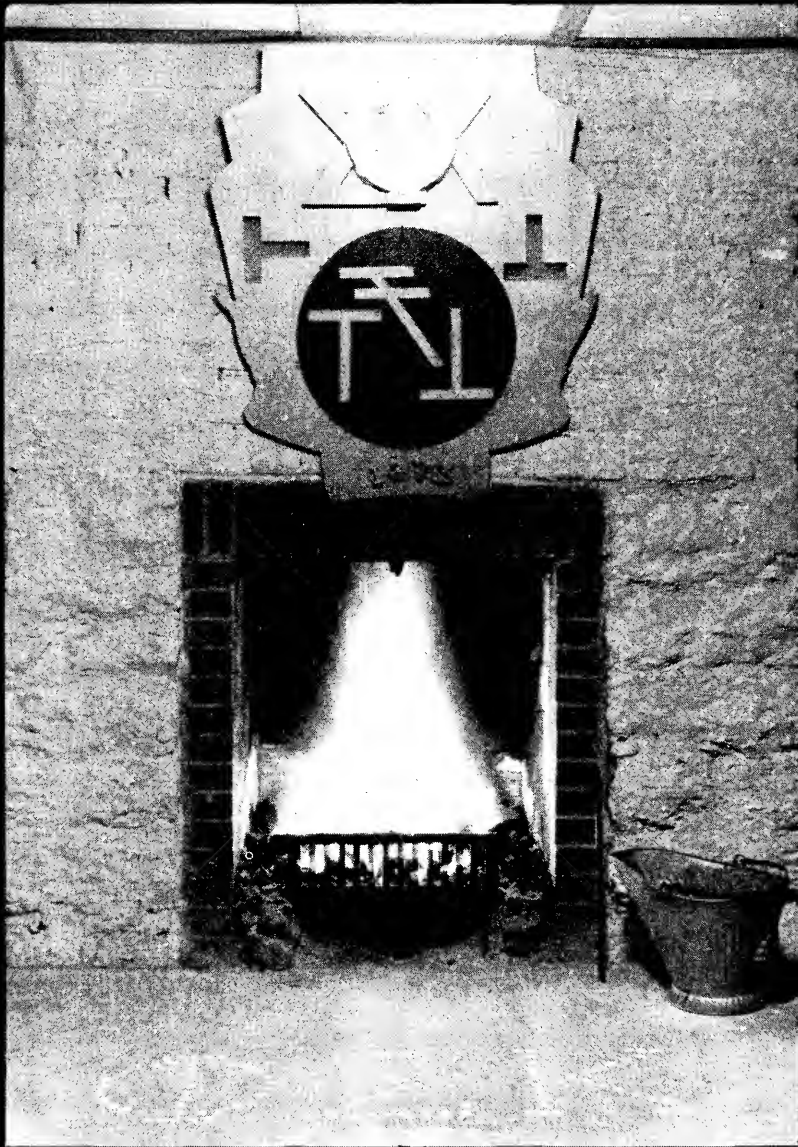
Lawrence has truly "shown the way" to her sister colleges who are struggling with the problem of what to do with the fraternities and how to make them one hundred per cent useful to the welfare of the institution.

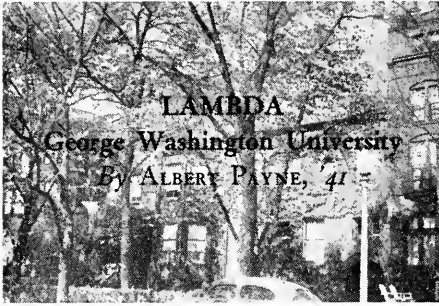
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Introduction

The picture used on the chapter introduction page of this issue is of the fireplace in the recreation quarters of the Phi Deuteron Chapter house.

Chapterettes





With spring and summer definitely in, about the biggest news at George Washington is baseball and the way the Colonials in a double-header on April 5th defeated Harvard 1-0, and V M I, 14-3. Brother Jack Reddinger is one of George Washington's star hurlers. Lambda's softball team is getting ready to meet all comers in the interfraternity league at the University.

Brother Carl Betsch, captain of the varsity golf team, is whipping his team into line for a tough schedule.

Pledge Matt Zunic broke the all-time scoring record in varsity basketball at G. W. formerly held by Brother Bob Faris, '40. Pledge Jim Myers, freshman basketballer, this year bids fair to hold a good spot on the varsity next year while Pledges Jim Dowd and Paul Weber are fighting for first string backfield positions with the Colonial gridders who will inaugurate the first season since George Washington was admitted to the Southern Conference.

New chapter officers for Lambda are: Carl Bauersfeld, president; Bob Iliff, vice-president; Bill Newen, treasurer; Aaron Layne, secretary; Bill Bilden, inductor; Dick Thompson, sentinel; Jim Mack, social chairman; and Jack Bradley (I) interfraternity delegate.

In the February initiations, the fair emblem of old Phi Sig was pinned on Brothers Frank Witzel, Shelby McCaleb, Pascal Frazier, Keith Holtsford, Jack Reddinger, Bob Rissler, Carl Leitkam, Andy Clinco, and George Behrens.

As for social life, an unusually fine Founders' Day banquet was held at the Mayflower Hotel on March 15th under the able supervision of Brother Bill Hammond and Brother Dick Johnston in honor of Brother Joseph H. Batt. Among the principal speakers were Brother Batt, of Washington, and Brother Bill Zimmerman, who came from Philadelphia for the occasion.

On March 8th, Lambda held its top-notch Favor Dance Formal with an extraordinarily fine representation of the coed pulchritude of this neighborhood.

At the Shoreham Hotel on April 4th, Will Osborne's orchestra played for the Interfraternity Prom. Brothers Ed Terrell, Carl Bauersfeld, and Jim Mack escorted their fair drags in the Grand March. Brother Dale Champlin, now with Brewster Aircraft in New York, couldn't resist coming down for the dance (must have been a brunette). Brothers Bee McCaleb and Pascal Frazier took turns escorting our lovely Mother Hyslop. At the "Prom," Lambdamen received cups for bowling and tennis, and somehow failed to get the Christmas Food Drive Cup which they won.

On April 20th, the Royal Blues played at the house for a tea dance honoring the brothers from nearby Eta and Epsilon Triton Chapters.

Plans are now being perfected for the Carnation Ball, the annual tri-chapter dance which Eta from Maryland University, Epsilon Triton from American University, and Lambda hold each spring. Brother Herb Randall represents Lambda on the dance committee. The rollicking Beachcombers' Ball will be held at a nearby boat club as the end of the school year draws nigh.

Brother Murdagh Madden, now transferred to Oberlin, was much in evidence during spring vacation.

Brother Charles Daugherty is the new sports editor for *The Hatchet*, G. W.'s newspaper. Serving under him are

Brothers Joe Phillips and Al Payne. Brother Aaron Layne is in line for the spot of business editor of the local paper next year.

Brothers Ernie Payne, Aaron Layne and Keith Holtsford have done splendid work with Cue and Curtain this year.

Pledge officers for the second semester are Jim McGowan, president; Ted Westfall, vice-president; Dave Jensen, treasurer; George Kelly, secretary; and Don Frazier, social chairman.

Those to be honored at Lambda's Graduation Banquet at one of the country clubs will include Brothers Carl Betsch (Ohio), Bill Bilden (Minnesota), Charles Grunwell (D. C.), Roy Collins (Tennessee), and Al Payne (Texas).

Brothers Frank Witzel and Joe Hanson have just finished the winter season with the National Symphony Orchestra. Joe plays the cello and Frank the oboe.

Barring unforeseen accidents, this correspondent will be making a speaking tour of some of the high schools of some of the Northeastern States next fall and winter under the auspices of the School Assembly Service of Rochester, New York. The point is to tell something about some years spent in Washington as a page in the U. S. House of Representatives. Visiting all the chapters along the way and doing a little offstage rushing are pleasantly anticipated.

Brother Al Beardsley writes from sunny Florida that the Army Air Corps isn't bad, once you get out of the "dodo" class.

Brother (Pvt.) Mike Dinneen is now attached to a medical training unit with the Army at Petersburg, Virginia.

Brothers (1st Lieuts. U. S. A.) Jack Ellis and Jim Thomas sent cards from Juarez, Mexico, to say that El Paso and that section of the country is fine.

Brothers Mal Oliver and Roger Power are now on active duty as lieutenants in the Marine Corps.

Pledge Jack Lamentraut has gone home to California before entering his



A STUDY ROOM, LAMBDA.

Naval Reserve Officers Course in Chicago.

Lambda looks with hope and fortitude toward continuing her high achievements on the campus at George Washington and helping Phi Sigma Kappa to continue to add to the lives of the young men of our country in the unsettled days of the present as well as the more peaceful times of past and future.

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IOTA CHAPTER

Stevens Institute of Technology

By CHARLES BITTMANN, '40

Iota Chapter enters the spring season in the midst of one of the most successful years enjoyed in several years.

The year was started off on the right foot with the pledging of eight freshmen and one sophomore,—as many as were pledged by any house on the campus. The pledges were: Dick Stott, Ted Raynor, Bill Matthews, Dan Zepfenfeld, Al Widmayer, John Jensen, Harry Robinson and Charley Bittmann, freshmen, and Fred Frey, a sophomore.

To give the parents of the members a clear picture of the life in Phi Sig, a Father and Son banquet was held early in the year. Dean Stockwell of the Graduate School was the speaker of the evening.

An indication of the activity of Phi Sigs on the Stute campus this year can be gained by the fact that the house has members in all the honor societies and in

every major activity. The credit for this and the general fine shape of the house is largely due to the seniors.

Steve Downey, former house president, is one of Stevens' outstanding athletes. He was a member of the championship soccer team and the basketball team, and now is the spearhead of the attack of the lacrosse squad. He is president of the Athletic Association.

Bill Cornell, our house treasurer, is the house's outstanding student. He is also salutatorian of the graduating class.

One of the busiest men in Stevens is Hugh Roome. Being Business Manager of the Link, Stevens Yearbook, president of the Stevens Engineering Society, and a member of the rifle team keeps him on the go.

The president of the house is Al Schneider. In spite of his many duties at the house he has had time to gain a reputation as the electrical wizard of the campus.

Bud Pierney is the house's representative on the Interfraternity Council and has taken an active part in controlling Greek Letter activities on campus.

The house secretary, George Vassily, has done an excellent and precise job on the house records. He has got every last sneeze down in the minutes of the meetings.

Fred Eckman, Brooklyn's traveling salesman, is Phi Sig's other gift to the lacrosse coach.

Former president Phil Little as former Interfraternity Council representative did much for Phi Sig's relations with the other houses on the campus.

The Phi Sig house is unique in the fact that three of its seniors are candidates for a Degree with distinction. The majority of the seniors already have employment; Brother Cornell has signed with General Electric, Brothers Pierney and Eckman with Glen Martin Aircraft, Brother Downey with American Machine and Foundry, and Brother Roome with

Alco Division, American Locomotive.

The house has held several parties and dinners during the year. Plans are now being made for the formal to be held on the eve of the spring sports weekend, May 9. This is the outstanding fraternity event of the year and starts the festivities for the big weekend on the school calendar.

The Founders' Day banquet was a high spot of the year. The attendance of Brother Marchmont, National President, and Brother Brown, Regional Director, helped make it an outstanding success.

The house has had the support of an active alumni group and fine Mothers' Club.

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BETA DEUTERON

University of Minnesota

By ALF NELSON

The final quarter of the school year got underway at Minnesota on March 31st. It was ushered in by a glorious stretch of spring weather which was enthusiastically received as a welcome relief from the many frigid weeks for which the Twin Cities are famous.

Although the spring recess was rather short this year, several of our fellows managed to make trips of some length in the ten days. Brother Claude Weitz drove to Pullman, Washington, to visit his parents after an absence of eight months. Brothers Richard Navickas and Wallace Tallos started for Massachusetts in a car of such ancient vintage that they were forced to abandon it in Chicago. However, they did reach their destination, and got back to Minneapolis without mishap. Pledge Win Cronje of East London, South Africa, motored through the southern states and spent several days in Florida. Other members made shorter trips into North Dakota, South Dakota and Wisconsin.

The fellows who stayed on at the chapter house during the vacation made ex-

cellent use of their time. They completely remodeled the guests' room with such success that many of us think it should be a regular lounge. A color scheme of blue and white, together with a ceiling of buff-colored squares and a modernistic lighting fixture have added yet another attractive room to our beautiful house. Everyone has congratulated the men responsible for the change.

With the chapter growing steadily, our rushing has been carried over from winter quarter in great style. Contacts were kept with several prospective new men throughout the recess. By the close of school in June we shall certainly have more new faces in our pledge class.

The Fraternity Week which has become an established annual function at Minnesota, was held the week of April 14th. A series of discussions and addresses by prominent college and fraternity men, climaxed by a banquet in the main ballroom of the Coffman Memorial Union, made the week one of great interest and value to the fraternity men of Minnesota. This University sponsored week has proved to be of tremendous worth here at so large an institution, because it centers attention on fraternities for an extended time.

In the social whirl last quarter, our traditional Blue Party claimed top honors. The fun of the evening was greatly increased by our radio broadcast from the Terrace of the Hotel Radisson. Brother Tom Abbott sang Phi Sig Moonlight Girl with the entire chapter as a choir in the background. Then everyone joined in singing The Old, Old Toast and Phi Sigma Kappa Fair. The quarter was brought to a grand close by our Founders' Day Banquet held March 7th at the Covered Wagon.

Record parties have been enjoying greater popularity this spring. Of course we all are looking forward to our gala dance of the final session, the Spring Swing which will be held during the

third week of May at the Minnekada Club on the shore of Lake Calhoun.

The Selective Service draft, which is disrupting many plans, has its finger on several of our men. Brother Gene Taylor will graduate in June, and he expects to be called soon after that. Also in June Brother Charles Sanborn will graduate as a chemical engineer and a reserve officer in the United States Army. Pledge Allen LaMarre holds such a low draft number that he is planning to enlist in the Naval Air Corps. All of us of draft age continually discuss it, and we all have our own ideas about it. The most common complaint is that it will interfere with academic progress.

In the scholastic field, we have maintained our average of last quarter which was good enough to place us among the upper third of the fraternities here. Although no decision has been made yet, regarding the pledge scholarship plaque, it will be a close race because of some excellent grades in our pledge group.

After a successful basketball campaign in which we reached the semi-finals of the interfraternity competition, we have settled down to turn out a winning combine in kittenball. Many of the men came back from vacation carting their golf sticks, so we can expect to see plenty of Phi Sigs on the University course when it warms up a bit more. Even though Beta Deuteron can not boast of any variety athletes at the present time, we can look with pride at our active part in the intramural program.

Spring having definitely arrived, we plan to have many picnics at the various lakes near the Twin Cities. The Phi Sig Mothers' Club of Minneapolis holds a reunion picnic every year at Lake Nokomis which always attracts many of the old grads. There will be a lot of sore muscles the next day because of the ball game between the alumni and the actives.

And now it is time to say goodbye to

our many brothers for the summer months. It is with a feeling of sadness that we do this, because of the great turmoil which is casting its shadow upon us. This period of unrest may even take some of us away to different social conditions, but we feel confident that our fraternity training will enable us to adjust ourselves to any situation.

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MU CHAPTER

University of Pennsylvania

By RUSSELL PIERSON

The Phi Sigs here at Mu Chapter proudly report a most successful rushing season which brought us seventeen very promising pledges. Rushing was under the direction of Ed Coogan and began back in January. It was climaxed by treating the pledges to a stage performance of Kathryn Hepburn in "The Philadelphia Story," followed by a banquet and beer at the house. Initiation ceremonies were held March 23.

The chapter is enthusiastic about the new class and confident that they are the type of men to preserve Phi Sig's traditions. The new group includes: John Fox, George Davis, Ned Frey, William Jones, Jerry Hamaker, Jack Curry, Scott Lauritzen, Robert Beinbrink, Fred Bachman, John Markin, Russell Pierson, John Gordon, Harry Baldwin, George Cochran, Robert Clifton, James Van Horn and Ted Reed.

Ned Frey, whose brother Howard is also a Phi Sig, was chosen to lead the freshmen. In George Davis and Bill Jones we feel we have two future star athletes. George played on the freshman soccer and basketball teams, while Bill was tackle on the yearling football squad. John Fox is the politician of the group and we'll bet he could give Jim Farley some tips on managing a campaign. Canton, Ohio, lost representation in our chapter after Brothers Ralph and Jim Gibbs graduated, but now two more

Canton boys have come into the fold in the persons of Jerry Hamaker and Scott Lauritzen.

Our annual Founders' Day celebration commemorating forty-one years of activity, was held on March 28. Many alumni returned for the occasion. Among them



HARRY PENROSE
Friars Senior Society
Third base, Penn varsity.

were: Gordon Smith, one of the founders; C. C. A. Baldie, Jr., a representative of Pennsylvania's State Legislature; Leighton Stradley, one of the Endowment Fund Trustees; and William Zimmerman, past Director of our region. After the banquet the freshmen were introduced and several alumni made short speeches. Herbert Brown made the principal address of the evening, explaining the position of fraternities in the future. Later we saw movies of the Penn-Princeton football game, and all in all, the affair was an overwhelming success.

Harry Penrose, along with Bob Partidge, who captained this year's varsity

soccer team, are spending their afternoons in practice with Penn's baseball team. Bob is at shortstop, while Harry holds down the third base position.

John Hambrook, our Mask and Wigger, had an important part in directing the dancing chorus for the freshman show which was presented in March.

At present all of us here at Mu Chapter are looking forward to our Spring Formal in May. This always proves to be one of the most enjoyable dances of the year, and since it will be held at one of the better country clubs in the vicinity, its success seems assured.

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EPSILON DEUTERON

Worcester Polytechnic Institute

The year 1940-1941 is shaping up to be a very successful one for Epsilon Deuteron. Of foremost importance is rushing and initiation, and in that respect we have been fortunate. Sixteen pledges, eleven of whom have been initiated, rewarded the Brothers' efforts.

In the other branches of interfraternity competition Epsilon Deuteron has also met with success. At the close of the first semester, Phi Sig led the other houses on the campus by nearly two points in scholarship. We are likewise in the van in the combined athletic competition, with only track and baseball left to be decided. The mantel-piece is already dusted off for the Grand Athletic Trophy and "The Thinker," given for top scholarship.

For the past two years Phi Sig has carried off the honors for greatest participation in extra-curricular activities on the Tech campus. This year, too, we are strongly represented on teams, publications, and in the various organizations.

Representing Phi Sig on the varsity basketball team this year were George Knauff, who starred at center, Warren Harding, and Howie Swenson. Brothers Arnold Jones and Jim Donahue per-

formed on the Jayvee squad.

The present position at the head of the pack in quest of the athletic cup was achieved by attaining second place in tennis, a first place in indoor relay, third in swimming and basketball, and fourth in bowling. The relay team, which brought home the first cup of the year, was composed of Brothers Charlie Powell, Elton Sceggel, Gordon Sherman, Pete Messer, and anchor man Bob Grant. These Brothers, together with many other fine prospects in the house, make our chances for taking the outdoor track cup seem very good.

The majority of the organizations and societies at Tech, including Tau Beta Pi and Skull, have yet to elect new officers and members. These will take place soon and we expect a large representation. The Tech News has already changed staffs, and here we have Brother John Ford, Business Manager, Brother George Barber, Managing Editor, Brothers Bert Marsh and Dick Dyer, Junior Editors, Brother Earl Page, Assistant Business Manager, Brother Erl Lagerholm, Business Assistant, and Brothers Don Buser and Jack Wholean, and Pledge Wally Underwood, Reporters.

The recently elected officers are: Alvin A. Luce, president; Frederick W. Shippee, vice-president; Richard M. North, secretary; Gordon H. Raymond, treasurer; Behrends Messer, inductor; and Donald E. Buser, sentinel.

New Brothers who were initiated in February are: Arnold Jones, of Worcester, Massachusetts; Frederick Baldwin, of Ansonia, Connecticut; Robert C. Brown, of Meriden, Connecticut, R. Dayton Brown, of Wellesley, Massachusetts; Donald Buser, of Rutherford, New Jersey; James Donahue, of Shrewsbury, Massachusetts; John Hagstrom, of West Hartford, Connecticut; Erling Lagerholm, of Attleboro, Massachusetts; Frederick Moulton, of Southbridge, Massachusetts; Gordon Sherman, of Montclair,

New Jersey; and John Wholean, of Springfield, Massachusetts.

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LAMBDA DEUTERON

University of Washington

By ROGER BELLES

With the advent of a new quarter here at the University of Washington, the actives and pledges of Lambda Deuteron Chapter find themselves buried deeply in studies and plans for filling the social calendar. Plans for exchanges, firesides, picnics, possibly a street dance, and the annual sunrise dance and picnic are already under way.

Officers under whom these various activities are to be carried out are: Frank Snyder, president; Les Robinson, vice-president; Augie Bellman, secretary; Paul Luenow, treasurer; Ted Marsh, sentinel; Walt Woodward, inductor. Under the directorship of this excellent group of officers Lambda Deuteron Chapter has come through the fall and winter quarters in an enviable manner, and we have every reason to believe that this record will be duplicated this spring quarter. Already this quarter we have pledged Jimmy Barringer, Bob Biesiot, Roger Belles, and two members of Pi Mu Chi, pre-medics honorary, Bill Mathers and Dick Westerfield.

Of outstanding athletes in springs sports, Lambda Deuteron boasts of Ed Moe, high jumper, and Frank Snyder, javelin thrower, on the varsity track squad and Pete Goldberg on the varsity swimming team.

Reviewing last quarter, one week-end in particular stands out as a really big one. The evening of March 15 was the date of our very successful Founders' Day celebration. Guest speakers of this affair were Brothers Frank Cadman, chapter advisor, and Dr. Benham, our bridge expert, ever faithful alum and a contributor to the "Chapter Invisible" in this issue of THE SIGNET.

Brother Frank Cadman came into the national news "spot-light" recently in connection with Seattle's blackout. Being the first major city on this continent ever to have a complete blackout, Seattle really gave Brother Cadman, who was in complete charge, quite a headache before the event was put over successfully. With thousands of citizens working under him, and with the city as a whole cooperating with his program, Brother Cadman literally kept us "in the dark" for fifteen minutes.

Already featured over two nation-wide and three West Coast radio hook-ups, as well as in the nation's press, the blackout will be a feature in one of *Life's* future issues.

The Sunday following our Founders' Day, we were treated to a delicious turkey dinner by Mr. Marsh, father of one of our incoming actives, Ted (Yardbird) Marsh. Between these two "belly-filling" banquets, many of our brothers and pledges were incapacitated for the remainder of the weekend.

Now that this very successful school year is about to close we must turn our attention to summer rushing and toward building up our chapter for next year.

We welcome the visit of all Phi Sigs during the coming summer vacation period!

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PI CHAPTER

Franklin and Marshall

Pi Chapter continued a very successful season by winning second place in both intramural wrestling and intramural basketball, and by initiating six new brothers, who are William Killea, Joseph Doughty, Harvey Lehman, Edward Agnew, Paul Ripple and John Adams.

Out for spring football are Robert Greiner, James Roberts, Robert Pearson, Kenneth Snyder and Warren Hamscher. It will be remembered that it was "Dutch" Hamscher's pass interceptions

that sparked F. and M. to a 23-21 victory over Dartmouth last season.

Pi's representatives on the track team are Richard O'Meara, a pole vaulter, Ben Heller, a distance runner, and Bill Kephart, a sprinter. Bill is the defending M.A.S.C.A.A. 220-yard champion. We all hope that Bill will keep up the good work and remain on top again this season.

To be found on the tennis courts in the afternoon are "Cam" Todd and "Hal" Esterly. "Cam" is a holdover from last year's undefeated team, in whom Coach Kready anticipates great things.

Taking part in the recent production "Golden Boy" by the Green Room Club, were Jim Dolan and Dean Hoffman. It is expected that they will also have leads in the next production, "Our Town."

Pi has just had another member join Ed Shelley on the debating team. He is David Lees. In the few debates in which he has taken part he has shown that he apparently has the stuff from which debaters are made.

On March 9th an election was held with the following officers chosen: President, John Monk; vice-president, Richard Blair; secretary, Harold Esterly; treasurer, Robert Orum; sentinel, Robert Weimer; and inductor, Warren Ham-scher.

Pi Chapter will suffer a great loss this year when graduation takes place, for she loses eleven of the finest fellows who have ever been members of this chapter. Those being graduated are: John Monk, Edward Shelley, Richard Kieffer, William Kephart, Richard Vaughn, Robert Herder, Samuel Barr, Richard Blair, Thomas Hart, John Garihan and William Duncan.

To complete a very successful year plans are being made for the annual Spring Formal to be held some time in May.

*I would rather be sick than idle.—
Seneca.*

PSI DEUTERON

University of Oregon

By FRANK HITCHCOCK

This year the presence of Brothers Edwin Rodgers of Hong Kong, China, Jim Gray of Juneau, Alaska, and Frank Hitchcock of Kauai, Hawaii, has lent an international air to Psi Deuteron.

The annual housemother's banquet, which has become a traditional affair with the Phi Sigs at Oregon, will be held April 29 with Brother Jim Crocker heading the committee. The event is a popular one with Oregon housemothers and has helped to bring the chapter an excellent social position. Guests include the Dean of Women, the assistant Dean of Women, and housemothers from every campus sorority.

Pledge Francis Tuckwiler, a transfer from Pasadena Junior College, is a member of the varsity track squad, running the 440 and the 880 for Coach Bill Hayward's thinclads. While in Junior College Tuckwiler ran on Pasadena's record holding mile relay team. Last Saturday he paced Oregon's relay team to a victory in their dual meet with Portland University. Brothers Jim Crocker and Nate Coleman are also on the varsity track team. Coleman is a pole vaulter, while Crocker throws the javelin.

Pledge Bert Shoemaker is a staff photographer for the Oregoniana, Oregon's yearbook which last year won All-American honors under the editorship of Brother George Knight. Shoemaker also has done a fine job as photographer for the Oregon *Daily Emerald*. His camera has covered all of the big name bands to hit Eugene, and he has taken some especially fine shots of Bob Crosby, Kay Kyser, Russ Morgan, Jimmy Lunceford, and Glenn Miller. Because Kyser's Kollege of Musical Knowledge was continually interrupted by the flash of the camera, Kay dubbed Bert "Mr. Eastman."

The leading campus dance orchestra

is under the direction of Phi Sig Art Holman, and features solo work by Brothers Vern Spaugh (trombone) and Bruce "Joe" Carter, who plays tenor sax and aids in the vocals.

Brother William Porter, business manager of the band, is negotiating for a summer road trip with engagements in many coast cities. At present the band is playing at Willamette Park, collegiate dance center.

Four Phi Sigs are senior officers in the R.O.T.C. They are Brothers Jack Rice, Estley Schick, Nate Coleman and Robert Johnson. Brothers Rice and Coleman are members of Scabbard and Blade.

Officers elected for the coming year include Frank Hitchcock, president; James Crocker, vice-president; Robert Moore, secretary; Jerry Thompson, treasurer; Spencer Weills, auditor; and Ed Wyatt, inductor.

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BETA TRITON

Knox College

By DOUGLAS DAILEY, '43

Beta Triton's Founders' Day Celebration this year was held at the chapter house March 15. About thirty Phi Sigs gathered around the dinner table at noon to eat a fine meal and then listen to several excellent speeches. Chapter Advisor Lt. Col. Porter, Brother Ralph J. Watts, Knox's president, Carter Davidson, and Dr. Adamec, Dean of Men, all spoke, discussing the past, present and future of Phi Sigma Kappa, this chapter, and fraternities in general. In the evening there was a very successful stag party.

Knox College's first Interfraternity Dance was held at the local armory Saturday, April 29, with Jan Savitt and his Top Hatters supplying the music. This affair was largely the brainchild of Henry Rasmussen, Phi Sig. He had noticed for some time that the students wanted some kind of a big dance with a well-known band. He did the ground work and put

it over. It is planned to make the dance an annual event.

Brothers McKinstry, Davis, Novak, Wilkinson and Rasmussen played important parts in the recent Kampus Kapers



WILLIAM EDWARDS
Senior Class Secretary-Treasurer.

talent show. The production has been acclaimed as the outstanding success of recent years.

In basketball Pledge Malley made his numerals, and Pledge Lemon made his "K." Lemon was also high scorer in the Mid-West Conference. Brother Kahlenberg made his numerals in swimming. Brother Dailey made the Knox Rifle Team. This team won the 6th Corps Area Rifle Match this year. Brother Novak and pledges Andreas, Franzen and Heller are out for spring football.

Five new brothers have been added to the chapter rolls so far this year. They are Brothers Bob Bartz, Al Kahlenberg,

Jack Shillinger, Lew Schrecengost and Herb Weigand.

Phi Sig has contributed three men to Campus government. Bill Edwards is secretary-treasurer of the senior class, Jack Shillinger is vice-president of the freshman class, and Henry Rasmussen is president of the Student Council.

We have had brief visits from alums Harlan Kline, Jim Richmond, Tom Richards, Ed Jenkins, Bob Paddock and Capt. Barney Ladd. Welcome back, alums!

The spring, or something, has affected Brother Novak to the extent that he no longer has his pin.

Elections were held recently, and here are our officers for the next term: Walt Ackerman, president; Bill Frost, vice-president; Hoyt Sauer, secretary; Dick Novak, treasurer; Al Kahlenberg, sentinel; and Doug Dailey, inductor.

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ZETA TRITON

Montana State College

By TED JOHNSON

Zeta Triton started off the spring quarter with new officers. They are as follows: Carl (Stub) Fjeld, president; Pierce Patterson, vice-president; Ted Johnson, secretary; Everett Shuey, treasurer; John Medlin, sentinel; and Bill Ralston, inductor.

An honor was bestowed on the house recently when Stub Fjeld was elected president of the local Interfraternity Council. Stub is also president of the house and has been prominent in athletics throughout his college term.

Brothers Johnny Rousseau and Pierce Patterson are assured of the election into two Student Senate offices. They are unopposed in the final election for Commissioner of Publications and Commissioner of Demonstrations, respectively.

Brothers Johnny Rousseau and Herman Seidemann recently made their first solo flight under the Civilian Pilots train-

ing course recently inaugurated by the college.

Along the line of social activity, Zeta Triton plans a banquet at the chapter house for the housemothers of the campus on Thursday, April 17.

The spring party will be held at the 63 Ranch, near Livingstone, again this year. The ranch is nestled in the mountains and provides an exceptional setting for a spring party. Music will be furnished by Heinie Mockel and his orchestra, and the date is set for Saturday, May 24.

Plans are also being made for the traditional picnic and softball game with the Alpha Gamma Delta sorority. The house will go on a picnic with the Sigma Alpha Epsilon fraternity on April 27.

We were very pleased to have Mr. C. Marc Miller visit the house for the Founders' Day celebration and hope he enjoyed his visit here.

Parents and other guests are expected for Easter Sunday, and the annual Mothers' Day banquet will be held again this year.

Many alumni have visited the chapter house lately and we hope that every Phi Sig coming to Bozeman will take time to stop in for awhile.

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MU DEUTERON

University of Montana

Spring at Montana State University! And a full program ahead for the Montana brothers—but to retrace a none too dull winter quarter—

It started with a bang! (ask any of the pledges, who had to bow and scrape to the so-called "honorable actives," who laid down the law with, "Do as I say or"—bang!) All done in the name of good old "hell week". As to why the name, you are again referred to aforementioned pledges for information.

Then initiation, bringing five more brothers into the throng: Art Beattie,

Bob Blair, Les Taylor, Stan Kimmit and Henry Dahmer.

Social highlight was the twelfth annual Coffee Dan's, which ranks tops in campus society. Idea for this function started when a group of alums gathered at a restaurant called "Coffee Dan's" in San Francisco. Firesides, dinners and smokers supplemented this traditional affair, to make up the social program.

Brother Ray Ryan, Bear Paw, and outstanding in campus activities, was chosen bookkeeper for the general offices in the Student Union building.

Musical talent and lots of it! With the quartet composed of Pledges Phelan, Dahlstrom, McGrey, and Brother Obrecht winning second place in the Interfraternity Song Contest, and the Phi Sig serenades agreed by the student body to be the best on the campus. Earl Dahlstrom has the lead in the spring all-school musicale, "The Vagabond King," with Brother Bill Chebul in the chorus. Mu Deuteron is always well represented on the convo stage.

Brother Art Beattie, Pledges Steve Holland and the Rigg duet, Peter and Charles, participated in the "M" club minor sports tourney.

Pledge Arnold Scott, rated as one of the outstanding frosh athletes, won a numeral in basketball as well as football. Brother "Dutch" Dahmer and Pledge Carl Fiske were Phi Sig representatives on the varsity squad. Pledge Kenny Smallwood placed on the University all-fraternity basketball team.

Nothing like being versatile, so Steve Holland doesn't confine his abilities to the ring, but can use words as well as fists. He represented the University at the State debate meet, and won a place on the all-state debate team.

Brother Carl Simpson was elected secretary and Brother Chuck Ames treasurer of the Druids, foresters' honorary organization.

Brother Tommy Furlong, spring quar-

ter prexy, succeeds Bill Fleming. Lew Moore was re-elected vice-president. Emory Plummer replaces Ken Obrecht as secretary. Leonard Daems retains his office as treasurer. Bob Blair will take Jack Mountjoy's position as sentinel and "Dutch" Dahmer takes up where John McCauley leaves off as inductor.

Baseball and softball are in the lime-light in interfraternity competition, and with teams entered in both, those inevitable spring "vacant-lot" practices fill spare moments.

Spring football finds nine Phi Sigs reporting for scrimmage, including lettermen Fiske, Daems and Dahmer, and Scott Smallwood, Ferris and Kimmit, who earned frosh numerals last season.

Fiske, entered in the broad jump and 220, represents Mu Deuteron on the track field.

—And so on into spring quarter.

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RHO DEUTERON

Gettysburg College

By DAVID E. THOMAS

As THE SIGNET is going to press, Rho Deuteron has just learned that one of its junior brothers will hold the most responsible student position on Gettysburg campus next year. Brother Howard McCauley has just been elected president of the Student Christian Association! The editorship of the college news-sheet is the only student post to closely rival Mac's job in importance.

Another high honor recently gained by a brother was that of Phi Beta Kappa membership. In achieving this award, Barkley Beidleman became our second active brother to enter the ranks of the Number 1 honorary fraternity of America—George Barrett being initiated during the first semester.

Also achieving distinction for scholarship during the first semester were nine brothers who were included in the Dean's Honor List, a list composed of the first

tenth of the student body along scholastic lines. Those brothers so honored were George Barrett, and Joe Dise, seniors; Howard McCarney, John Saby, Fred Wentz, and Dave Thomas, juniors; Bob Deardorff, Don Herb, and John Tome, freshmen.

In the Gettysburg Honor Society, a group made up of both scholastic and activity leaders on the campus, Phi Sigma Kappa placed five men out of a total of nine from the campus at large. The requirements for membership state that a candidate must have achieved a "B" average or above over a period of three years and also 20 activity points under the activity rating system. Brothers Barrett, Beidleman, Kenny Cann, Joe Dise and Clancy Sanner are the Phi Sig members.

Two brothers also have been recently honored by election into Pen and Sword, an activity society composed of ten men from the senior class and five from the junior class. Elmer Ashway is now a junior Pen member and Ralph Cox a junior Sword member, while Brother Beidleman is a senior Penn member.

This enumeration of honors recently received by brothers just about completes the list, except to again state for the sake of the minutes, that Rho Deuteron leads the fraternity groups on Gettysburg campus in scholarship. The cup for first-place standing for the first semester of the year 1940-41 was awarded our house at the Pan Hellenic Dance which was held April 26.

Since the last issue of THE SIGNET was published, we have added fifteen new brothers to our ranks, making a grand total of forty-three brothers now composing the active chapter of Rho Deuteron. This is undoubtedly the largest total ever to be in the active ranks at any one time in our history. The newly-initiated brothers include Bill Miller, Doc Sipes, Bill Sollenberger, Joe Wray, and Nelson Arigo, sophomores; Charley Aurand,

Bob Deardorff, Erk Diehl, Jim Fresh, Don Herb, John Kelso, John Menges, Dick Teeter, John Tome, and Bill Zimmerman, freshmen. The last eleven of these men were initiated during the Interfraternity Week-End held on the campus March 14 and 15.



Left to right: Bill McIlhenny, Dr. Stewart W. Herman, Dr. Henry W. A. Hanson, Professor Donald R. Heiges, Earl F. Schoening, Barkly Beidleman.

Also helping to celebrate the week-end was the basketball game between our alumni and the active chapter. After putting up a mighty hard battle in the Eddie Plank Memorial Gymnasium on Saturday afternoon, "the Ides of March," the alumni team went down to defeat by a score of 36 to 29.

The week-end celebration was brought to a grand climax Saturday evening at our banquet, when we were honored by having two of the national officers with us. Secretary-Treasurer and Past-President Earl F. Schoening was present along with National Chaplain Stewart W. Herman, who is always with us. Also at the banquet were Dr. Henry W. A. Hanson, president of Gettysburg College, and Bill McIlhenny, president of the alumni association of Rho Deuteron. Brother Schoening and Dr. Hanson gave the addresses of the evening, while Brother-Professor Donald R. Heiges acted as toastmaster. Forty alumni returned to the campus to attend the annual banquet.

Making its appearance about a week

before the banquet was the 1941 edition of the *Oak Leaf*, our official chapter publication. Containing write-ups—humorous and otherwise—of the brothers in the active chapter, chapter activities, an alumnology, and a directory, the magazine, under the capable editorship of Glen Bowersox, was certainly at least on a par with any of the best previous editions. John Saby was the business manager of the *Oak Leaf*, while Paul Swank, Fred Wentz and Dave Thomas were associate editors.



Left to right, first row: Hal Lewis, Hen Schwartz, Doc Sipes, Dick Grissinger, Bob Holland, Carl Chronister. Top row: Herm Cronrath, Smokey Cox, Bob Garrett, Nappy Heim, Herb Stare, Bill McIlhenny, Don Lau, Charley Hohman, Izzy Klinedinst.

Also published at the time of our annual banquet were the results of our alumni drive to make possible the building of a long-overdue extension to the chapter house this summer. At that time \$630.00 had been received as the conclusion of an every-member canvass. Approximately one-third of the alumni contributed in some proportion or other to the project. As a result of the payment on the principal of the house mortgage which this made possible, and since no serious difficulties are now obstructing our plans, we have every reason to hope that this fall will find the much-needed addition to the house a reality.

As we now near the close of another academic year of our college lives, we will do well to pause and give a thought to just what has been the cause of the successes which have been ours during this

past year. We need not long ponder before we will realize that the outstanding quality of the leadership of our chapter group is the source of most of our achievements. As a chapter we wish to express our appreciation to Brothers Jim Allison, Bark Beidleman and Chauncey Sanner for the manner in which they carried on the functions of the office of president of the fraternity during each of the quarters. Subordinate officers during the first administration were Sanner, vice-president; Henry Schwartz, treasurer; Elmer Ashway, secretary; Ed Sammel, sentinel; and Bob Garrett, inductor. Beidleman's administration consisted of Joe Dise, vice-president; Thomas, secretary; Schwartz, treasurer; Dick Young, sentinel; and Herm Cronrath, inductor. The third and present group of officers serving under Sanner include George Barrett, vice-president; Paul Swank, secretary; Schwartz, treasurer; Bill Miller, sentinel; and Joe Wray, inductor. These are the men who have led Rho Deuteron along another step of the journey toward the realization of the ideals of the Cardinal Principals—the ideals upon which Phi Sigma Kappa was founded.

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DELTA DEUTERON University of Michigan

Mid-year activities at Delta Deuteron were heightened by the annual Founders' Day banquet at the University Club in Detroit, Saturday, March 15. Brother D. R. Collins, Gamma Deuteron, spoke of the value of secret societies in a democracy. Brother Ernie McCoy, Delta Deuteron '29, assistant football coach at Michigan showed movies of the Michigan-Ohio State game. To end up a swell program Cec Creal, chapter advisor, presented the Silver Plated Oil Can to Lloyd Nyman, president of the Delta Deuteron Alumni Corporation, for distinguished alumni services during the past year. Thirty men from the active chapter and thirty

alums then adjourned to the rathskeller and renewed old acquaintances. Most of the brothers took advantage of the celebration and spent the week-end in Detroit in the fine Founders' Day tradition.

A number of the actives and pledges have recently been accorded honors in campus activities. Don Whitney, '42E, a member of Phi Eta Sigma and the glee club, was initiated into Tau Beta Pi, national honor society for engineers. Brother Al Grunewald, '43E, and also a member of Phi Eta Sigma, has been appointed to the coveted position of Junior Football manager. Bob Carlson, '42 Lit, has received a bid for the R.O. T.C. honor society, Scabbard and Blade, while Carson Grunewald has crashed through with Phi Eta Sigma after the first semester. Pledge Joe Lynn, '42 Speech, is a member of Play Production and played one of the leading roles in the last play, "Remember the Day," and Al Webber, 41 Lit, was elected president of Phi Tau Alpha, an organization for students of the classics.

Brother Al Grunewald received chapter recognition for being the outstanding sophomore in scholarship and activities by being the first recipient of the new Loyalty Cup, which is to become a house tradition.

During the past semester, house scholarship has remained on last year's level which placed Delta Deuteron eighth among the forty-one social fraternities at the University of Michigan.

Three past presidents of the chapter, Jim Fromm, Einar Almdale, and Dick Bell, graduated in January. All of them are engineers and are now employed in Detroit and in South Bend, Indiana. Rog Peterson and Doug Miller, both graduate students will enroll with Uncle Sam on July 1.

Coming social events include the annual Mothers' Day banquet, a radio dance, and discussion sessions with vari-

ous faculty members. The Spring Formal Dinner Dance is set for Saturday, May 17, and elaborate plans are being made for it. Recently, the chapter has had two exchange dinners with Alpha Xi Delta, and one with Zeta Tau Alpha. One is being planned with Kappa Delta following spring vacation.

Followed by a rousing banquet and the "tubbing" of Inductor Ken Huff, five pledges were initiated March 1. They are: Dillard Gay, '43 Lit., Detroit, Michigan; Richard Sharpe, '42E., Schenectady, New York; Robert McPherson, '44E., Sault Ste. Marie, Michigan; Charles Lauzon, '43A., Port Huron, Michigan; and Carson Grunewald, '44 Lit., Grosse Pointe, Michigan. Fall initiates were: C. Wiley Waggoner, '44 Lit., Chicago, Illinois; Russell Williamson, '43 Lit., Milwaukee, Wisconsin; and Chuck Karpinski, '41 Lit., Ann Arbor, Michigan.

Second semester rushing has resulted in three pledges: John O'Leary, '42 Forestry, and Joseph Lynn, '42 Speech, transfer students from Sacramento Junior College, Sacramento, California, and Hugo Bunge Guerrico from Buenos Aires, Argentina. Hugo's father is with the Argentine embassy at Mexico City, and has six relatives who were Phi Sigs at Gamma Chapter.

Brothers Northway, McPherson and MacDonald participated in the "Greek Week" panels sponsored jointly by the University and the Interfraternity Council. In the rushing panel, a system of formal open house affairs for prospective pledges was adopted to precede an unrestricted rushing period for next fall, pending approval of the Interfraternity Council. Other panels held considered student faculty relations and new methods of economy in fraternity financing.

The recent election of officers resulted in the reelection of Vincent Monzel, '42 Lit., president; and James McPherson, '42 Lit., vice-president. Robert Cope,

'42E., was elected secretary; Albert Grunewald, '43E., inductor; and Russell Williamson, '43 Lit., sentinel.

Two of last year's graduates were recent fathers. Tom Jester, '40E., will receive a pledge button for Thomas Leslie Jester, and Einar Almdale, '41E., is raving over the titian tresses of Karen Phillips Almdale.

Two visiting brothers recently have dropped in for the week-end. Warren Taylor from Tau Chapter came to Ann Arbor on "purely social business," while Dick Kratzer of Delta Triton came for the National A.A.U. swimming meet which was held at the University pool here.

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XI DEUTERON

University of Tennessee

At the time this article is being written, Xi Deuteron Chapter is in the midst of a busy spring quarter. With several new boys back in school this quarter, it looks as if we shall finish up the year very successfully.

We are now working on a float to be entered this week in the annual Carnicus parade. Carnicus at the University of Tennessee is an annual day of fun. The day consists of a parade through downtown Knoxville, a stunt program, and a dance. Ed Story of Xi Deuteron is assistant manager for this big event this year.

April 14-18 is Greek Week at the University, and our chapter is planning to participate in all the program planned by the Fraternity Relations Board, on which John Jenkins is our new representative. The week will feature interchange pledge luncheons with other chapters on the campus, alumni luncheons, faculty luncheons, and other outstanding features. The week will be climaxed with an interfraternity banquet.

As a part of our Greek Week celebration, we shall announce the best fresh-

man, best senior, and other awards for the year. Billy Bryan, initiated only last week, was elected the most outstanding freshman of the year. Charles King, president of the chapter, was elected the best senior. The winner of the freshman scholarship award has not yet been determined. Caruthers Howse was elected to represent Phi Sigma Kappa on the Beaver Club next year. This is one of the outstanding organizations on the campus and is composed of sophomore men.

Xi Deuteron is proud of Ed Story, who has become one of the most outstanding student leaders on the campus. The string of activities that Ed is in would take several paragraphs. In addition to his extra-curricular activities record, he has remained at the top in the scholastic standing of his class. Particularly active in publications, he is slated to edit the campus newspaper next year, and this summer will edit for the second time the freshman handbook. He has been a member of the Publications Council this year. The most successful All-University Sing ever held was given under his direction this year, and he was one of the ten men selected recently to the Scarabean Senior Society.

Charles King, who will graduate in June, has left an outstanding record behind him in the chapter and on the campus. This year he has served as treasurer of the student body. During his college career, he has been intramural manager, class officer, and member of the Scarabean Senior Society.

Xi Deuteron extends to all chapters of Phi Sigma Kappa best wishes for a pleasant summer and a successful rushing program next fall.

Let us beware of losing our enthusiasms. Let us every glory in something, and strive to retain our admiration for all that would enable, and our interest in all that would enrich and beautify our life.—Phillips Brooks.

ETA DEUTERON

University of Nevada

By AUSTIN IMUS, '43, and

ELLIOTT LIMA, '41

Eta Deuteron is nearing the close of what has been a very active and successful year. We are well represented in the activities on the "hill," having men on all the varsity teams, in the press club, and in both honorary and national fraternities.

Harmon Forte, a transfer from Omega Deuteron, and a veteran of the gridiron wars, held down the blocking back spot on the varsity football team against some keen opposition. One of the boys found in the end position nearly every game last fall was no other than Brother Lynn Montgomery. Pledges Dick Ruess and Al Wisniewski were prominent at wing back and tackle respectively.

Pledge George Rainone, a transfer this semester from Sacramento Junior College, has shown up well in spring practice, and promises to relieve some of the older men of the fullback position next fall. We also have Jack Marquis and George Hassard, freshmen linemen, who are doing so well this spring that they have already started studying "Night Life in Honolulu," in anticipation of the trip to Hawaii next fall where the team is scheduled to play the University of Hawaii.

Pledge Tom Ross played first string forward on the varsity basketball team this season, averaging nearly ten points per game. Tom, being only a sophomore, should "really go to town" next year.

Eta Deuteron was well represented in the annual "Stag Night" program held April 3rd. Al Wisniewski won the trophy for the best boxer of the evening, and burly George Rainone, in the most exciting bout on the card, held last year's champion to a draw. Both boys have received invitations to participate in the

Rocky Mountain A. A. U. tournament to be held the last of this month.

The National Defense Act has claimed several of our members within the past year.

Glen Keiser and Bob McLeod are now commissioned officers in the army air corps. Harmon Forte, Joe Kosakawski, and Nelson Eddy are cadets stationed in various California posts, while Al Wisniewski and Lynn Montgomery have applied for entrance in May. Harry Bony and Charles Frasier have been called for active service in the National Guards. Among the men going into Selective Service are Jack Ohlson, Austin Imus, Elliott Lima and Fred Batchelder. Be sure to look us up, fellows, because we will all be there!

Brother George Ross is probably our most active member, holding membership in Coffin and Keys, U. of N. Press Club, as well as being Sports Editor for *The Sagebrush*, the University paper. He edited the Freshmen Handbook, is publicity chairman for the Junior Class, as well as being the campus' leading "Wolf." Brother Wilbur Headquist, a transfer from the Omega Chapter, is a member of Scabbard and Blade, as is John Giomi, who is also active in Blue Key and the Aggie Club.

Our Founders' Day Banquet, held on March 15th, was a huge success. Dr. Franklin C. Palm, our regional director, was present as the chief speaker of the evening.

Charles Brock, the blond freak with red whiskers, won the Mackay Day trophy for the reddest beard against last year's redheaded champion.

The Sundowners, a good fellows organization, held its annual initiation the last part of March. The newly initiated members were Austin Imus and Wilbur Hedquist, while William Zerweck and Fred Batchelder helped their fellow members with the ceremony. This initiation is well known on the campus as the most

unique and outstanding of any of the organizations.

Officers chosen for the second semester were: Elliot Lima, '41, president; Lynn Montgomery, '43, vice-president; Charles Brock, '43, secretary; Joe Giomi, '42, treasurer; William Zerweck, '43, inductor, and Austin Imus, '43, sentinel.

We feel that Eta Deuteron has gone far this year in all activities on the campus, and promise to do even better next year. We wish to extend a cordial invitation to each and every Phi Sig in the nation to visit us here in Reno at any time you pass this way. We guarantee to show you a good time here in "The Biggest Little City In the World."

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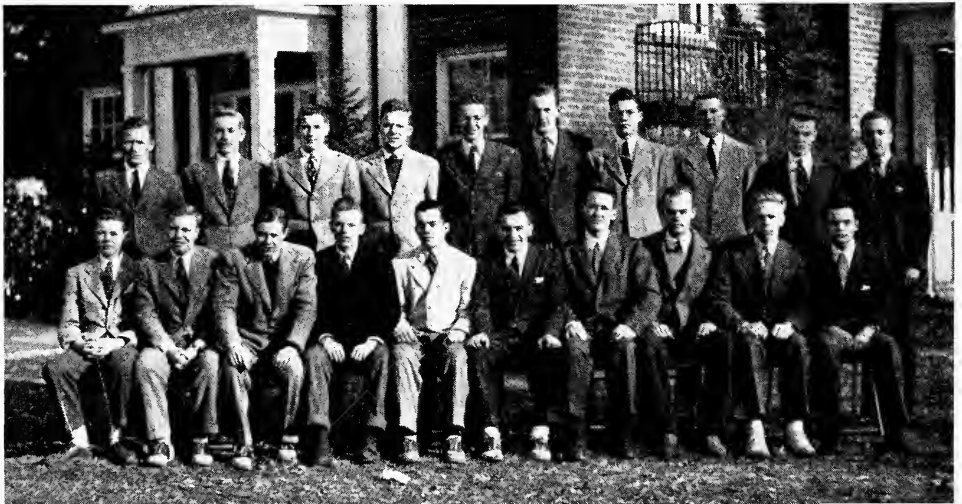
Dartmouth College

By BRUCE A. STEPHENS, '42

Now that spring vacation is behind us (alas!), Tau Chapter of Phi Sigma Kappa is starting on the last lap of the school year. It seems as if June is a long way ahead, but it won't be long before

our sturdy seniors are filing up to get their sheepskins! Most of us will look back on the past year with the thought that it really did go fast, that it doesn't seem long ago that we arrived here last September.

During that time that passed so quickly Tau has had a truly successful year. Looking back on it, the first, and naturally the most important, accomplishment in which we all pride ourselves is the unusually fine pledge delegation we had. Of this group we have lost only one brother, Dick Sweet, who left after the first semester. Out of the remaining 20 in the delegation, there have been several who have been outstanding in campus activities, both athletic and otherwise. Warren VanDyke came through his second year on the varsity skating team with a "D" to his credit. (He got his numerals last year.) Warren Taylor, who earned his numerals in freshman football last year, played alternately on the varsity and JV football squads this last fall. "Ged" Carrington, a freshman track flash, cut out a place on the



Top row, left to right: Robert Atwood, Arthur Lynn, John Smith, Van Lloyd, Ted Woodward, Richard Sweet, Robert Garvie, Warren Taylor, Preston Brooks, and Bud Stedman. Front row, left to right: Powell Groner, Richard Bugbee, George Buckner, William Davies, Geddes Carrington, Warren VanDyke, Robert Kerwin, Harvey Daniels, Robert Perkins, and Robert Stokes.

varsity for himself in the 300 and the 60-yard dash. With a good pair of legs under him, Ged has a very promising future in track ahead of him, to say the least.

Phi Sig has placed several brothers on the varsity Glee Club this year: Van Lloyd, '43, Bob Kerwin, '43, Bob Stokes, '43, George Buckner, '43, Wayne Hill, '41, Johnny Naylor, '41.

Bill English, '41, is finishing his second year with the varsity debating team, and Bert Anger, '42, was just elected president of "Germania," the Dartmouth German Club.

Phi Sig was also quite successful in intramural sports. We placed second in the swimming relays, and Brother Watson Taylor, '41, won the 100-yard freestyle, with Harvey Daniels coming in fourth in the 200-breast stroke. (Brother Taylor is also on the track team, running the 1000.) We came in second in basketball, fourth in hockey, third in volleyball, and are at present grooming a baseball team for the coming season.

Bruce Stephens, '42, represented Phi Sig last year on the varsity crew, and expects to keep his port berth again this year.

Many of the brothers are connected with campus activities. Jim Macnamara, Jack Smith and Ted Woodward, all '43s, are members of Bait and Bullet; Bob Garvie, '43, is on the Business Board of the Pictorial; Bill Hart, '42, is the business manager of this publication; George Cruze, '41, is a member of the Barbary Coast Orchestra for his third year; and Bill Hart and Bill Mitchell, both '42s, are on Green Key, Junior Honorary Society. Brother Mitchell is also active in the forthcoming radio station, which will be the pride of Dartmouth next year. Bob Feller, '41, is just finishing a year of editorship in the art side of the Jack-O-Lantern. President McAllister has been a member of the Interfraternity Council for this year. Bill Junod, '41, was runnerup in the Twin States ping pong

tournament. He was the winner last year.

Everyone in Tau Chapter had a fine time at fall house parties and the Winter Carnival, thank you, and we're all making plans for the annual Green Key week-end May 9-11. The famous Dartmouth Carnival had some inclement weather to deal with, but everything ran through well despite the elements.

After the start of the second semester, we had the semi-annual election of officers. President John G. McAllister and Treasurer Shackelford ("Shack") Reeder retained their positions by unanimous approval. Secretary Bill Canniff, '41, was succeeded by Bruce Stephens, '42, and Vice-President Watson Taylor, '41, stepped aside for Roger Hoffman, '41. These officers will be challenged again in the May elections, which will name the officers for the coming year. Bill Miller, '42, is auditor, Ged Carrington, '43, is sentinel, and Warren Taylor, '43, is inductor.

We remodeled our bar before Carnival, at a cost of just under \$600. It is a large pine-paneled room, with a 16½-foot bar, the longest private bar in the State of New Hampshire. Needless to say, we are very proud of this addition to the House, especially since the entire expense was covered by voluntary contributions.

Well, this takes care of the high points of the year quite well. It has been, as I have said, very successful, and I hope we can say the same when our first semester of next year rolls around. We have been pleased several times by visits of returning brothers and brothers from other chapters. I wish we could see more of them, and give them a taste of our Northern Hospitality.

Far away there in the sunshine are my highest aspirations. I may not reach them, but I can look up and see their beauty, believe in them, and try to follow where they lead.—L. M. Alcott.

BETA**Union College**

By GRANGER TRIPP, '43

Sub-Freshman Weekend

The first contingent of prospective members of the Class of 1945 at Union arrived on the campus on March 21 for the biggest Sub-Freshman Weekend in the college's history. Viewing the nearly 200 guests of the college as a group, Beta feels that the men who accepted invitations from its members for the weekend were among the most promising of the entire body.

With the great majority of its chapter members actively behind the committee in charge of the weekend's arrangements, Beta was fortunate in securing a capacity attendance. Thirteen men were entertained in the chapter house, while three more, recommended to us by Brother Hank Witbeck, had to be provided with accommodations elsewhere. Another alumnus who cooperated by recommending men to us was Brother Jack Stranahan.

The guests were offered a choice of a college dramatic production, a Science Symposium, or a visit to the college gymnasium on Friday evening. Saturday morning all classes were open to the high and prep school visitors. Saturday afternoon a Frequency Modulation Broadcast and a trip to the General Electric Company's House of Magic occupied one group, while the rest of the men went bowling. Saturday evening the finals of the intramural boxing and wrestling bouts gave Phi Sig champions, Barney O'Neill and Bob Shepherd, a chance to show the guests a few tricks in the wrestling trade. Later Saturday evening Schenectady night spots were thrown open to those interested.

Nine of Beta's guests had already applied for admission to Union. They included Matthew Arnold, Longmeadow, Massachusetts; Carl Burmaster, Fort

Johnson; John Howe, Rochester; John McCarthy, Lebanon Springs; Robert McNulty, Glens Falls; John Rathbone, New London, Connecticut; Richard Robsky, White Plains; Donald Sweeney, Kingston; and Kendric White, Mount Hermon, Massachusetts. Other guests included Robert Whitegiver, Lebanon Springs; Vernon Lyons, Scotia; Cliff Lessing and Ed Carlton, Manhasset.

Socially Speaking

The men of Beta Chapter, looking ahead at midyears to long, uninterrupted months of classes, decided that its members, at least, would not be allowed to sink into a rut of bored concentration upon a monotonous routine. A series of "vic" dances, spaced as close together as was practical, was planned to break up this routine.

Under the able leadership of Social Chairman John Smyth, '41, these dances became a much enjoyed custom, providing many hours of entertainment during the winter months. The first was held on February 1, at the close of the mid-year exam period. The second came two weeks later, on the 15th, after a Phi Sig representation had attended the Glee Club's Albany Alumni Association Concert-Dance on the 8th. The weekend of March 1 was left open for the benefit of the freshmen, who responded by making the Phi Sig Class of '44 one of the very few freshman groups on the campus to have a 100 per cent attendance at the class dance.

March 8 saw the much-used "vic" pressed into service again, as the men held a premature celebration of St. Patrick's Day with Irish decorations and music. The sophomores had their turn on the 15th, as the Phi Sigs helped make their dance, an all-college affair, one of the most successful of Union's informal affairs.

As we go to press, Beta's membership is looking forward to the Junior Prom,

scheduled for May 9, with Benny Goodman's orchestra, and the chapter house celebrations which will accompany it.

Beta Seniors

With June's commencement exercises, Beta must strike from the rolls of its active chapter the names of three valuable men. Brothers Smyth, Green and Underwood have proved in their years in college their loyalty both to the chapter and the college. Beta will look to them to provide excellent additions to its body of alumni.

John Thomas Smyth has proved, in his four years of service, that a commuter may, with the proper spirit and enthusiasm, be among the outstanding men in a fraternity. He has served long terms as inductor and secretary, and his term of office as social chairman has seen one of Beta's most successful social seasons. A willing participant in intramural sports he has always been one of the men the chapter has looked to for support in any endeavor. The dances, formal and informal, which were held under his supervision have all been accorded unstinted praise. That the inception of "vic" dances as a chapter custom promises to become a worthy house tradition may be laid to the effort with which he has administered them. Beta will view his passing from its active chapter with profound regret.

Jean Herbert Underwood, of Albany, has distinguished himself throughout his four years in college by his participation in intramural athletics, and, more recently, by his work with the Union Civil Aeronautics Authority pilots' classes. Jean has been out for the lacrosse team and is a frequent visitor to Poughkeepsie and vicinity. He has served the house as inductor and been a welcome addition to all house social functions. Incidentally, Jean was the first man in his class under the Civil Aeronautics Authority to make a solo flight. He is a student in the division of social studies and hopes to em-

bark upon a navy air pilot's career after graduation.

Donald Stowe Green, who follows Brother Richard Harrison, '40, in our Delhi contingent, hopes eventually to make his place in the medical profession. He is looking forward now to entrance in the University of Pennsylvania School of Medicine next year. During his years as an undergraduate, Don was out for freshman hockey and more recently has taken part in several radio skits offered by the Union College Radio Workshop. A true doctor at heart, Don has shown an interest in certain members of the nursing profession.

Intramurals

Since the last issue of *THE SIGNET*, the biggest event on the Union intramural horizon was the series of boxing and wrestling bouts which led up to the tournament's finale on Saturday of Sub-Freshman Weekend.

Freshman Warren Hoffman put up a game fight against Champion Paul Santee, Phi Delta Theta, in the 135-145 pound boxing semi-finals, but lost on a technical knockout.

The wrestling tournaments netted the Phi Sigs championships in both of the two classes in which men were entered. Barney O'Neill, '42, downed representatives of Kappa Sigma, Kappa Alpha and the Neutral group to take the 135-145 pound title. Bob Shepherd, termed by the sports editor of the college paper "the best wrestler in school," won the 145-155 pound class, which had the most entrants of any class in the tournament. Shep downed two Kappa Alphas, a Kappa Sigma, and a Sigma Chi on his way to a crown.

Looking toward the future, the ping pong team, under the leadership of Captain Bob Dake, is hoping for a successful season. The baseball season will be under way when this is published, and by then Beta hopes to have begun a repetition of last year's string of successes.

The bowling team has now ceased activities. The team, which consisted of "Spare" Dake, Parsons, Glenn, Loomis, Smyth, Green, Smith and Shepherd, had an average season. They had an excellent start, but because of injuries to two of our best keglers, they did not end in a blaze of glory.

Beta Pledges

William Augustine Sharkey, '43, of Kingston, New York, is one of several men who were responsible for the very satisfying rise in the house scholastic average at the last marking period. Bill, who ended his freshman year with a straight A average, is a pre-law student. He manages to maintain a high average while earning a good portion of his college expenses and keeping the name of the fair sex in the minds of members of the house in the minds of members of the fair sex at Mt. Holyoke, Skidmore, Russell Sage, et al. Bill has already entered into the rushing activities of the house, and promises to be one of our best men.

Warren Lewis Alva Candela, '44, of Schenectady, is a welcome addition to the house freshman class. Warren has become known about the house for his virtuosity on the saxophone and piano and for his enthusiastic participation in house social affairs. He is a pre-medical student and forms a third member of the house motorcycle brigade.

Elections

The third quarterly elections brought Beta, for the first time this year, a slate of officers all of whom live in the chapter house. Re-elected president was Benjamin T. Leland, '42, while Robert L. Shepherd, '43, was named vice-president. George W. Loomis, '43, was re-named secretary and Robert W. Davidson, '42, returned to his post as treasurer. Granger Tripp, '43, was named sentinel and Richard F. Hoffman, '43, inductor.

The great end of a good education is to form a reasonable man.—Anonymous.

KAPPA DEUTERON

Georgia Tech

With spring overtaking the Georgia Tech campus, Kappa Deuteron is directing its athletic energies towards the interfraternity softball league. Our team promises to be the best in many years with Brother Smith and Pledge Brown alternating at pitching and third base, the veteran softballer Brother Hicklin at first, Brother Horne at second, Pledge Remick at short, Pledge Peters catching, and with Brothers McGuire, Thompson, Brumbelow and Pledge Martini in the outfield.

We are looking forward to Saturday, April 5, when we will hold our annual Founders' Day Dinner at the Georgia Terrace Hotel. We hope to have a number of our alumni present to tell us something of our chapter's past history.

Brother Smith added to our chapter prestige recently by being elected to Tau Beta Pi and Eta Kappa Nu, national honorary engineering fraternities. Brother Castagnetta is expected to add to our athletic laurels as second baseman on the varsity baseball team.

On March 3, 1941, Kappa Deuteron initiated three new brothers. The new brothers are L. Brooks Brumbelow, '43; Peter L. Horne, Jr., '44; and Charles Adams, '44.

At the March elections, Brother Jack Smith was elected president; Ed McGuire, vice-president; Joel Thompson, secretary; Adam Quandt, treasurer; Brooks Brumbelow, sentinel; and Harold Castagnetta, inductor.

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KAPPA

Penn State

By C. PHILIP MOORE, JR., '43

With the newly elected officers taking over, Kappa Chapter is swinging into the home stretch of the school year for a strong, winning finish. A retrospection

shows a very successful year for Phi Sigma Kappa at Penn State. This year the chapter has initiated eleven new brothers, brought their scholarship to an even higher level, taken an active part in intramural competition, had a large number of campus activities men, and made many improvements on the house, a record of which it can be proud.

In June, eight brothers will leave the house through the process of graduation. A list of the graduating brothers and a word about them follows.

Brother Robert E. Clark, of Kenmore, New York, will graduate from the Petroleum and Natural Gas curriculum. Bob was the president of Kappa this year and was a campus activities man.

Brother Harold G. Wilson, of Gladwynne, Pennsylvania, will graduate from the engineering school as an architect. Hal was vice-president of the chapter and many of his architectural works have received national awards. Brother Adam A. Smyser, of York, Pennsylvania, graduates from the school of journalism. Bud served as chapter secretary and editor-in-chief of the Penn State Daily Collegian.

Brother B. Boyd Harrington, Jr., Harrisburg, Pennsylvania, graduates from the Commerce and Finance curriculum. Boyd, formerly house treasurer, maintained the highest scholastic average in the house throughout his Penn State career.

Brother Lowell M. Meeker, West Orange, New Jersey, will graduate as a commercial chemist. Lowell was the chapter steward for the past two years and managed the college gym team. Brother Richard D. Bitner, also of Harrisburg, will graduate as a pre-ministerial student, and will resume his studies in the fall at a theological seminary.

Brother Daniel Thomas, Jr., Nanticoke, Pennsylvania, graduates from the pre-legal curriculum, and will enter a law school in the fall. Brother Robert

W. Spurck, Llanerch, Pennsylvania, graduates from the school of commerce and finance, an economics major.

Brother Robert F. Wilson, '42, the newly elected president of Kappa Chapter, has taken the gavel to lead the chapter. He will be assisted by the following officers: Brother Robert H. Roy, '43, vice-president; Brother Joseph A. King, '43, secretary; Brother George V. Hunt, '43, sentinel; and Brother Ellwood R. Hendrickson, '43, inductor. Brother Winfield A. Gunther, '43, was elected steward, and Brother James E. Hartman, '42, was elected social chairman. Jim is also serving as the new rushing chairman.

A total of eleven new brothers were initiated during this school year. The new brothers are: James E. Hartman, Harry J. Browne, Jr., F. Lloyd Convers, C. Philip Moore, Jr., Willard S. Kintz, Jr., Roy P. Hothan, John C. Scheppman, Richard A. Stevens, Robert H. Phillips, John T. Gary and John H. Germain, Jr.

The reports are not yet out in scholarship for the first semester of 1940-41, but up until this time the chapter has made one of the most rapid improvements in scholarship ever made by any fraternity at Penn State—from 50th place to 15th in a year and still pointing up.

The chapter hit the bottom during the second semester 1938-39 when it placed 50th among the 51 houses. It took stock of itself, and with urging from the alumni, set out to improve, and went the whole way up to 22nd place in one jump. One more jump, during the second semester of 1939-40, and it reached its present 15th position. The average of the house improved again during the first semester of 1940-41, so it should move up once more when the standings are released.

During the winter season, Kappa was especially active in intramurals with one winning team, a man in runner-up position and three teams that were semi-finalists. Things began with Brother Bob

Roy, '43, entering the wrestling tournament at 145 pounds. In this class he went straight up to the finals, pinning every man, and then lost a very close 2-1 decision. This was Bob's second year in the runner-up spot in that class.

Basketball next took the spotlight. College runner-up last year, the team started out by winning their league title without losing a game, and then in the quick death playoff for the college title went on to the semi-finals before they were beaten. Bridge was the next competition and the chapter entered two of the seventy fraternity teams that were entered. Both teams advanced to the semi-finals where they each lost by very small margins playing duplicate bridge.

Following bridge, the house entered two singing contests. In the first one, singing a fraternity song and a school song under the direction of Brother Dick Bitner, '41, the house placed in the first six. In the second contest, which was to sing "The Hills of Old Penn State," a song written by Fred Waring for the college, the chapter was defeated in the finals. Brother Bob Clark, '41, directed the group in this number.

The finale to the winter season was written by the volleyball team that bowed to no one and brought Phi Sigma Kappa's only cup of the season. This team won its league title without any trouble and then playing in both the semi-finals and the finals within about a four-hour period came through with flying colors, beating the Sigma Phi Epsilon squad in the finals 15-8; 9-15; and 16-14. In the last game, they trailed 14-11 and then took five straight points to win the game, match, and college title.

The chapter also has excellent prospects for a good season in the spring intramurals with a complete track team entered in the track competition, six doubles teams entered in the tennis competition, five men in golf, and four trying for the golf putting title. In addition

to these, the Phi Sig softball team is one of the pre-season favorites to bring home that trophy for which about forty fraternities will compete.

Kappa Chapter is well represented this year in the honorary fraternities. Brother Adam A. Smyser, '41, is a member of Lion's Paw, a local honorary, but one of the highest honors that can be bestowed on a Penn State man. There are only about six who receive this honor each year. Bud received it for his work as editor of the college newspaper which became a daily under his tutelage. Bud is also a member of Sigma Delta Chi, national honorary journalism fraternity.

Brother James E. Hartman, '42, and B. Boyd Harrington, Jr., '41, are both members of Delta Sigma Pi, national honorary commerce and finance fraternity. Brother Harrington is the president of the Penn State chapter. Vice-president of Scarab, national honorary architectural fraternity, is Brother Harold G. Wilson, '41, Brother Robert H. Roy, '43, latest to join an honorary, is a member of Alpha Epsilon Delta, national premedical honorary. In addition to these, many of the brothers are members of honoraries to which admittance is gained through campus activities.

Phi Sigma Kappa's national president, Brother John H. Marchmont, Theta '10, visited the chapter on Sunday, March 16, over Founders' Day weekend. President Marchmont spoke at a special dinner. He came to the chapter after meeting Delta Chapter at West Virginia University.

Socially, Kappa Chapter has been active, too. Some fifty couples attended the latest social event, the annual closed Interfraternity dinner-dance at the house on Saturday evening, April 5th, during the weekend of the Interfraternity Ball. They also attended the big dance on Friday night with Will Bradley and his orchestra as the main attraction.

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CHAPTER INVISIBLE

John E. Guberlet

Lambda Deuteron laments the death of Brother John E. Guberlet on December 30, 1940. John Earl Guberlet was born in Portland, Nebraska, on March 18, 1887. After his elementary and secondary schooling, he entered Bethany College, Lindsborg, Kansas, where he was graduated bachelor of arts in 1909. The next year he attended the University of Colorado where he served as assistant in Zoology.

In 1910 he transferred to the University of Illinois where he was assistant in Zoology for the next three years and obtained his master of arts degree in 1911 and the doctorate in philosophy in 1914. He spent the summer of 1911 at the Biological Station at La Jolla, California, and the years 1913-1914 as fellow in Zoology at the University of Illinois. His specialty was Marine parasitology.

In 1914-1915 he was instructor in Zoology at the University of Oregon, 1915-1918, Professor of Zoology at Carroll College, 1918-1923, parasitologist at Oklahoma A&M College.

In 1923 he came to the University of Washington as assistant professor of Zoology and here he became professor of Zoology in 1930. He spent the second semester of 1926 at the University of Hawaii. He published many scientific papers and reports.

He was initiated into Lambda Deuteron Chapter of Phi Sigma Kappa on May 23, 1924. He was a devoted member of the chapter house down to about four years ago when his health severely limited his social activities. His genial personality was a great asset to Phi Sigma Kappa and he will be greatly missed.

—By *Dr. Allen R. Benham,*
Lambda D., Charter Member.

E. Percival Wilson

E. Percival Wilson, Lambda, '02, died on February 25, 1941, at his home in Chevy Chase, Maryland, after an illness of several months.

Widely known in financial circles, Brother Wilson had been an employe of the National Savings & Trust Company for more than 41 years. At the time of his death, he was secretary, a position he had held since 1918.

Brother Wilson took special courses at George Washington University and in the Washington Chapter, American Institute of Banking. He was a charter member of this chapter and in 1908 was elected president.

The ensuing ten years saw him advancing through the positions of note teller, assistance treasurer, assistant secretary and finally secretary.

On the 40th anniversary of his entering the service of the institution, his associates arranged a trip to Florida for him and Mrs. Wilson who survives him. Other survivors include two sons and a sister, all of Washington, D. C.

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Thomas Purves

Word has come to the national headquarters of the death of Brother Thomas Purves, Xi '36, at Daytona Beach, Florida, March 15th.

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MARRIAGES

The marriage of Brother Charles A. Rowan, Jr., Pi Deuteron, '32, and Miss Florence Hyde, of Asheville, North Carolina, took place December 27, 1940. The couple are at home at 190 East State Street, Athens, Ohio, where Brother Rowan is on the faculty of Ohio University.

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ALVIN TODD BURROWS
(1877-1941)

Eulogy To Alvin Todd Burrows

By the Council of Phi Sigma Kappa

Brother Alvin Todd Burrows joined the mystic Chapter Invisible on May 21, 1941.

He was initiated into Phi Sigma Kappa February 28, 1903, at Lambda Chapter as a member of the class of 1903. Selecting Urbana, Illinois, as the city in which he would pursue his chosen profession of journalism, he identified himself with Alpha Deuteron Chapter soon after its induction in 1910. For approximately thirty years he participated actively in the management of that chapter and in the national affairs of our Fraternity.

From 1912 to 1938 he attended every national convention, and from 1916 to 1940 served continuously in national office, being the first representative on the Council of the then so-called "western chapters."

As National Vice-President, President from 1924 to 1928, member of the Supreme Court of which he was Chancellor in 1928-30, and as Editor of THE SIGNET from 1929 to 1938, Brother Burrows was one of the most influential leaders during the period of rapid numerical growth and geographical expansion of Phi Sigma Kappa.

His leadership was characterized by conservatism, by a broad vision, by faith, by a deep personal devotion to the fraternal idealism which he so clearly envisioned and to which he dedicated his talents.

A lucid writer and a fluent speaker, his official reports, his SIGNET editorials, and his frequent addresses were ever impressive and convincing.

His sound and charitable judgments, his insistence on loyalty from all holding high chapter or national office, his executive ability, his capacity for friendship, will long be remembered by those privileged to associate with him.

The constructive contribution of Brother Burrows' long and generous service to Phi Sigma Kappa is gratefully acknowledged and our appreciation of his influential leadership hereby recorded.

Alvin Todd Burrows

ALVIN TODD BURROWS, like millions of his fellow-citizens, had a typically American background and a typically American outlook on life. His forebears had long dwelt in this country, and were originally of British stock. His parents, John R. and Florence Cooper Burrows, were both born on Indiana farms but grew up in the Iowa countryside not very far from Des Moines. Though they were not highly educated, like other American parents they were determined to help their children make the best of their opportunities and be self-reliant. Instead of continuing on the farm, they moved to Des Moines, where he became an expert cabinet-maker and where they spent most of the rest of their lives.

Here, then, to a family in very modest circumstances, were born five children—four sons and one daughter. Of these "Chappie" (as he later came to be known) was the second, born March 22, 1877; he was christened Alvin Todd, but was called Todd by his family and friends. The family was a lively and normal one, the boys being taught to look out for themselves, to help one another, and to earn their own pocket money. At an early age "Chappie" began his association with journalism as a newsboy, and liked to hang around the newspaper office at press-time. For a short period during his childhood the family moved to the State of Washington, but soon returned to Des Moines, where he received his grade school and high school education.

As a youth he tried his hand at various jobs, most of them connected with newspaper work, and finally became sports editor of a Des Moines paper while still quite a young man. He volunteered for the Spanish-American War, but was not accepted. Shortly thereafter he held a

weather bureau job in Evansville, Indiana, thinking it offered him a promise of advancement. He stayed there only briefly, however, for he received an appointment to the weather bureau in Washington, D. C., and accepted this opening as a step up and an opportunity to procure a university education in night school.

In Washington without friends or acquaintances, he established some social connections through the young people's groups of the Vermont Avenue Christian Church. There he met and in due time became engaged to Meda Moore, whom he married on June 16, 1902. During their early life together, he was not only working through the day at the weather bureau but still attending evening classes and progressing toward the degree of Bachelor of Science in meteorology. This he received from George Washington University in 1903.

"Chappie's" first association with fraternal life seems, in comparison with present customs, almost comically casual. One day an acquaintance asked him to "drop around to the club rooms and meet some of the fellows." There he was introduced to a number of the members of Lambda Chapter of Phi Sigma Kappa gathered for a "smoker." He enjoyed the evening but thought no more about it until some time later when the same friend asked whether he would like to join the group. Having accepted this not very pressing invitation, he attended a few other "smokers" but, all in all, seldom saw the other members because he was greatly occupied with his government work and his classes. However, after several weeks, the friend who had introduced him called one day to insist that he attend the meeting that evening. "Now for heaven's sake don't say you can't come," he urged, "because the boys

are having a little initiation." Thereafter he gradually spent a little more time with his fraternity brothers, but did not become intimately friendly with many of them.

At the time of his mother's death in 1904, "Chappie" and Mrs. Burrows went to Des Moines, and while there he determined to leave government employ and get back into newspaper work. An opportunity came to acquire the controlling interest in the weekly newspaper published at Afton, Iowa, a small town southwest of Des Moines. This he decided to accept, becoming owner, publisher, and general editor and manager of the *Star-Enterprise*. He stayed in Afton nearly five years, learning a great deal about the management of a paper and enjoying the neighborliness of a small town. Here were born his two daughters, Dorothy and Kathryn.

In 1909, the family removed to Chicago, where they lived less than six months while "Chappie" tried being a salesman. Disliking this work, however, he bought a part interest in the *Courier-Herald*, a daily newspaper published in Urbana, Illinois, and established his family in Urbana late in 1909. Not many years later he became sole owner of the paper, changing its name to *The Urbana Daily Courier*. Gradually he took a more and more influential part in civic affairs, though he never held political office. Particularly the editorials he always wrote for the *Courier* commanded great respect and esteem among the readers of his paper.

To mention all the public interests and undertakings to which he contributed time and money would be to detail practically all that was planned and executed in the city. Among the outstanding projects of recent years in which he was actively and vitally interested were the organization and operation of the Urbana Golf and Country Club; the formation of a Rotary Club, of which he was a

charter member and at one time president; the planning, erection, and management of the Urbana Lincoln Hotel, which was begun as a sort of co-operative civic enterprise, and of whose directors he remained president for many years; the laying out of a new subdivision in the city of Urbana; and the erection of two large new church buildings to which he made substantial contributions. No practicable and worthy undertaking of public-minded citizens was refusing his energetic support, and he did much through the news and editorial columns of his paper to gain the co-operation and arouse the enthusiasm of others for what he considered the good of the community he was proud of. He was never afraid to fight for a cause he believed in. Loyalty and service marked every step of his career as a business man and as a civic leader.

Not long after he settled in Urbana, Alpha Deuteron Chapter of Phi Sigma Kappa was established at the University of Illinois. Shortly "Chappie" went over to the chapter house to introduce himself, and was royally welcomed by the new members, who were glad to find an older representative of the fraternity living in town. His really active participation in fraternity affairs developed from the great interest he took in the successive "generations" of Alpha Deuteron from 1912 to the end of his life. He was a close personal friend and boon-companion to every member in the early years of the chapter, and later became treasurer of the building corporation. Always interested in educational opportunities and in the problems of young people, he did his best to serve these young men as a counsellor. He gave much practical aid on two occasions when new chapter houses were planned, financed and built, and participated enthusiastically in the social as well as the business activities of the group. It was the early members of this chapter who gave

him the affectionate nickname of "Chappie" by which he later became known to Phi Sigma Kappas all over the country. As a token of their friendship and appreciation, the members of Alpha Deuteron presented to him some years ago a beautiful platinum fraternity pin set with diamonds and marked on the back with his name. It was his desire that after his death this pin be returned to the chapter as a memorial, to be worn during the senior year by the man of each class who had maintained the highest scholastic average for his first three years.

The pleasures and responsibilities of "Chappie's" fraternity life were not, however, confined to his association with Lambda and Alpha Deuteron Chapters. As counsellor to the latter, he kept in touch with the doings of the fraternity on a national scale, and with the policies of its officers. He attended some national conventions, and in 1916 was elected to the vice-presidency. Eight years later he was honored by being made President of Phi Sigma Kappa, and retained that office from 1924 to 1928. For two years immediately preceding his tenure as president, and for ten years thereafter, he was a member of the Supreme Court and Court of Honor; he was Chancellor of the Supreme Court for two years. For nine years, he was Editor of THE SIGNET. Never did his interest in the welfare and the progress of his fraternity lag or falter. During his presidency he visited chapters from coast to coast, and took genuine pleasure in meeting the boys, in advising them, and in doing all he could to help them and to inspire them with the right fraternity ideals. In Phi Sigma Kappa as in his home community, he was a loyal, interested and indefatigable worker.

In a life crowded with so many interests and responsibilities, there was not a great deal of time for play. "Chappie" seldom took a real vacation except the many Phi Sigma Kappa Conventions

that he attended. These he thoroughly enjoyed, in retrospect as well as at the time of the gathering. Daily relaxation he found in golf, to which he was so devoted that he played not only in seasonable weather but even on winter afternoons when the temperature was not too severe. He took pleasure in athletic contests of all sorts, and enthusiastically attended football, basketball, and baseball games as a partisan of the University of Illinois. He belonged to the Masons, to the Elks, and to a few other social groups in which he enjoyed playing bridge. Such were the recreations of a busy man. But his real compensations were the happiness that he found in living a full and useful life, and in making and keeping a countless host of friends.

The long strain of unselfishly endeavoring to do so much for others—his family, his employees, his community, his fraternity—finally brought about a break in his health. He sold his newspaper, and shortly afterward had to curtail his fraternity activities also. For a time he continued to write feature articles and to publish THE SIGNET, but eventually a nervous breakdown enforced his complete retirement. He and Mrs. Burrows moved to Jacksonville, Illinois, to be with their daughter Dorothy, where they remained until their recent deaths just a few days apart. Mrs. Burrows died May 16, 1941, and "Chappie" only five days later, on May 21. Both rest in Woodlawn Cemetery, Urbana, Illinois.

Endowed with a characteristic and ever-ready sense of humor and never failing in kindness; living an active life and making his own way to success with courage and faith; valuing home and its ties, yet vitally interested in civic and national welfare; thinking and judging independently, yet with true democratic tolerance for the views of others; giving himself—his energy, his time, his considered opinion—generously to all who needed him and asked his help; sincere-

ly devoted to the highest ideals of personal life, of friendship, of citizenship: "Chappie" was the best kind of American *man*, one whom it was right and good to call brother.

Burrows Funeral

Alpha Deuteron Chapter attended the funeral services for Brother Burrows in a body. Brothers Frank Smith, Recorder of the Court of Honor, and Mrs. Smith, Charles H. Ruedi, Endowment Trustee, and Mrs. Ruedi, Decatur, Illinois, Ora E. Dillavou, State Representative and Chapter Adviser, and Mrs. Dillavou, C. A. Webber, former adviser to Alpha Deuteron, and Mrs. Webber, and Brother Earl F. Schoening, National Secretary-Treasurer, and Mrs. Schoening, Chicago, attended the service. Brother Cyrus Crane Willmore, Alpha Deuteron, and Mrs. Willmore, from St. Louis were most sympathetic and helpful to Brother Burrows' daughters. Brother Melvin B. Hall, Omicron Chapter, and many other brothers from the surrounding counties attended the funeral service.

The Grand Chapter of Phi Sigma Kappa expressed its sympathy with a pledge pin executed in red and white carnations, and the Court's token was a spray of dark, red roses. Floral expressions of regard and condolence were sent by Lambda, Alpha Deuteron, Theta Deuteron, Mu Deuteron, Rho Deuteron, Chi Deuteron, Omega Deuteron, and telegrams by the following chapters: Chi, Xi, Tau, Lambda Deuteron, Psi Deuteron and Beta Triton.

Reed Heads Army Recreation

Brother Andrew J. Reed, Jr., Alpha '16, executive secretary of the South Shore Y. M. C. A., Chicago, Illinois, since its establishment on September 1, 1931, left this position last July to take up his duties as director of recreational

activities for Camp Edward in Cape Cod, Massachusetts. Mr. Reed's new appointment by the Y. M. C. A. is under the auspices of the United Service Organizations for defense. There are 15,000 soldiers in the camp.

Mr. Reed began his Y. M. C. A. career in 1917, serving for three years in Massachusetts and New Jersey before coming to Chicago. Through his efforts, the long sought "Y" branch for the South Shore district came into existence, at which time he was called in to head the staff.

During his connection with the South Shore branch, Mr. Reed was notable for his activities in building good will and solidifying community spirit.

Mr. Reed has a son and a daughter. His son, Jack, graduated this year from Massachusetts State College on the 25th anniversary of his father's own graduation from the same school.

Brother Charles O. Morgan, Delta Deuteron '36, and Miss Florence Melder, formerly of Seattle, Washington, were married September 6, 1941, and spent a brief honeymoon in the Matanuska Valley, Alaska.

Mrs. Morgan works for the CAA in the regional office in Anchorage, where Brother Morgan is also employed by *The Alaskan*, the local weekly newspaper. Brother Morgan, SIGNET readers will note, is the author of the current series of Alaskan articles appearing in THE SIGNET.

Brother and Mrs. Morgan are planning to return to the States next spring or early summer.

Don't be a Timothy Tacit when the gang starts to sing. Order from the National Headquarters that Phi Sig record and songbook now, at \$1 each.

Gold!!! Alaska!!! Today!!!

By CHARLES O. MORGAN, *Delta Deuteron* '36.

Gold mining in Alaska provides the largest income of any one industry in this far north Territory, accounting for millions of dollars every year. The old hand methods have given away to modern machinery and chugging "cats" . . . still men sweat to obtain this precious



CHARLES O. MORGAN

metal . . . and romance and adventure abound in the gold fields spread far and wide over the Territory.

Even with the eyes of the world turned to Alaska from the defense point of view, gold mining and the other industries must go on, for they will be here after the wars are over. Gold brought many people to Alaska . . . it is keeping many here today!

Gold mining is of two general types; the first called "placer," a sort of glorified and mechanized prospector's method

since it takes place on the surface, and the second type called "hard-rock." The latter method is carried on beneath the ground, and miles and miles of tunnel are drilled through hard rock to follow and tap new veins of this precious metal.

For the most part, gold mining is carried on in that generalized section of Alaska called the Interior, that part of the Territory away from the coast. Actually, some of the gold mining, and platinum as well, is carried on on the very coast of the Bering Sea. It is in the Interior that the "real Alaskans" and the "real Alaska" are still holding forth in full command, more nearly like the days of the early gold rush and hardy pioneers.

To reach the Interior, one must travel by airplane, in summer or winter, take the river boats during the summer, or in winter resort to the dog team and snowshoes. The airplane plays the most important part in transportation contributing to the advancement and development of Alaska. Pontoon, wheel, or ski-equipped airplanes carry passengers, food, and often times vital mining machinery parts to the otherwise isolated mining camps spread among the mountains, along the streams and on the tundra. Miners rub elbows with the native Indians and Eskimos in their respective sections.

It is true that many of the niceties of so-called civilization are missing from the mining camps, where the shifts work round the clock during the 24-hour summer days, yet not a camp of any size can be found without electricity and many conveniences lacking in many city homes. Hot and cold running water, electric refrigerators, motion pictures and recreation halls are also to be found.

There is always plenty of good food and real hospitality for the infrequent visitor.

In contrast to these pleasantries, which for many far outweigh the disadvantages of the summer months, are the mosquitoes (thousands and millions of them), isolation (which to many is an attraction), lack of comforts one is accustomed to in a home. The only person besides the camp personnel many will see during the entire "season" is the airplane pilot bringing supplies, mail and newsy gossip from neighboring camps. If the mining camps are not connected by road with a nearby town (and most are not), they have their own landing fields where the all-important and unsung heroic pilot glides to a landing despite crosswinds and bad weather.

On my first trip to the Interior this past June in search of news stories and pictures, including colored movies, I gained first-hand knowledge and acquaintanceship with the mining camps, the people and mining methods, and flew over thousands of square miles of rugged Alaskan territory on the three-week trip. I traveled 2,000 miles west

taken from the nearby mountains. This source serves as the United States' largest single domestic supply of platinum.

At Bethel, on the Kuskokwim River near the Bering Sea, and Platinum a close association with the happy, smiling



Flying through Merrill Pass. Note snow in late June.

Eskimos and their quaint customs was enjoyed.

Interior towns, with few exceptions, are without roads . . . the air route being the shortest, cheapest and quickest to neighboring communities, five miles or maybe two hundred miles distant. If the town is large enough, it has one or two ancient automobiles and a road which fails to extend more than a few feet beyond the town's uncertain limits. River boats make three trips with tons of supplies each summer on the Kuskokwim River. Starting at Bethel where ocean going ships deposit their cargo, the river boats bring the year's supply to the towns scattered along the river's course. Transportation overland during the summer through trackless wilderness infested with soft and waterfilled tundra is well high impossible.

I slept in roadhouses, which serve Alaskan small towns as hotels, and which do not have the same connotation as that associated with roadhouses in the States. I slept in one roadhouse which had two kinds of windows . . . those which were open and would not close and those which were closed and would



Typical Mining Camp. Goodnews Bay Mining Co. Camp, Platinum, Alaska. Note treeless landscape, tundra covered.

from Anchorage to the headwaters of the huge Kuskokwim River, down its winding course to the Bering Sea and thence south to the new town of Platinum. This town on the Bering Sea derives its name from the precious metal

not open . . . I had the latter type in my room . . . and no running water!

I spent several nights in bunkhouses in mining camps . . . spent, not slept, when the mosquitoes kept up their tormenting all night. Meals during the trip were



Bulldozer pushing and water washing "pay-dirt" into sluice box.

very good, large servings to satisfy the hunger of hard-working men. Breakfasts were \$1, lunches and dinners the same. At the camps no money was accepted for meals. Visitors, no matter who, were guests of the camp and made to feel most welcome. For breakfast one had fruit (big helpings), cereal, bacon and eggs, toast and hotcakes, coffee, canned milk always . . . and more of the same when the plate was empty. The meals grew in proportion as the day progressed. Men working seven days per week on 8 to 10-hour shifts (three shifts being run per day) from May or June until the freeze-up in October need good-sized meals.

Placer mines are always found along or near creeks and small rivers, where veins of free gold are found extending from a few inches to 50 feet into the ground and from a few inches to many yards wide. Water is as vital to placer mining as gold itself, since water is used to wash the gold from the ground.

Men build ditches and pipe lines to wash the gold from the gold-laden rock and dirt as it is scooped from the earth. Any ground not containing gold is strip-

ped from the top of the "pay dirt," as the ground containing gold is called. Huge draglines, used for excavations and large "cats" (caterpillar tractors equipped with steel bulldozer blades on their fronts) are used to push the dirt in the sluice boxes. The latter are long box-like structures closed on three sides and 30 to 60 feet long. Shutter-like cross slats of metal or wood, called riffles, are installed at right angles to the flow of water through the boxes. Pay dirt is dumped at one end of the sluice boxes and washed down the boxes before high water pressure from huge nozzles.

Free gold, being heavier than the dirt, settles to the bottom of the sluice boxes and is prevented from being lost as it is caught in the riffles. This process continues for 24-hours per day for 5 to 10 days and is stopped long enough for the gold mixed with fine dirt to be taken from the boxes. Raking the gold from the boxes is called a "cleanup," perhaps amounting from \$5,000 to \$25,000 . . . if at all! If not at all, the mine operator soon goes broke. Operators are often individuals or partners, and sometimes companies.

The "pay," after being taken from the sluice boxes, is "panned" by hand; that is, washed in pans with water until all the dirt is washed out leaving only the yellow gold . . . dear to the eyes of the operator who has staked his shirt and probably the shirts of several of his friends and business associates in a new attempt to "strike it rich."

The gold is placed in pokes and sent by airplane to the nearest post office or bank. Banks ship the gold by registered mail to the mints in the States.

Depending upon how early the ground is free of frost (in some places not until June or July and even then artificial thawing is used), there may be from six to twenty cleanups during a season. If the claim is rich, some operators may shut down early since taxes above a cer-

tain figure are so heavy that it does not pay to take out more. Other poorer claims yield but enough to barely meet expenses.

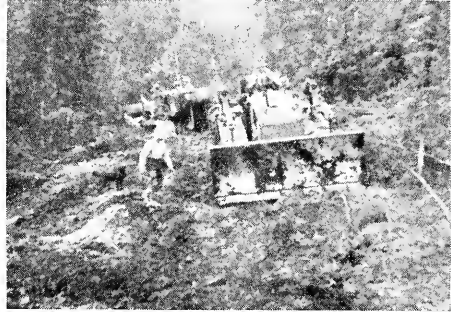
Costs are terrifically high in the Interior. Everything has to be freighted in over mountains and across marshes by "cat" train during the winter after being brought to the nearest river port by boat. Excessive expanses of marshland and no roads make summer freighting costs nearly prohibitive. In an emergency, machinery parts are flown in at rates ranging from 25 cents to 40 cents per pound. Some food comes in regularly at these costs of air freighting, hence the high cost of living in the Interior. Fresh meats are delivered in many places by airplane each week. Even the costs of "cat" trains, which carry several tons of supplies on huge sleighs are very high.

Workmen are paid from \$8 to \$12 per day plus being furnished board and room. There is no place for them to spend their money, consequently they stay in camp, listen to the radio, play cards, do their own washing, read and work to save money for a winter in town . . . which may be Anchorage, Fairbanks, Seward or a trip Outside.

"Cats" equipped with the bulldozer blades cost as much as \$10,000 each. Yearly repair and overhaul costs average \$5,000 for many operators. Camps may have from one to six "cats," plus one or two draglines, also costing thousands of dollars. All are powered with Diesel motors, burning thousands of gallons each season of Diesel fuel oil, all of which has to be freighted in large barrels on the winter "cat" train . . . perhaps 300 miles of the roughest going in the world. Empty barrels are often welded together (arch welding) to make pipe lines leading from the creeks to the sluice boxes. Sluice boxes are moved to richer ground as the pay dirt is dug out.

Another method of placer gold mining besides the dragline and bulldozer type

is the use of huge 70 to 80 ton floating dredges, "boats" as the miners call them. These mighty brutes of wonder machinery are most efficient, often going over ground worked once or twice before and reaching 50 feet into the earth



"Cats" with bulldozer blades in action clearing ground for a "placer" gold mine.

with an endless belt of two- and three-foot buckets to dig up the pay dirt.

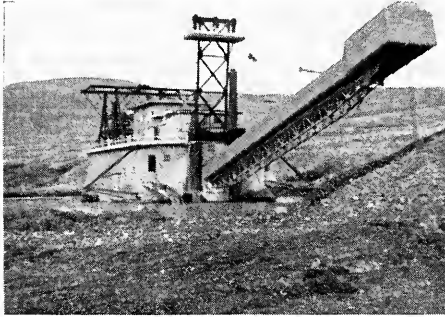
These dredges, costing as much as a quarter of a million dollars, float on a large pond kept within the limited confines with dikes. A huge Diesel engine generates the electricity, furnishing power for the many powerful motors operating the many working parts of the dredge. The dirt is washed and sluiced inside these machines similar to the other type of placer mining. Waste dirt is carried off on a 50 to 100-foot endless rubber belt called a "stacker." This waste dirt and rock, called "tailings," is used to fill up the holes left by the dredge.

The dredge is operated by a man called a dredgemaster who manipulates a series of levers controlling the swinging motion of the dredge from side to side of the pond, and the depth of the buckets. These huge machine monsters are freighted in small parts and assembled on the site of operations.

Crews of men in mining camps vary from five to fifty men. Salaries, supplies, transportation costs, plus cost of food and maintenance add to five and six figures . . . making it necessary for the operator

to take out a good many ounces of gold . . . even at \$36 per ounce . . . "to make both ends meet."

Platinum is mined by a huge dredge and dragline by the Goodnews Bay Mining Company in the same manner as



An 80-ton gold dredge in operation.

gold. This company operates one of the most modern and ideally equipped mining camps in the Territory. Workmen and their families are provided with motion pictures, bowling alleys, dancing facilities, modern individual houses for the married men, electricity and the modern appliances, and large finished bunkhouses for the bachelor workmen instead of the usual tar paper shacks found in many camps. Herds of reindeer can be seen from the camp roaming the treeless tundra covered mountains within two miles of the Bering Sea.

Many miles of flat, treeless, lake-covered and desolate, uninhabited land lies between camps and towns in this westerly portion of Alaska. Eskimos roam this land in the winter and spring doing their trapping and traveling over the ice and frozen tundra which is practically impassable afoot during the summer.

By airplane the problem of travel is simple. The pilots fly over the same territory many, many times and know the route like a book. They fly between mountain peaks with apparent abandon, but with extreme skill as they wing from

one isolated camp to another with mail, food and other necessary supplies.

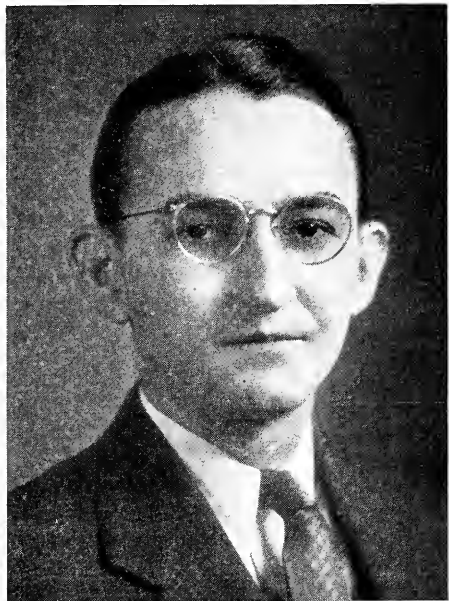
On one occasion, my pilot hunted for a prospecting party in need of meat. We circled mountains, dashed in and out of passes, flew from one valley to another, all the time keeping close to the ground, until at last we spotted the camp on the banks of a small stream. Swooping even lower (I didn't think we could go lower without landing) and circling the camp to signal the camp cook, the pilot told me to open the door of our gull-winged Stinson five-place cabin plane. Against great air pressure I opened the door and let go the quarter of beef as the pilot skillfully dipped my side of the ship and said, "let 'er go." The beef dropped within 50 feet of the cook (without a bombsight), we noted as we circled once more to make sure he found the meat . . . then streaked northward towards Bethel in the light of the midnight sun.

Returning to Anchorage, we flew through the Alaska range . . . yes, *through* . . . through Merrill Pass . . . beautiful in its snowy whiteness in mid-summer. Jagged and rugged pinnacles reached heavenward high above our plane as I ground away with my movie camera. The mountain range is too high for single-motored planes to fly over the top, only multi-motored planes being able to scale the peaks. When the weather gets too thick and the clouds close in in the passes, airplanes wait on the ground until weather clears to reach the other side of the range. Famous Mt. McKinley is about 300 miles to the north of the Pass, in the Alaska range.

Inhabitants of the Interior still battle the elements to wrest a living from this huge and untamed territory. After observing the difficulties they labor under, I realized that the pioneering days are not over in Alaska . . . and that personalities and tenaciousness glitter even brighter than gold in this relentless Northland!

Johnston Appointed Assistant Director from Region III

Owing to the inability of Brother A. L. Atchison, Phi Deuteron '24, to actively participate in Phi Sigma Kappa work in Region III during the present academic year, national President John H. Marchmont has appointed Brother



THOMAS N. JOHNSTON

Thomas N. Johnston, Xi Deuteron '26, Assistant Director from Region III to carry on Brother Atchison's work.

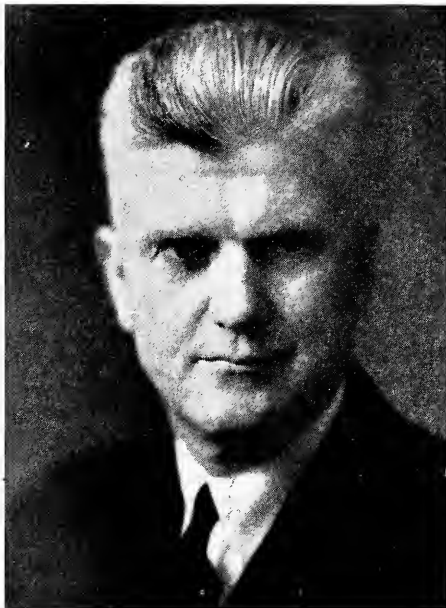
All Phi Sigma Kappa is proud of Brother Atchison's answer to the call to the colors, and wishes him every success.

Brother Johnston has had a long experience in chapter management as Chapter Adviser of Xi Deuteron Chapter. He has been a familiar figure at Region III Conclaves and Phi Sigma Kappa Conventions, and, therefore, his genial personality is well known to undergraduates and alumni of all Phi Sigma Kappa.

Davis Elected President of Rotary International

At the June Convention of Rotary International in Denver, Brother Tom J. Davis, Mu Deuteron, Hon., Butte, Montana, was elected president for the current year.

He was born in Weir City, Kansas, and



TOM J. DAVIS, *Mu D., Hon.*

was educated in the public schools of Butte, Butte Business College, and the University of Michigan Law School.

Brother Davis is Counsel in Montana for Safeway Stores, F. W. Woolworth, Soo Line Railway, Northwest Casualty Co., and for other business and industrial corporations. He was formerly acting professor of law at the University of Montana.

Brother Davis has been a member of the Rotary Club of Butte since 1915 and is a past president of that club. He has been active in Rotary International as district governor, member and chairman of numerous committees, and as third vice-president.

The President Speaks

When the Council assumed office in mid August 1940, our country faced a critical position on account of happenings in a troubled world. I regret that August 1941 promises no abatement of the uncertainty surrounding us. To chart a course in these days has been difficult indeed. Far-reaching experiment has been unwise. For this reason



JOHN H. MARCHMONT

I can only report that our endeavor has been to strengthen and preserve what we have, rather than to embark on unknown waters.

Among the eight duties of the President enumerated in the By-laws, we find the following in Article VII, Section 1 (a) (8), "To make such visitations as in his judgment will promote the welfare of the Fraternity." In accordance with this instruction, I have visited the chapters enumerated below:

Alpha, Beta, Gamma, Delta, Zeta, Eta, Iota, Kappa, Lambda, Nu, Xi, Phi,

Kappa Deuteron, Xi Deuteron, Rho Deuteron, Alpha Triton, Gamma Triton, Epsilon Triton.

I was received at all of these chapters with a warmth and courtesy that was most gratifying. I found in a great majority of them a personnel of which we should be proud, and brothers, to my mind, worthy of the best traditions of Phi Sigma Kappa.

I am satisfied that my contact with these actives was very salutary. I intend during the coming year to call on others whom I have not been privileged to meet. I feel that in these perilous times every effort should be made by our officers to maintain a close contact with each of the units of our national framework. This is an obligation incumbent on all of us. Our active brothers need our immediate guidance and sympathetic personal thought.

I pass now to the immediate problems of our chapters. Scholarship is ever a subject for discussion in the fraternity field of endeavor. "Show me how your chapter stands in scholarship and I will tell you how it stands generally,"—so said one of our able fraternity men to me while we were discussing our mutual problems and troubles. This is not of course an entirely reliable gauge. It is, however, a good guide in the majority of cases. Phi Sigma Kappa receives scholarship data from the National Interfraternity Conference. I note to my great pleasure an improvement at many of our chapters.

A second and equally important phase of chapter weal relates to finances. Again, we must depend on the very necessary guidance of our advisers to correct the problem of delinquent obligations. In this connection, I must speak of the work of the Director of Finance. I know that I shall not be contradicted when I assert

his office has performed its work with outstanding ability and fidelity.

In the past we have been prone to neglect the prosperous chapter. We have confined our intensive work on the weaker unit. Certainly I agree to the obvious that we must place our fallen chapter in a secure position anew. But the strong chapter needs equal consideration. When I see a group powerful in every particular, I am more than sure that some weakness will appear shortly. Self-satisfaction has ruined many a supposedly impregnable chapter. If constant watch is not employed—a dissolution will set in rapidly.

When we think of the active chapter, we must also think of the alumni. We must try to the utmost to stimulate more alumni interest. Phi Sigma Kappa has approximately twenty alumni clubs. This number should be at least double.

Since the Council took office, we have fulfilled a mandate of the Convention and provided a song record. The production of this record was arranged by Regional Director Brown. Brother Brown is entitled to a genuine expression of appreciation for the way he carried out a somewhat thankless task. We still have a number of these records on hand.

During the year it has been incumbent upon me to make several appointments. One of the first official acts on my returning home from the Boston Convention was to appoint Brother Ruedi to the Board of Endowment Trustees. I know that this selection brings to the Board a man well versed in the investment field. Many of us remember his devotion to the fraternity in by-gone days when he held both Council and Court office. We should feel fortunate that he has acceded to the call of service and returned to active duty.

I also appointed eight Commissioners to various states. It is now three years since this office was established. Many then, and I was among them, did not

feel enthused over the idea. My personal experience causes me to say that the office is a valuable one. During the year I have corresponded with Commissioners Wadleigh of Arkansas, Russell of Louisiana, and Ferry of Utah. All of them furnished me with very essential information concerning local conditions.

During the past year, it was my privilege to participate in several social events of noteworthy significance. At the end of November 1940 a dinner was tendered to the Honorable Wendell Willkie during the Interfraternity Conference. Phi Sigma Kappa played a conspicuous part at this unusual affair. It was a real honor and pleasure to welcome seven of my predecessors in the Presidential office to this event. They were Brothers Vogel, McIntyre, McLean, Batt, Lafean, Hamilton, and Schoening.

On March 15th last, I attended the Fiftieth Anniversary Banquet of Delta Chapter. This Golden Jubilee was celebrated in a manner befitting the best traditions of the fraternity. Enthusiasm ran high and the chapter evidenced in every way the splendid esprit de corps expected from a member of the chapter roll of Phi Sigma Kappa. Delta undoubtedly will continue its fine tradition in the future.

Late in May, on my visitation to Alpha, I invited our oldest living Past President to accompany me. Brother John Ashburton Cutter has been a member of Phi Sigma Kappa for sixty-three years, and it was a real joy for him to return to the scenes of his youth. Our stay at Amherst was made most comfortable by the kindly attendance of both actives and alumni. I am glad that the fraternity was able to offer this opportunity for Brother Cutter to return to his alma mater and relive the scenes of years gone by. It was a tribute due for uncounted services performed by him in the early and formative period of our order.

On March 15, 1948, Phi Sigma Kappa

will reach the mature age of seventy-five years. Presumably we shall return to Amherst to celebrate this diamond jubilee. Such an event has uncommon significance. Without doubt we shall have present the greatest number who have congregated at an affair given by the fraternity. A program of interest will be prepared. To commence to plan now for this auspicious anniversary is only sensible. Therefore, I have appointed Brother Watts as Chairman of a seventy-fifth anniversary committee.

This fall each of our Regions will hold a Conclave. In many ways the Conclave should be of greater import to the Region than the biennium. There is the place for the problems peculiar and pertinent to your part of the country. I cannot emphasize too strongly the importance of these Conclaves.

Insofar as we have information now, we shall hold our biennium in 1942. It is only natural that each Council should wish to have its Convention one of mark and distinction. I hope that ours will outshine all held previously. At present, I see no important or far-reaching legislation that will come before our coming meeting. Consequently I trust that we shall seize the opportunity to hold a conspicuously successful officers' school. I think we can make a deep impression on our actives if we present a well-considered plan of instruction.

I close with a word of appreciation for the cooperation that I have received from the Council. This has been a harmonious Council. It has been a genuine pleasure to work with each member of the Council. To Arthur Atchison, who has entered the service of his country, I extend my sincere good wishes. May world peace soon prevail so that he can once again sit with the Council as an active colleague.

I cannot refrain from expressing my warm thanks to our Secretary-Treasurer. His counsel and advice are ever helpful

to a many times harassed President. He and his office have made my path easy and have caused my work to be pleasurable indeed.

The half-way mark has passed. The second year is here—may it be fruitful, constructive and prosperous.

Nominated for Re-election to Board of College Trustees

Brothers James Milholland, Kappa '11, and James L. Mauthe, Kappa '13, members of the Board of Trustees of Pennsylvania State College since 1930 and 1938, respectively, have been nominated for re-election.

Brother Milholland, an attorney, has been very active in college affairs at Penn State, and has served two terms as president of the Penn State Alumni Association.

Brother Mauthe, now General Superintendent of the Youngstown Sheet and Tube Company, Youngstown, Ohio, has held many important positions with steel plants before assuming his present position. He, too, has been active in the affairs of Penn State, having served as a member of the Penn State Athletic Board of Control and Athletic Advisory Board.

Delegates to National Interfraternity Conference

National President John H. Marchmont, Chaplain Stewart H. Herman, and Secretary-Treasurer Earl F. Schoening will be Phi Sigma Kappa's delegates to the National Interfraternity Conference to be held at the Commodore Hotel, New York City, November 28 and 29.

Past-president Don A. Hamilton and Director at Large Ralph J. Watts will attend the Conference as alternates.

Phi Sigma Kappa will hold a reception for alumni before and after the Conference dinner Friday evening, November 28th.



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Seattle Blackout

Modern warfare has greatly changed the part which a civilian population must play. In previous wars there was a front line established at which point most of the fighting was done with occasional air raids back of the lines aimed against military objectives.

Today most of the warfare is conducted against the civilian population in an attempt to break their morale as well as to disrupt production as much as possible, whether it be for military needs or otherwise. This new type of warfare brings an added responsibility upon the civilian population in order to protect themselves.

In time of national emergency the

army and navy will actively fight the enemy but the civilians must be responsible for the passive defense of their own cities. It becomes necessary that the cities organize to take care of fires, demolition, and the care of the injured during air raids. They must also see that there is an adequate supply of water and numerous types of equipment available. This added responsibility on the part of the city is new to us here in the United States and, therefore, in order to cope with this situation it became necessary that we study the organizations of countries that have already used this type of defense.

Seattle at the present time is one of the



Photograph of Seattle taken before the Blackout from the Marine Hospital on top of Beacon Hill, from the same position from which the photograph appearing on Page 237 was taken.

key cities in national defense production as well as being one of the first military objectives on the Pacific Coast. It was, therefore, thought logical that a plan be devised whereby the city could adequately take care of itself should a national emergency arise. It was not intended to cause war hysteria or to intimidate the citizenry, but rather the people were told to take this form of preparation in the same manner that we have fire drills for our schools. We may never have to use the organizations that we are setting up, but should that time ever come, the city would be ready to protect its citizens in the best manner possible.

The Blackout study was made because it was felt that in such a test we would be able to use all of the organizations set up for defense and actively determine their ability to function.

At first it appeared that a Blackout would be very simple. All we would have to do would be to pull the main switches and the city would be dark. Upon investigation, however, we found that to "black out" the city in this manner would cost about \$100,000 as well as leave the city crippled because power is necessary to pump water and also the hospitals must continue to function in time of an emergency. So, we found that it was not as easy to "black out" a city as we first expected. Blacking out of a city requires that every individual company and person must be responsible for their own lights so that when an "Alert" signal is given, every citizen will know his responsibility and be able to take care of his own lighting problem.

In Seattle there were seven hundred illuminated billboards which had to be turned out individually as well as four hundred fifty-eight individual traffic lights. Of course, in time of an emergency these lights would be left off constantly or else be re-wired so that they could be turned off at one time, but a test such as we staged showed us our problems and just what we would have

to do in order to adequately darken the city. It is interesting to know that it would require about seventy-five miles of wire in order to be able to turn out all the lights instantly from a central station.

The night of the Blackout, the city was divided according to established city precincts with a man in charge of each. He



Frank Cadman, Alpha Triton '29, chairman of the committee in charge of the Seattle Blackout.

in turn was responsible to have people stationed so that every city block was covered and when the signal was given for the Blackout, every block was immediately policed by an air raid warden who made sure that the lights in his district were out.

In order to avoid traffic accidents during this test Blackout, all traffic was required to stop. In the residential sections of the city, we had one man stationed at each street corner and in the central business district there were three men to each city block. This meant that during the Blackout there were over 16,000 men stationed throughout the city to see that the citizens did their part.

Every fire box within the city was

covered by at least one adult. This was to prevent subversive groups from turning in false alarms and causing people to become panicky. It is interesting to note that during our Blackout period we had no false alarms turned in and there was not one crime committed or any accident reported. The police and mili-

The reaction on the people showed in that when they wanted to converse with each other, they whispered rather than talked aloud.

People refrained from smoking cigarettes on the street because during the Blackout a cigarette has the appearance of a blow torch.

While the city was in blackness army observation planes flew overhead in order to record the success of the attempt that was being made in the streets below. It was considered to be a ninety-nine per cent blackout and the committee in charge, as well as the military authorities, considered the experiment one very worthwhile and one that every city could well afford to make.

Seattle is situated on Puget Sound and with the various lakes that surround its shores there were one hundred and ninety-three miles of waterfront to be guarded. This was taken care of by the United States Coast Guard as well as citizens who owned their own boats. These boat owners were trained in patrol duty for this type of work.

Throughout the whole test a radio broadcast was made to acquaint the citizens with the happenings of the night. All seven Seattle stations coöperated by hooking up together and all making the same broadcast. Short wave radio was also used which logged the progress of the planes and which enabled the army to pick up the flight at the far part of the State, which is part of the national program now being devised.

Red Cross and first aid units assumed their stations and were ready for action. The telephone company re-routed calls as though one or more stations were destroyed so that the operators would know what to do in case of an emergency. Actual conditions of a Blackout were attempted as much as reasonably possible. It was pleasing to know that the citizens were ready to follow through and do their part should the emergency arise.

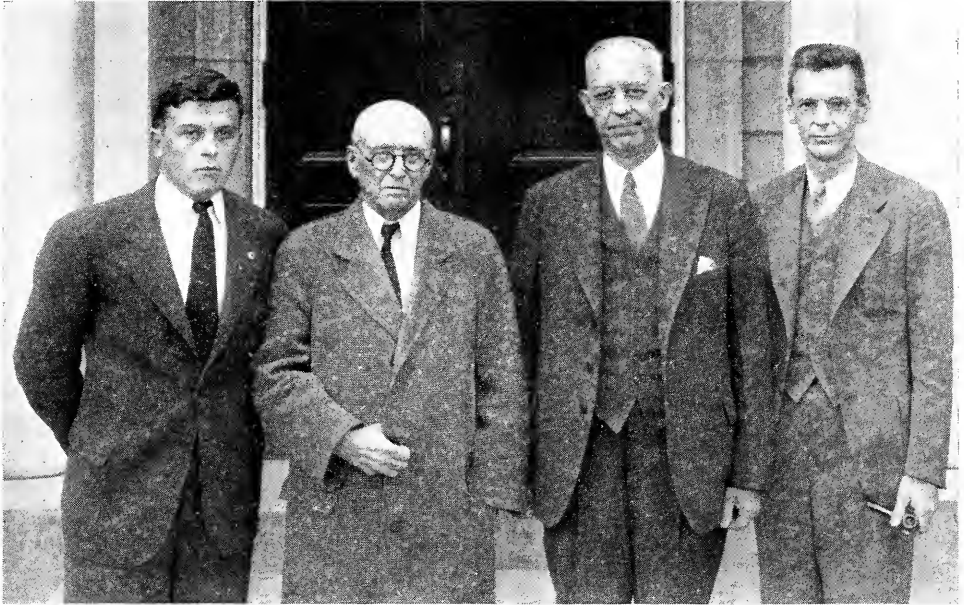


German incendiary bomb which fell in England and did not ignite. (a) The tail, (b) Spring which is at base of igniter, (c) Igniter, (d) Screwed in base which holds igniter, (e) The magnesium body which is entirely consumed.

tary authorities marveled at the coöperation of the people because everyone took the test seriously and did his bit to make it a success.

The blackout signal was first given at 10:30 at night, and for the next ten minutes business houses and residences turned out their lights. At 10:40 the street lights went out for a period of fifteen minutes. As the street lights went out, thousands of people standing in front of their homes and in the streets of the business district were awed by the complete blackness of our experiment.

Cutter Visits Amherst



CUTTER VISITS ALPHA

Left to right: John P. Marsh, president of Alpha, Dr. John Ashburton Cutter, John H. Marchmont, National President, and Francis C. Pray, Alpha chapter adviser.

Dr. John Ashburton Cutter, Alpha, '82, national president 1900-1902, visited Alpha Chapter, on May 23, 24, 25. He was accompanied by National President John Marchmont.

Dr. Cutter was entertained at the Chapter House at dinner Saturday night and during his stay here he visited many of the scenes of his undergraduate days. Guests to meet Dr. Cutter were George

C. Hubbard, '99, of Sunderland, William H. Armstrong, '99, of Amherst, and Raymond H. Jackson, '08, of Amherst, all Alpha House Corporation Trustees.

Dr. Cutter seemed to enjoy his visit thoroughly.

Dr. Cutter came very close to being among the group of founders of the Fraternity and has an encyclopedic knowledge of its earlier history.

Conley III

Walter H. Conley, Beta '91, former National President, and present member of the Court of Honor, has not been in good health since his return to California since the 1940 convention.

A mystic bond of brotherhood makes all men one.—*Goethe*.

Our Borderline

Three thousand miles of borderline,—
nor fort nor armed host
On all this frontier neighbor-ground
from east to western coast;
A spectacle to conjure with—a thought
to stir the blood!
A living proof to all the world of faith
in brotherhood.

Author Unknown

My Thrills in the 1941 All-Star Game

By LOU BOUDREAU, *Alpha Deuteron* '39

Putting a thrill into words is almost an impossible task. The difficulty in expressing it, however, makes its existence no less genuine. The unexpected honors which have come my way in the past are not forgotten. To be chosen captain of an all-state high school basketball squad, to be elected captain of the Illini Basketball Team, initiation into Phi Sigma Kappa, and to be signed for big league ball are distinctions which will long rate among my greatest thrills. With due respect to all these appointments, I do not deny that being chosen to perform in the ninth All-Star Game at Briggs Stadium will always be an event packed with thrills no end.

I like baseball and I like the fellows that play it. Ever since I can remember, the game has been "tops" with me. My Dad taught me something about baseball before I was six years old. I have played it and liked it ever since. While an opportunity to play in major league baseball was one of my first ambitions, performance in an All-Star Game was beyond any expectation I'd ever had. That sort of thing, as far as I was concerned, was only for the Ruths and the Gehrigs.

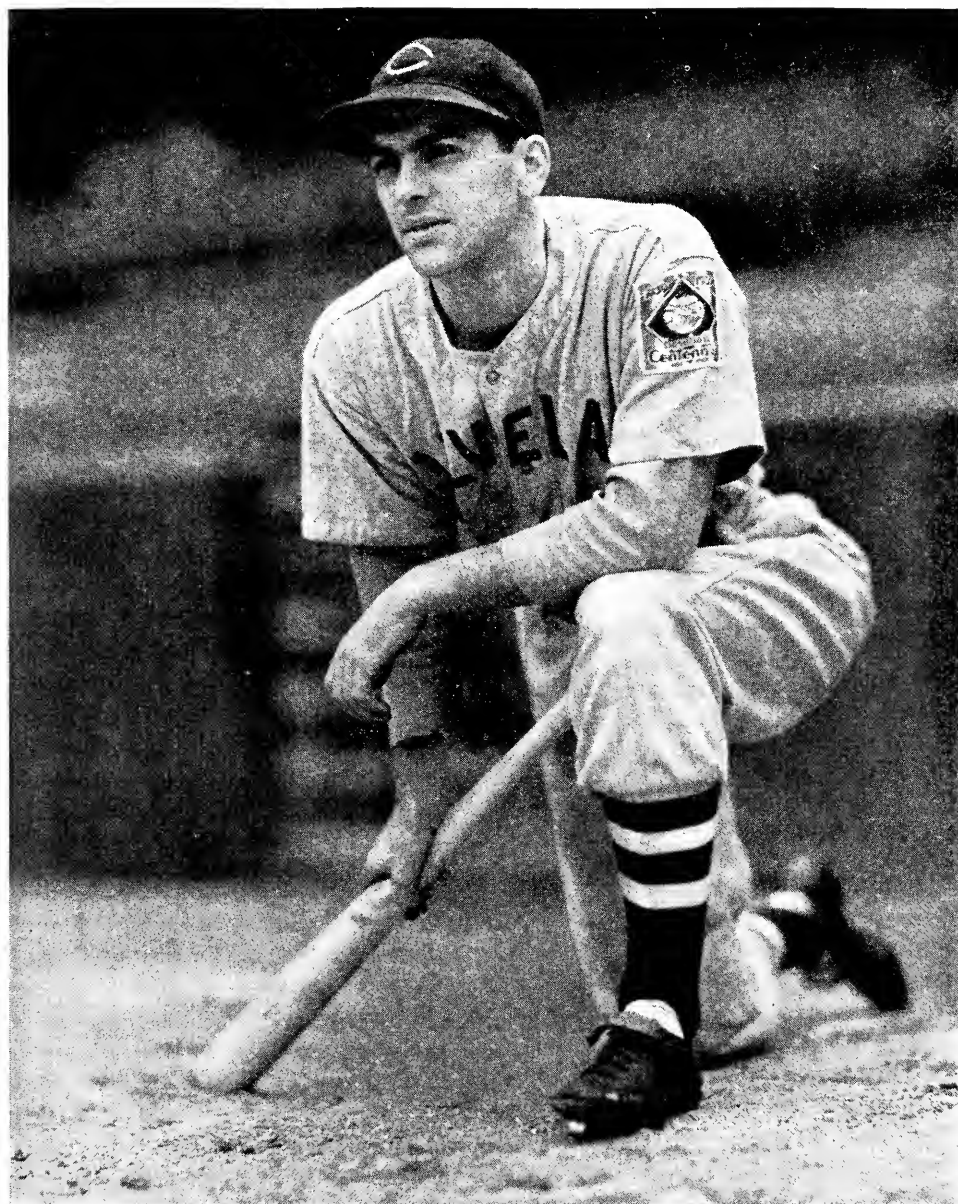
The All-Star Game is no ordinary event. The old question of the superiority of one league over the other comes to a climax each year with the battle of the All-Stars. The record to July 8th of this year stood 5-3 in favor of the American League. A win by the Nationals would have put them in a position to challenge the prestige maintained in other games by the American League. In many ways, the game this season took

on special significance, and as the snow flies this winter there'll be many an argument as to who might have won if—and there will always be that *if*.

I've seen a good many crowds, but the fifty-five thousand fans in Briggs Stadium might have been ten times that many, as far as I was concerned. There couldn't have been more interest and certainly no more spirit. Even Old Jupiter held off and the weatherman put on his best for the occasion. That may account for the fact that the attendance ranked third in All-Star history, the 1935 and 1939 crowds in Cleveland and New York being the only two to exceed that in Detroit.

My first assignment in the game came to me in the sixth inning when I was scheduled to take up where Joe Cronin left off—a job in itself. To say that my own personal excitement ran high is putting it mildly indeed! Until the sixth inning the game had been a tight affair, being what one might call a pitchers' duel in which Bob Feller, my own teammate, had chalked up an excellent performance for himself. Wyatt and Derringer had also been effective. Score at the beginning of the sixth inning: National League, four hits and no runs; American League, four hits and one run.

The Nationals had tied our score in the first of the sixth inning when Walters crossed the plate with their first run of the game. In our side of the inning Travis had popped out, Di Maggio walked, and Williams had flied out to Reiser. Heath had walked with two down and my time was at hand. Old



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Lady Luck was on my side. My single to center scored Joe from second base, breaking the tie and putting our circuit ahead 2-1. Incidentally, it was the third and final hit off Walters.

The one-run advantage we maintained at the beginning of the seventh inning faded away when Vaughn blasted one into the upper deck of the right field stand bringing in Slaughter who was stationed on second. I received credit for my one assist of the day by throwing out Medwick who had batted for Walters. The eighth inning saw Arky Vaughn break the record in All-Star games by hitting a home run in consecutive innings at bat. Mize, already on second by virtue of his double, scored also to bring the count to 5-2, in favor of our opponents. In our half of the inning, the Di Maggio brothers staged a short comeback which resulted in one run.

The ninth inning, sure to go down in baseball history as a classic for all those who follow the game, came up with our side on the losing end 5-3. Hayes had popped to Herman. Keltner, substituting for Smith at the plate, bounced a sharp hit off Miller's chest. Gordon, next up, placed a hit in right field putting Keltner on second. Even the restless few of the fifty-five thousand fans in the stadium, who had begun to leave after Hayes had popped up, stopped in the aisles to see the finish. Travis drew a free ride to first, filling the bases and bringing up Joe Di Maggio, who had a hit in earlier innings and who could now boast of a record of hits in forty-eight consecutive games. Passeau had crossed up Jimmie Foxx in the eighth. He was waiting for Joe. Three pitched balls did the trick. After two strikes, Passeau put over what looked like a double-play ball, but wasn't. Travis was forced at second and Keltner crossed home plate, as Herman's throw to first to complete the double play was slightly wide and a little late. It was now up to Ted Williams, the

pride of the Boston Red Sox. Crowd and players alike scarcely dared breathe. The game had possibilities of ending with each pitch. A single, well placed, would tie up the game and might even put the winning run across the plate. An out would mean curtains for us. Three balls had crossed the plate with no definite result. The count was two balls and one strike on Ted. As he swung on the fourth pitch, the results were never in doubt. The ball landed high in the stands in right field and Williams rounded the bases scoring Gordon and Di Maggio ahead of him. The crowd did not wait; they swarmed to home plate to give him the rousing welcome he justly deserved. The celebration was on!

Ted Williams' smash closed the ninth inning, but there'll be many an extra inning played when the season of nineteen forty-one has long passed. Williams could have been walked; Passeau could have been replaced. But those again are "ifs" and only that. They will furnish the material for many a hot argument on a cold winter day by those who played in the game, by those who watched the game, and by those who know every player and official yet have never seen a game. One fact remains: The American League won its sixth in nine All-Star attempts by a score of 7-5.

The game on paper cannot lay claim to anything near perfection. There may have been some cases of bad judgment, and there were some errors. There were records broken and new marks set, too, an even dozen if you'll take the trouble to count them. But if there is any doubt as to the amount of enjoyment there was in the game, any spectator on the bench or in the stands will not hesitate to answer. There were thrills for all! That's just plain baseball, baseball as it is played in every sandlot, school ground or major league park. And that's what makes it the truly All-American pastime.

I can boast of no spectacular play for myself in the game, but I'm mighty proud to claim two hits for two trips to the plate. I'm prouder still to have a chance to perform in a line-up that includes Feller, Foxx, Di Maggio, Gordon, and others especially when they're matched against such players as Vaughn, Slaughter, Moore, and Hack. There will be other All-Star games. There will be scorecards, peanuts, popcorn, rabid fans, umpires and new stars. And whether I'm playing or watching, there'll be a thrill in it for me!

Equal and exact justice to all men, of whatever state or persuasion, religious or political; peace, commerce, and honest friendship with all nations,—entangling alliances with none; the support of the State governments in all their rights, as the most competent administrations for our domestic concerns, and the surest bulwarks against anti-republican tendencies; the preservation of the general government in its whole constitutional vigour, as the sheet anchor of our peace at home and safety abroad; . . . freedom of religion; freedom of the press; freedom of person under the protection of the habeas corpus; and trial by juries impartially selected,—these principles form the bright constellation which has gone before us, and guided our steps through an age of revolution and reformation.

*First Inaugural Address,
Thomas Jefferson.*

America the Beautiful

O beautiful for patriot dream
That sees beyond the years
Thine alabaster cities gleam
Undimmed by human tears!
America! America!
God shed His grace on thee,
And crown thy good with brotherhood
From sea to shining sea!

Katherine Lee Bates.

Boudreau Appointed to Illini Coaching Staff

Lou Boudreau, Alpha Deuteron '39, shortstop for the Cleveland Indians, will join the Illini coaching staff November first to assist with the coaching of basketball and baseball. Boudreau is a former Illinois basketball captain. He will remain as coach until he leaves for spring training with the Cleveland Indians.

Woodcock System

A system reminiscent of school days has recently been devised for the men in training at Fort George G. Meade, Maryland. It seems that Brigadier General Amos W. Woodcock, Sigma '03, wants to know how well his men are progressing in training activities, so he has instituted a report-card system. Every Saturday he studies the cards turned in to him, rating each week the progress of the individual soldier as well as the various units of the organization.

General Woodcock says "They (the report cards) give us a picture that we couldn't possibly get by walking around at random and looking over training activities." He believes, too, that this system promotes intelligent observation in the officers who turn in the cards.

Individual soldiers are graded on: military courtesy, bearing and wearing of uniforms; close-order drill and punctuality at all formations; knowledge and use of weapons; tactical knowledge and performance of all field duties.

Lafean Among Ten Leading Underwriters

Brother R. G. Lafean, Mu '19, has been named by *Agency Items*, the official news publication of The Equitable Life, in the ten leading underwriters of the Company in the United States, who devote their time to programming insurance estates under the caption, Extended Income Plans.

The Secretary Reports

In spite of the disadvantages which accompany a period of great uncertainty such as the world is now experiencing, Phi Sigma Kappa has, in general, enjoyed a most successful year during the first fiscal period of this administration. The few instances where the income goals set by the Budget Committee for the past year have not been attained, and the similarly few instances where the



EARL F. SCHOENING

appropriations made by it were exceeded, have been more than offset by other revenues which exceeded the expectations of the Budget Committee, and other expenses which were not as great as anticipated. These operations have resulted in Phi Sigma Kappa being in a stronger financial position than it was at the end of the first fiscal year of the last administration.

Initiates

During the academic year immediately past, 476 undergraduates were initiated into Phi Sigma Kappa. In addition, there were three graduate initiates for whom the Grand Chapter taxes were remitted to the Endowment Trustees. Omega Chapter led the chapters in the number of initiates with 25.

The Signet

THE SIGNET continues to be received with enthusiasm by undergraduates and alumni alike. Typical of the comments by the undergraduates is that of Bob Armstrong, Secretary of Omicron Deuteron, who wrote "Congratulations on the March issue of THE SIGNET. Every copy was in demand. The issue was very well done." From former national President Don A. Hamilton we received the following comment: "I have intended to write you before this year and express my appreciation of THE SIGNET. It seems to become better and better each issue. I look forward to each copy and read it from kiver to kiver." We at the national headquarters are especially proud of the recognition received in the comment of George Banta, Jr., Phi Delta Theta, publisher of *Banta's Greek Exchange*, who wrote, "I am glad to note that THE SIGNET is publishing some material other than that usually found in a college fraternity magazine. Because a college fraternity is a part of the educational system, it is proper that material of educational value should be used in its magazine."

Some very fine material has been promised THE SIGNET. In order that the standard now recognized for THE SIGNET may be maintained I urge that SIGNET readers be on the alert at all times for leads to interesting feature stories for

THE SIGNET. Given the lead, the editor will follow it up.

Pledge Manual

The fourth edition of the *Outline for Pledge Education* made its appearance in January of this year. Anticipating that this publication might be made to perform a dual function, that of rushing material as well as pledge training, the manual was re-arranged in presentation of material and increased in size. All of the chapters from whom the national fraternity had not already received chapter house pictures were invited to send in such pictures for this purpose. The chapter house picture section of the manual adds to its attractiveness and interest. New fraternity and sorority pledge pin and badge plates were made for this issue. Brother Edgar Farr Russell, Eta '22, drew an up-to-date Phi Sigma Kappa map for the current manual. Phi Sigma Kappa service to the chapters was graphically illustrated and stressed. New articles on chapter management and alumni clubs appear in the fourth edition. The size was changed to SIGNET size so that economy resulting from interchange of cuts could be effected. The attractive cover flag was reproduced from a drawing by Edgar Farr Russell.

The entire cost of the pledge manual, exclusive of mailing, was \$689.54. Twenty-five hundred copies were printed, making the cost per copy 27½c.

Augustus I. Hasskarl, Lambda '27, Endowment Donor, expressed a typical reaction to the pledge manual in the following words: "I have reviewed the manual and it impresses me as being exceptionally well organized as to subject matter and arrangement; it should be instrumental in securing the type of pledge material Phi Sigma Kappa needs."



The song recording, proposed at the 1938 Convention and for which \$501.24 was appropriated by the last administration, became an accomplished fact with the receipt of the records at the national headquarters in February. Each chapter was sent, gratuitously, one record. The sale price of the record is \$1.00. A splendid choice of songs was made, and the recording obtained is excellent. The recording project was under the supervision of Brother Herbert L. Brown and all credit for the fine recording obtained is due him.



New Quarterly Report

The national headquarters prepared a new Quarterly Report which consolidates several reports required by the ritual with the Quarterly Report. An adequate supply has been printed.

Rushing Aids

The matter of well-planned rushing has been increased immensely in importance. The national fraternity has been cognizant of this factor and has attempted to assist the chapters in meeting the situation. Seventeen thousand rushing circulars were printed immediately following the 1940 Convention. These have been and are being distributed to the chapters upon requisition as the chapters find need for them. There is an adequate supply on hand. \$208.96 was spent in providing this service.

Eight hundred additional copies of the May 1941 SIGNET were printed for use by the chapters for rushing purposes exclusively. This issue of THE SIGNET contains several features designed to interest rushees as well as their parents. Many chapters have availed themselves of this special service, as well as the rushing value of the fourth edition of the *Outline for Pledge Education*.

The Historical Motion Picture also continues to be popular for rushing purposes. Additions to this film have been made during the past year. Particularly popular is the reel featuring Kodachrome shots of several of our chapter houses. This feature of the film should be added to so that in the near future the film will include good Kodachrome shots of all of our chapter houses.

One chapter requisitioned for rushing purposes a supply of the SIGNET reprints entitled "Who Was There?" (March 1941 SIGNET.)

Scholarship

In general it appears that the scholarship of Phi Sigma Kappa chapters has

improved. Phi Sigma Kappa had its usual number of honor students. Those whose names were made available to the national headquarters prior to the press date of the May 1941 SIGNET were publicized in the frontispiece of that issue.

Following is a list of chapters in first and second place scholastically on their respective campuses as of the last quarter for which reports have been received:

Rho Deuteron, 1st (32 consecutive semesters).

Epsilon Deuteron, 1st.

Xi, 1st.

Xi Deuteron, and Nu, 2nd.

Anniversaries

Delta Chapter celebrated its Fiftieth Anniversary in Phi Sigma Kappa with a two-day celebration in Morgantown March 15-16, 1941. This celebration is detailed at length in the May 1941 SIGNET. The Council was represented by national President Brother John H. Marchmont, and Regional Director Brother Herbert L. Brown. The Council Fifty-year plaque was presented to the chapter by Brother Marchmont. Among the notables attending this celebration was Brother Howard M. Gore, former Governor of West Virginia.

Theta Deuteron celebrated its Twentieth Anniversary as a chapter of Phi Sigma Kappa on February 19, 1941, with a banquet at the chapter house. A detailed account appears in the May 1941 issue of THE SIGNET.

Other chapter anniversaries were recognized in the dedicating of the October 1940 issue of THE SIGNET to Delta Deuteron's Twenty-fifth Anniversary; the dedicating of the January 1941 issue of THE SIGNET to Epsilon Deuteron's Twenty-fifth Anniversary; and the dedicating of the March 1941 issue of THE SIGNET to Rho Deuteron's Fifteenth Anniversary.

Other Significant Celebrations

Outstanding among the other chapter celebrations was the 1941 Founders' Day celebration of Zeta Triton Chapter. On this occasion officers of the alumni corporation burned the mortgage on the chapter house. Such an occasion is one for special celebration by any chapter, and it is hoped that many will have this experience during the coming years. The Council was represented at this celebration by Regional Director Brother C. Marc Miller.

Other chapter celebrations which were significant were the annual Silver and Magenta Carnation Ball of Eta, Lambda, and Epsilon Triton Chapters, the Housemothers' Dinner of Psi Deuteron, the Sorority Chaperones Dinner of Alpha Deuteron, and the Homecoming Street Dance of Eta Deuteron Chapter. All these celebrations bring considerable favorable publicity to the chapters concerned and to the national organization. The most significant feature about them, however, is that they are traditional.

Interfraternity Conference

The National Interfraternity Conference held in New York City late in November, was attended by Brothers Marchmont, Brown, and Watts as Delegates, and Brothers Schoening and Zimmerman as Alternates. Brother Schoening also attended the meeting of the Secretaries Association held the day before the Interfraternity Conference meeting, and the meeting of the Fraternity Editors Association held following the conference. Seven former national Presidents of Phi Sigma Kappa attended the National Interfraternity Conference; they were Brothers George J. Vogel, William A. McIntyre, Donald H. McLean, Joseph A. Batt, R. G. Lafean, Don A. Hamilton, and Earl F. Schoening.

The national fraternity invited the Chapter Advisers and one undergraduate delegate of Zeta and Iota Chapters,

and the undergraduate delegate to the National Interfraternity Conference from Epsilon Deuteron Chapter, to the conference dinner.

The national fraternity held a reception at the Commodore Hotel both preceding this banquet and following it. Fifty-eight Phi Sigs and their friends attended the reception and enjoyed the cordial hospitality made available by the national fraternity through the efforts of Brother Marchmont.

1940 Convention

The net cost of the 1940 Convention was \$7,691.64. The 1940 Convention was a huge success in every way, and Regional Director Brother George P. Rupert and his Committee as well as Mrs. Rupert, are to be congratulated upon its success.

Alvin Todd Burrows

It is with deep regret that I report the passing to the Chapter Invisible of Brother Alvin Todd Burrows, Lambda '03, national President of our fraternity from 1924 to 1928, for nine years Editor of THE SIGNET, and for twelve years a member of the Supreme Court and Court of Honor, its Chancellor from 1928 to 1930. "Chappie," as he was known to the members of the fraternity, was one of Phi Sigma Kappa's most dynamic personalities. He was every inch a loyal Phi Sig, and his fine work and influence for and in behalf of our fraternity will be everlasting.

Schoening Appointed Vice-President of College Fraternity Editors Association

Brother Earl F. Schoening, National Secretary-Treasurer and Editor of THE SIGNET, has been appointed Vice-President of the College Fraternity Editor's Association.

Send your dollar to the National Headquarters for that Phi Sig songbook now.

Collins Elected to the Council

Brother D. R. Collins, Gamma Deuteron '17, last year appointed Alumni Secretary of Phi Sigma Kappa by Brother Marchmont, was elected by the Council, Regional Director from Region Four, to fill the vacancy on the Council



D. R. COLLINS

occasioned by the resignation of Brother Stark, Alpha Deuteron '31.

Brother Collins is Account Executive with Buchen Company, national advertising agency with its principal office in Chicago. His interest in the national fraternity dates back to 1916 when he attended the Worcester convention as an undergraduate delegate from his chapter. On this trip he visited every chapter in the East. During the last year he has kept two speaking engagements for the Council by representing the Council at the Founders' Day banquet of the Phi Sigma Kappa Club of Minneapolis and at the Founders' Day banquet of the Detroit Club. Brother Collins is a hard worker and has a pleasing personality.

He will continue his work as Alumni Secretary and will work with the Endowment Program Committee of which Brother Ralph J. Watts is Chairman.

Mrs. Collins is a member of Delta Delta Delta sorority and their daughter is a member of Kappa Delta sorority at Iowa State College where she now attends school.

Stark Resigns from Council—Becomes Commissioner

Brother George W. Stark, Alpha Deuteron '31, Director from Region Four, regretfully resigned from the Council because of great pressure of business. He is President of Stark, Wetzel & Company, meat packers of Indianapolis, Indiana, and employs more than 200 people. Already one of the larger packing companies in the State of Indiana, his business' rapid growth demands practically all of George's time. However, not wishing to relinquish all active participation in Phi Sigma Kappa, George has accepted Brother Marchmont's appointment as Commissioner for the State of Indiana. Phi Sigma Kappa will continue to benefit from George's energy and genial personality.

Chicago Club Rushing Dinner

Forty-one undergraduates and alumni entertained five rushees for Alpha Deuteron Chapter and four rushees for Beta Triton Chapter at the annual Phi Sigma Kappa Club of Chicago rushing dinner, held at the Chicago Bar Association, Thursday evening, September 4th. Speaker for the occasion was Brother A. V. Essington, Alpha Deuteron '14, prominent attorney of Rockford, Illinois. Brother Essington's inspiring address was enthusiastically received. The excellent food of the Bar Association added greatly to the evening, which was concluded with the showing of the Phi Sigma Kappa Historical Motion pictures.

The Chapter President

Every Chapter President is ambitious to make his administration a constructive contribution to the success and prestige of his Chapter and to Phi Sigma Kappa; and upon election to this high office, he resolves to achieve this objective.

In many respects the position of fraternity president is the most influential with which a college man soon to graduate, may be honored. The worthy ideals of fraternalism are his to perpetuate; the leadership of young men whose habits of thought and of conduct are still being formed, is his opportunity and responsibility.

Some men undertake the leadership of their Chapter following effective service in subordinate offices and after an intelligent analysis of the problems which will confront them. Others find themselves entering upon their obligations with inadequate preparation for them.

For all who at the beginning of another academic year are charged with the duties of President, many fundamental principles long recognized as essential by those who have gone before, might be reviewed. Reference will here be made to only two.

The By-Laws of Phi Sigma Kappa have been formulated to provide for the orderly and efficient administration of the Fraternity, its active Chapters and its Alumni Clubs; the By-Laws therefore should be carefully studied and rigidly followed. The Rituals, the Creed, and the Cardinal Principles furnish the foundation upon which may be developed the spiritual values of fraternalism; without the recognition and the realization of these values, the Chapter cannot function effectively. The Rituals therefore, and especially the initiation Ritual, should be conscientiously observed. Induction into his fraternity is generally regarded by the pledge as one of the most important events of his life; that this ceremony may be dignified, impressive, and inspirational, the chapter officers can well afford to spend much time in preparation. The effect of the induction ceremony will in large measure determine the permanent attitude of the member thus united in the bonds of fraternal brotherhood. Through the By-Laws and the Rituals, the Chapter President interprets the traditions of Phi Sigma Kappa, and preserves its ideals.

The second major responsibility of the Chapter President will be the understanding that fraternalism for men of university age is essentially a personal affair and that its values lie in the realm of the intangibles. The successful President will insist that in his fraternity home there shall dwell the spirit of tolerance, sympathy, and brotherhood; that a wholesome program of intellectual and social activity shall be maintained; that there shall be afforded experiences for each member, which in later years will constitute some of his happiest and most satisfying memories; that the members shall be surrounded with such influences that each will leave his fraternity home a better man and a more useful citizen because of his association with Phi Sigma Kappa.

R. J. W.

Father Built His Town

A Review



NELSON ANTRIM CRAWFORD
Iota Deuteron
Editor, The Household Magazine

By

In old-time books Father—any father—was customarily an ogre or a hen-pecked sap. Only of late years has he really come into his own as an individual, a person, in literature.

One of the most entertaining of the many current books about fathers is Richard Barry's *Father and His Town*.¹ Colonel Barry started a newspaper career in La Crosse, Wisconsin, but the book does not say much about that. There was a family dispute, and the Colonel, then sixty years old, left for southern California. But he did not consider himself old. A man, noticing his G. A. R. button, remarked, "I see you're an old vet." To which Colonel Barry replied: "I am a soldier of the Grand Army of the Republic, but I am not old and a 'vet' is a horse doctor."

In a California town Father found a banker-controlled newspaper and persuaded the banker to pay him for running it. The book tells principally of his adventures with that paper, on which, while he was editor, he also had to be, in his own words, "a combination of judge, banker, manager, preacher, lawyer salesman, reporter, barkeep—with just enough gimp added to see always two

jumps ahead of Jim Tayler" (the banker who turned the paper over to him).

Father's story is full of sparkling incident: his collection of the damage claim of a Chinese laundryman against a railroad; his publication of the story of a prominent member of the Eucre Club, who stole the napkins bought for prizes and substituted old ones of her own; his persuading all the churches to carry paid advertising; his good-humored defeat of the banker, who wanted to control the editorial policy but found himself glad to decide instead to sell out to Colonel Barry.

In short, Father became, so it was asserted by the citizens with a certain pride, the dictator of his town. But, if he was a dictator, he was such because everybody knew he was working for the town rather than for Colonel Barry. He never made much money, but he made a town.

What *Father and His Town* shows plainly enough is the effectiveness of personality among the indiscriminating. I mean being a person. Colonel Barry was a person. He did what he pleased and said what he pleased, and people liked it because they realized that here was a

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¹ Boston: Houghton Mifflin Company. \$3.

Amsbary Appointed Field Secretary

George S. Armsbary, Alpha Deuteron '41, has been appointed Field Secretary of Phi Sigma Kappa to carry out special assignments. Brother Amsbary majored in Commerce and English at the University of Illinois.

While an active at Alpha Deuteron, George spent much of his time as Rushing Chairman, Inductor and Pledge Master. It was he who made the beginnings of the rather highly-organized rushing system that Alpha Deuteron now uses. Other than his fraternity activities, George was on the staff of *The Daily Illini*, *The Illio* (the student yearbook), and received several responsible committee appointments on the Interfraternity Council. He was also a member of Skull and Crescent (Sophomore inter-fraternity activity honorary society), and managed to keep his grades well above average.

George's Phi Sig background (both his father and an uncle are Phi Sigs, too) and the work he did for his chapter bespeak his sincere interest in the fraternity. Chapter and rushing plans that he has put into operation at two chapters, other than his own, too, qualify him for the work he now has begun to do for Phi Sigma Kappa.

George is now giving his attention to one of the northern chapters. Within the next few months he will have visited several chapters in the Southeast. At each chapter, his work will consist in inspecting each department of chapter management, helping to organize its rushing program for this year as well as next year, conferring with chapter officers and members, aiding in the solution of chapter problems, transferring ideas for social affairs and chapter publicity from chapter to chapter, and discussing

informally with both actives and alumni, matters of local and national fraternity interest.

The chapters will find George a real brother, and a "swell fellow." He is young enough to be in close touch with specific fraternity problems and their

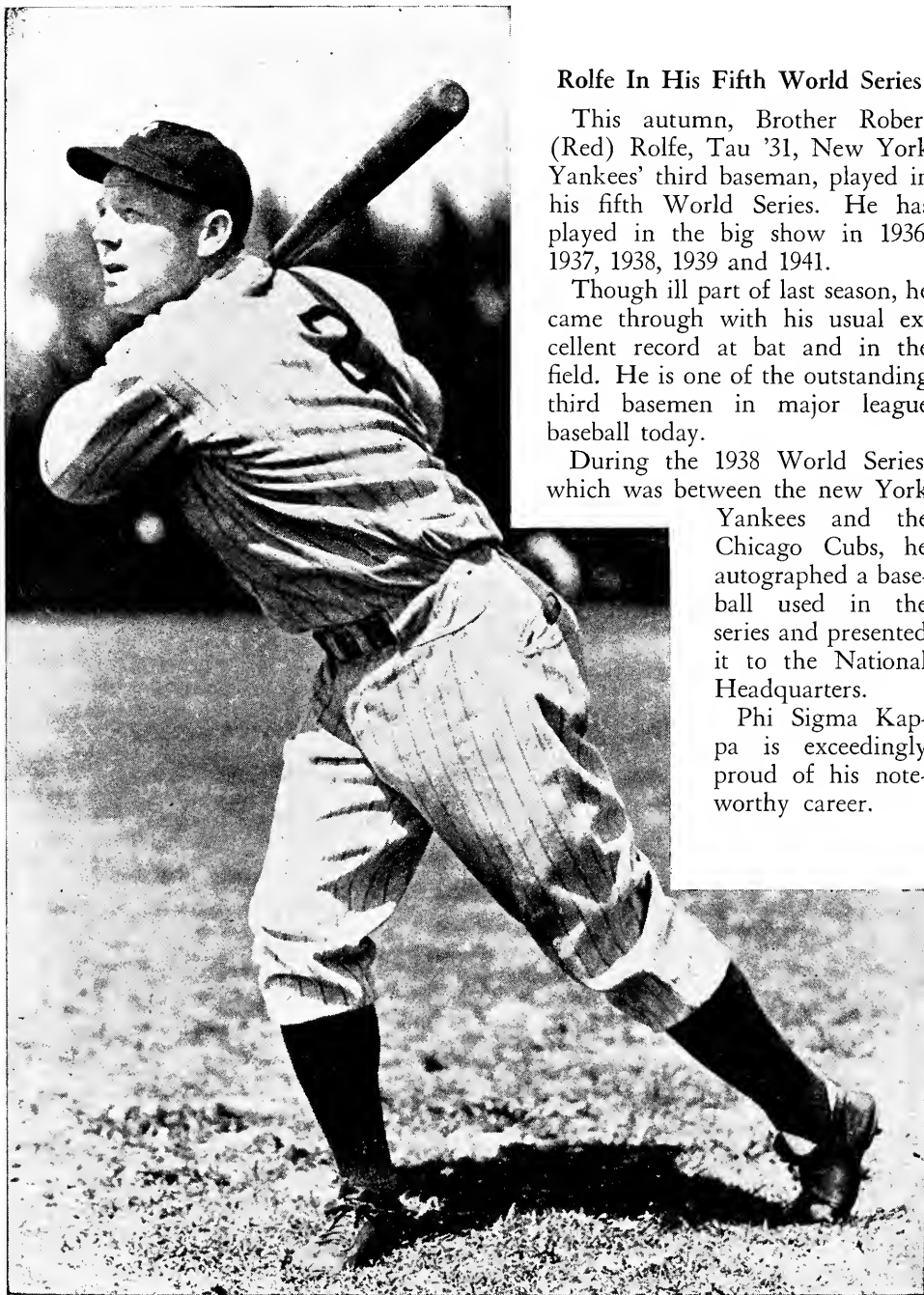


GEORGE S. AMSBARY

solutions, and he has had a sufficiently varied amount of experience in many lines to be of valuable assistance, and to be an understanding leader, friend, counsellor and Brother.

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man who was trying to be honest and trying to be useful—but doing so with a warm sense of humor and with cynical glances at other human beings and at himself.



Rolfe In His Fifth World Series

This autumn, Brother Robert (Red) Rolfe, Tau '31, New York Yankees' third baseman, played in his fifth World Series. He has played in the big show in 1936, 1937, 1938, 1939 and 1941.

Though ill part of last season, he came through with his usual excellent record at bat and in the field. He is one of the outstanding third basemen in major league baseball today.

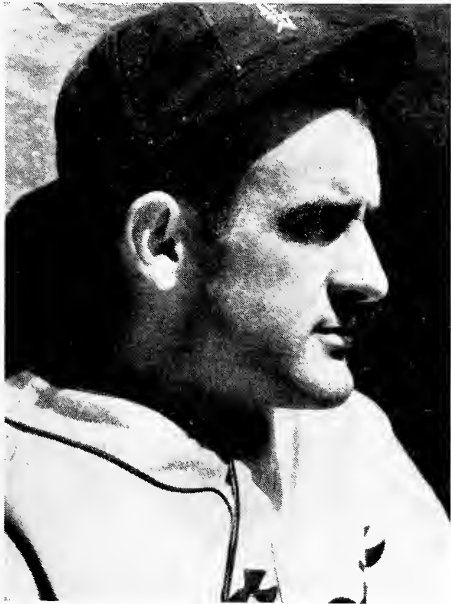
During the 1938 World Series, which was between the new York Yankees and the Chicago Cubs, he autographed a baseball used in the series and presented it to the National Headquarters.

Phi Sigma Kappa is exceedingly proud of his noteworthy career.

Elden Auker Leading Pitcher

Elden Auker, Iota Deuteron '32, was the leading pitcher for the St. Louis Browns last season. His record is all the more amazing because of the team's finish in a tie for sixth place. It is difficult for a good pitcher to pitch winning ball with a team in that position. It was Auker's job to steady the morale of the team by getting that needed win to stop the losing streak, performing this task with remarkable success.

Brother Auker is another Phi Sig major league baseball player who has had World Series experience. "Schoolboy"



ELDEN AUKER

Rowe, Tommy Bridges and Auker were the Detroit Tigers' leading pitchers in the World Series with the St. Louis Cardinals in 1934.

You will want that Phi Sig record for your parties this autumn. Order it now from the National Headquarters. It's only \$1.

To Conduct Rotary Survey

Dr. Hugh F. Dormody, Omega '17, was recently selected by the President of Rotary International, Brother Tom Davis, Mu Deuteron Hon., to serve as



HUGH F. DORMODY

a member of a committee whose responsibility it is to conduct a survey into the techniques and mechanics of Rotary.

Dr. Dormody specializes in surgery, is head of the hospital at Monterey, California, and was formerly a member of the Monterey County Health Association.

Last year he was a district governor of Rotary International.

Phi Sigs Afield

Escar Reece Thompson, Xi Deuteron '33, is with the Associated Press in Nashville, Tennessee.

Clyde Harwell, Xi Deuteron '37, is a representative of H. T. Hackney Company, in Knoxville, Tennessee.

Rayburn Fleming, Xi Deuteron '41, is now working for the TVA in Chattanooga, Tennessee.



The Interfraternity Club of Chicago gave its Eighth Annual Luncheon to the College All-Stars Football Squad and Coaching Staff on August 20, in the grand ballroom of the LaSalle Hotel.

More than 500 turned out, filling this famous room, to give the All-Stars a big, warm welcome. Fraternity and college groups vied with each other to honor their fraternity brothers or college mates who were members of the squad or of the coaching staff.

Elmer Layden, former Notre Dame coach, now czar of professional football, was toastmaster. Talks were made by Arch Ward of the *Chicago Tribune*, and by Head Coach Carl Snavely and the other members of his staff.

For eight years, the Interfraternity Club's All-Star Luncheon has been the only authorized function at which the entire All-Star Squad and its staff of coaches appear previous to their appearance on Soldiers' Field the night of the big game. The attendance at this year's party broke all records.

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The Nu Chapter Section,
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To Nu Chapter
In Honor of Its Forty Years of Service
To Phi Sigma Kappa*

Back Again

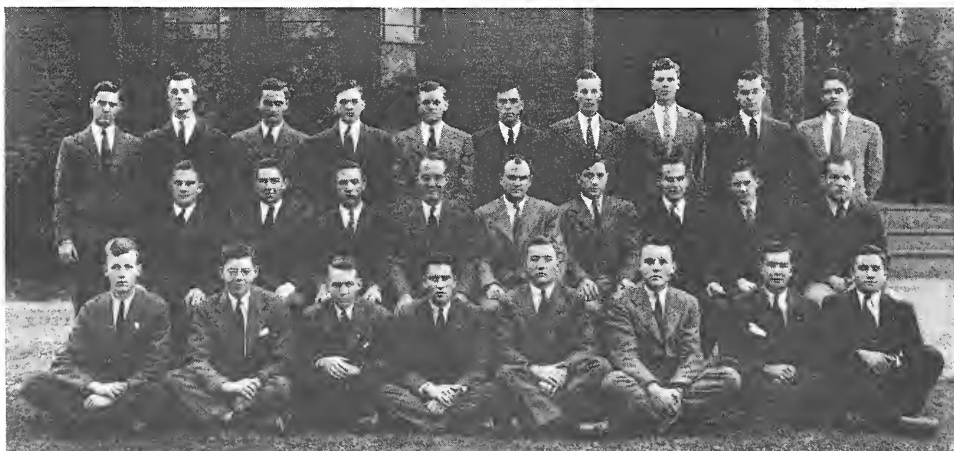
By EARLE W. WALLICK, JR. Nu '44

Nu Chapter of Phi Sigma Kappa has an unusual record of high scholastic standing, fine athletes, and activities men around the Lehigh campus. For the past few years, we have been gaining fame for our scholarship rating and this year we returned to school to find that our house had been rated number one on the Dean's list of some twenty-six gentile fraternities. With this record for a starter, the chapter is looking forward to one of its finest years since the charter was granted over forty years ago.

Lehigh University provides opportunities in many fields and hence our boys have spread out to gain fame in all branches of student activities. To keep Lehigh's eighteen hundred students in constant touch with each other, the University has two student publications—the *Brown and White*, twice-weekly newspaper, and the *Bachelor*, monthly magazine. This pair have two top positions

each, in the editor and business manager. The business end of the *Brown and White* is held down by our own Craig Baker, '42, for the second consecutive year. The *Bachelor*, originally founded by a Phi Sig, and since its foundation, having an unbroken line of Phi Sig editors, is headed this year by Forrest Schumacher, '42. Business manager is Ed Klein, '42, last year's editor-in-chief. On the staff are several other Phi Sigs, including feature editor Bob Forsyth, '42, assistant art editor, Hank Olmstead, '43, and several others in minor roles, preparing to keep our name high in campus publications.

Intramural sports at Lehigh are considered major activities around the campus. Nu Chapter has gained much respect and fame in this type of competition, as our many trophies indicate. This year our football team is expected to place high in the inter-fraternity league;

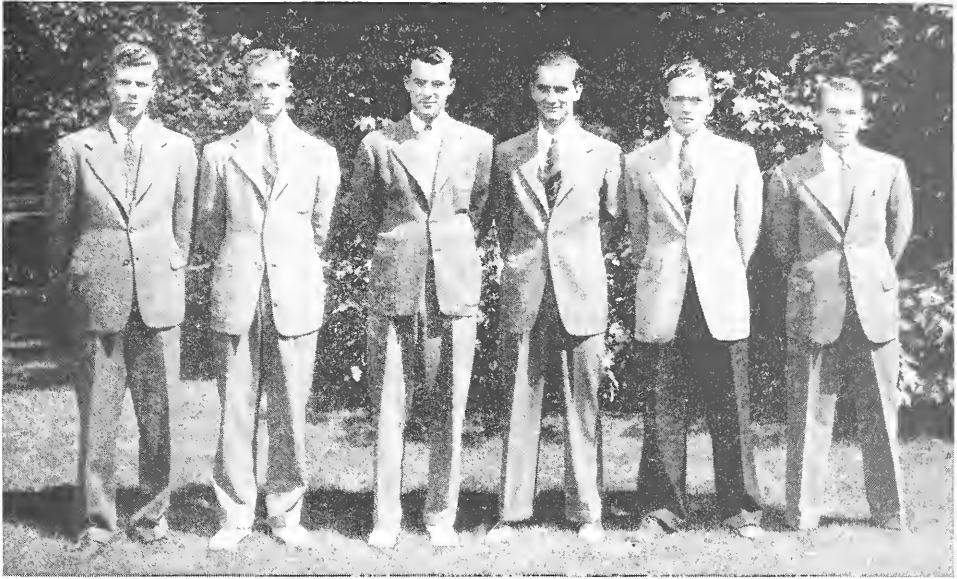


ACTIVE CHAPTER

Top row, left to right: J. Forsyth, Guckes, Grubb, Olmstead, S. E. Smith, Clark, Parkinson, Schneider, Schumacher, Klein.

Middle row, left to right: Danshaw, Taylor, Ritchings, Caemmerer, Baker, Riomondy, MacKinley, R. Forsyth, Rodgers.

Bottom row, left to right: Henny, O'Brien, Smith, Enstein, Clemmer, Wallick, Hall, Ferrell.



CHAPTER OFFICERS

Left to right: Jim Schneider, treasurer; Scotty Guckes, vice-president; Fordy Schumacher, president; Harold Grubb, steward; Harry Olmstead, inductor; and John D. Smith, secretary.

and with pitcher "Fordy" Schumacher still on the mound, the Phi Sigs are confident of repeating their feat of 1939 and 1940 by winning the softball championship. As last year's runner-ups in the bowling competition (losing by only a fraction of a pin), the boys are waiting to start this year's season at the local alleys. Bob Forsyth, two-year interfraternity 135-pound wrestling champion will hold down our end in this line, with several of our freshmen expecting to enter this meet.

But of course the real test of an athlete is intercollegiate competition. The 1941-42 season just beginning should be a banner year for the Phi Sigs in defending Lehigh's name in such events. Captain of last year's freshmen swimming team, Blaine Ferrell, is rated one of the school's top dash men. Blaine also will hold down a position on Lehigh's baseball squad this spring. The lacrosse team should see several Phi Sigs—Joe Smith, '43, letter man from last year's squad, and Bob Cahoon, '44, freshmen lacrosse

at M. I. T. The list of Phi Sigs competing this year is too long to list, but we do expect to have at least one man in every major sport on the campus.

With the world in its present state of chaos, it is only right that a fine organization such as Phi Sigma Kappa should contribute to our country's national defense program. The R. O. T. C. offers a fine opportunity for capable, fiery youth to gain rank in the United States Army. Phi Sigma Kappa at Lehigh is proud that in this coming spring, four fine reserve officers will go into active duty from our chapter. To further the cause, three of our boys have obtained pilot licenses through the local CAA course and hence are equipped with a knowledge of flying that will be invaluable in case of emergency.

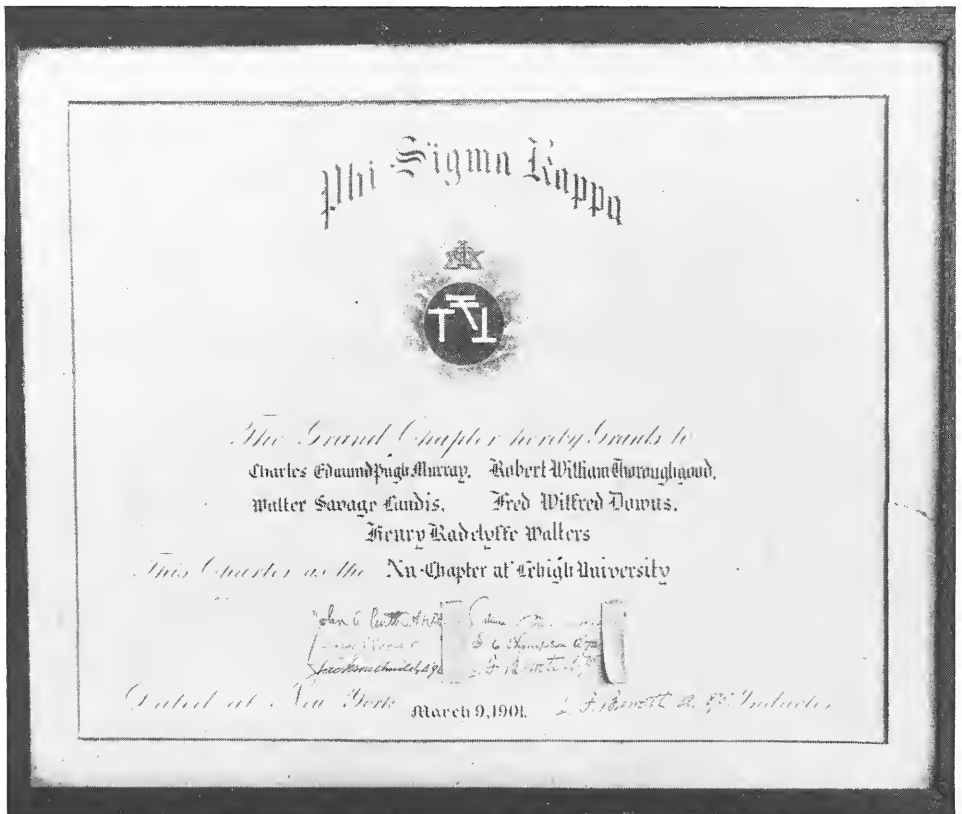
With the fine scholarship and extracurricular activities record we have obtained, there are of course many Phi Sigs in honorary fraternities and societies. The Newtonian Society, Freshmen Math Club, claims Harold Grubb, '42,

Blaine Ferrell, '44, and Earle Wallick, '44. Alpha Epsilon Delta, national premed fraternity, has our president, "Fordy" Schumacher. Bob Taylor, '42, is a member of Pi Tau Sigma, honorary engineering fraternity. Edwin Klein, '42, is a member of Cyanide, Junior Society composed of campus 'big-shots', and he has also donated his services to Pi Delta Epsilon, publications fraternity.

So far only the heavier side of 'Nu Life' has been reviewed, but following the Phi Sig tradition, the local house has outdone itself in social activities. In the spring and fall, Lehigh throws aside her books and studies and 'lets down her hair' for the great institution of House-party. The boys move out—their girls move in—for a gala week-end. On the

first night the school furnishes a 'big name' band (one of the Dorsey brothers is expected this year); a football game the following day is the prelude to a big evening starting with a 'tea' dance at the local German Club Maennerchor and ending with a house dance, for which an orchestra from Philadelphia is imported. Sunday, the girls head for home with many pleasant memories of a fine time at the Phi Sigma Kappa House. The rest of the year is filled with dances, parties and many other occasions for merriment.

It is plain that Nu Chapter of Phi Sigma Kappa leads a wholesome, well-rounded life in the scholastic, athletic, extra-curricular and social activities of Lehigh University.



THE CHARTER

Forty Years At Nu

By WILBUR E. HENRY JR., Nu '44

From the time of gestation in 1873 until 1888, the Alpha Chapter of Phi Sigma Kappa was perfecting its own organization and no other chapters were added. However, in 1888 a policy of expansion was adopted by Alpha, and from 1888 to 1894, four chapters were inducted. In 1894 "The Grand Chapter of The Phi Sigma Kappa" was incorporated under the laws of the State of New York and received its charter on June 13th.

Following this came a still more vigorous period of expansion. From the year 1894 to the year 1900 there was added on the average, one chapter each year. At the end of this same period of expansion a certain small group of Lehigh undergraduates comprised of: Walter S. Landis, Henry R. Walters, Fred W. Downs, Charles E. P. Murray and Robert W. Thoroughgood, decided to form a fraternity to promote the principles of brotherhood, scholarship, and character—the Cardinal Principles of Phi Sigma Kappa. Their petition to enter the Phi Sigma Kappa Fraternity was granted and these same five men were then inducted as Nu Chapter on March 9, 1901, by Joseph F. Barrett, Alpha '75, national founder.

Nu Chapter has seen several chapter houses during its forty-year span of life. The temporary meeting place on 4th and Vine in Bethlehem, proved to be inadequate for the needs of our early brothers. However, since no suitable houses were available, the brothers applied for some rooms on Main Street and later on Church Street. Nu's first real home was located at 511 Seneca Street and later on 4th and Wyandotte.

When the world was ravaged by warfare in the years 1914-1918, Nu Chapter was not left unharmed. One of its be-

loved brothers, Charles Monie, '19, was killed in action. The House itself was shut down entirely and the Sigma Nu House was used as a temporary headquarters. Nu Chapter faced a gloomy future. At the opening of college in September 1918, the chapter was in a serious situation. In fact the active chapter consisted of two active members and one affiliate member who were quarantined on the campus because of the great flu epidemic then sweeping the country. However, temporarily, Nu moved into an inappropriate place on Packer Avenue.

As the result of foresight and great agitation on the part of two brothers, a new home, known as the "Adams House," on West 3rd Street was purchased. The two brothers responsible were "Hop" Walters, '03, and "Chuck" Pfeiffer, '22. The former furnished advice as to procedure of ways and means; the latter furnished enthusiasm and vigor, wrote hundreds of letters and looked after the finances. The active members who lived in this house well appreciated the benefits of its homey and roomy atmosphere. However, the aftermath of the depression in 1929 forced the brothers to rent a home on Delaware Avenue in 1933 where Nu Chapter has been ever since.

It is well to note the organization responsible for the Adams property—the Nu Alumni Association of Phi Sigma Kappa. This organization was incorporated on September 16, 1921, for the purpose of buying the old Adams property. Though the depression prevented the purchase of the Adams Place, the Association has come back now to help finance the purchase of our present home. In fact, as a result of the Alumni Association's decision to buy the house, the



THE CHAPTER HOUSE

first down payment was made early this year.

The history of Nu Chapter has many highlights characterized by scholastic, social, athletic and other activities of campus leadership. We started a movement in 1924 to promote academic competition among the fraternities at Lehigh by presenting a scholarship cup to the University. The cup is presented each year during the University Founder's Day exercises to the fraternity with the highest scholastic average. Nu Chapter has always coöperated fully in all interfraternity events at Lehigh, both social and athletic. Nu has led in many fields of sports, especially, baseball, football, basketball, soccer, wrestling and bowling, even since the early days when Frank Snyder, '05, was one of Lehigh's most brilliant baseball players, and "Shorty" Culliney, '12, who starred in football.

Nu Chapter is proud of the fact that she has faithfully followed Phi Sigma Kappa's three cardinal principles since the time of the founding. She is also proud that she has expanded from that small group of five men back in 1901 to over three hundred in 1941. The Alumni of Nu Chapter have gone forth into the world to carry out these principles to the best of their ability. Nu is following the straight and narrow path with the light of Phi Sigma Kappa to show her the true benefits of a great national fraternity.

Indian Summer

No more the battle or the chase
 The phantom tribes pursue,
 But each in its accustomed place
 The Autumn hails anew;
 And still from solemn councils set
 On every hill and plain,
 The smoke of many a calumet
 Ascends to heaven again.

John Banister Tabb

OUR ADVISER—

BILL BUNN, NU '25

After Bill finished his services with the United States Army in the last World War, he entered Lehigh University in the college of Arts and Science. He was active in sports, and wrote for the old Lehigh *Burr*, the school magazine of the



G. WILLIAM BUNN, JR.

past decade. He was president of the Square and Compass Club, and a member of the Republican Club. While attending Lehigh he was married and made his home at the fraternity and in East Stroudsburg, Pennsylvania. He graduated in 1925 with a B.A. degree.

Now Bill is employed as Vice-Principal at Tenafly High School in Northern New Jersey. As one of the fellows, Bill is tops—he is a capable adviser and leader here at Nu; whenever advice and help is needed at the house Bill Bunn is always willing to lend a hand.

War hath no fury like a non-combatant.—*O. Henry*.

Lehigh University

By GEORGE JOSEPH SCHNEIDER, *Nu '43*

Over seventy-five years ago, in 1865, the Hon. Asa Packer of Mauch Chunk, inaugurated a movement to provide an institution that would be different from those giving training in the learned professions of Arts and Business. His school would provide training in the technical branches and would endeavor to raise the status of the engineer from that of a



CLEMENT C. WILLIAMS
President Lehigh University

tradesman, as he was considered in those days, to the rank of a professional man, as he is thought of today. There could have been no more appropriate time for Packer to have started such a school; for it was in the sixties that the importance of this branch was just becoming apparent in the development of the industrial and transportation interests of the country. To this cause he made an initial

donation of a large tract of land, near the up-and-coming steel town of Bethlehem, and on the side of beautiful South Mountain overlooking historic Lehigh Valley. So that progress should begin at once, \$500,000 was donated by him at this time. Lehigh University was chartered by the Legislature of Pennsylvania by an act dated February 9, 1886.

The first building erected on the site chosen for Lehigh was Packer Hall, a magnificent building which is still used today. At that time Lehigh offered its undergraduates only five courses—general literature, chemical engineering, mechanical engineering, mining and metallurgy, and analytical chemistry.

Since this meager beginning, Lehigh has expanded until now it has three colleges, Arts, Business and Engineering, providing over 1,800 students an opportunity to develop their different abilities. The campus covers 180 acres, and on it are 22 university buildings, 10 fraternity houses, several homes for faculty members, Sayre Park, and a large arboretum. In addition, the university has a second athletic field of 10 acres in area with field house, gymnasium and a covered grandstand located about two miles from the University campus. This expansion was done in degrees, and through the untiring efforts of the illustrious alumni. Many beautiful, as well as practical buildings are the result.

At the west entrance to the campus, surrounded by wooded lawns, is the Alumni Memorial Building, used as the administration building of the University. It was erected as a memorial to 1,921 Lehigh men who served in the World War, and especially to the 46 who gave their lives. One of the latest build-

ings is James Ward Packard Laboratory, gift of the founder of the Packard Motor Company, and rated the top building for mechanical, electrical and industrial engineering in the world.

This year two new buildings were added to the University's grounds. Eugene Gifford Grace Hall, named for the donor, the president of Bethlehem Steel, is devoted to sports and recreation. It provides a sports theater which also serves as an assembly room for the University with a seating capacity of over three thousand. Lamberton Hall is the remodeled armory now used as a cafeteria for the students living in the dormitories.

While considering the historical outline of Lehigh, one must not overlook a revue of the school's publications and sports.

Our bi-weekly newspaper, the "Brown and White," founded in 1864, has grown from a single page to its present eight pages. During its membership in the intercollegiate newspaper association of the Atlantic states, it has won more cups in news, editorial and advertising than any other contender. Managed and edited completely by students, its editorials have helped bring about many improvements for the University. The "Bachelor," published monthly, largely consists of students' wit, and gives space to such articles that may be of interest to the student body. The oldest of the undergraduate publications is the "Epitome" which was founded in 1875. Starting as an advertisement for Lehigh by the sophomore class, it soon became the University record book; not until 1931 did it attain its present status as the Senior Class year book.

Lehigh has the fields and equipment for many kinds of sports. Varsity, junior varsity, freshman and intramural teams provide a complete athletic program the year around. The oldest unbroken rivalry in football in the United States is the an-

nual game between Lehigh and Lafayette. This year will mark the 75th meeting of the two teams. Wrestling still receives the most enthusiasm at Lehigh, the team having won ten of the last thirteen Eastern Intercollegiate wrestling meets, and five members of the wrestling teams have won the coveted national intercollegiate wrestling championships. Besides many other various varsity sports here at Lehigh, we have strong competitive intramural and interfraternity games. Each year trophies are given to the winning teams in this type of competition.

One of the main influences in the life of an undergraduate is the fraternity with which he chooses to affiliate. As the University grew, the fraternities kept pace, until now there are 29 fraternities at Lehigh accommodating almost one-third of the student body. The Interfraternity Council is the administering and governing body of the fraternity houses.

The required course in military science and tactics was established at Lehigh in 1920. Now the University is aiding America by training undergraduates for national defense by requiring two years of R. O. T. C.

Lehigh University provides the undergraduates with a training both social and academic to enable them to face the future with confidence and pride. To this end Lehigh has worked—this end Lehigh has accomplished.

Cover Picture

The October SIGNET cover picture portrays the "back-again" spirit as Brother Bill Clark '42, discusses the summer vacation with Brother Fordy Schumacher '42, during their unpacking for their senior year at Nu.

Maybe the readers of THE SIGNET would also like to see the picture which Bill is holding. Maybe Bill will let us publish it in January.

Nu Chapter's Big Three

By H. B. RATH, *Nu '39*

WALTER SAVAGE LANDIS, NU '02

Walter Savage Landis is the sole surviving founder of Nu Chapter of Phi Sigma Kappa. Born in Pottstown, Pennsylvania, in 1881, he received his elemen-



WALTER SAVAGE LANDIS

tary education there and in Orlando, Florida. He entered Lehigh University and received the metallurgical engineering degree in 1902 and the degree of master of science in 1906. In 1922 his Alma Mater conferred on him the honorary degree of Doctor of Science. He held various teaching positions at Lehigh from the time of his graduation until 1912 when, as an Associate Professor of Metallurgy, he resigned to enter the then young American Cyanamid Company as chief technologist. In 1922 he was elected vice-president of his company and he has held that position ever since.

Brother "Hop" Walters, a room-mate of "Doc" Landis and himself one of the founders of Nu Chapter, had this to say of the college days of Brother Landis: "Doc", while undoubtedly the brightest man in his class, was never stigmatized as a 'fiend.' He was a natural genius since I remember very well that he coached some of the more backward members of his class in calculus while he was taking the subject for the first time himself. He probably did less actual work while in college than any other man in his class, being always ready to participate in any of the usual class and college activities and while he did not shine as an 'L' man, he took considerably more time for recreation of various kinds than most men, due undoubtedly to his wonderful powers of concentration. He was a Charter Member of Nu Chapter and one of its strongest supporters during the trials and tribulations of its early Chapter life."

His accomplishments in industry cannot be periodized since they represent the results of a lifetime of work on a wide variety of problems. Some of his achievements include processes for the production of cyanamide, of cyanide from cyanamide, and of urea; he was the first to oxidize ammonia commercially in the United States, the originator of the Ammo-Phos process, the first commercial producer of argon; and he has made contributions to the explosives industry, electric furnace studies, etc.

Dr. Landis was president of the Electrochemical Society in 1920, chairman of the New York Section of the American Chemical Society in 1931, and Joseph W. Richards Memorial Lecturer of the Electrochemical Society in 1934. He is a member of the American Chemical So-

ciety, Electrochemical Society, American Institute of Chemical Engineers, American Institute of Mining and Metallurgical Engineers, Tau Beta Pi, Sigma Xi and Epsilon Chi. He has published many articles and textbooks, and has been granted many patents in the United States and foreign countries.

Brother Landis was awarded the Chemical Industry Medal for 1936 for applied research in the chemistry and economics of the fertilizer industries. On January 6, 1939 he was awarded the famed Perkin Medal for his work on cyanamide and its derivatives and on fertilizers (particularly ammonium phosphat), for the first commercial production of argon, and for contribution to the explosives industry.

The Alumni of his Alma Mater have recently honored Dr. Landis by electing him as one of the ten Corporate members of the Board of Trustees of Lehigh University.

SYLVANUS A. BECKER, NU '03

Outstanding among the members of the faculty of Lehigh University is Sylvanus A. Becker, Associate Professor of Civil Engineering. He was born in Northampton County, Pennsylvania, in 1879 and attended local schools. In 1903 Brother Becker received his civil engineering degree from Lehigh University and in 1908 his M.S. degree also from Lehigh.

Upon graduation in 1903, "Syl" took a position as assistant Engineer in the Maintenance of Way Department of the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad. During 1904 and 1905 he did structural drafting work for the American Bridge Company at Ambridge, Pennsylvania. He left this position to become an Assistant Division Engineer and later Roadmaster for the Missouri and Pacific Railroad.

In 1906 "Syl" Becker returned to his Alma Mater as an instructor in the Department of Civil Engineering. From

that time until the present he has been closely associated with the affairs of Lehigh University and his fraternity. He has been ever willing to advise and never lacking a real interest in the destiny of Nu Chapter of Phi Sigma Kappa.

In 1913 "Syl" Becker was appointed Assistant Professor of Civil Engineering



SYLVANUS A. BECKER

and in 1920 Associate Professor of C.E. at Lehigh. During his career he has served in the capacity of consulting engineer on numerous land improvement layouts, municipal work for various boroughs, street paving projects, design and estimates for sewage systems, dam and water storage reservoirs, survey of flood damages in the Lehigh River Valley for the Pennsylvania State Water Supply Commission, and much of the preliminary work for the famous Hill-to-Hill Bridge system of Bethlehem.

During 1934 and 1935, Professor Becker took a Sabbatical leave. The first semester he spent at Cornell University and the second semester at Yale study-

ing subjects in Soil Mechanics and Transportation Engineering. From 1935 to the present time he has acted as a contact man for the Highway Research Board and as the Lehigh Representative to the American Road Builders Association.

EARLE FREDERIC JOHNSON, NU '07

E. F. "Coxey" Johnson was born at Moosic, Pennsylvania on November 4, 1886. He attended Franklin and Mar-



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shall Academy and graduated from Lehigh University in Civil Engineering in 1907. "Coxey" soon became associated with the Du Pont Chemical organization and in this capacity gained much of the experience which was to be so useful to him in serving his country during the first World War. Brother Johnson is the man who, while still quite young, built the old Hickory Powder Plant during the war in a period of five and one-third months and operated it to the benefit of the Allies for the duration of the emergency.

When the vast General Motors Corporation came into existence, "Coxey" was selected as vice-president in charge of parts. He continued in this capacity until thirteen years ago, when at the age of forty-two, he decided to relinquish his duties and devote his time to his hobbies: hunting, fishing, and Lehigh University.

At present Brother "Coxey" Johnson is serving along with Brother Landis as one of the Corporate Members of the Board of Trustees of Lehigh University. He is chairman of the Endowment Committee of the board and has previously served as an Alumni Trustee of the University and as President of the Lehigh Alumni Association.

Brother "Coxey" Johnson has established a Lehigh University Endowment Fund totaling \$269,000. This sum was donated in the form of five gifts. In the case of four of these, the income is assigned for outside purposes during his lifetime and becomes available for University use on his death. In the case of the fifth gift, the income is available for any purpose designated by the Board of Trustees of the University.

Because of his wide experience on the subject it was "Coxey" Johnson whom William S. Knudsen selected to assist him in the administration of the staggering job of coördinating production during the present national emergency. Called back from his retirement to public life once again, Brother Johnson at present heads the airplane, ordnance and tools division of the vital Office of Production Management.

Don't be a Timothy Tacit when the gang starts to sing. Order from the National Headquarters that Phi Sig record and songbook now, at \$1 each.

Send your dollar to the National Headquarters for that Phi Sig record now.

Belknap Elected National President of Sigma Tau

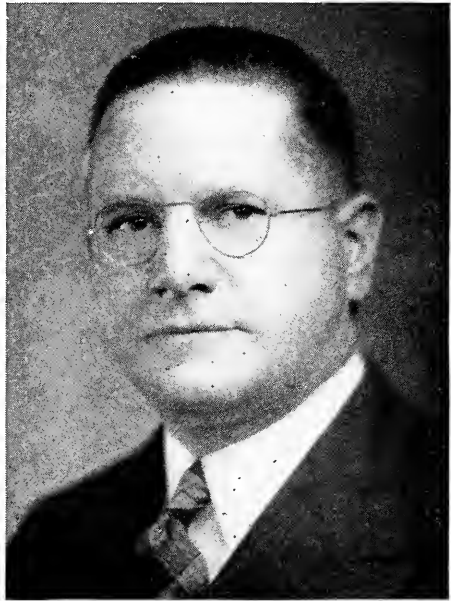
New honor came to Phi Sigma Kappa with the election of Brother J. Harrison Belknap, Theta Deuteron '12, to the national presidency of Sigma Tau, honorary engineering fraternity.

Brother Belknap has long been associated with the engineering profession both in its academic and its applied aspects, and at present holds a position with the Westinghouse Electric and Manufacturing Company which is unique in its fusion and utilization of both his collegiate and his business experience.

Born in Corvallis, Oregon, on February 17, 1892, Brother Belknap was educated in the public and high schools of his hometown and was graduated from Oregon State College in June of 1912, obtaining his Bachelor of Science degree in Electrical Engineering. Immediately after his graduation, Brother Belknap became associated with the faculty of his Alma Mater, holding an instructorship in the department of Physics. While serving in this capacity he pursued the regular Mechanical Engineering curriculum and later did advanced work in light and optics at the University of Chicago in the summer of 1914.

With the coming of World War I, Brother Belknap entered the Presidio Training Camp, San Francisco, in August, 1917, and at the end of training, November, 1917, was commissioned First Lieutenant in the Field Artillery, Reserve Corps. He left for France in January, 1918, there pursuing advanced training at the Field Artillery School of Instruction, February to May, 1918, at Saumur, France. His active duty came with the 103rd Field Artillery, A. E. F. at the front in May, 1918, with which organization he served in the defensive sector, (La

Reine), including the battle of Xivray, the defensive and offensive phases of the Aisne-Marne action, the St. Mihiel offensive, and the Meuse-Argonne offensive. His army career came to an end with his return from France and honorable discharge in May, 1919.



J. HARRISON BELKNAP

He returned to Corvallis to become an instructor in Electrical Engineering at Oregon State from 1919 to 1921 when he was made Assistant Professor of Electrical Engineering at his Alma Mater where he served until 1923.

In 1923 Brother Belknap left the academic field to enter industry as an Engineer with the Westinghouse Electric and Manufacturing Company at East Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. With this company he has served successively as Sec-

tion Engineer in charge of Machine Tool and Central Station Control, Customers' Service, Control Engineering, Manager of Control Engineering Department, District Office Engineer, and finally, as Manager of Technical Employment and Training, which position he has held since 1937.

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The activity of Technical Employment and Training embodies just what the name implies. It is the duty of this department to search out, to negotiate for, and finally to employ those technicians—engineers, chemists, ceramists, etc.—to fill company-wide requirements.

This would explain the "Technical Employment" part of the department's title and would, in itself, be a huge venture. However, the second part of the title, "Training," represents an even larger sphere of activity, and one of peculiar fascination in its function. Every year Brother Belknap, assisted by some 85 Westinghouse District Office Managers, District Engineers, and others serving in key positions within the Company, visits the college campuses and interviews prospective candidates for appointment to the Westinghouse Graduate Student Course. To give some idea of the size of this undertaking—last year Brother Belknap and his associates visited 116 colleges and interviewed 3671 members of graduating classes in Mechanical, Industrial, Electrical and Chemical Engineering and others whose training fitted them to fill particular needs within the Westinghouse organization. Invitations were then issued to the successful candidates to join the Graduate Student Course.

Westinghouse takes the young engineering graduate, and by means of shop and office experiences, plus formal classroom instruction, orients him to apply his academic principles to industrial demands. The Graduate Student Course has no set period of duration. When the student is assigned to a position in which

he is happy and in which he is able to render productive service, he is transferred from the Course and becomes a regular employee within the department of his choice. Sometimes this may come at the end of the student's first two-month assignment. Oftener it takes two, three, or four assignments before a student finds a place where he can use his collegiate training to best advantage.

The system is extremely flexible not only from the standpoint of time but also from the standpoint of particular need. Each student is given individual attention. There is little or no attempt at regimentation. In this way a student's hidden talents have been brought to light—talents to which he attached little importance, but which have fitted exactly some special need that has arisen within the Company. A flair for drawing, long regarded as merely a hobby by one of the students, became a valuable asset both to him and to the Company in his work within the Merchandising Division. An ability to speak foreign languages has led a number of the students into the Westinghouse International Company for engineering service in Europe, the Orient or South America.

This is engineering of an unusual sort—not only is it engineering concerned with generators and turbines and circuit breakers and switchgears, but its most vital concern is the engineering of human lives. "A man will serve best where he is happiest" is the guiding principle of Brother Belknap's activity. He holds himself responsible for finding for his Company, men to suit its requirements not only technically but psychologically as well.

Still another of Brother Belknap's responsibilities is the administration of the George Westinghouse Scholarships, the War Memorial Scholarships, and the various research fellowships maintained by Westinghouse.

Closely allied to his academic back-

ground is the third of Mr. Belknap's activities—this is the maintenance of the graduate level programs other than the Graduate Student Course now in operation in many of the Westinghouse plants. Institutions of higher learning such as the University of Pittsburgh, New York University, Polytechnic Institute of Brooklyn and Stevens Institute of Technology, offer the opportunity to Westinghouse employees to pursue graduate school curricula and to obtain their degrees of Master of Science and Doctor of Philosophy in their chosen fields. A number of Westinghouse employees have to date availed themselves of the opportunity to obtain their Master of Science degrees, while others have gone on to secure their doctorates.

Brother Belknap's own Alma Mater, Oregon State College, has recognized his efforts in the field of engineering, honoring him with a Doctor of Engineering at its seventy-first annual commencement on June 3, 1940. In its citation Oregon State paid this tribute to her son:—

"John Harrison Belknap—native son of Corvallis, graduate of Oregon State College, and a member of its faculty from 1912 to 1923, except for the interval of the World War; since 1923 a member of the engineering staff of the Westinghouse Electric and Manufacturing Company; manager of technical employment and training, whose leadership in personnel includes graduate and research fields, scholarships, and fellowships, and contacts with the colleges and universities of the entire United States; an engineer in the best traditions of the profession, whose inventions have stimulated industrial science."

Air Line Sales Manager

Brother James E. Scott, Eta Deuteron '24, veteran air line traffic representative, in charge of Transcontinental and Western Air Lines' marine division, was named city sales manager for the com-

pany. Brother Scott will continue, however, to meet incoming liners, a duty he has performed since 1929, when he first joined the company.

A vice-president of the Passenger Club of San Francisco, Brother Scott has a host of friends in Pacific coast shipping circles and is known to hundreds of regular travelers and business leaders who regularly make San Francisco a port of call. The promotion comes in recognition of his work in popularizing airline travel among steamship tourists arriving at San Francisco from various parts of the globe.

As a hobby, Brother Scott has pursued the study of wild animal life for more than 30 years. Luther Burbank, the plant wizard, spent many hours in the backyard zoo of Brother Scott when the latter was a boy of thirteen years, and it was Burbank who urged the boy to pursue his interest in wild animals because he felt that many discoveries to benefit mankind, particularly in the field of psychology, could be made from the study of birds and beasts. Since then, Brother Scott has spent every spare moment of his life in the study of animals at zoos and in books.

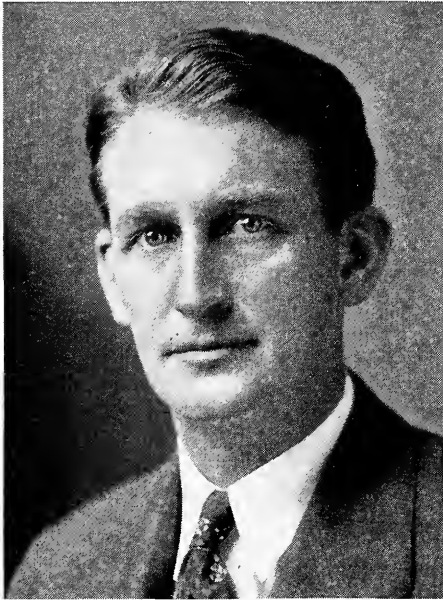
At present, Brother Scott is now formulating plans for the organization of a San Francisco Zoological Society to exploit the tourist and educational values of San Francisco's \$10,000,000 zoo. He has just returned from a 7,000-mile air tour of the country, visiting zoos and their keepers in St. Louis, Cincinnati, Columbus, New York and Washington.

Brother Scott has been identified with the San Francisco Zoo in an unofficial capacity for many years. His greatest single interest there is Bimbo, for Brother Scott is one of that growing group of animal authorities who believe that chimpanzees, whose intelligence is next to that of man, definitely do have a language and can be talked to and understood by their trainers.

“Jack” Pike — Nevada Jurist

By IRVIN E. AYER, *Eta Deuteron '32*

Brother Miles N. “Jack” Pike, *Eta Deuteron '23*, was appointed United States Attorney for the District of Nevada in the fall of 1939. A short time later, this appointment was confirmed



MILES N. PIKE

by the United States Senate. This appointment rewarded many years of fine work in the field of law, as well as in public service.

“Jack” Pike was born in Wadsworth, Nevada, a small railroad town, on November 24, 1899. While still a small boy, he moved with his family to Reno. His father, the late W. H. Pike, became one of the State’s outstanding jurists.

“Jack” was educated in the Reno public schools, but after his graduation from high school, he received an appointment to the U. S. Naval Academy at Anna-

polis, which he entered in 1918, as a midshipman. With the end of the World War and the death overseas of an older brother who was a naval officer, he resigned in order to take up the practice of law.

He enrolled in the University of Nevada in 1919 and became a member of *Eta Deuteron* Chapter in October of that year. His four years at Nevada were filled with undergraduate activities both athletic and social. He was a member of the varsity track and boxing teams and was president of his class.

Following his graduation from Nevada in 1923, Brother Pike did construction work for two years before continuing his education. In 1925 he entered the Hastings College of Law of the University of California. After two years, he took the bar examination in Nevada and was admitted to practice. He graduated from Hastings College in 1928 and was admitted to practice in the State of California. Returning to Reno the same year, he became associated with W. M. Gardiner, President of the State Bar of Nevada, and A. D. Ayres, Chairman of the Board of Bar Examiners, in the firm of Ayres, Gardiner and Pike.

“Jack” was married on September 11, 1932, to Miss Marchand Elise Newman, a graduate of the University of Nevada, class of 1932, and a member of Delta Delta Delta. They have a three-year-old son, George Russell Pike.

Brother Pike has become prominently identified with the law profession in Nevada, having served as treasurer of the State Bar of Nevada (1930-1934), and as president of the Washoe County Bar Association (1933-1934). He has won prominence in other fields as well, for he

was president of the University of Nevada Alumni Association in 1934 and currently is a member of the board of directors of the Nevada State Historical Society and the Nevada Museum of Art Institute. He holds a commission as Major in the Infantry Reserve of the United States Army.

Eta Deuteron is proud of Brother Pike and of his fine work, and we expect that this is just the beginning of a long and still more successful career.

Why Not a Club, Salt Lake?

From Utah comes the welcome news that a group of Phi Sigs are holding regular luncheon meetings every three months at the University Club in Salt Lake City.

Brother William M. Ferry, Jr., Commissioner for the State of Utah, writes that there were twelve brothers in attendance at the last meeting, which was held April 9th. They are: Beverly Clendenin, Omega '12; D. T. Lane, Sigma Deuteron '16; Leland Mays, Lambda '21; S. T. Ferry, Omega '23; H. P. Roberts, Lambda Special; William M. Ferry, Jr., Omega '23; William Goodall, Nu Deuteron '31; L. W. Sowles, Gamma '06; Judge E. A. Rogers, Gamma '05; Howard Candland, Eta Deuteron '18, and Red Stevens.

Columbus Club Secretary

Phi Sigma Kappa is proud to present the picture of another of its outstanding alumni club secretaries and loyal fraternity men, Brother Edward S. (Beanie) Drake, Pi Deuteron (Fac.)

In July of this year, Brother Drake commenced his 29th year of service as manager of the Ohio Union, Ohio State University, Columbus.

Phi Sigs passing through Columbus never want to pass up an opportunity for a visit with Beanie. You will enjoy the charming personality of the representa-

tive of Phi Sigma Kappa in this vicinity. The Phi Sigma Kappa Club of Columbus is looking forward to an active session.

Ohio State Homecoming

Homecoming at Ohio State will again provide the setting for the now cus-



EDWARD S. DRAKE

tary get-together by Pi Deuteron alumni after the game. This year, a dinner, and possibly a dance, will be given at the Virginia Hotel, Columbus, Ohio, on the evening of November 15th, at 7 o'clock.

The Columbus Club of Phi Sigma Kappa is making extensive plans to make this affair one of interest to all Pi Deuteron alumni who attend the Ohio State-Illinois Homecoming celebration.

Walter S. Crandall, Gamma '01, New York broker, assisted in the management of the 101st annual Columbia County Fair held at Chatham, New York, the last of August.



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Atchison, A. L. Captain, Camp Robinson, Arkansas.

Bair, Charles, Pi '43. U. S. Army Air Corps.

Blackman, Daniel, Pi '43. U. S. Army Air Corps.

Bomberger, J. Graff, Kappa '40. Private, Co. "C", 12th Training Battalion, 3rd Platoon, Camp Wheeler, Ga.

Bray, Frank, Pi '43. U. S. Army Air Corps.

Burnett, Walter, Xi Deuteron. Lieutenant, U. S. Army, Philippines.

Duncan, Bill, Pi '42. Private, U. S. Army, Newport News, Va.

Evans, Sheldon, Jr., Beta '40. Tank Corps, Pine Camp, N. Y.

Garran, Frank, Tau '42. V-7 Ensign, U. S. Navy.

Grunewell, Charles Jr., Lambda '41. Private, Battery C. 31, C. A. T. B., Camp Wallace, Texas.

Hartley, Warren, Pi '37. Officer, Naval Reserves.

Hilferty, Charles P., Kappa '41. Private, an Alabama camp.

Jensen, Lawrence N., Alpha Deuteron '35. 1st Lieutenant, 5th Armored Force, Ft. Knox, Ky.

Jillson, Albert, Beta '41. Air Corps.

Johnston, Charles G., Xi Deuteron '38. U. S. Army, Puerto Rico.

Kendall, John T. Jr., Kappa '40. 2nd Lieutenant, U. S. Army, Camp Wheeler, Ga.

Kephart, Bill, Pi '41. Flying Cadet, U. S. Army.

King, Carl S., Kappa '40. Corporal, U. S. Army, Fort Monmouth, N. J.

King, Charles E., Xi Deuteron '41.

Lieutenant, U. S. Army, Fort Bragg, N. C.

Kintz, Williard S. Jr., Kappa '44. Private, U. S. Army.

Lowe, John A. Jr., Chi '40. Corporal, Battery H. 209th Coast Artillery, Camp Stewart, Ga.



CAPTAIN A. L. ATCHISON
Director from Region III

Lowenthal, George, Epsilon Deuteron '41. Pilot, Air Corps.

McAllister, Bill, Tau '41. U. S. Army Air Corps.

McConnell, John W., Omeg '40. Wireless gunner, R. C. A. F., Canada.

McGary, Alvin. Captain, located in the Panama Canal Zone.

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Psi Deuteron Housemother Dinner

By JERRY THOMPSON '42

Psi Deuteron again brought forth acclaim as a leader on the University of Oregon campus last spring term when it presented its traditional formal dinner for the housemothers of the womens' living organizations.

At the present time Psi Deuteron is the only fraternity on the Oregon campus which entertains the housemothers.



Hazel P. Schwering, Dean of Women, Pours

We are proud of this fact and each year look forward to our annual dinner. As the years go by our banquet is becoming one of the traditions of the entire campus.

The idea was first instigated by Brother Vernon Cougill '38, who felt that there was a need for closer association of our fraternity with the housemothers. Brother Cougill brought out the fact that there was no occasion whereby the mothers could get together and he suggested that Psi Deuteron give a dinner each year in honor of them.

The members met this proposal with high enthusiasm and plans were soon made for the first banquet, which was held in the chapter house in 1937. When the plans were announced that the Phi Sigs were going to sponsor a dinner in

honor of the housemothers, a great deal of comment came forth. It was an entirely new idea on the campus and the Phi Sigs proved again that they are still the foremost leaders and pioneers on the campus.

The first banquet held in 1937 was very enthusiastically attended by the housemothers of the various womens' living organizations. They hoped that we would continue to hold the dinner as they had enjoyed it so much. They stated that it was one of the few times in the year when they had an opportunity to really become better acquainted with each other.

Due to the success of the first banquet, plans were quickly made for 1938. This, too, was successful. Each year, due to better organization and planning, the banquet has become one of the highlights of our social year.

In the spring of this year we entertained the housemothers at the fifth annual dinner. Careful planning resulted in one of the best attended dinners with seventeen sorority, three cooperative, and two dormitory housemothers attending, along with the Dean of Women, and the Assistant Dean of Women.

Two weeks previous to the dinner, formal invitations were sent out and on the night of the dinner the Phi Sigs, dressed in tuxedos or white dinner jackets, called on the housemothers and escorted them to the chapter house. The living and dining rooms were beautifully decorated with palms and flowers.

Top: Formal Dinner.

Right: Psi Deuteron Quartet entertains after dinner.

Left: Demi-tasse in the living room.



Before dinner, introductions were made and we soon became better acquainted with our guests. Soon dinner was announced and we escorted the housemothers to their places. Candlelight was the only means of illumination and it made a very impressive atmosphere for the occasion.

After dinner we took our guests to the living room where the Phi Sig Quartet sang for them. The housemothers enjoyed this so much that they asked for additional songs and the quartet sang on and on. This was one of the highlights of the evening and next year we hope to work out even more songs for them to hear.

Hazel P. Schwering, Dean of Women, served coffee during the singing, with members and pledges assisting her. After the singing was over, the rest of the evening was devoted to getting better acquainted with our guests. Later on we took the housemothers back to their living organizations.

Not only does this annual affair make it possible for the housemothers to assemble in one body and to enjoy themselves, but it also, makes it possible for us to get better acquainted with them.

Another nice feature of this is that because of the annual dinner we stand in very high esteem with the housemothers. They have always been willing to help us in meeting different girls in their organizations, and at times have been especially considerate if we happen to keep one of their girls out a few minutes after the "deadline."

Next year we will again present our traditional dinner—hoping to make it even better than before. The success this year was largely due to the efforts of President Frank Hitchcock, Social Chairman Jim Crocker, and the local Mothers' Club which was kind enough to furnish the flowers.

Yes—Psi Deuteron of Phi Sigma Kappa leads the way on the Oregon campus.

Humes Education Coordinator

Dr. John F. Humes, Mu '23, former Director from Region Two, is now attached to the Scranton-Keystone Junior College, La Plume, Pennsylvania, in the capacity of coördinator in terminal education.

This college is one of nine making a nation-wide study of terminal courses, under the direction and sponsorship of the General Education Board. A phase of this work involves Dr. Humes as a consultant in a summer work-shop at the George Peabody College, Nashville, Tennessee.


Marchmont Named Chairman of National Interfraternity Conference Round Table

At a meeting held in New York City of September 9th to organize the various Round Tables of the National Interfraternity Conference, national President Brother John H. Marchmont was selected Chairman of Round Table A.

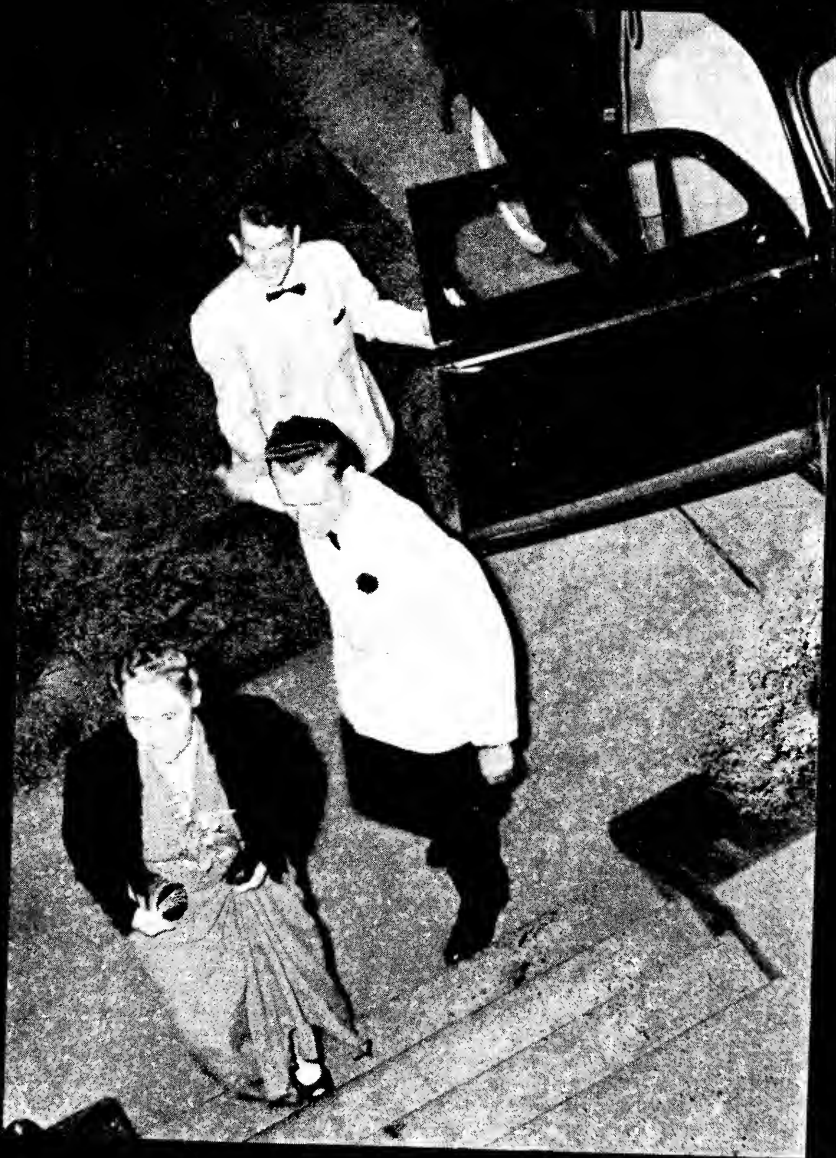
Round Table A includes the following fraternities: Phi Sigma Kappa, Beta Theta Pi, Phi Gamma Delta, Kappa Alpha Order, Pi Kappa Alpha, Alpha Chi Rho, Sigma Phi Epsilon, Zeta Beta Tau, and Sigma Alpha Mu.

The meeting for the organization of the Round Tables was attended by forty-six representatives. Five other Round tables were organized. The purpose of these Round Tables is to discuss fraternity problems as a contribution towards a successful program at the annual Interfraternity Conferences.

Chapterette Dedication Picture

The picture which appears on the opposite page which is being used to introduce the Chapterette Section, was taken at the time of the Psi Deuteron Housemothers' Dinner and symbolizes the welcome which is always prevalent at the chapters of Phi Sigma Kappa. 

Chapterettes



BETA DEUTERON

University of Minnesota

By ALF NELSON

Freshmen Week at Minnesota found many Phi Sigs returning to the Twin Cities a few days before the formal opening of classes in order to put the chapter house in readiness for the special rushing program instituted by the Interfraternity Council to counteract the loss of eligible men caused by the national emergency.

Under this unique plan drawn up before the close of school last June, Minnesota's fraternities have done their utmost to insure their normal quota of prospective pledges for the present year. During July and August, a field representative has been covering the principal towns and cities in Minnesota sounding out all men who have registered as freshmen in regard to their fraternity plans.

The success of the plan is still not definitely established because the term has only been in session since September 29. However, the efficient manner shown thus far in handling the incoming men by all the fraternities leads us to believe that the program will be successful.

Beta Deuteron has taken her full share in the plan, and by all appearances, will achieve her quota of ten freshmen pledges. Our rushing co-chairmen, Robert Linwick and Richard Greve, have been right on the job too. During the summer they sent out rushing notices to four hundred alumni in the state. They also got in touch with several legacies.

Although no real rehabilitation was necessary in the house this fall, all furniture, curtains and rugs were cleaned. Brother Cy Navickas has returned from Glacier National Park where he spent the summer auditing hotel expenditure accounts. As house manager he is now using his experience to guarantee the successful operation of the chapter.

The air services have proved too strong

an attraction for several of our men. Allen Lamarre has already entered the Naval Corps, and Richard Greve and Don Vestal are on their way to wearing wings in the army. Gene Taylor, who graduated in June is now in the army in New Jersey. Last year's president, Charles Sanborn, is a second lieutenant at Fort Snelling.

In the journalistic field this year we have Dick Gaard as a regular member of the Ski-U-Mah staff. Dick Adams is an established sportswriter for the *Minnesota Daily*.

Many Phi Sigs have been visitors at the house during the past summer. Last June several members of the California baseball team came over after the game to introduce themselves as brother Phi Sigs, and to sign our guest register.

The chapter's present roster of officers is: Alf Nelson, president; Richard Greve, vice-president; Robert Schweitzer, secretary; Simon Navickas, treasurer; John Smith, sentinel; Lawrence Elsenpeter, inductor.

We are looking forward to a successful year at Minnesota, and we would like to take this opportunity to wish a banner year to all Phi Sigs. Whenever you are in the Twin Cities drop in to say hello.

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ALPHA DEUTERON

University of Illinois

By GEORGE DILLAVOU, '44

Alpha Deuteron's rushing season ended September 17 with the pledging of fourteen new men. Rushing Chairman Bob Grove deserves a great deal of credit for the hard work he put in this summer obtaining for us what we consider the cream of the rush week crop. Paul Kuchmuk, '44½, comes from Peoria to study engineering. Jerry Fonner, '43, from Chicago, intends to carry on his work in pre-med this fall. John

Kjellstrom, '45, a high school all-state basketball player from Hebron, intends to study two years in the school of physical education and then take two years of education. Bill Lyddon, '44, Rockford, is in the school of engineering. Bob Schiffman, '44, Chicago, is in the school of liberal arts and sciences studying pre-med. Ernie Broom, '44, comes from Alma to take engineering. Dave Landgraf, '45, from Godfrey, is in the school of music studying voice. With his tenor to lead us, we ought to have some fine serenades this year. Bob Larson, '45, Evanston, is enrolling in the school of engineering. Bill Prentiss, '45, from Chicago, is also in the school of engineering. Bob Lahlein, '43, a transfer from a St. Louis college, is studying journalism, and from his past in that field, we can predict a brilliant future for him in journalism. Bob O'Neal, '45, Chicago Heights, is in the school of engineering. Tony Makovic, '45, from Peoria, is also studying engineering. Ed Strand, '45, from Rockford, is enrolling in engineering. We feel that Alpha Deuteron has a right to be proud of its pledges this year. We are starting out the year with a full house of which we are proud since the new men's dormitory and national defense are taking so many Illinois boys away from fraternities on the campus. This will be a hard year for the Illinois fraternities, but Phi Sigma Kappa at the University of Illinois is the strongest it has been for several years, and the future looks even brighter.

During rush week we had as our guests at the chapter house, Brother John McConnell, Omega, and his friend, Everett Smith, an Acacia from Nebraska. John taught us several new songs that Omega uses, and we made good use of his songs during our serenade to the sorority house parties on the Sunday night of rush week. We have had several compliments from the sororities on

the songs that we sang, especially the ones we learned from Omega.

Brother Dale Simpson, '43, is on the varsity football squad this year as a tackle. Coach Bob Zuppke expects a lot from "Simp" this year, and knowing him, we all believe that he will be right in there every game, helping the team on defense and offense and spurring them on to victory.

New initiates last spring were Walter Oberg, '44, Harry Gotti, '44, and Jack Branch '44. We were glad to see these fellows on the chapter roll, and we feel that they will be a real credit to Phi Sigma Kappa.

We had several men initiated into honorary fraternities last spring. Brother Walter Oberg was inducted into Dolphin, a swimming honorary of which Brother Bill Brekke is the president. Brother George Dillavou was initiated into Skull and Crescent, an interfraternity activity honorary, and into Pierrots, a dramatics honorary. Brother Fred Bowditch was initiated into Skull and Crescent. Brother Norm Cusick is now a member of Scabbard and Blade, a military honorary, and Brother George Ferry was initiated into Phi Eta Sigma, national freshmen scholastic fraternity.

Brother George Amsbary, Alpha Deuteron, '41, is now a field secretary for Phi Sig and is in Kentucky at the present.

Alpha Deuteron is looking forward to the best year in its history in scholastic activities and in extra-curricular activities. We wish every other chapter a good year and the best of luck.

Since the last issue of THE SIGNET, Alpha Deuteron has elected new officers to take over the helm. Pliny Blodgett, '41½, was elected president for the summer term. Gene Russell, '42, was elected vice-president but has since accepted a defense job with Magnaflux, Inc., in Chicago. Jim Fordyce was appointed

temporary vice-president and house manager in his stead and took over the job of supervising the fall cleaning. Bill Brekke was elected secretary. Bob Grove was elected Inductor and rushing chairman. George Ferry was appointed pledge master, and John Gainer was elected Auditor. George Dillavou was appointed social chairman, and Bob Spengler was appointed Intramural Manager. Norm Cusick retains the position of house treasurer.

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GAMMA TRITON

University of South Carolina

By ELLIOTT McCANTS

The University of South Carolina, and Gamma Triton especially, has contributed greatly to national defense. Five undergraduate leaders and seven valued alumni are serving in the national defense program. Most of us left behind are serving in civilian defense occupations.

It is with pride that I report that only five, two undergraduates and three alumni, waited to be drafted; all the others volunteered, not counting two who enlisted in the Air Corps and were eliminated. Gamma Triton has representatives in the Marines, Navy, Naval Air Corps, Army Air Corps, and the Army.

At the present time, we are in the midst of rushing. With only eight members and five pledges in school, there is a great deal of work for everyone. There are really only seven members because our biggest politician, Brother Jack Reese, gave notice that he will not be in town until around the 27th, a week after Rush Week. In spite of whatever handicaps happen to fall our way, however, the prospects are good for a fine year.

Gamma Triton will be out in the front socially this year due to our big formal dance coming up. To you

brethren who are ignorant of Carolina's rules, fraternities and sororities are allowed only one formal every two years. Still talking about social stuff, Wally Tighe, our adviser, informs us that the alumni are going to blossom out and give a banquet for the chapter.

Gamma Triton is going to miss its uncontested bull champion, Artie Spitz, this year. Artie left last week to enroll in the George Washington Medical School. We lost another artist of the same sort when Joe Lever enrolled in the University of Georgia Medical School. However, he won't be so far off, just about 90 miles.

If you folks will pardon me, I shall do a bit of bragging. Down here at Gamma Triton we can boast of two naval ensigns, another potential flying ensign, and a prospective army air corps shave-tail. The brethren T. H. Davis, stationed somewhere - in - the - Atlantic, and Lang Hogon, same general position, have the naval commissions. Tommy Conder is hanging in mid-air in a Stearman outside of Atlanta waiting to be transferred to the Jacksonville Naval Air Corps Training Base. Hugh Lister, at the last report, is at Moffett Field, California, doing chandelles and lazy eights in BT 13, or a reasonably accurate facsimile.

I can't let the opportunity slip by without giving my pal, Cecil Davis, a plug. Cecil always liked to do things the hard way, so last spring, when he was about to be drafted, he enlisted in the toughest service of them all, the U. S. Marine Corps. He is working in recruit headquarters at Parris Island, South Carolina, after nine weeks of the hardest training ever given a man. He gets up to Columbia about every other week-end now.

This year, we have added another to our long list of legal eagles. Jack Callison, who graduated last June, has registered in the University Law School. Phi Sigs here have long been known and honored for their politics, and usually

reliable sources say that Brother Callison will break his four-year silence and join in the merrymaking.

Speaking of Callison reminds me that at present, he is our president. Jim Bearden is vice-president; Allan Driggers, treasurer; and Elliott McCants (that's me), secretary. Informed authorities in the chapter room say that another election is due any minute now, so the existing set-up may be changed.

That is all I know to write about right now, and this as good a time as any to stop, so until next time, happy landings to all of the boys, especially those in uniform.

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RHO DEUTERON

Gettysburg College

By JOE WRAY, '43

Although Rho Deuteron's activities for the year are getting off to a late start because the opening of college was delayed two weeks due to the seriousness of the infantile paralysis epidemic that was running rampant in Eastern Pennsylvania, we're looking forward to another banner year and are extremely hopeful of netting a prize crop of pledges.

This year's rushing assault got off to a flying start Thursday, October 3, with the usual round of smokers, houseparties and other assorted entertainments designed to make freshmen see the Phi Sig light. Plans for the annual pledge dance are being made, however, no definite date has been set. Brother Dave Thomas is serving as rushing chairman.

Ultimate chapter interest is centered about the new house building program which is currently well underway. Upwards of \$11,000 are being spent in enlarging the chapter house. When the extension is completed the size of the building will be nearly doubled.

Four new study rooms will be added on the second floor while additional sleeping quarters will be made on the

third story. Under the new setup, practically all actives will be able to room in the chapter house. The dining hall, currently located in the basement, will be moved to the ground floor and the basement converted into a smartly appointed game and lounge room.

Brothers Glen Bowersox and John Saby have done most of the preliminary work in making the new house addition a reality and deserve a round of huzzahs or something.

Meanwhile, Rho Deuteronians are getting into the throes of campus activities, upholding the chapter's recognized leadership in campus doings.

Brother Ralph Cox has been elected president of the Inter-Fraternity Council. He is also serving as temporary prexy of the campus dramatic group, the Owl and Nightingale club.

Brother Dave Thomas is receiving congratulations currently on the fine job he did in editing the freshmen handbook, "The G-Book." This year's frosh Bible was a departure from the traditional style and proved to be a clever and breezy little volume. Dave is likewise slaving away in the capacity of managing editor of the campus weekly, "The Gettysburgian."

Also in a journalistic line, Brother Wray, who was elected by his classmates as editor of the "Spectrum," college yearbook, is outlining his plans for the year. Wray was recently appointed student assistant to the college publicity director.

Brother Nelson Arigo, stalwart junior, is out battling for a starting position on the varsity football squad. Arigo saw considerable service in the line last season and is expected to see quite a bit of action on this year's edition of the Bullets.

Brother Henry Schwartz, who in the winter is out winning wrestling laurels, has been elected president of Pi Lambda Sigma, honorary business and legal fraternity. Waving the baton before the

college band these days is Brother Bill Fridinger who has been elected student director of the band. He is the third successive Phi Sig to hold that position.

Rho Deuteron has two men on the proctor and counselor staff of the freshman dorm this year. They are Brothers Cox and Bob Garrett.

Thus Rho Deuteron launches another year with its chin up and pledge buttons ready.

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DELTA TRITON

Purdue University

By EDWIN L. KARPICK

In these days of conscription and national emergency, it is with great pleasure that we of Delta Triton report that there are still a sufficient number of us still doing business at the same old stand. It is true that a few of the chapters have heeded the call to the colors, but enough have returned so that we face the coming year with hope and confidence.

Two of our undergraduate members have not returned because they have enlisted in the Army Air Corps. The men mentioned are Dave Adams and Charles Turner. Ernie Elkin of the class of '41 has also heard the call of the air and is at present undergoing flight training.

Of those that have returned we have our share of activities men, athletes, and just plain playboys. Brother Dick Kratzer, captain of the swimming team, has just been pledged to Gimlet, honorary for senior activities men. Brother Chet Riegle, the perennial distinguished student and president of Scrivener, the campus literary organization, has added the University Glee Club and choir to his other accomplishments. Eddie Esping has the important job of vice-president of the Student Union. We are all rather proud of Ed because he is the first member of the chapter ever to reach an executive job in the Union. Pledge Dale

Keister is being trained in a similar path and we all feel sure that he too will become a V. P.

With the emphasis on the military being felt everywhere we here at Delta Triton cannot escape the influence. In addition to the freshman and sophomores taking the basic military service that is compulsory for male students, we have two seniors in advanced military. George Huffman and Judd Dillon have already spent a summer at Fort Knox which was interesting if not profitable. At the completion of their scholastic work, Brothers Huffman and Dillon will receive their commissions in the field artillery and will probably be called to regular duty. They will join Brother Kelsey, '41, who at present is at Fort Sill, Oklahoma.

We are all looking forward to the coming social season when soft lights and sweet music will make many an evening more pleasant. At this time plans are being formulated for our fall formal, this event will be one of those ever popular triads in connection with two other houses on the campus.

Thus ends this little opus on the activities of our chapter. We are all happy to be back at school and have hopes of another fine year. At this time we would like to extend our greetings and best wishes to all other chapters of Phi Sigma Kappa.

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Franklin and Marshall College

Last Spring saw Pi Chapter still at the fore in campus activities at Franklin and Marshall. Brothers who were already members or were elected to membership of the various honorary societies were: *Blue Key*, Dave Lees, vice-president, Jim Clark, secretary-treasurer, Bob Greiner, Warren Hamscher, and Jack Keelen, with Les Kachel, another member, as retiring president; *Pi Gamma Mu*,

Jim Clark and Dick Vaughan, with Ed Shelley as retiring president; *Post Prandial*, Jim Clark, president, Bob Orem, Jack Keelen, Dave Lees, Jerry Meyers, and Bob Wimer; *Alpha Delta Sigma*, Bob Greiner, president, Dick Barnes, and Dick Poulterer; *Student Affiliate American Chemical Society*, Phil Lichty, treasurer; *Inter-Fraternity Council*, Bob Greiner, treasurer; *Green Room Club*, Business Manager, Dave Lees, Patron and Ticket Manager, Jim Clark, Advertising and Program Manager, "Dutch" Stoneback, and about fifteen other members; and *Newman Club*, Jim Dolan, president, with Leon Machiones as retiring president. Also, Ken Snyder was elected vice-president of the Class of '43 for this year, and Paul Ripple, vice-president of the Class of '44.

One of our more prominent social functions was our second annual all-college Mother's Day Service held on May 12th in the college chapel. Dr. H. M. J. Kline, acting president of the college was the guest speaker. Our Spring Prom was also held that week-end.

We are proud to say that our fraternity teams swept the spring sports program by winning first place in the all-college baseball championships, as well as first in intramural track and the all-college relay championship.

Graduation saw Dick Kieffer graduate *magna cum laude* with departmental honors in Biology and a Phi Beta Kappa key; Bill Kephart as Phi Beta Kappa Member with depart-

mental honors in Sociology; Dick Vaughan as winner of departmental honors in Business Administration and also the most coveted Senior award, the Williamson Medal for all-around excellence. Also graduated were John Monk, retiring chapter president, Sam Barr, Dick Blair, John Garihan, Tom Hart, Rex Herder, Matt Sellers, Ed Shelley, Wayne Shay, Leon Machiones, Les Kachel and Charlie Griffiths.

Our loss due to graduation cannot pass unnoticed but we will continue to strive toward maintaining the top position our former actives have won for us. As an aid in achieving this we are proud to have added to our chapter Bill Tierney, a transfer from our chapter at Alabama. Unfortunately our gain is Omicron Deuteron's loss, but we certainly welcome you to Pi Chapter, Bill.

Pi Chapter of Phi Sigma Kappa (Lancaster, Pennsylvania) will play a leading rôle in the fortunes of Franklin and Marshall's football campaign during the 1941 season by contributing no fewer than three varsity backs to Coach Alan Holman's Blue and White team.

When the current season, which has been set back several weeks due to an epidemic of infantile paralysis in central Pennsylvania, gets underway October 11, with Hampden-Sydney, in Lancaster, Phi Sigma Kappa will be well represented in the Diplomat starting line-up with Warren (Dutch) Hamscher at fullback, Kenny Snyder at quarterback



WARREN HAMSCHER



KEN SNYDER



BOB PEARSON

and Bob Pearson at halfback.

Hamscher, a senior, and one of the best all-around athletes in college, is rounding out his third year of F. & M. football. Quiet and retiring on the campus and classroom Dutch is a veritable giant in the athletic arena and his deeds will live long after he has made his exit from F. & M.

Rangy and big, Hamscher weighs only about 172 pounds. And yet at the fullback position he more than makes up in speed what he lacks in bulk. In addition, he is very fast when he starts rolling in an open field. Dutch will assume the entire burden of punting for F. & M. this season, and he also does some of the passing.

His experience gained last year against teams like Dartmouth, Richmond, Carnegie Tech and N. Y. U., games in which he starred, should stand him in good stead this year. Coach Holman, in fact, is counting on Hamscher to steady the backfield which will be composed of younger men.

Kenny Snyder, faces the toughest job of all backfield candidates this year. Although just a junior, he will have to run the F. & M. eleven in every game. Coach Holman has no understudies for this chunky youngster, and Snyder will have a tremendous job on his hands for one so young.

Snyder, in addition to calling the plays is also the blocking back, and this also is one of the most important duties in F. & M.'s system of play.

Kenny weighs about 175, but he is only 5' 10½", and this will add to the complexity of his blocking chores.

Bob Pearson, like Snyder, is only a junior, and he too is coming up for his first full campaign as a regular.

Pearson is stocky and fast, and for his 180 pounds can travel on any kind of a track. He is the wing-back on the club and he will tote the leather on most of Holman's complicated single and double reverses.

What he lacks in experience he makes up in verve and poise, and one of the best things that can be said about him is that he is forever trying. Coach Holman is expecting some pretty fancy things of Pearson this year.

Holman this fall starts a campaign with the smallest number of candidates in years. Hamscher, Snyder and Pearson figure prominently in all of his strategy; and from all indications of a famine of replacements, these three men are going to have to be "sixty minute" performers.

Phi Sigma Kappa which has contributed many great athletes to F. & M. sports teams in the past has the opportunity of writing a new chapter in its glorious history this year through Hamscher, Snyder and Pearson.

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ETA DEUTERON University of Nevada

By WILBUR HEDQUIST

Recovering from the draft jitters, Eta Deuteron started what appears to be a very active and successful year. We were fortunate to have thirteen members return to school to pledge seventeen new men to Phi Sig. With these new additions to the chapter, Eta Deuteron is well represented in campus activities, having men on both frosh and varsity teams and in local and national honorary fraternities. Looking at our membership roster, we find that we are also well represented in the armed forces.

Brother Henry Jones and Pledge Elwood Moffett were initiated into the Sagers, the underclassmen's service organization. Pledge Verl Hendrix will go to Kansas City as a delegate to the National Future Farmers Association Convention in October. Pledges Jack Brace and Bob Robinett, from Bryan, Ohio, are on the frosh football team with Pledges Jack Marquis and Bob Wise, the pick of the local crop. Pledges "Red" Slaughter, Bobby Blaine and Rube Boyce play on the varsity squad and re-fight the Civil War with the Ohio pledges, Brace and Robinett.

Brother Joe Giomi, president of the Inter-Fraternity Council, was Master of Ceremonies at the Council's annual Bean Feed. The chapter has been active socially, having had two house dances and monthly picnics.

Brother Charles Brock is a cadet in the Navy Air Corps at Jacksonville, Florida. Brothers Joe Lommori and "Tex" McKinnon, Infantry Reserve Officers, are stationed at Fort Lewis and Camp McQuaide respectively. Brother Elliot Lima is waiting to be called to the Marine Corps Reserve Officers' School in Virginia.

Everyone is anticipating and preparing for the forthcoming Regional Conclave scheduled for next December. We have been pleased with the visits of returning brothers and brothers from other chapters, and the visit of Brother Bill Wood, former national president, who stopped at the house while on a business trip.

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LAMBDA

George Washington University

By GEORGE BEHRENS

Lambda is now entering with confidence upon another of its successful years at George Washington University. Most of the actives are now in school and the important program of fall rushing is well under way.

The boys have spent much time and energy the past couple of weeks preparing the chapter house for the entering freshman, and at present the house really shines.

The new chapter officers for the coming three months were elected recently and they are as follows: Leon Moran, president; Robert Rissler, vice-president; Dave Jensen, secretary; Hendrick Vietor, treasurer; Keith Holtsford, pledge-master; Charles Shinn, social chairman; Jack Bradley, I, rush chairman; Joe Vivari, auditor; and George Behrens, sentinel.

By giving a brief summary I hope to show you that Lambda has not been standing still for the past year. We have done well in interfraternity competition and we have had many men outstanding in extra-curricular activities and campus life.

Early fall showed us finishing up in third place in interfraternity golf. The team was captained by Brother Betsch, and Brothers Baurfeld and Boyd were the other members of the team.

The tennis team composed of Brothers Hap and Floyd Stehman, Sandoval and Von Kummer defeated S. A. E. in the finals to take first place and add another cup to our trophy case.

The Phi Sig court men took another third place in basketball. The mainstays of the team were Brothers Dinneen, Moran, Hammond, Iliff, Bilden and Thompson, and Pledges Rissler, McCaleb, McGowan and Huff.

Phi Sig gained another cup for keeps when Brother Hammond took charge of the annual Christmas Food Drive. This was the third time we have won the honor.

The bowling team, made up of Brothers Ball, Hansen, Hammond, Payne and Clerico, met some very stiff competition which kept them from finishing in the first three places. However, the experience will put them in a very good position this year.

Brothers Chase and Harrison came through in a new type of interfraternity competition and gave us a first place cup in the bridge tournament.

After winning the baseball cup nine out of the last ten years, Phi Sigma Kappa took second place when baseball was changed to soft ball in interfraternity competition. Brothers Abercrombie, Iliff, Bauersfeld, Hammond, Phillips, Thompson, Moran and Randall, and Pledges Kelly, McGowan, Ronemus Vivari and Shinn were mainstays of the ball team.

Thanks to Brothers Phillips and Frazier, we gained another first place in the interfraternity debating. The cup went into our trophy case permanently for it was the third time we had won it.

Finally, Brothers Frazier, Joe Boyd and John Boyd did a fine piece of work in bringing us a second place for the annual Homecoming decorations. Our replica of a U. S. dollar bill warranted an investigation by the Government.

In June several new names were added to our chapter roster. Pledges Westfall, Harkins, Shinn, Hauser, McGowan, Jensen, Brady, Kelly and Vivari became brothers after completing their pledge with a successful initiation.

Brother Charles Daugherty is sports editor of the "Hatchet," the University newspaper, and Brother Aaron Layne is a member of the "Hatchet" staff.

Lambda is represented on the varsity by several brothers and pledges.

Brother Betsch has been captain and No. 1 man on the golf team the past three years.

Brother Jack Redinger and Pledge Jim Dowd were one of the principal batteries on the Colonial Nine this season.

Pledges Jim Dowd and Paul Weber are both backs on the varsity squad this year.

Pledge Matt Zunic was mentioned as All-American for his performance on the basketball court this past year. Matt broke the high scoring record of the Uni-

versity set a few years back by another Phi Sig, Bob Faris.

We have also had many fine parties here at Lambda the past year: namely, the Beachcombers' Ball, the Carnation Ball, and the stag party in honor of the G. W. Varsity house.

At present the rush parties are in full swing and many freshmen have been around to the house. We hope to see many of these boys pledge Phi Sigma Kappa within the next few weeks and are looking forward optimistically to the coming year for the Phi Sigs at G. W. U.

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CHI DEUTERON

Washington State College

By WARREN SMITH

Chi Deuteron at Washington State College has successfully begun another school year. Our annual rush banquet was held in the Roundup Room of the Desert Hotel in Spokane, September 6, with fifty-five members and rushees attending.

School began September 22 and the completion of rush week found the Phi Sigs with 16 new promising pledges. They are: John Chudacoff, Art Safford, Charles Mead, Bob Strickler, Kenny Sybolt, Ralph Uppman, Bill Metzger, Dick Maxwell, Dale Johnson, Claro Bergevin, Bob Knoll, Bob Mackie, Eddie Meyers, Clarence Bates, Bob Redifer and Bob Brown.

Louis Perkins has been named to be senior basketball manager for the coming season; Bob Boyer is the new editor of the *Evergreen*, the college newspaper, and Gerald Weitz is sports editor. Eldon Drennan has been appointed senior tennis manager by the Board of Control, so Chi Deuteron members are fairly well represented in campus activities.

We have three of the nine Junior Inter-collegiate Knights, service organization. They are Sterling La Rue, Dick Mac Whorter and Warren Smith.

Several firesides and exchange dinner-dances with various sororities have been scheduled and everyone is looking forward to the annual pledge dance, which will be held in October.

With good pledges, good activities, and a busy social program, we are looking forward to a very interesting and pleasant year.

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BETA TRITON

Knox College

By BRUCE ELLITHORPE, '44

"In all the time that I have been adviser to this chapter I have never faced a new year with greater confidence." So said Lt. Col. Porter at one of Beta Triton's rushing banquets. Such is the attitude of the whole chapter as Beta Triton begins the thirteenth year of its existence.

It seems that the hard work that the brothers put in a week before school started has made a great improvement in the appearance of the house. The new fluorescent lighting and thorough re-decorating which was done has been noticed by everyone, and these things help to make the Beta Triton Chapter House the best on the campus.

At the end of the first rushing period Phi Sig received five pledges and three re-pledges with five to ten more expected on the next pledge date.

Lt. Col. Porter, faculty adviser, gave a couple of fine speeches at a couple of fine meals; also Brother Adamec, Dean of the College, contributed to our program with an interesting address.

As for musical entertainment during Rush Week, Tod Cyrus and Royce Davis gave out with several swing concertos on sax and piano. One Saturday, September 20, we had the honor of hearing a red hot jam session with Tod and some of his stooges performing.

The alumni of Beta Triton, who were here over the week-end added the necessary dignity to our program.

Now that rushing is over, the pledges are beginning to think that life isn't the bowl of cherries that it was during Rush Week.

The new pledges are: Bill Weber, Dick Webber, Bob Kelser, Bob Strauss, and Bruce Ellithorpe. Bill Weber is the new lady killer of the chapter. Dick Webber took all the actives for a row of ten pins in bowling. Bob Kelser is the new vocalist of Beta Triton (Marvelous what they can do with a fog horn these days). Bob Strauss is the tall, dark, quiet, ex-seaman who ought to help Phi Sig walk away with the scholarship cup this year. Bruce Ellithorpe, who transferred from the Citadel in Charleston, S. C., finds it quite nice eating *on* the table instead of under it, which he did most of the time at the Citadel. "Simon Legree" Ackerman is the dread pledge master of this class.

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EPSILON DEUTERON

Worcester Polytechnic Institute

With the official opening of the new school year on September 24th at the all-college assembly, the awards were made to the various fraternities at Tech which had distinguished themselves during the preceding year. As the time approached for the awarding of the "Thinker" and a check for one hundred dollars, the Brothers could be seen sitting tensely on the edges of their seats, for at midyear we had been leading the school in scholarship. When the award was made, it was to Phi Sigma Kappa, and needless to say the Brothers were filled with joy.

That did not conclude the Chapter's prize winning, however, for the General Activity Award was also taken by the Epsilon Deuterons. This award is made to the fraternity at Worcester Tech which has the best standing in extra-curricular activities, and still ranks high in scholarship. Since this honor carried

with it an award of \$125, the chapter house will soon be filled with many improvements as a result of the Brothers' hard work last year.

This year's scholarship award was the second in three years, and the Activity Award is the third in the three years of the existence of the prize. The Chapter is now buckling down to go after those prizes next year also, and if spirit and determination mean anything, Epsilon Deuteron will come through again.

In the recent election of officers, the following were elected: Fred Shippee, president; Robert Grant, vice-president; Dayton Brown, secretary; Behrends Messer, inductor; Gordon Raymond, treasurer; James Donahue, sentinel; and Erling Lagerholm, sergeant at arms.

With the opening of fall sports, a multitude of the Brothers can be found on the sports fields every afternoon. Among those who are out for football are Bert Marsh, Bob Bieweiler, Frank Holbrook and Ted Pierson. All of them are progressing in a fine manner under the teaching of Head Coach Paul Stagg and Line Coach Pritchard, both are newcomers at Tech. Pete Lindsay is kept on the run as Assistant Manager of Football.

Booting the ball about on the new soccer pitch could be found Bob Grant, Pete Messer, Jack Hagstrom, Howie Swenson and Erl Lagerholm, with Bud Handforth and Soup Campbell holding down the Assistant Managerships. A visit to the cross-country course would find Brothers Dayton Brown and Dick Dyer, both veteran lettermen and Gordie Sherman, a newcomer with lots of promise.

At the close of school last year it was announced that Warren Harding and Fred Shippee had been pledged by Skull, the Worcester Tech honorary society. The members of this organization are recognized leaders in sports and campus activities, thus to be pledged is a high honor.

ALPHA

Massachusetts State College

By G. W. GAUMOND, '42

Last spring we saw, as usual, Alpha men garnering many varsity positions. Baseball found "Big Ben" Freitas patrolling right field and wielding the willow to the tune of .650. The pitching staff was aided by such members as Herb Gross, No. 1 hurler, "Ace" Thayer, and Fred Shackley, portsider.

Brothers Dwyer, Collela, McDougall, Norton and Santin donned the togs for spring football drill under the new head coach, Hergesheimer, while Captain "Lamby" Erickson put his soccer charges through their paces.

On the track, "Mo" Leland is fast developing in the half mile, and Bill Kimball, this year's harrier captain, had the two mile sewed up. Freitas and Santin added their usual points in the weight events.

Alpha Chapter received much publicity this past winter in its representation on the M. S. C. Hockey Team. This unusual combine boasted five Alphas on its first team, and a total of nine on the squad. The roster follows: Goalies, Atwood, Young; Center, Gaumont; L. Wing, Collela; R. Wing, Thayer; L. Defense, Gross; R. Defense, Norton; Spares, Garnett, Leland.

This chapter has taken on all aspects of a military barracks as nine brothers are nattily attired in new uniforms, Military Majors in the R. O. T. C. Cavalry. They are: Knight, Atwood, Bishop, Cressy, Gaumont, Hatch, Kimball, Leland and Stone.

Recent school elections show Alpha men among the more popular on campus. Retiring Maroon Key men (Sophomore Honor Society): Gross, McKiernan and Santin are succeeded by Leo Moreau and Rollie Collela, freshmen members.

Senators for the coming year include

Freitas, Dwyer and Evans, all Alphas. Honor Council: Ted Brutcher, pledge.

The recently installed house officers are: president, John B. Marsh; vice-president, Paul Dwyer; secretary, Carl Erickson; treasurer, Milford Atwood; inductor, Edmund Freitas; sentinel, Ernest Dunbar.

The highlight of Alpha's well-attended social activities, the annual Costume Ball, was held on the 19th of April. The chapter opened the memorable event with an afternoon tea dance. A banquet preceded the evening ball, at which Purl Allen and his music accompanied the dancers. There was a great variety of costumes, but "Gargantua" Freitas carried off first prize for "her" attire portraying a teen-aged, petit, peasant girl.

House Manager, "Stu" Bush supervised the improvements that we Alpha's rendered the house and grounds this spring. Outside, the lawns were reconditioned and rolled; the gardens, shrubs, and hedges trimmed, and other minor repairs performed. Inside, the library was done over in knotty pine, a new water heater installed, the kitchen painted, as was the third floor bathroom and some bedrooms. Lamps and other furniture were purchased for the living room. Also, the constantly used pool table was reclothed and recushioned. In general, it can be said that Alpha is in as good repair and condition as possible; however, the brothers one and all, are still trying to uncover funds for the repair of our living room.

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KAPPA

Penn State

By C. PHILIP MOORE, JR., '43

Kappa Chapter at Penn State is embarking on its 43rd year with an especially good rushing season which saw the pledging of 15 excellent men, including two sophomores and 13 freshmen, in-

suring Kappa of another in a long series of successful years.

The beginning of the year found Kappa with room for only nine pledges, but with the threat of mid-year graduation and the draft, the house converted the cook's suite into additional rooms making it possible to move in 12 new pledges. The additional pledges are living outside the house at their own choice.

A rushing code essentially the same as the one put into effect last year was used. This code emphasizes summer rushing, since rushing at State lasts only one week. Under this code, houses may start pledging on the second day of the rushing week. Rushing lasted from September 17th to September 24th. It was originally scheduled one week earlier, but was postponed when the college postponed the opening of school one week because of an infantile paralysis epidemic.

Credit should be given to Brother James E. Hartman, '42, whose able direction helped make this rushing season a successful one. The splendid cooperation of every member of the chapter receives all of the additional credit.

An introduction in the form of sketches of the new pledges is in order.

Basil T. Lanphier, '44, is enrolled in the School of Mineral Industries with a metalurgical course. Basil is a resident of Lebanon, Pennsylvania, where he attended the Lebanon High School. While at Lebanon High, he played varsity football, was active in intra-murals as well as school clubs. Basil has been active in intra-mural sports at college.

Another sophomore, John R. Leary, '44, of Kingston, Pennsylvania, is studying architectural engineering. While attending Kingston High School, John was on the freshman basketball and football teams. He was also active in dramatics and several clubs. John is interested in photography.

Robert Bartle, '45, is majoring in com-

merce and finance in the School of Liberal Arts. Bob is a resident of Nanticoke, Pennsylvania, where he attended the Nanticoke High School. He played basketball and softball, was a member of the band and a member of several clubs in high school.

William Frankin, '45, of Wynnewood, Pennsylvania, is another commerce and finance major. Bill attended Lower Marion High School where he played varsity football, basketball and golf. He was captain of the golf team his senior year and intends to go out for golf at State and possibly basketball as well.

Another Nanticoke, Pennsylvania, boy is Joseph J. Golembeski, Jr., '45, who is a pre-medical student in the School of Chemistry and Physics. Joe, who wants to become an eye, ear, nose and throat specialist, played football, basketball, and baseball at Nanticoke High. He was also a member of the school band and active on his school newspaper. A pitcher, he intends to go out for baseball at State.

Patrick D. Harrington, '45, of Harrisburg, Pennsylvania, is taking commerce and finance. Pat attended John Harris High School where he was on the baseball and swimming teams. Pat was also president of three of the school's clubs and active in others. At college, he would like to try his hand at several sports,—baseball, wrestling, tennis or swimming.

Robert K. Heilman, '45, is in the School of Liberal Arts. Bob attended the Lebanon High School in his home town of Lebanon, Pennsylvania, where he was active in intra-murals as well as playing on the volleyball, basketball and football teams. He intends to continue intramural activities at Penn State.

William L. Keefauver, '45, of Gettysburg, Pennsylvania, is studying electrical engineering at Penn State. Bill was very active at Gettysburg High where he participated in intramural sports, was active in dramatics, belonging to two

dramatic clubs, editor-in-chief of his school newspaper, and wrote for Quill and Scroll, national high school journalistic magazine. Bill also was a member of the band, orchestra, mixed chorus, boys' chorus, and a capella choir. He managed the debating team and was active in several other clubs. Bill would like to be active in music, dramatics, newspaper or debating work at college as well as intramural sports.

Hailing from Penfield, Pennsylvania, James D. McCaughan, '45, attended Haverford High School and is studying mechanical engineering at Penn State. Jim played football, basketball and baseball at high school and was a prominent committeeman and clubman. He intends trying his hand at baseball at State.

Daniel Meckley III, '45, from York Pennsylvania, is studying industrial engineering. At William Penn Senior High School, besides being an active clubman and holding offices in the clubs, Dan was vice-president of his class as a junior and president of his class as a senior and was also active in student government. He intends to go out for the college swimming team.

J. Donald Nickolson, '45, of Harrisburg, Pennsylvania, attended William Penn Senior High School there and is following an electrical engineering course at Penn State. Don was active in clubs and intramurals at high school and intends to go out for the college baseball team.

From Penfield, Pennsylvania, William Ramagosa, '45, attended Haverford High School and is studying to be a mechanical engineer. Bill was on the school tennis team and active in dramatics and several clubs. He intends to get into some activities at State.

Peter Scott, '45, is a journalism student from Cynwynd, Pennsylvania. Pete played football and was a member of the track team at Lower Marion High

School. In addition, he was an active clubman, holding the presidency of at least one club. He was very active on all the school's publications. Pete intends to try out for the *Collegian*, Penn State's daily newspaper, and possibly try for a sports managership.

From Ridgewood, New Jersey, Jack Weber, '45, is enrolled in the School of Physical Education. Jack, who wants to be a prep school coach, played three years of varsity basketball and baseball at Ridgewood High School and also played on the varsity team of these sports at the Peddie School. Now Jack intends to make both teams at Penn State.

Casy Zwart, '45, of Abington, Pennsylvania, is enrolled as an electrical engineer. At Lower Marion High School, Casy was a member of the football, swimming and bowling teams, active in many clubs and played on an American Legion junior baseball team. Casy wants to try his hand at politics at Penn State as well as being active in intramurals.

The plan to increase and improve the house library started by the Parents' Club of Kappa Chapter two years ago is progressing rapidly. The library has outgrown its old bounds several times since then and now the Parents' Club is having additional shelves built in to enlarge their pet project.

Because of an excellent year last year, and generous alumni, Kappa Chapter returned to a house that has just had a complete outside paint job as well as an interior re-decoration.

At present, the members of the chapter are planning big things for the first home football game of the season on October 11th, which is also Alumni Week-end. Outside decorations are being planned. Preparations are also progressing for Dad's Day Week-end on October 25th at which time there will be a Parents' Club meeting.

Brother William C. "Bill" Jeffrey, Penn State's soccer coaching genius, is

preparing for his ninth consecutive undefeated season. In the fifteen years that Bill has coached Lion teams, the booters have lost only six contests, meanwhile winning 85 and tying 15. He has had twelve undefeated seasons, the last eight of which have been in a row, during which time the team has rolled up a stretch of 61 games without defeat. Last year for the eighth consecutive time, the Lions were awarded the Eastern Collegiate title, sharing honors with Princeton.

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GAMMA

Cornell University

By BOB PACE, '44

'Tis with a great deal of pleasure and satisfaction that the members of Gamma Chapter look back on the last few months of the 1940-1941 school year. The beginning of the year 1941 found the freshman pledges losing their lost look, which they had had since their entrance into the university, and beginning to take a lively interest in what was going on.

Pledges Hutchingson and Rivero took an active part in freshman basketball while pledge Pace did the breast stroke on the freshman swimming team, and pledge Wilkins worked with the Glee Club.

The big social event of the year, Junior Week, was a tremendous success as more brothers had their best girls up than ever before.

At the beginning of spring, thirteen new members were initiated and became brothers of Phi Sigma Kappa. A short time later, elections for the forthcoming year were held with the following results: John Kelly, president; Richard Young, vice-president; Phil Permar, treasurer; Robert Pace, secretary; Herbert Laughlin, house manager; Joseph Koch, inductor; and Hay Black, sentinel.

The coming of spring found the chapter in an athletic frame of mind. Our interfraternity baseball team was unde-

feated in its league and advanced to the semi-finals in the play-offs before being put out. The track team found Bob Larson winning major honors, and his varsity "C," while Pierce Godley and Bob Pace earned their freshman numerals. John Aldworth rowed number seven on the varsity crew for the second year in a row, and was in the shell which came in third in the Poughkeepsie Regatta. Fritz Amsler was manager of the freshman baseball team, while Art Widmer played on this team. Dick Young, assistant manager of swimming this year, becomes manager next year. John Perry was manager of this year's very successful tennis team and John Miller is making a strong bid for the football manager-ship. Both our intramural bowling and ping pong teams won in their leagues, but were put out in the final play-offs.

With exams fast approaching, the last big social event of the year, Spring Day, was held amid the traditional rainstorms. Despite the weather, the dances held at the house were a huge success and all present enjoyed themselves immensely. It was during this time that the tennis court, kept in very wonderful shape by the freshman class, received much use. A rousing cheer was given by all to the freshmen for their superior conduct throughout the year and plans were begun to attempt, if possible, to get another pledge class with as many merits for the year 1941-1942.

The chapter was very proud when, in the University elections at the end of the year, John Aldworth was elected treasurer of the Student Council, one of the most important positions on the campus.

During the latter part of the year, John Kelly headed the Pershing Rifles, a military unit run as part of the R. O. T. C. and specializing in drill excellence. Hay Black, Phil Permar, Fritz Amsler and John Perry were elected members of honorary societies.

A high spot of the year was the week-

end visit of Brother Marchmont, National President, to our chapter.

It was with a feeling of deep regret that we said goodbye to the 1941 graduating class, and to Fred Schwartz, Sky Robertson, Fritz Amsler, Fred Potter, John Barrows, Frank Rotella and Eli Savade, we wish the best of luck and promise to do our best to carry on the good work.

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TAU

Dartmouth College

By EDWARD F. McLAUGHLIN, JR.

After a hectic pre-school week of preparation, rushing—and incidentally, classes—started Thursday, the 18th. By vote of the Interfraternity Council, rushing was cut down to four days and hence ended Sunday, the 21st, followed by pledging on Thursday, the 22nd. We at Tau are quite proud of our delegation of 14 and have great hopes of pledging a few more before much time elapses. Members of the delegation are: Bill Hisons, '44, Wilmington, Del.; Ralsey Schofield, '44, Stamford, Conn.; Don Lindell, '44, Wilmington, Del.; Ed Price, '44, Kansas City, Mo.; Jack Downs, '44, Winchester, Mass.; Bob Lindsay, '44, Wilmington, Del.; Don Oakes, '44, West Englewood, N. J.; Joe Hatch, '44, Wilmington, Del.; Harry Schoenhut, '44, Jenkintown, Pa.; Jack Haffenreffer, '44, Brookline, Mass.; Dan Holley, '44, Hudson Falls, N. Y.; Rolly Robbins, '44, Teaneck, N. J.; Bob Hammell, '43; Jack Blackburn, '44, Bedford, Pa.; and Art Stein, '43, Albany, N. Y.

All the brothers feel we have a very well-rounded group and that it will do a great deal for the house scholastically, athletically and socially. At the moment we plan to continue the pledge period till about November 1st, when the neophytes of '44 will become the brothers of '44.

The present brothers are active as us-

ual. In the senior class, we have men in graduate schools on the campus as well as two '41's. At the Tuck School of Business Administration, we have Bert Anger, Bill Ford, Neil Benton, Joe Chas-noff, Bruce Stephens, Bill Miller, Dave Chamberlain, '41, Johnny Naylor, '41, and your scribe. In the Medical School, we have "Sarcastic Dick" Magee, while in the Thayer School of Engineering, we have Don Amy.

In the athletic vein, Brother Stephens, '42, is planning to row on the varsity crew once again, and Brother Taylor, '43, is fighting hard for the center's job on the varsity football squad. And in the '44 pledge group, we have freshman fencer Ralsey Schofield, hurdler Harry Schoenut, basketball squad member Don Lindell, intercollegiate skeet champ Jack Haffenreffer, and competitors for squad managers Don Oakes and Rolly Rob-bins.

Brother Mitchell, '42, is head of the newly-organized Dartmouth Broadcasting System. It is along the line of those at Amherst, Cornell and many other colleges and is the brain child of its head.

In the past year, we have made many improvements in the house and during the past summer we continued the good work, rebuilding our game room and fitting it out with fluorescent lighting.

That seems to be the story from here. With our veteran brothers, newly-acquired pledges, and many improvements, we are once again looking forward to a most successful and happy year. To the Phi Sig Chapters all over the country we wish the best of luck and to all our brothers—young and old—we extend a sincere invitation to drop in and say hello.

Don't be a Timothy Tacit when the gang starts to sing. Order from the National Headquarters that Phi Sig record and songbook now, at \$1 each.

PHI DEUTERON University of Kentucky

By STUY WITTEN, '41

Phi Deuteron has suffered severe losses from the National Defense Program this year. Several of our members as well as many of our alumni have joined the ranks of Uncle Sam's Army or stayed out of school to work in National Defense Industries.

This, however, has not weakened the spirit of Phi Deuteron. With only three active members returning, we have already pledged nine new boys and have about that many more good ones whom we hope will join our ranks within the next few days. Both alumni and the boys who plan to be initiated within the next few weeks will accept the honor before the end of the year.

Those members of the alumni who are now seeing service in the army are: Captain A. L. Atchison, who is at the present time on maneuvers in Arkansas; Captain Eddie Millikan, stationed at Fort Benning, Georgia; Captain Alvin McGary, located in the Panama Canal Zone; and Lieutenant Bill Conely, located at Fort Hayes, Columbus, Ohio.

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XI DEUTERON University of Tennessee

Rush Week has just closed for Xi Deuteron Chapter, and it seems to be the beginning of a banner year, for we pledged twenty new first-class men, in addition to several carry-over pledges from the spring. Although National Defense has thinned the ranks of the active chapter, these new pledges should soon fill the places of the able men who are out of school at the present.

The chapter honored the new pledge class on September 27 with a hay ride and weiner roast beside Norris Lake.

The new pledges are: Frank Hendrix, Chattanooga; Robert Bass, Whiteville; Paul B. Conley, Jr., Adams; Leonard

Waring, Knoxville; Bill Lawson, London; Milton Blackwell, Chapel Hill; Bill Fox, Clinton; Buster Clanton, Grenada, Mississippi; Marion Smith, Spring City; Howard Evans, Knoxville; Dan Sargent, Nashville; LeRoy Hyder, Morristown; Jack Dance, Knoxville; James Bailey, Donelson; Edward Cruze, Knoxville; C. J. Trent, Knoxville; James McCall, Shelbyville; Bill Lindsay, Knoxville; George Gant, Nashville; and Bill Robinson, Knoxville.

This pledge class indeed marks a milestone in the chapter history. P. B. Conley, Jr., is the son of Charter Member of Xi Deuteron, P. B. Conley, Sr., and the first son to return to the chapter.

Xi Deuteron is represented in campus activities by I. T. Slinger, who has been elected cheer leader, and Ed Story, who holds the responsible position as president of the powerful campus Y. M. C. A. Lawrence Maney is a member of the Y. M. C. A. cabinet, and Frank Wallace, a member of the U.-T. Chorus.

1941-42 looks like a successful year for Xi Deuteron Chapter, and its members send wishes for success to all Phi Sig chapters.

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LAMBDA DEUTERON

University of Washington

By ROGER BELLES

Looking forward to our biggest and most successful year on the University of Washington campus, Lambda Deuteron has worked long and hard to give the chapter house an extensive face-lifting. Among other things, refinishing of the hardwood floors and the redecorating of all the study rooms was included in this list.

Our list of possessions was swelled by the donation by Mr. C. Marsh, father of Brother Ted Marsh, of two hundred and fifty dollars worth of aluminum kitchen ware. The boys expect the chapter to really "grow" now because of the excel-

lent meals that are being cooked in this new *Guardian Service*.

The chapter was saddened at the last meeting when Chapter Adviser Frank Cadman (of Seattle blackout fame) announced that he was leaving us for greener pastures in the East. We feel especially fortunate, however, in being able to secure for our new adviser, Brother Bruce Bean from Theta Deuteron, who is known as the "Little Ball of Fire" by the boys. To be around him for awhile will explain his title. He has the ability of getting things done and under his guidance the chapter is rapidly progressing. We have heard rumors that Brother Bean is district manager for Century Metalcraft, but with all the time he devotes to the house we wonder if he does work elsewhere.

The chapter has given six of its active brothers for service with the United States Army. They are: Captain Cook, Fort Lewis, Washington; Second Lieutenant Fagan, also of Fort Lewis; Second Lieutenant Johnson, Anchorage, Alaska; First Lieutenant Grant, Camp Callan, California; Corporal Neukirchen, Seward, Alaska; and Corporal Kinney, Fort Lewis, Washington. We are all proud of these brothers who are demonstrating, by their service to our country, their loyalty to our creed.

We are now in the midst of fall rushing period, so it is still too early to include a complete list of pledges, but let it suffice to say that the house is looking forward to its biggest and most successful year.

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BETA

Union College

By GAUGER TRIPP, '43

Rushing

The paramount consideration of any chapter at this period of the year has to be rushing. Beta concluded, on September 14, what was undoubtedly the most

successful rushing season in at least ten years. Fourteen men were pledged, all of whom offer definite promise of value to both the fraternity and the college.

The lion's share of the credit for this banner rushing season must go to Rushing Chairman Ben Leland, president for the summer term, those untiring efforts during the summer gave Beta the largest group of men from whom to choose in the memory of anyone connected with the active chapter. The house was jammed to more-than-capacity during rush week, and enough men still remain living in the house to fill it up to capacity.

As a result of this highly successful rushing season, the "Terrace Room," ordinarily used as a home for telephone, cigarette and coke machines, and bull sessions, has been remodeled into a study room. As for the dormitory, it just won't hold anyone else.

With the rushing successes to look back upon, the chapter now may look forward to a highly profitable year, scholastically, in campus and intramural activities, and financially.

Alphabetically speaking, Dave Bock, of Baltimore, Maryland, leads off our new pledge class. Dave is another Baltimore Poly man, is entering as a sophomore and hopes to play lacrosse.

Don Blanks, of Mahopac, New York, is an electrical engineer who has already become known on the campus through his brilliant work for the technical department of the UBS, Union's new campus-confined, "wired wireless" broadcasting system.

Fred Budnick, of Valley Stream, Long Island, is a welcome addition to our group of Bachelor of Science students in chemistry.

Karl Buhrmaster, of Fort Johnson, New York, promises to help the house scholastic average with his work as an engineer.

John Bourquin, of Litchfield, Connec-

ticut, brings us still another embryo engineer.

Ludwig Dejnaska, of Rock City Falls, New York, brother of Emanuel Dejnaska, Beta '38, is breaking family tradition by studying in a pre-law course and is a member of the freshman football squad.

Joseph Harmon, of Albany, will keep alive the Beta tradition of Albany commuters which would otherwise have come to an end with the passing of Brothers Underwood, Smyth, Albright, et al. Joe is a language and literature man.

Warren Kamm, quiet B.S. in Chemistry man from Rochester, is another promising addition to the prospective Dean's List.

William O'Brien, Saratoga Springs social studies man, is another link in the strong chain of Sartoga men who have graced the chapter without interruption for a number of years.

Vincent Picozzi, dramatically-inclined engineer from Richmond Hills, Long Island, is already a house favorite for his interpretations of characters and situations in distinctive monologue fashion.

Richard Robsky has received a big welcome from the Westchester contingent. He's an engineer from White Plains, New York, and a member of the freshman football squad.

John Short, social studies man from Kingston, is the second house frosh footballer.

Max Slee, of Poughkeepsie, makes still another popular addition to the house B.S. in Chemistry men. He, too, is a freshman football player.

Robert Winne, saxophone-playing premed, is from Rhinebeck, New York.

Our pledge class is completed by William Sharkey, '43, Dean's List, social studies and pre-law student.

Rush week reached its climax on Friday when the chapter enteretained a large group of freshmen at the Caroga Lake camp of Brother Joe Boychuk, '38. Eating, dancing and singing were the

order of the evening, and Brother Boychuk proved a genial host.

Among the other alumni who were of particular assistance during the week were Brothers John Smyth, '41, and Wesley Albright, '41, of Albany.

Elections

The regular first quarter elections brought an end to the three-term administration of Brother Ben Leland, '42, whose term of office was climaxed by this year's highly successful rushing season. Begun during one of the chapter's weakest years, Brother Leland's administration has seen the passing of an entire group from within the chapter, and the coming of a new group whose vitality and ambition promise much for the future.

Taking up where Brother Leland left off is genial, able Bernard O'Neill, '42, electrical engineer, cross-country man who hails from Saratoga. Brother O'Neill's shrewdness and calm sagacity well equip him for what should be a most satisfying term of office. Brother Leland will continue to serve the chapter as vice-president, while energetic Bob Shepherd, '43, takes over the office of treasurer formerly held by Bob Davison, '42. Parliamentarian Ed Johnson, '44, was elected secretary, while Brothers George Loomis and Granger Tripp will fill the positions of sentinel and inductor, respectively.

President O'Neill's appointments of standing committee-heads reveal that Brother Leland, as vice-president, heads the house committee. "Pat" Parsons, '42, will have charge of house entertainment, while Granger Tripp, '43, leads the publication committee. Brother O'Neill heads the scholarship and rushing committees, and Bob Davison and Ed Johnson have charge of activities and alumni relations, respectively.

This Summer

Beta Chapter is some \$300 richer this fall as a result of the summer work of Brothers Richard Hoffman, '43, and Richard Harrison, '40, in operating the house as a rooming establishment during the summer. The Defense Program, and the consequent increase in the number of workers at the General Electric and American Locomotive plants in Schenectady made the housing problem in the city acute. Brothers Hoffman and Harrison, with the permission of Dean Garis of Union, registered the house as a rooming house, and operated it as such all summer, to the tune of a \$300 profit.

The majority of the "customers" were GE test engineers and young Alco workers. Represented were a wide variety of colleges and national fraternities, and a highly congenial group expressed complete satisfaction with their quarters.

Hoffman and Harrison both worked at the Alco plant, while doing their chapter one of the greatest financial "favors" in many a moon.

Honors

Last May Beta chapter received the signal honor of having three sophomores named to the Garnet Key Society, junior honorary group comprising 15 outstanding members of the junior class. This was the first time Beta had ever had a man named to this society, and one of the few occasions on which one Union chapter found three men on the society's roster. Elected were Richard Hoffman, for work on the varsity football squad, Robert Shepherd, for work in cross-country and wrestling, and Granger Tripp, for work in publications, radio and the Student Tax Committee. All three are on the Dean's List.

Dean's List

Each fall the fraternities at Union are ranked scholastically when the standings are announced in competition for the

Berg Cup. Beta looks forward, as we go to press, to the publication of these standings with more than usual anticipation, since last year's house average was considerably higher than has been its custom. Among those on the Dean's List were Brothers O'Neil, Davison, Tripp, Hoffman, Shepherd, Johnson and Smith, and Pledge Sharkey.

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McMurray, Clarence Jr., Epsilon Deuteron '41. Engineer, U. S. Army, Panama Canal Zone.

Neiderhauser, Mark H., Kappa '42. Sergeant, a Virginia camp.

Millikan, Eddie. Captain, Fort Benning, Georgia.

Orem, Bob, Pi '42. Private, U. S. Army, Camp Lee, Petersburg, Va.

Post, Fred, Pi '40. Flying Cadet, U. S. Army.

Prout, Charles U., Alpha Deuteron '36. 1st Lieutenant, Engineer Corps, Puerto Rico.

Reeder, Bill, Tau '41. Pilot, Navy Air Corps.

Richardson, Ralph, Pi '39. Officer, U. S. Naval Reserve.

Rupp, Edward, Pi '40. Flying Cadet, U. S. Army.

Russell, Earl L., Omicron Deuteron. R. C. A. F., No. 2 Manning Depot, Brandon, Manitoba, Canada.

Spurck, Robert W., Kappa '41. Private, 38th Air Base Squadron, Will Rogers Field, Oklahoma City, Okla.

Thomas, Daniel Jr., Kappa '41. Private, 76th School Squadron, Ellington Field, Texas.

VanZandt, Kirby, Beta '42. Air Corps.

Vinzant, Mark H., Kappa '40. 1st Lieutenant, Pilot, Air Corps.

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Council Meets in Chicago

The Council of Phi Sigma Kappa met at the Edgewater Beach Hotel in Chicago August 16-17, 1941. All members were present except Brother Atchison and Brother Stark. Brother Atchison was on maneuvers and Brother Stark was unable to attend because of a strike at his plant. Brother Rupert who came directly from Newfoundland travelled steadily for five days to be at the meeting.

Brother Marchmont reported in full on the activities of his administration during the academic year immediately past. Each of the regional directors reported on the conditions of the chapters in their respective jurisdictions. Applications for employment as resident councillor were considered and three appointments were made. Unfortunately, however, draft and defense work nullified the appointments. The Council authorized appointment of a Field Secretary as part of the program of special aid to chapters.

The dates and places for the holding of the regional conclaves were discussed and in most cases agreed upon. Brother Marchmont stressed the significance of holding carefully planned conclaves. Brother Marchmont announced the appointment of Brother Watts as chairman of the Diamond Jubilee Committee, whose function it will be to formulate the program for the celebration of the 75th anniversary of the founding of Phi Sigma Kappa in 1948. Following Brother Marchmont's recommendation to the Council that each administration appropriate funds for this celebration, the Council authorized such an appropriation by this administration. The Council decided to hold the next convention in Region Three. The Council reviewed the audit of the Endowment Fund, and discussed with Brother D. R. Collins, Alumni Secretary, the endowment fund program.

Recommendations of the Interfraternity Conference to all fraternities were given careful consideration.

Grand Commander

We are all very proud of Dr. M. Hume Bedford, Phi Deuteron Fac., who has received one of the highest honors bestowed upon a Phi Sig from Kentucky in many years. Brother Bedford has re-



DR. M. HUME BEDFORD

cently been elected Grand Commander of the Grand Commandery of Kentucky, Knights Templar. Brother Bedford was elected an honorary member of the Commandery and presented with a certificate of membership. One hundred Sir Knights attended the meeting.

Official Conclave Notice

The Regional Conclave of Region IV of Phi Sigma Kappa, Beta Triton chapter house, Galesburg, Illinois, November 14-15.

Official Conclave Notice

The Regional Conclave of Region I of Phi Sigma Kappa, Omicron chapter house, 487 Commonwealth Avenue, Boston, Massachusetts, December 14, 2:00 p. m.

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The Regional Conclave of Region III of Phi Sigma Kappa, Eta chapter house, College Park, Maryland, November 15.

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The Regional Conclave of Region V of Phi Sigma Kappa, Eta Deuteron chapter house, 737 Lake Street, Reno, Nevada, November 22-23.

Franklin C. Palm,
Director from Region V

Official Conclave Notice

The Regional Conclave of Region VI of Phi Sigma Kappa, Mu Deuteron chapter house, 1011 Gerald Avenue, Missoula, Montana, December 6 and 7.

C. Marc Miller,
Director from Region VI

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CHAPTER INVISIBLE

Dr. George Edward Stone

Dr. George Edward Stone, Alpha '86, the best friend U. S. trees ever had, died May 28, 1941, at Amherst, Massachusetts, at the age of 80. His were the scientific discoveries which lie behind the modern craft of tree surgery. In a number of patent fights, when professional tree surgeons claimed exclusive rights to tricks of their trade, Dr. Stone proved that he had long before anticipated them.

Dr. Stone was born in Leicester, Massachusetts, of good New England stock and entered the Massachusetts Agricultural College in the fall of 1883 as a member of the class of '86. The following year he left M. A. C. and entered Massachusetts Tech where he specialized in biology. In 1891 he went to Germany and enrolled at the University of Leipzig as a student of plant physiology under the great Pfeffer. After getting his Ph. D. Dr. Stone returned to Massachusetts Agricultural College and began to teach a generation of botanists new conceptions of plant disease and care. He helped to found Massachusetts' system of tree wardens, went about the United States diagnosing tree ailments, usually at a glance, and advising communities how to preserve their leafiness for gas, electricity, insects, fungi, etc. A good hand with chisel and trowel, Dr. Stone devised methods of repairing trees. His teachings stimulated a host of tree surgeons and researchers, who learned to treat trees as living things.

Aside from Dr. Stone's scientific achievements and publications on various plants, he was a talented musician. The Mt. Pleasant home of Doctor and Mrs. Stone has always been, up to the time of Mrs. Stone's recent serious illness and

finally her death, a mecca for their student friends. Mrs. Stone was a sister of Founder X. Y. Clark. To have heard Brother Stone with his violin play "jigs" to the accompaniment of a sympathetic



DR. GEORGE E. STONE

pianist was one of those rare experiences which comes only to a few.

Dr. Stone's greatest accomplishment, according to those who knew and revered him, was the personal influence which he exerted upon many of those with whom he came in contact, that indefinable, incomprehensible thing which we call inspiration and loyalty. His greatest accomplishments are recorded in the alumni list of Massachusetts Agricultural College.

The F. A. Bartlett Tree Expert Company dedicated its laboratory in Stamford, Connecticut, to Brother Stone, on July 20, 1936.

Joseph H. Cull

Joseph Henry Cull, Upsilon '10, industry's representative on the State Unemployment Compensation Board since its creation in 1936, and president and treasurer of the Cull Silk Mills, Inc., in Pawtucket, died on June 21, 1941, in Boston.

Born in Providence on September 2, 1888, he graduated from Providence Classical High School. He entered Brown University with the Class of 1910 and graduated with the degree of Bachelor of Science in Electrical Engineering.

For two years after leaving college, Mr. Cull was associated with the General Electric Company in Schenectady, N. Y. From 1912 to 1917, he was a textile sales engineer in Paterson, N. J., and from 1917 to 1923, he was resident agent there for the Crompton & Knowles Loom Works.

Returning to Pawtucket, Rhode Island, in 1923, he established the Cull Silk Mills, Inc.

In 1936 when the Legislature passed the act setting up the unemployment compensation system in Rhode Island, the then Governor, Theodore Green, named Mr. Cull as one of the original appointees to the board. The Senate gave its unanimous confirmation, as it did later when Mr. Cull's original term expired.

Mr. Cull was active in the National Association of Manufacturers, serving on the resolutions and economic security committees of that organization.

Besides his wife and mother, Brother Cull is survived by a sister and three brothers.

Thomas Leahy

Brother Thomas Leahy, Delta '07, died suddenly of a heart attack in a mine near Central City, Kentucky, on the 29th of April, 1941.

Brother Leahy received his degree at West Virginia University in 1907, and will be remembered as captain of the football team in his senior year. He had been a successful mining engineer in Central City for the last 25 years.

He is survived by his wife, Eula Denton Leahy.

Louis J. Kolb

Colonel Louis J. Kolb, Mu '87, philanthropist, banker, businessman and collector of Americana, died July 2, 1941, in Johns Hopkins Hospital at Baltimore, Maryland.

A short time after his birth in New York, the family moved to Philadelphia. He attended Rugby Academy in that city and then was graduated from the University of Pennsylvania in 1887. He was prominent as an athlete, winning the intercollegiate bicycle championship of Pennsylvania and the amateur bicycle championship of the United States.

After his graduation, Colonel Kolb took control of the baking business established by his father and expanded it until it was one of the largest in Philadelphia. Eventually it was merged with other large companies throughout the country into the General Baking Company, and he became a director of that company.

He invented a new type of bakery oven and organized a company to promote it. He also entered the yeast production business. Then he disposed of the baking business to become one of the largest holders of central city real estate, and in later years his business interests became wide and varied.

His charities were numerous and in 1928, he gave \$100,000 to the Graduate

Hospital of the University of Pennsylvania for the purchase of radium and clinical accessories for the fight against cancer. Many of his charities were known only to members of his family and close associates.

Perhaps his greatest hobby was the collection of antiques, especially clocks and watches, which came from all parts of the world. He collected, among other things, rare manuscripts and Lincolnia, Benjamin Franklin's lap-desk, the wedding veil worn by the Widow Custis when she married George Washington and the original manuscript of the "Star Spangled Banner."

In addition to his wife, Colonel Kolb is survived by two daughters.

Harrison H. Riddleberger

Harrison H. Riddleberger, Lambda '08, assistant cashier of the Bank of the Manhattan Company in its personal loan department, died September 7, 1941, at his home in New York, at the age of 56. He was the son of the late Senator H. H. Riddleberger of Virginia.

Brother Riddleberger was born in Woodstock, Virginia, and obtained his law degree from George Washington University in Washington, D. C. He leaves a widow, Mrs. Mary Cuddy Riddleberger, and four children.

Calvin Richard Shaw

Flying Cadet Calvin Richard Shaw, Pi, '38, was killed on September 16 when his training plane struck a power line as he was attempting to land at Maxwell Field. Shaw was scheduled for graduation as a second lieutenant on October 31. He was coming in from a routine training flight at the time of the accident.

MARRIAGES

Dr. Gordon C. Losee, Alpha Deuteron '31, and Miss Madeleine Weckel were married on June 8, 1940.

Dr. and Mrs. Losee are now living at 4315 N. Pershing Drive, Arlington, Virginia. He is Financial Analyst in the Public Utilities Division of the Securities and Exchange Commission, Washington, D. C.

Oliver Z. Bolt, Xi Deuteron '34, and Miss Lee Myrtle Williams were married June 23, 1941, in Knoxville, Tennessee. Brother Bolt is with the Southern Railway.

Robert G. Potts, Epsilon Deuteron '38, who is working for the Department of Agriculture in Laramie, Wyoming, was married on April 16, 1941, to Bettie Taylor of Mountainview, Wyoming.

Eugene C. Royse, Phi Deuteron '31, and Mrs. Alice B. Zweigart were married in the First Methodist Church in Maysville, Kentucky, on May 29, 1941.

Brother Royse is practicing law in Maysville and is Prosecuting Attorney in City Police Court.

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BABY GRAMS

A son, Arthur Charles, was born to **T. J. Harris**, Xi Deuteron '42, and Mrs. Harris, of Middlesboro, Kentucky, on July 11, 1941.

John T. Finnegan, Alpha '12, and Mrs. Finnegan, of Jamaica Plain, Massachusetts, are the parents of boy triplets, Paul, Richard and Kevin, born July 19, 1941. The new arrivals increase the Finnegan family to six children.

Henry Segretti, Omega Deuteron '27, and Mrs. Segretti are the parents of a son, Donald Henry, born September 17, 1941. Brother Segretti is Commissioner for California and was formerly Director from Region Five.

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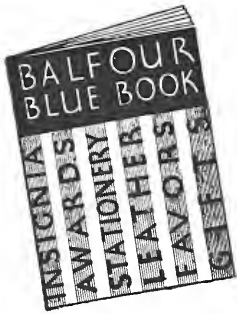
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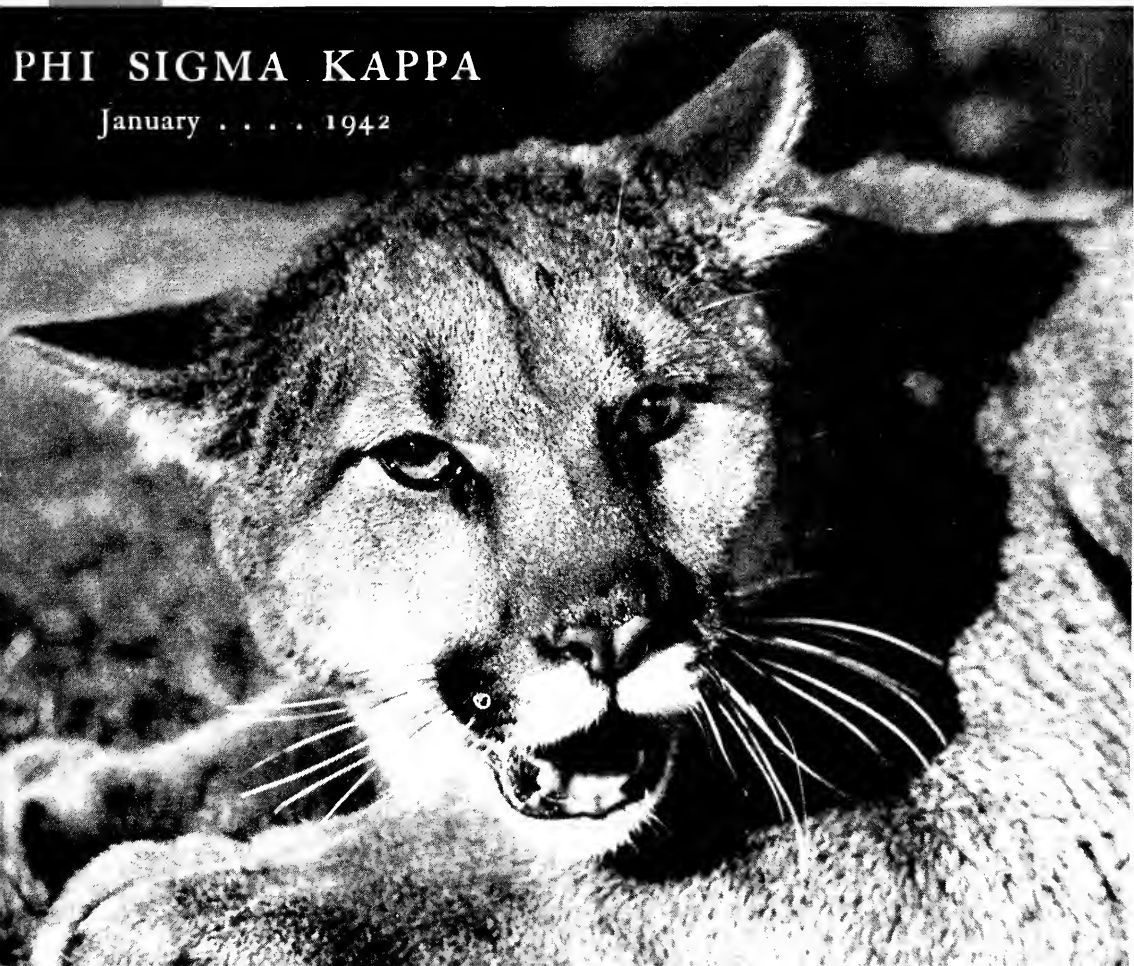
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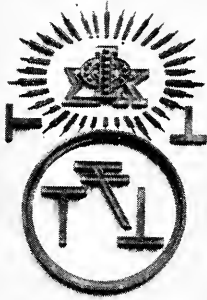
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Producing Broadway Hits, by Nick Holde, Zeta '02; The No. 1 Man on the Medical Front; A Day with the World's Largest Syndicate, by George S. Amsbary, Alpha Deuteron '41; On Biology and Medicine, by Dr. Charles Sheard, Xi '03; This Writing Business, by H. S. Latham, Theta '09; The Expanding Army, by Col. Kenneth Buchanan, Alpha Deuteron '17; Experiences of a Petroleum Geologist in Sumatra (continued), by I. K. Nichols, Theta Deuteron '37; The Relation of Transportation to the War, by G. Lloyd Wilson Phi '18; The Pennsylvania Turnpike's Chief Engineer, by Jesse M. Aycock; France under German Occupation, by Samuel G. Underhill, Omicron Hon.; Alaska Series, by Charles O. Morgan, Delta Deuteron '36.

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The State College of Washington

By HERBERT KIMBROUGH, *Chi Deuteron*



IN January 15, 1892, fifty years ago, the State College of Washington opened its doors for instruction with an enrollment of 60 students. (The college now has an annual enrollment of more than 5,000, excluding all duplicates.) Its title at that time was the Washington Agricultural College, School of Science and Experiment Station. Looking after the institution was Dr. George Lilley who was named president of the college and director of the experiment station.

Enoch A. Bryan came from Indiana in 1893 to take over the administration of the college. No stronger man could have been selected by the Board of Regents for the post, and under President Bryan's leadership the institution grew and prospered.

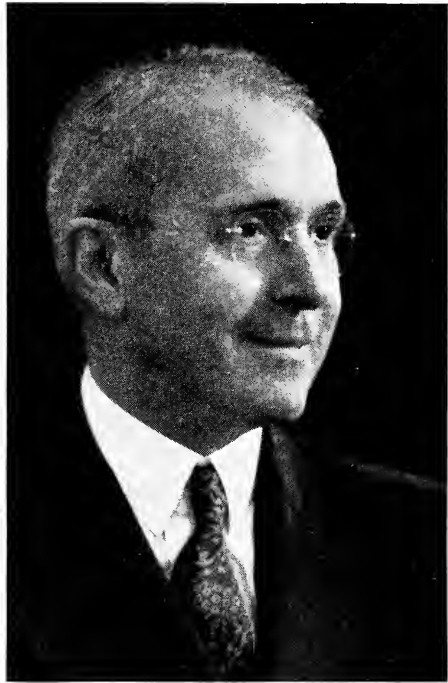
The 1901 football team won the Pacific Northwest title. In 1905 the title of the college was changed by the legislature to The State College of Washington, by which it is known today. During President Bryan's administration the enrollment grew to some sixteen hundred students in 1915.

After twenty-three years of service Dr. Bryan resigned, and on January 1, 1916, Dr. E. O. Holland formally took over the presidency of the institution he is serving so faithfully and efficiently today. That same New Year's day saw Washington State College get into the headlines of the nation's press for a second reason, as its football team defeated Brown University 14 to 0 in the first Rose Bowl game ever held. Incidentally, the

State College Cougars returned to the Rose Bowl in 1931, losing to a great Alabama team.

Reorganization of the entire college came in June, 1917, when the departments were grouped into five colleges and four schools, with deans as administrative heads.

In 1922, less than a year after regular



E. O. Holland, President of the State College of Washington.

broadcasting began in the United States, KFAE, the college radio station, went on the air. It was made possible through the pioneering experimentation of Dean H. V. Carpenter, of the College of Engineering, his colleagues, and engineering students. In 1926 the call letters were changed to KWSC.

KWSC, the 5,000-watt non-commercial

← A snow scene of Bryan Hall, named after Dr. Enoch O. Bryan, past president of the State College of Washington.

station owned and operated by the college, is not only the oldest, but is one of the most important educational stations in the United States. Through the cooperation of faculty, students and organizations, it broadcasts an average of 200 live programs each week. It has provided training for some 100 graduates who are holding important positions in the radio field. An outstanding example is Edward R. Murrow, a 1930 graduate, who is now Chief of the Foreign CBS News Staff.

Today the college campus is dotted with 32 large brick and concrete buildings, and three more are in the process of construction. A new men's and a new women's gymnasium, a field house, and a stadium provide students with the finest of athletic facilities.

The State College of Washington offers regular courses of instruction in more than ninety subjects. Main divisions include the College of Sciences and Arts, College of Agriculture, College of Home Economics, College of Mechanical Arts and Engineering, College of Veterinary Medicine, School of Mines and Geology, School of Education, School of Phar-

macy, School of Business Administration, School of Music and Fine Arts, the Graduate School, and the Graduate School of Social Work. An important addition for 1941 is the Department of Police Science and Administration.

The College of Sciences and Arts extends its offerings into a wide range of fields including journalism, radio, economics, sociology, anthropology, history, political science, chemistry, botany, English, foreign languages, zoology, and pre-medicine and pre-law.

The Main Agricultural Experiment Station is at the college and five other stations are located in various parts of the state. More than 100 employees are on the staff of the Agricultural Extension Service. Important stations located on the campus are the Engineering Experiment Station and the Mining Experiment Station. The college library contains 475,000 bound volumes and some 2,000,000 unbound pieces.

Students of the college are housed in 10 college-operated dormitories, 15 sororities, 22 fraternities, in coöperatives and in private homes.



THE ORIGINAL HOME OF BETA CHI ALPHA

History of Chi Deuteron

By WARREN K. SMITH, '43



ETA CHI ALPHA, a local men's fraternity was organized in the spring of 1923 and immediately began to make a place for itself on the campus of Washington State College. Records in our scrap book show that the members and pledges both took an active part in many campus organizations and activities, and the Beta Chi's weren't backward in social activities either.

In the 1923-24 school year, the local fraternity began to work toward becoming a member of Phi Sigma Kappa. The guest log shows the signatures of Phi Sigs from all over the country who visited at Beta Chi Alpha in order to look it over. The national convention in August, 1925, voted to grant Beta Chi Alpha a charter as Chi Deuteron Chapter of Phi Sigma Kappa.

William F. Wood, regional vice-president, headed the induction team which formally installed Chi Deuteron as the forty-sixth chapter of Phi Sigma Kappa on December 17 and 18, 1926. Other members of the induction team were: Henry M. Hart, Cornell, 1896; H. O. Kent, Lehigh, 1906; George H. Greenwood, Dartmouth, 1905; Samuel P. Weaver, Gettysburg, 1904; Dr. A. A. Matthews, Maryland, 1900; Homer B. Morris, Oregon Agricultural College, 1918; Fielding McClaine, Cornell, 1914; Charles N. Mann, Washington, 1925; Buford Sommers, Washington, 1926; B. K. Curry, Minnesota; H. R. Herman, Ohio State, 1918; Eugene Cullen, Washington, 1928; David Brannon, Washington, 1928; Wallace Brennan, Montana, 1925; William Martin, Montana, 1927; Frank Tierney, Montana, 1928; Jesse Lewellen, Montana, 1926.

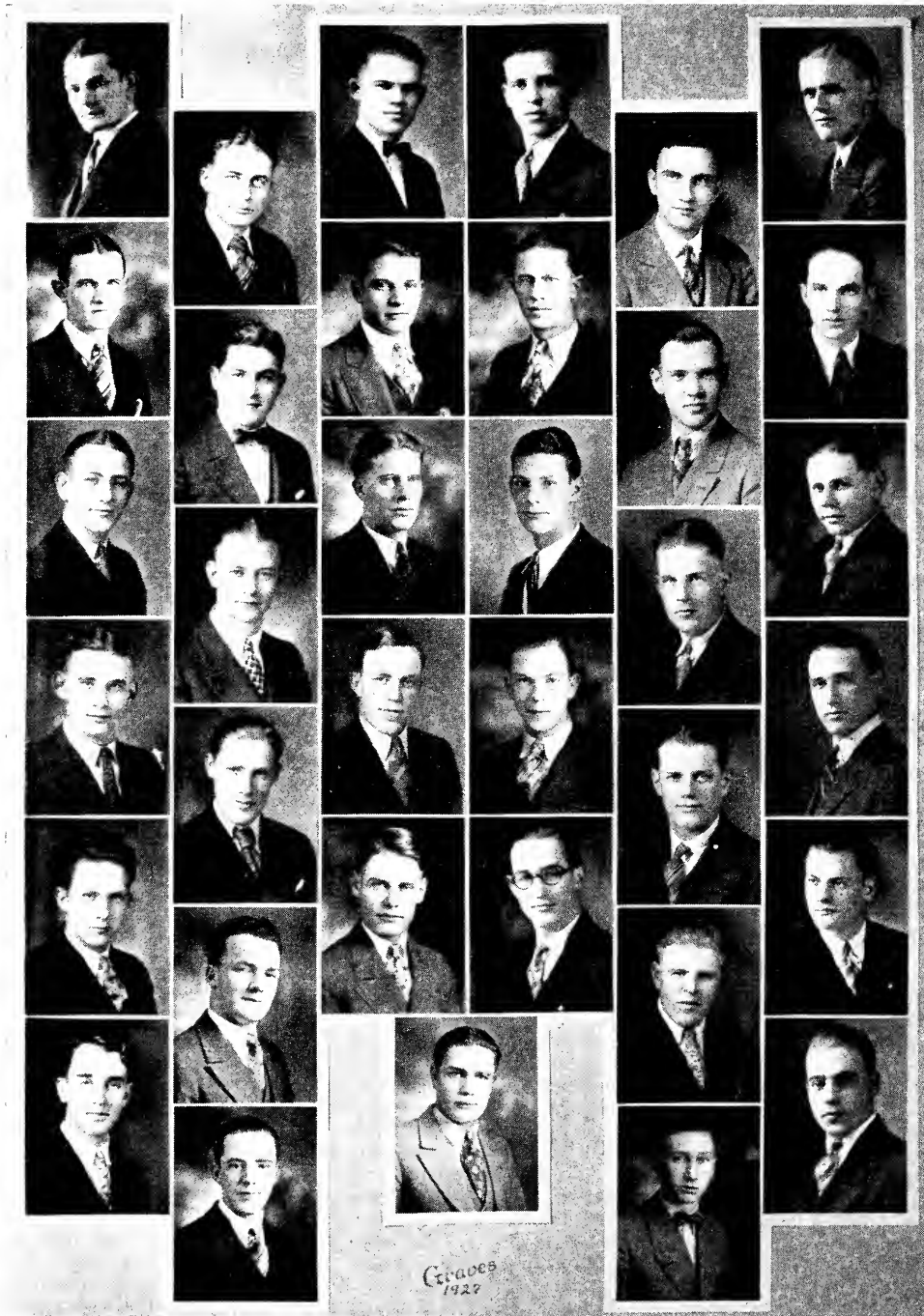
Forty members were taken into the organization at this induction. L. M. Davenport and J. W. Burgan, prominent Spokane business men were installed in Spokane the following Sunday when they entertained the new chapter and the induction team at a banquet in the



Herbert Kimbrough, Vice-president of Washington State College.

Davenport Hotel. Other prominent charter members are E. L. Green; Edward M. Jones; Herbert Kimbrough, Dean of Music and Fine Arts, Vice-President of Washington State College and also a Trustee of the college; Carl Morrow, former Dean of Men, who is still taking part in many of Chi Deuteron's activities; and W. D. Vincent, President of the Old National Bank, Spokane. Some of the charter members are pictured on page 6.

In 1932 the old frame house was torn



Charter members of Chi Deuteron pictured here are: Left row, top to bottom: Dan Daubert, Don Williams, Gordon Wotherspoon, Horace Campbell, Wayne Hill, Vincent LaVeille. Second row from left, top to bottom: Clifford MacDonald, Jack Stotler, Emil Lindseth, William Langford, Al Daubert, Ed Keats. Third row from left, top to bottom: Robert Cooper, Wayne Doughty, Eugene F. Lane, Howard Rundle, Ray MacDonald. Fourth row from left, top to bottom: Paul Heimer, Ed Linke, Roy W. Clark, Dave Brannon, Kenneth Wotherspoon. Fifth row from left, top to bottom: Franklin VanZandt, Ward McCracken, Roy P. Moller, Marion E. Cady, Irving Jensen, Gardner Hart. Right row, top to bottom: Jay C. Harris, Donald Taylor, Lloyd Loffler, Verne MacMartin, William H. Young, Donald Swart. Lower center: Wayne Hawker.

down, and a new brick building capable of housing from thirty-six to forty men was built in its place on the corner of Opal and Colorado Streets where the old building had stood. We have never had any trouble keeping our house full; usually, the main problem has been that of selecting the men to live in the house.

W. S. C. is a strong track school, having won the Northern Division Championship of the Pacific Coast Conference nine consecutive times now. Chi Deuteron has been the home of many of the athletes who have brought these championships to their school.

We have always tried to improve our chapter, knowing that he who rests begins to slide backwards. The alumni have been very energetic in helping us to maintain a prominent place on the campus among the fraternities and sororities and in carrying out the ideals of Phi Sigma Kappa. We hope the next fifteen years will be as successful as the past fifteen years have been.



U. G. Whiffen, Chapter Adviser.

January Cover

The cover picture of this SIGNER is that of Butch II, the State College of Washington's mascot. He was obtained in the forest of the state of Washington in 1937. Butch I died in the winter of 1937 and 1938 and was replaced by Butch II.

He was named after the great Butch Meeker, who was an All-American quarterback in 1927 on the Cougar team.

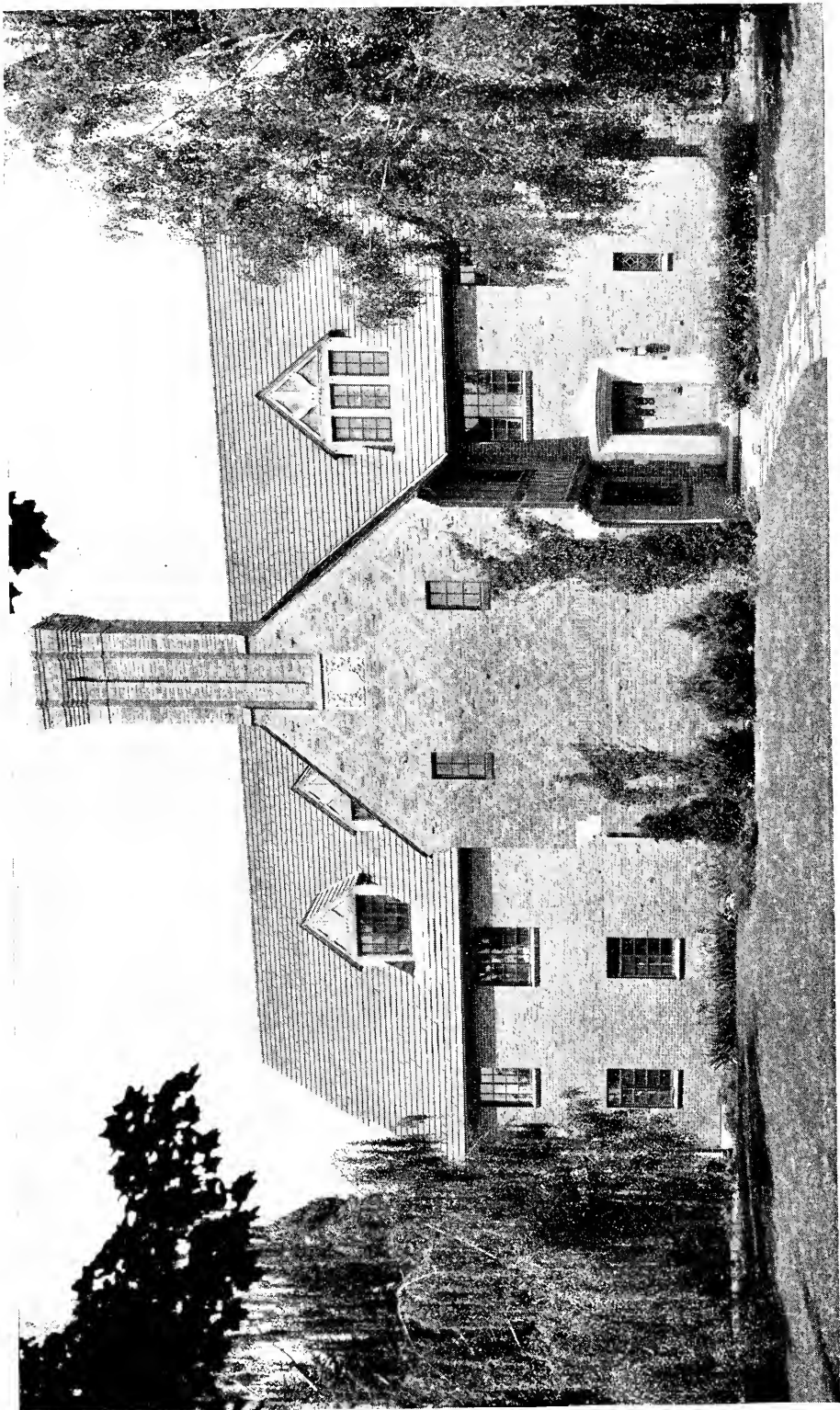
Butch II attends all of the large athletic events in his crimson and gray trailer cage. When he enters the stadium a loud ovation rises from the Cougar boosters.

Butch II is an idol, tradition, and hero at Washington State College, and stands as its symbol of fighting spirit and history.

In honor of the State College of Washington, the SIGNER has used for its cover colors the crimson and gray of that college.



One of Chi Deuteron's Phi Betes,
K. Wallace, 1940.



CHAPTER HOUSE

The Active Chapter

By FRANK A. KRAMER, '42



HI DEUTERON of Phi Sigma Kappa has made its place among the fraternities at Washington State College. This we owe to the chapters of years before as well as to the chapter of today. We have 43 active members and 22 pledges to date. We have tried to maintain a group which represents various interests.

Many honors are held by the affiliates. For the past six consecutive semesters we have led the large social fraternities in scholastic standing. We have accomplished this by carefully choosing our pledges and considering aptitude test scores as well as high school ratings.

Roger LeClerc, our secretary, represents us in Tau Beta Pi. In Sigma Tau we have four fellows. Bob Wilkinson, a psychology minor, has his place in Psi Chi. Sigma Delta Chi is represented by Bob Boyer, editor of the college newspaper, and Gerald Weitz, sports editor. Three boys belong to Alpha Kappa Psi. Seven boys are in Alpha Delta Sigma, of which Louis Perkins is president. In Alpha Phi Omega we have five, including Warren Smith, secretary. Sigma Alpha Omicron has chosen two Phi Sigs, and Scabbard and Blade has three, with Earl Cochran, our house manager, as vice-president.

In sports we have been especially strong in track, boasting Bill Dale, Pat Haley, and Claro Bergevin, who won the Turkey Trot, an annual freshman race. Before these runners, were Pat Pettichord, Jack and Lee Orr, and Dixie Garner. A sophomore, Al Akins, is on the first string basketball squad. Louis Perkins is Senior Basketball Manager and Jack McGee Junior Manager.

We are represented in class officers by

Don Buckley, our vice-president, and a member of the executive council of the Senior Class, and Bob Knoll, a member of the executive council of the freshman class. Dean Lindley is a member of the Bookstore Board, and Dick McWhorter was on the Dad's Day Committee. The Rally Committee has Bob Boyer as one of its members. Dick McWhorter is also Sales Manager of the *Chinook*, the yearbook of W. S. C., Don Schmick is an assistant to Dick. Warren Smith, Sterling La Rue and Dick McWhorter are Junior Intercollegiate Knights, following in the footsteps of Earl Cochran.

Crimson Circle, the outstanding Senior Men's Service Honorary has Earl Cochran, Bob Thornfeldt, Bob Boyer and Bill Dale as members.

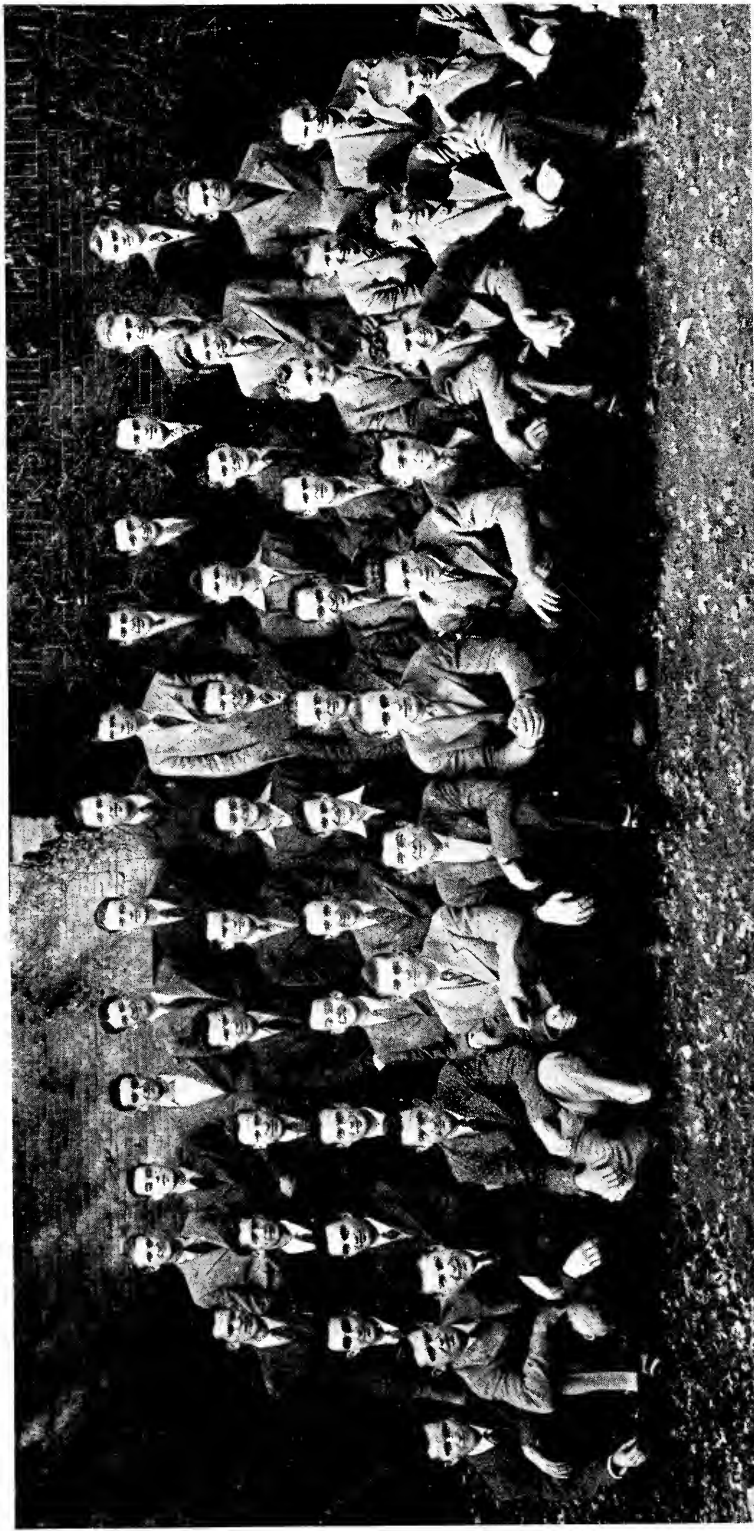
Bob Wilkinson is the executive secretary of the Interfraternity Council, with Earl Cochran vice-president.

The head announcer of the college radio station is Bob Wilkinson; Dick Godon is the news announcer and Bob Pope and George Mooney have places on the announcing staff. Three younger members are on the production staff.

Our house officers are Frank Kramer, president; Don Buckley, vice-president; Roger LeClerc, secretary; Earl Cochran, treasurer; Hal Beard, sentinel; and Roscoe Balch, inductor.

Social functions include numerous after-dinner dances, exchange dinners and firesides. We have four dances a year. That which is most looked forward to is the Formal Dinner Dance held on Founders' Day.

We maintain the record our predecessors have set, to secure a place above all other fraternities, to train pledges to be good members and to plan always for Phi Sigma Kappa's bright future—these are the goals of Chi Deuteron.



ACTIVE CHAPTER

First row, kneeling, left to right: George Quinn, Jim Cottrel, Gerald Weitz, Will Gerlitz, Charles Mead, Bob Knoll, Dale Johnson, Al Akins, Claro Bergevin, Art Saford, Kenny Symbol, Ralph Uppman.
 Second row: Hal Beard, Jim Frederickson, Pete Hupperten, Jack McGee, Bill Cudney, Eldon Drennan, Bob Seney, Dick Kernighan, George Wegsteen, Frank Kramer, Dick MacWhorter, Roger Le Clerc.
 Third row: Bob Pope, Eddie Myers, Earl Cochran, Ed Reincke, Bob Martin, George O'Neil, Dean Lindley, Warren Smith, Hal Smith, Bob Brown, George Miller.
 Fourth row: Roscoe Balch, Elwood Shemwell, Virgil Graff, George Hutcheck, Al Diedesch, Bill Wooten, Don Buckley, Howard Simmons, Hugh Donahue, Louis Perkins, Bob Wilkinson, Bob Mackie.



Frank A. Kramer, President
Alpha Delta Sigma
Interfraternity Council



Earl Cochran, Treasurer
Sigma Tau
Scabbard and Blade
Interfraternity Council
Junior Intercollegiate Knight

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Fifteen years at Washington State College have written into the history of Phi Sigma Kappa a splendid record of the growth and achievements of Chi Deuteron.

On these pages we review with understandable pride, the accomplishments of this chapter and its members, and pay tribute to it in the dedication of this issue of The SIGNET.



Roger Le Clerc, Secretary
Tau Beta Pi
Phi Lambda Upsilon
Sigma Tau
Alpha Chi Sigma



Bob Boyer
Editor, The Evergreen
Sigma Delta Chi
Scabbard and Blade
American Institute of Civil Engineers

Reunion

By DEAN LINDLEY, *Chi Deuteron '44*



THE newly inducted members in Phi Sigma Kappa were highly pleased with their new bond of brotherhood, and at a gay, spirited gathering one night it was decided that it would be a great idea if all members of the Chi Deuteron Chapter of Phi Sigma Kappa could gather again at some future date when the chapter had become well established on the campus. After some consideration the group decided that a period of fifteen years would be about the right length of time to elapse before such a gathering should be held; 1940 was adopted as the year when all Chi Deuteronions were to return for the big reunion at the dear old chapter house. It was decided to hold the reunion in conjunction with the annual Washington State Homecoming. The slogan "Back to Chi Deuteron in '40" was adopted and every man to leave the Chapter was to keep the date open for the reunion. Every year a season of successful rushing followed later by initiation of the qualified men swelled the chapter's rolls, but each man was impressed with the slogan, "Back to Chi Deuteron in '40."

As the time drew nearer to the eventful date more elaborate preparation was made. A big campaign was started to refresh everyone's memory of the big homecoming and to get as large a turnout as possible. Stickers were printed and given each member and sent to every known alumnus. These stickers carried the familiar slogan and helped materially to publicize the event. The alumni chairman worked diligently to bring the file of alumni addresses up to date, but some were impossible to find.

Brother George Wegsteen, Chi Deuteron '42, alumni chairman at the time

of the "Back to Chi Deuteron" week, is to be given much of the credit for the successful functioning of the event. That fall, letters were written to all known alumni, and it was found that over a period of fifteen years the group had become quite widely distributed. We received answers from all parts of the United States, some from South America, and Alaska.

As early as Thursday evening of the big week the alumni had begun to show up and active members were giving up their beds to their senior brothers. Joe Keiffer, Chi Deuteron '32, should have had the medal for coming the farthest if any such award had been given, for he came from Lima, Peru. G. C. Daxis came from Wichita, Kansas. Others who came back to Chi Deuteron in 1940 from far away places were: Ken Wallace, '40, from New York; Claude Weitz, '40, from Minnesota; Frank Van Zandt, '27, and Vern McMartin, '28, from Tennessee, and Ben Petrie, '35 from San Francisco.

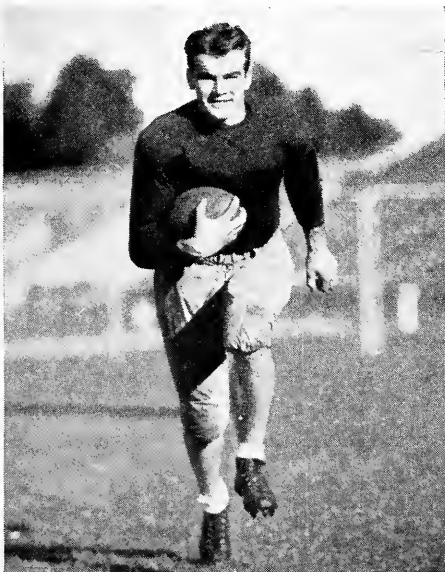
I would like to take a quotation from a letter which Brother Van Zandt wrote us after having returned to Chi Deuteron last year. He said in regard to his visit, "You probably do not know what pleasure it is for an alum to come back after a number of years and find everything going so well, and to be welcomed at the house in the same way as we used to greet the brothers that happened in."

Before the week was out more than one hundred and fifty Chi Deuteron Phi Sigs had again feasted within the walls of the old chapter house. For many it was the first time since they had left school. As "Back to Chi Deuteron" was held in connection with the annual Washington State College Homecoming, there was a great deal of activity on the

campus as well as at the Phi Sig house. The main feature of the week was the Stanford-Washington State College football game. A dance for the alumni was held in the chapter house as well as various other alumni get-togethers. A formal meeting was held by the alumni during which the statement was made that the chapter was continually progressing and the belief expressed that the chapter is at an all time high.

Many of the alumni who had not seen each other since their undergraduate days stayed up most of the night reliving their good old college days and becoming better acquainted with the members of other times. But all good things must come to an end and so, having wished our grand group of alums a pleasant journey we saw them depart. During the year there was also a number of others who came back but could not make it for the special occasion.

The inspiration that "Back to Chi Deuteron in '40" gave us left us with the hope that someday our Chi Deuteron alumni might gather again.



Joe Sienko, one of Chi Deuteron's great fullbacks (1937).

CARL MORROW

Brother Carl Morrow of Chi Deuteron Chapter served on the Council of Phi Sigma Kappa as vice-president and director-in-charge of scholarship from 1930-1938. He was a most helpful scholarship director and he was largely responsible for the improved scholarship of the chapters of Phi Sigma Kappa.

Brother Morrow graduated from the University of Iowa. After serving the public schools of Iowa for some years he returned to the University in 1923 as Assistant to the Dean of Men. Three years later he was made Dean of Men at Washington State College, which position he held for many years.

On November 12th and 13th, 1941, he visited the National Headquarters (see SIGNET, page 51) where he and national Secretary-Treasurer Schoening discussed the fraternity and recalled old times.

Brother Morrow is an energetic student of the American Indian and he has been honored by them as one of their loyal and steadfast friends. The Indian bonnet worn by him in the picture above referred to, is an Assineboine War Bonnet, given Brother Morrow by the Stoney Band of the Assineboine Tribe at the Indian ceremonial in Banff, Alberta, Canada. This bonnet is especially interesting inasmuch as it was used by a Nez-Perce Indian chief in the filming of the "North West Passage."

The vest worn by Brother Morrow is a beaded vest containing over 100,000 beads, individually locked-stitched in the vest.

The gauntlets of Brother Morrow's gloves are made of dyed porcupine quills. Over 1,000 quills are used in the gloves.

To the Indians, Brother Morrow is Chief Wee-Yet-Ta-Kish, Koo-Ya-Mah.

The Corporation of Chi Deuteron

By SAMUEL P. WEAVER, *Rho Deuteron '04*



HORTLY after Chi Deuteron was inducted, a non-profit sharing corporation was formed under the laws of the State of Washington for the purpose of holding title to the Chapter's real and personal property. At the time, this property consisted of the land and dwelling at 1607 Opal Street, with the equip-



HARRY O. KENT

ment contained therein. A fair valuation would have been about \$13,000, against which there were two outstanding mortgages totaling approximately \$11,000.

The membership is divided into two classes, active and graduate. The active members are those in attendance at the College, and the graduate members are any members of the Fraternity, regardless of their original Chapter; provided

their class has graduated, and they had been duly elected to membership. The governing body is a Board of Trustees elected from the graduate membership.

By 1932, the original mortgages had been paid off, and a cash fund of about \$6,000 accumulated. Arrangements were then made for wrecking the old house and building the new one at the same location, which house was built in the summer of 1932 and completed in time for occupancy at the beginning of the fall semester. Financing arrangements were made strictly as a business proposition, for a total loan of \$28,500. in a first and second mortgage from the local Savings & Loan Association and a Pullman bank. This has been entirely repaid, excepting a small outstanding balance, which at this time is less than \$2,500. Normal income will entirely pay this off, with a surplus remaining, before the next anniversary in December, 1942; so that sixteen years after the Chapter was inducted, an investment of about \$45,000 in land, building and equipment, will be entirely clear. We believe it is outstanding to note that no donations or subscriptions of any kind have ever been asked for or given by the alumni.

The Corporation receives an income of \$400 per month for the nine months of each school year, as rent from the active Chapter. This represents a monthly per man charge of \$11.11, based on the house capacity of 36. This rental is for the house completely furnished, as the Corporation equips the house from their own funds and takes care of all replacements, improvements, repairs, taxes, insurance, etc. Also each new member originally obligated himself to pay a total of \$100 to the building fund. To start with, this was collected by a twice-

a-year billing of \$12.50 each for a period of four years. Experience proved that very few of these installments could be collected after the member left school, so for the past few years, the plan has been to add \$2.50 per month on to the house bill for the period he remains in college without further obligation. A man who is pledged in his junior year would therefore only pay less than \$50.

The Trustees, in addition to operating the affairs of the Corporation, have always attempted to keep in close contact with the active chapter, as an advisory board. Several meetings are held each year with the Chapter Cabinet, and we believe this has proved of considerable value. These meetings in no way replace the duties of the chapter adviser who is always one of the Trustees, but in many cases, have given him valuable help.

We believe that all in all, this is an excellent record and wish at this time to give full credit to Harry O. Kent, Nu '09, a successful insurance man living in Spokane, who was the original Chapter adviser appointed at the time of the induction, and who has been continuously president and treasurer of the Corporation, for his leadership in this achievement. However, this must by no means minimize the excellent coöperation and help which has been given by the other Trustees. Particular mention should be made of Dean Herbert E. Kimbrough, Chi Deuteron Fac., vice-president of the College who also has served continuously, former Dean of Men, Carl Morrow, Chi Deuteron Fac., who served until he became a national officer, Samuel P. Weaver, Rho Deuteron '04, J. R. Herman, Pi Deuteron '19, and U. G. Whiffen, Chi Deuteron Fac.

In R. O. T. C., Chi Deuteron in March 1941 was represented by a Lieutenant Colonel, two Captains, two First Lieutenants, and three Second Lieutenants.

Weitz, A Former National Resident Counsellor

Claude Weitz, Chi Deuteron '40, was employed by the National Fraternity as a Resident Counsellor to Beta Deuteron Chapter during the academic year 1939-1940. His work was most commendable



CLAUDE WEITZ

and Beta Deuteron Chapter improved materially under his counsellorship.

Brother Weitz is now a medical student at the Medical School of the University of Oregon.

During his college days at Washington State College, Brother Weitz worked on publications and served as the 1940 Business Manager of the college yearbook, the *Chinook*.

Brother Weitz was also a member of the Crimson Circle, the Senior men's service honorary society, the Lectures and Entertainment Committee, The Publications Board and Alpha Delta Sigma.

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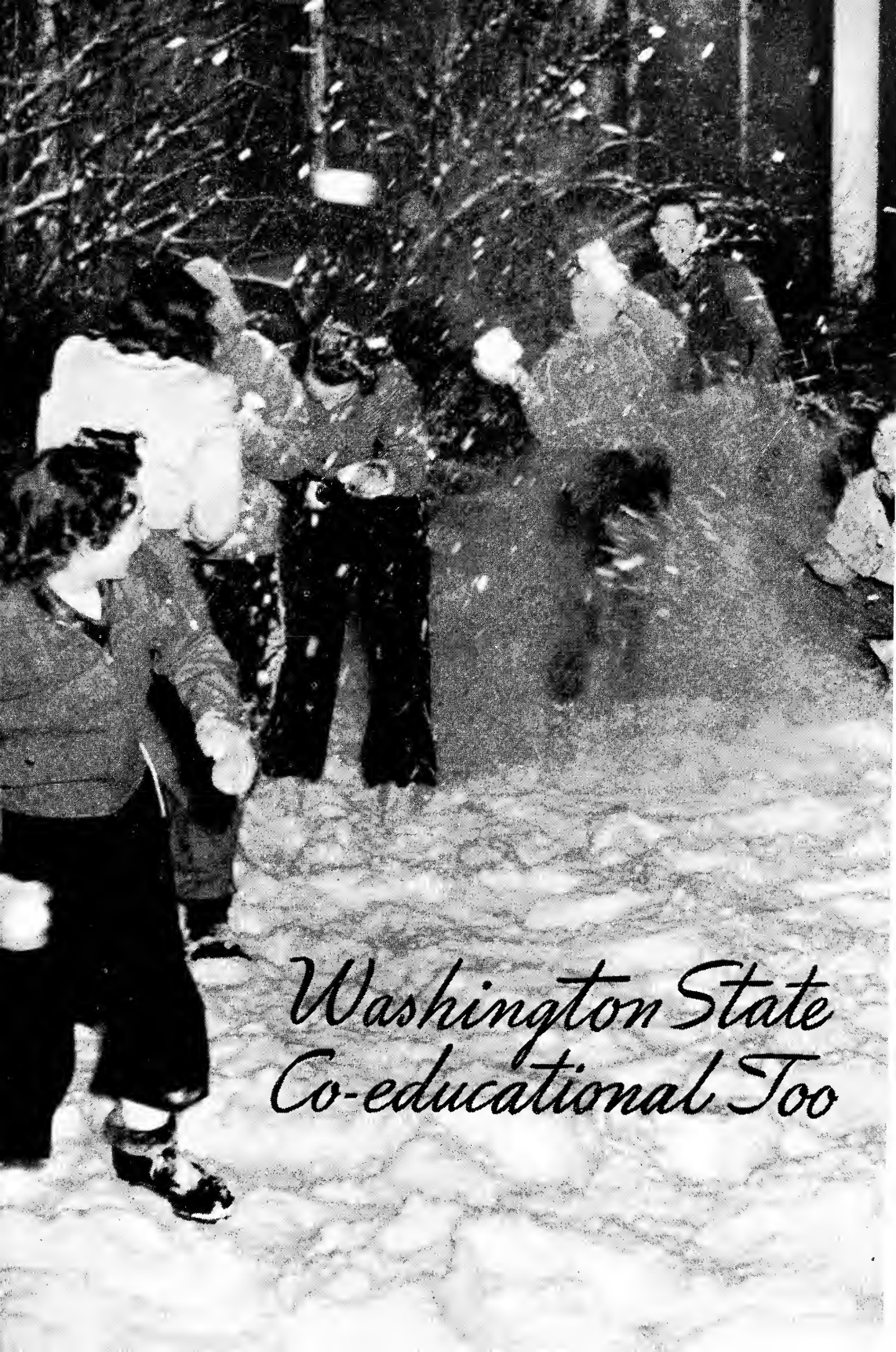


Chi Deuteron's traditional Christmas party.



Phi Sig W. S. C. track team.

In 1938-39 Chi Deuteron had five men on the W. S. C. track team. Shown above are, left to right: Coach Schlademan, Jack Orr, Dixon Garner, Bill Dale, Lee Orr, and Mel Petchord.



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Experiences of a Petroleum Geologist in Sumatra

By I. K. NICHOLS, *Theta Deuteron '37*

Brother Schoening has asked me to relate a few of my experiences in Sumatra during the two and a half years which I spent there as a field geologist for the N. V. Nederlandsche Pacific Petroleum Mij., a subsidiary of the Standard Oil Company of California. I find this to be a rather formidable task for at the present



I. K. NICHOLS

time I am sitting cross-legged in a small pitpan (dug-out canoe) as we creep slowly up the long tortuous meanders of the mighty Rio Coco in northern Nicaragua. This is a "far-cry" from Sumatra and my experiences while there seem like ancient history. Consequently this article will of necessity be rather sketchy and entirely in retrospect.

If I only possessed the descriptive powers of William Beebe or the wonderful imagination of Frank Buck, I could undoubtedly concoct some very interesting tales. However, since I have neither of these abilities, I will be forced to relate my experiences chronologically beginning as I boarded the S. S. *President Coolidge* in San Francisco on a balmy day in June, 1938, bound for the mysterious Far East, half way around the world.

Mr. W. E. Nygren, another geologist with the company, was also bound for The Indies and I was thankful for his companionship. It was useless to attempt to envision what was ahead so I settled down to a rather uneventful voyage of five weeks and decided to "cross the bridges when I came to them." The ship touched at Honolulu, Yokohama, Kobe, and Manila. We transferred to the M. S. *Tjisidane* of the Java-China-Japan Line at Manila and continued our voyage down through the Philippine Islands to Cebu; through the Sulu Sea past Zamboanga and along the east coast of Borneo to Makassar. After a very interesting day in Makassar where we got our first glimpse of the East Indies we continued on southward to Bali and finally disembarked at Soerabaya, Java. We caught the Java Nacht Express from Soerabaya to Batavia and arrived in Batavia early the next morning.

We were both pretty well "fed-up" with traveling after a month at sea and were thankful that our trip was at an end. When we left San Francisco the company had planned for us to work in Java, but, when we reported to the Batavia office, we were informed that we were being transferred to Sumatra and

that our boat would leave the following day.

Aboard ship again, we settled down once more to another week at sea and finally arrived in Medan on the north-east coast of Sumatra five weeks after sailing out of the Golden Gate.

Upon disembarking at Belawan Deli, the port of Medan, we found ourselves in an entirely new world. Malay and Chinese coolies clad only in shorts or loin cloths swarmed the docks. Their incessant shouting and chattering filled the air with a weird conglomeration of noises which were foreign to our ears. Fortunately a company representative met us at the boat and eased our bewilderment somewhat. Everyone was dressed in the proverbial whites of the tropics, and we felt decidedly out of place in our dark woolen suits. The terrific heat and humidity added to our discomfort. Somehow we survived the ordeal and soon found ourselves in the grand old Hotel de Boer in Medan with a tall, cold drink in front of us. After a couple of these Dutch gin drinks, things began to take on a different aspect and we decided that Sumatra wasn't a bad place after all.

We left Medan two days later by plane for Pakan Baroe, a small town deep in

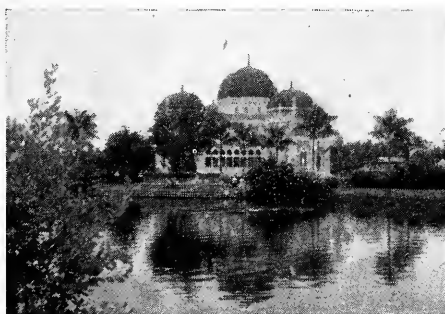
from an altitude of several thousand feet, the dense tropical jungle of the flat coastal plain of the east coast of Sumatra resembled a dark green field of freshly-cut alfalfa. Occasionally a muddy stream could be seen winding its way in huge,



Section of business district, Medan, Sumatra.

sharp, meanders towards the Straits of Malacca like a huge snake wriggling across a green lawn. These meanders often doubled back on themselves and many ox-bow lakes could be seen where the stream had finally cut across its meanders in places leaving crescent-shaped remnants. We were flying over the very country where we were to spend so many months sweating and swearing as we waded swamps and cut our way through the dense jungle; and I must say that the view from the plane proved much more pleasant than the view from the jungle up to the passing planes.

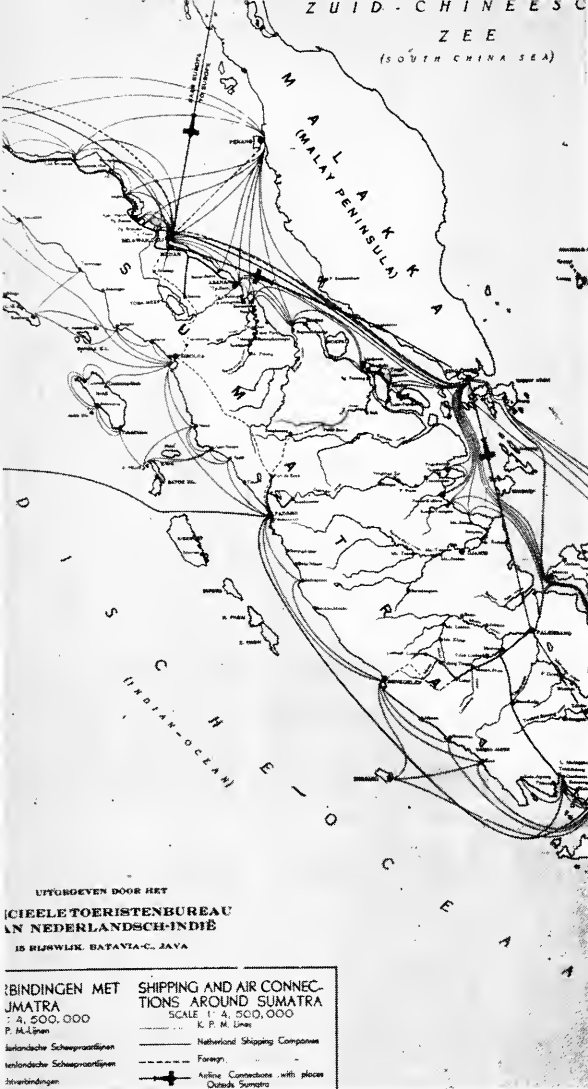
Pakan Baroe is the "jumping-off place" and from there travel is very slow and tedious. Mr. Nygren and I parted company there and that afternoon I started up the Siak river in a small outboard motorboat headed for the heart of the Sakai country northeast of Pakan Baroe where my field project lay. I carried with me a Japanese servant boy and two Malays for guides and motormen. They couldn't speak a word of English and I couldn't speak Malay so for the first few days I had to converse with them in sign language. It is a very helpless feeling indeed to be in such a predicament. Fortunately I had bought a small English-



Mosque in Medan.

the steaming jungles of central Sumatra just a "stone's throw" north of the equator.

This three-hour plane trip proved to be extremely interesting. When viewed



Dutch East Indies.

Malay and Malay-English dictionary which I could refer to when the sign language failed me. I carried this dictionary religiously for the next few months and referred to it constantly so that in a short time I could carry on a conversation with the Malays. The low Malay language is comparatively simple without much grammar and is quite easy to learn.

My first impression of the jungle is rather hazy but I remember that I was particularly impressed by the monstrous crocodiles which plunged down off the

muddy banks into the river as we approached them. Some of these crocodiles were as long as the boat and would have measured at least twenty feet. The crocodile has the habit of lying submerged in the mud except for its eyes which protrude above the surface. Thus he lies concealed until a family of monkeys or pigs approaches close enough and then there is a terrific upheaval of mud and the victim is seized by the crocodile and carried into the water to be devoured at leisure. Sometimes a man is the unlucky victim.

The Malays are fond of legends and concerning the crocodile they tell this story. "It is not everyone who is aware that both crocodiles and tigers are forbidden to kill mankind, and that every time one of them kills a man it breaks one of the great laws imposed by Nabi Sleman (King Solomon) upon the animals. Every animal knows what it may do and what it may not do. The deer may live on the forest and grass; the tigers may kill the deer; the various kinds of fish have their peculiar food; the crocodiles may feed on the fish and on such four-footed animals as chance may bring in their way; but no animal may wantonly attack mankind. That is the first law of Nabi Sleman; and if any animal kills a man Nabi Sleman forthwith drives it out of his fold. Thenceforth it lives apart from its fellows, an outcast and an accursed thing.

"When, therefore, a crocodile has killed a man, it tries to evade the punishment of its offense. It buries the body in the mud, and then after three days floats to the surface with it, pretending that it has just found it. It calls out over the water—

"'It was not I, O Sun!
Not I, O Moon!
Not I, O Stars!
Bear witness all that it was not I,
Not I, that killed the man:
The Water killed him!'

And this is partly true, for the crocodile kills a man by drowning him. Then as the sun and moon and stars hold their peace, the crocodile thinks that it has freed itself of guilt, and sinks again to the river-botton to devour the body at its leisure."

According to the Malays the first crocodile had its origin in the following manner: "Siti Fatimah was the daughter of the Prophet Mohammed, and Petri Padang Gerinsing was her nurse. One day the nurse took the sheath of a betel-nut palm leaf, and on it moulded some clay into the shape of what is now a crocodile; and the palm leaf sheath formed the belly of the animal. Of the joints of some sugar-cane she made its ribs. On its head she placed a pointed stone, and bits of tumeric formed its legs; its tail was a leaf of the betel-nut palm. She then tried to give life to it, but at once it fell to pieces. Twice this happened, but the third time she prayed to the Almighty God for life for it, and at once the animal breathed and moved. For many years it was the plaything of the prophet's daughter, but at last, with increasing size it became disobedient, and Petri Padang being by this time old and feeble, Siti Fatimah cursed the animal, saying, 'Thou shalt become the crocodile of the sea, nothing that thou shalt eat shall have taste for thee, and pleasure and desire shall not be known to thee.' She forthwith drew out all of its teeth and pulled the tonsils from its mouth, and then to close its mouth drove nails through from the upper to the lower jaw and from the lower to the upper jaw. The crocodile was allowed to escape, but soon found a way to open its jaws, and the nails driven in by Siti Fatimah have become the teeth that it now has."

The Malays also have a favorite legend which they love to tell concerning the feud between the crocodile and the monkey and I believe it is worth repeating here.

"Once the crocodile's wife was very sick, and it seemed as if she would die. The doctors and sorcerers who were attending her declared that the only chance of her recovery was that she should eat a monkey's heart. So the crocodile set off in search of a monkey. He left the sea, and ascended a river until he met a monkey playing on the banks. The crocodile called to him—'Oh Sir Monkey! who is the wisest and cleverest doctor in the land?'"

"And the monkey of course said 'I am.'"

"The crocodile then explained that his wife was very ill, and that he would be forever grateful if the monkey would prescribe for her. An enormous fee was demanded and agreed to, and the monkey stepped on the back of the crocodile, who at once swam away down the river.

"When they got out to sea, the crocodile was so pleased with his skill and address in having duped the monkey that he could no longer keep the joke to himself. So he explained to the monkey



Ike as Buddha.

that he was going to give his wife the monkey's heart to eat.

"The monkey, though he nearly died of fright, showed no outward sign of alarm. On the contrary, he said that his heart was entirely at the disposal of the



Stone idol at Goenoeng Toca.

crocodile's wife, but declared that it was a thousand pities the crocodile had not explained his purpose earlier, for he had left his heart hanging on a tree on the bank where he had been playing when the crocodile had met him.

"He suggested that they should return to get the heart, and to this the crocodile, who realized that the monkey without its heart was of no use to him, agreed.

"Back they went, therefore, and at the bank where they had first met the monkey pointed out a tree and was allowed to land. He sprang ashore and climbed to the top of the nearest tree, whence he screamed and chattered his wrath and defiance at the astonished crocodile.

"Every since then the crocodile and the monkeys have been enemies, and

whenever a family of monkeys sees a crocodile, they gather round him and ask him rude questions about his wife, and inquire whether he has lately met many monkeys' hearts hanging on the trees." So much for the crocodiles—

A thin line of mangroves fringed the river on either side and behind and above these towered the giant trees of the jungle like a prison wall. The forest was so thick that I could only see a few feet.

Families of various black gibbons and bewhiskered gray monkeys screamed and chattered at us as we passed along and there was never a dull moment.

Crabs of weird shapes and colors thronged the mud banks or crept sluggishly over the mangrove roots.

There were birds on every side. Kingfishers zoomed up and down the stream. White cranes stood along the banks and watched us in awe and bewilderment. Beautiful green pigeons fluttered among the low trees in search of fruit.

A small species of fish called by the



Sampan on Baroeman River.

Malays *iġan blachack* could be seen in the shallow water and to my amazement also crawled all over the mudbanks in every direction. This fish whose pectoral fins appear to have developed into jointed legs is equally adapted to land or water.

Occasionally we passed a small village of houseboats along the river. These river people practically live on the water.

They usually have a small rice field along the banks but also grow vegetables on rafts where they are free from the browsing animals. These people subsist on fish, rice and a few vegetables. Naturally they are expert fishermen and canoemen and can paddle a sampan effortlessly for hour after hour. They all gave me a friendly greeting as I passed, for a white man was a rare sight indeed.

We camped that night at a small village at the mouth of the Mandau river which flows into the Siak.

We traveled all of the following day up the Mandau and about dusk reached Bali Poengoet, another small village, where my boat trip ended. That night I arranged for coolies to carry my equipment and supplies to my base camp which was about fifteen kilometers north of the river.

We left the clearing of the village early the next morning and soon the dark jungle had swallowed us completely. Monstrous trees towered above the trail on all sides. The sun could not pierce

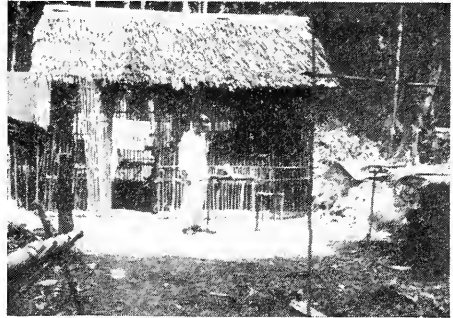


Ike gets a haircut in camp at Doeri.

the dense foliage of the branches of the giant trees, and so heavily did shadows lie upon shadows that it was very dark and very sombre even in midday. The trail was perhaps two feet wide and only high enough for a man to pass. Large vines and creepers hung in a tangled mass among the trees. Since I had read many stories about pythons hanging in the trees and dropping on their unsus-

pecting prey, I at first scrutinized these large vines with care. After stumbling over roots for a few hundred meters, I decided that it was better to watch the trail and to hell with the pythons.

The air was cool and fresh and there



Tiger-proof house in camp on the Sungai Sebang.

was almost absolute stillness except for the low drone of the insects.

After walking a kilometer or so I discovered that small leeches were crawling up my boots and I also found several on my back and arms where I had brushed against branches. These small leeches infest the damp jungle floor and are a constant nuisance as they cling to one's body and gorge themselves with blood. They leave an open wound which heals very slowly and often becomes infected. Upon closer investigation I could see them crawling toward the trail from all directions. The first man who passed along the trail only picked up a few leeches but each succeeding man who passed in line would pick up more of the pesky devils.

There are surprisingly few animals to be seen in the jungle and the casual observer can walk for hours without seeing a bird, a butterfly, or life of any kind. Even so huge an animal as an elephant is invisible at a distance of fifty meters.

The Malays believe that the jungle is full of supernatural things such as *Jin Tanah*, the Earth Spirits, *Gergasi*, the great tusked giants, *Orang Bunyi*, the invisible Voice Folk. There are also indi-

vidual creatures such as *Hantu Pemburn*, the Spectral Hunter; mountains and river pools have their local spirits; and there are any number of ghosts, goblins and demons.

A Malay rattan-cutter, though he may go only a few hundred meters into the forest, repeats this invocation to the spirits of the forest—

“Peace unto ye all!

I come as a friend, not as an enemy.

I come to seek my living, not to make war.

May no harm come to me, nor mine,
To my wife, my children, or my home.
Because I intend no harm, nor evil,
I ask that I may come, and go, in peace.”

Similarly, when a party of Malays set out to drive deer, the commonest of all game, they may go no more than a few hundred yards away from the village; but none the less the leader of the party will utter this prayer to the spirits—

“Hail! All hail!

We crave permission to enter on this domain

And to tie our nooses to these trees.”

We traveled slowly along the dim trail and after several hours finally reached the clearing of our base camp where I was greeted by Mr. Dieprink, the Dutch geologist with whom I was to work for the next two months.

DR. W. C. ARTHUR RETIRED

After nearly 22 years of caring for the injuries of B. F. Goodrich employes and counselling them on health problems, Brother Walter C. Arthur, Eta '97, retired in November 1941, as a staff member of the company's medical department.

Dr. Arthur was born in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, 66 years ago.

Brother Arthur joined the B. F. Goodrich organization February 1, 1920 and had been in charge of all dispensary work in the company's Akron plants,



DR. W. C. ARTHUR

caring for as many as 400 employes in one day.

He attended Western University of Pennsylvania, now the University of Pittsburgh, and received his medical training at the University of Maryland, remaining there for a year's internship, following his graduation in 1897. He is a member of the Summit County Medical Society and the Monroe United Presbyterian Church.

Dr. and Mrs. Arthur now reside in Elwood City, Pennsylvania.

NOTICE

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THREE PHI SIGS IN ROSE BOWL GAME

Theta Deuteron's Joe Day, Quentin Greenough, and Lloyd Wickett carried Phi Sigma Kappa's already glorious football achievements of this season to a fitting climax in the Rose Bowl Game with Duke at Durham, North Carolina on New Year's Day. All three were in the starting line-up for Oregon State in its 20-16 triumph over the Duke "Blue Devils."

Joe Day's smashing at full-back was spectacular. In newspaper reports of the game he was repeatedly referred to as one of the three "D" boys, because the ball-carrying of Day, Dethman and Durdan was so affective against Duke.

Greenough, Oregon State's dependable center, contributed to his team's victory with his stellar pass defense.

Wickett played his usual fine game at left tackle.

At no other time has Phi Sigma Kappa been represented by three players on one team in a Rose Bowl Game. Phi Sigma Kappa congratulates these Brothers on their excellent play.

ROBERT REINHARD, ALL AMERICAN

Robert Reinhard, Omega '42, University of California tackle, chosen captain of the 1941 All Phi Sigma Kappa Football Team was chosen All-American on all the leading All-American selections made last autumn.

A most attractive full-color picture of Brother Reinhard appeared in the December 13, 1941, issue of *Collier's* in connection with the All-American selection of Grantland Rice.

Phi Sigma Kappa is indeed very proud of the excellent record of Brother Reinhard.

Manners—the final and perfect flower of noble character.—WILLIAM WINTER.

ALL PHI SIGMA KAPPA FOOTBALL TEAM

The All Phi Sigma Kappa football team is selected by the chapters. Each chapter is supplied with a ballot providing spaces for the naming of an entire team and a captain.

Each chapter is urged to select an entire team and to review the field carefully and select the best players for the positions, regardless of chapter membership. The chapters have faithfully carried out to practice this suggestion. The Brother receiving the greatest number of votes for a particular position is awarded that position.

The enthusiasm shown by the chapters in selecting the team this year has been greater than any other year in the history of the All Phi Sigma Kappa Team. Most of the chapters participated in the selection of the team this year.

It is interesting to note the number of repeaters on this year's team. Robert Reinhard, Omega, is making his third consecutive appearance on the team, and Joe Day, Quentin Greenough and Norman Newman all of Theta Deuteron are making their second appearance on the team. This year is also the second year for George Hecht of Omega Deuteron. Pi Chapter inaugurated its appearance on the team by capturing three positions.

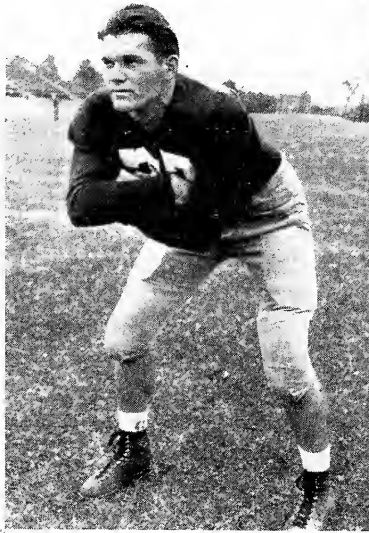
GUSTAFSON AND FIEDLER PLAY FOOTBALL FOR AIR STATION

Brother Harlan Iver Gustafson, Mu '40, plays left end, and Brother Walter Fiedler, Mu '38, plays left guard on the undefeated Naval Air Station eleven at Jacksonville, Florida. They are lined up as they were when at Penn in 1937. Gustafson was captain of the Penn squad in his senior year.

1941 ALL PHI SIGMA KAPPA FOOTBALL TEAM

ΦΣΚ

Quarterback
WARREN HAMSCHER
PI-FRANKLIN AND MARSHALL

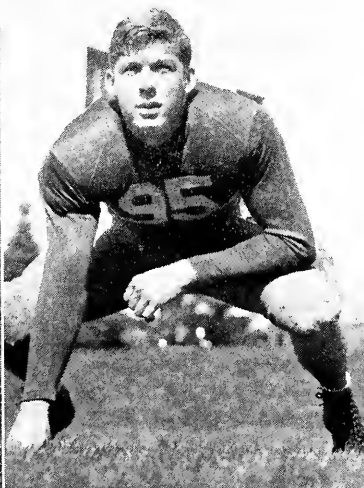


Right Halfback
WILLIAM REINHARD
OMEGA-CALIFORNIA

Right End
KENNETH SNYDER
PI-FRANKLIN AND MARSHALL



Captain and Right Tackle
ROBERT REINHARD
OMEGA-CALIFORNIA



Right Guard
GEORGE HECHT, JR.
OMICRON DEUTERON ALABAMA





Left Halfback
ROBERT PEARSON
PI-FRANKLIN AND MARSHALL

Fullback
JOE DAY
THETA DEUTERON-OREGON STATE



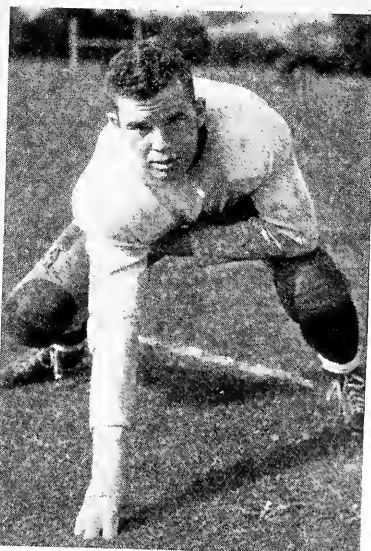
Center
QUENTIN R. GREENOUGH
THETA DEUTERON-OREGON STATE

ΦΣΚ

Left Guard
NORMAN NEWMAN
THETA DEUTERON-OREGON STATE

Left Tackle
LLOYD WICKETT
THETA DEUTERON-OREGON STATE

Left End
PAUL DWYER
ALPHA-MASSACHUSETTS STATE



Other Phi Sig Football Stars

Pictured on these pages are other brothers who have proved themselves to be football stars at their respective colleges.

In addition to these brothers, there are others whose pictures THE SIGNET is unable to obtain, but who also have impressive records. Included in this group is Arnold Scott, Mu Deuteron, sophomore who has made more long runs this year for the Grizzlies than any other man. His most brilliant plays are a 95-yard run against the University of Washington, and a 57-yard touchdown jaunt against the University of Idaho.

Carl Fiske, Mu Deuteron, junior, and a two-year letterman, is as versatile a backfield man as Montana has. He has played every back field position equally



Theodore McCaskey, Omicron Deuteron, guard.



Don Salls, Omicron Deuteron, Fullback.



Barthe Avery, Omicron Deuteron, Quarterback.



Donald Buser, Epsilon Deuteron, Right Guard.



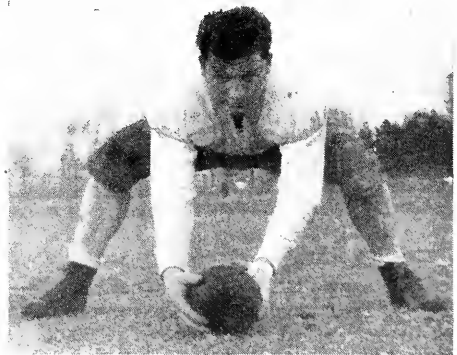
Charles Schrader, Delta, Fullback.



Herbert Marsh, Epsilon Deuteron, Left Guard.

well. His most outstanding feats are two quick touchdowns against Gonzaga and his pass defense in the Washington game.

Dutch Dahmer, Mu Deuteron, also a two-year letterman, plays center, the unsung rôle of any football team. He has been an outstanding performer in pass defense.



Robert Bierweiler, Epsilon Deuteron, Center.

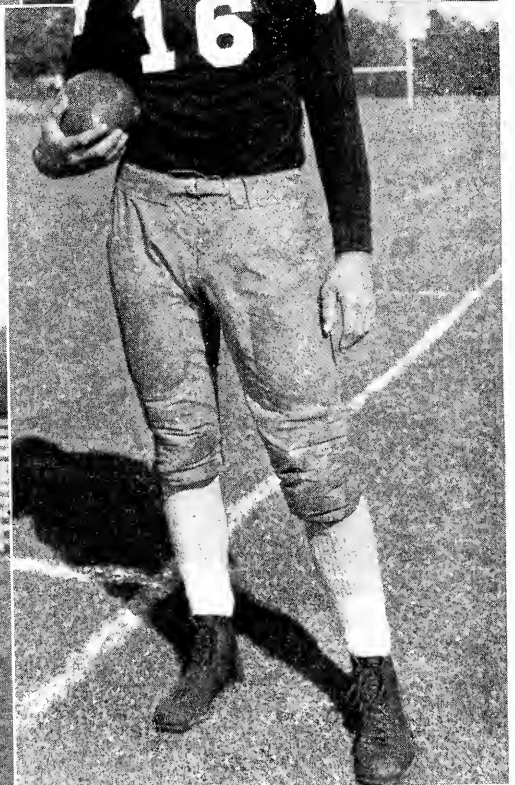
BEN FREITAS, FULLBACK



RICHARD NORTON, END

ALPHA'S LETTERMEN

ROLAND COLALLA, GUARD



GIL SANTIN, CAPTAIN

Boudreau Appointed Manager of the Cleveland Indians

On November 25th, Brother Lou Boudreau, Alpha Deuteron '39, was appointed manager of the Cleveland Indians.

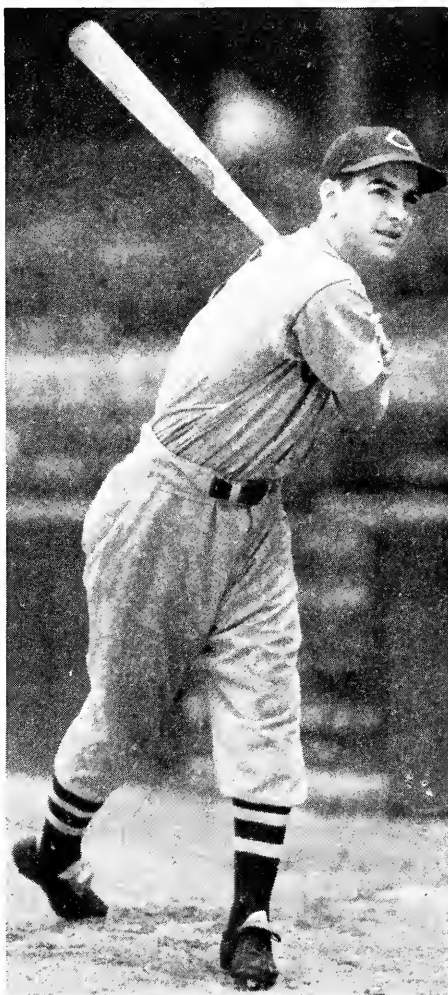
A major league managership is a position to which all major league baseball players aspire, but few attain. Of that select group of players who have attained such a position, only a very few of them have ever attained it early in their careers; Boudreau, 24 years old, is one of the youngest managers in Major League Baseball history.

Only slightly more than two seasons ago, Boudreau joined the Cleveland Indians, after a brief minor league career at Cedar Rapids, Iowa, and Buffalo, New York. At the end of his first full season with the Cleveland Indians he was voted the most valuable major league rookie, by the Chicago chapter of the Baseball Writers Association of America, (SIGNET, January 1941).

Last year he played in the All-Star Game and batted 1,000 in that game, getting two hits in two trips to the plate. Brother Boudreau told of the thrills of that game in an article written by him, published in the October 1941 SIGNET.

Upon his being appointed manager of the Cleveland Club, Boudreau is quoted as having said, "We will eat, sleep and drink baseball. My objective is a hustling ball club." Those who know Boudreau appreciate that few players have the ability that Boudreau has to inspire a ball club. Cleveland fans can expect a wide awake, fighting ball club at all times.

THE SIGNET extends its very best wishes for a most successful managerial career to Brother Boudreau.



LOUIS BOUDREAU

Boudreau Basketball Coach

Brother Boudreau is continuing as assistant basketball coach at the University of Illinois although appointed manager of the Cleveland Indians.

“Plenty of Use”

By NORMAN G. SHIDLE, *Phi '17*

Mechanized war is bringing shortages of materials—particularly of metals—never experienced by the United States in previous conflicts. Those shortages are resulting in (1) ever-tightening governmental controls of the use of these materials and (2) interference by the gov-



NORMAN G. SHIDLE

ernment in the normal processes of free enterprise over much wider areas of business than ever before.

These are facts . . . pleasant or unpleasant according to the particular economic bias of those who observe them. Inevitably they have generated some frictions between industrialists and government officials—frictions which slow up the defense job, no matter which side is wrong in a particular instance.

It is not to be wondered at that some harassed industrialists have been saying

recently: “What’s the use of talking to those fellows in Washington anyhow? They don’t pay any attention to what you tell them nohow—even though you have been in the widget industry for thirty years and most of them admit they never heard of it until a few months ago.”

This dirge of discouragement has been voiced, not only by those who have hated the New Deal so long and so hard as to make coöperation with it necessitate an emotional miracle, but also by a good many fair-minded industrialists after trying to “get somewhere” in sane protection of necessary civilian production or entry into war contracts. Unquestionably, a number of business men have had what can only be described as a “fine pushing around” while trying to coördinate their practical industrial knowledge and ability with the ever-changing needs of a defense program whose administration is falling more and more into the hands of men whose economic philosophy differs basically from that of the average captain of industry.

There is no blinking the fact that the collective operationists have been gaining in power and authority ever since 1932; that they have gained ground in every test of strength regarding dominance in administration of the defense program; and that there are increasing rather than diminishing chances for continuance of their controls should the current emergency last several years.

Under such circumstances what use *is* there for business men keep on “talking to those fellows in Washington”—except when forced to do so by ukase or order?

A realistic view forces the terse answer: “Plenty of use.”

Until further notice Washington is

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He is chiefly known as executive editor of the *SAE Journal* (published by the Society of Automotive Engineers) which is read by the leading engineers and general executives of the automotive industry.

He maintains wide general contacts as automotive editor of *Forbes Magazine*, and as a contributor to various foreign and domestic business publications. He has been a frequent contributor to *McCall's*, where he discussed automobiles as related to women drivers and their problems. He has also acted as consultant to publishers on general editorial problems and to automotive organizations of various kinds. For the *Encyclopedia Britannica* he did the revision of its article on Motor Vehicles for the latest edition of that standard reference work. He has been engaged in these broad activities since 1933.

Editorial revisions in the *SAE Journal* made under his direction in 1940 brought to that publication an Award of Merit for the publication showing "the greatest improvement in editorial format and layout" in a national competition sponsored by *Industrial Marketing*. Several years earlier, Mr. Shidle had won two prizes in a single year in the annual awards for editorial excellence made by the *Associated Business Papers*. One of these, a first prize, was for the best series of articles discussing a problem of importance to the field served by his publication; the other, a second prize in competition for the best editorial of the year.

He was for many years a member of the Contest Board of the American Automobile Association.

Prior to 1933, Brother Shidle was directing editor and a member of the Board of Directors of the Chilton Co., publishers of leading automotive business papers. With that organization, he had started on the editorial staff of *Automotive Industries* and became editor of that publication a few years later.

He was at one time vice president of the National Conference of Business Paper Editors and more recently was a member of the governing board of the New York Business Paper Editors organization for 1937-1938.

Prior to joining SAE headquarters staff as executive editor of the *SAE Journal*, Brother Shidle had served two years (1931-1932) as a member of the Council, the governing body of the Society and several years as chairman of the Society's national meetings committee. He was at one time chairman of the Philadelphia Section of the Society.

Brother Shidle was graduated from Swarthmore College and was on the editorial staff of Ronald Press Co., publishers of business books, before entering the automotive field. He is author of "Finding Your Job," and co-author of a recent edition of "Motor Vehicles and Their Engines" published by D. Van Nostrand & Co.

judge, jury, prosecuting attorney and general manager so far as American industry is concerned. For all practical purposes, industrialists who want to maintain any important say-so about the operation of their plants and policies can do so only *via* Washington. Where any high degree of industrial executive power remains in the business today, one of two conditions exist:

Either (a) the heads of the given company have established a working liaison with the needs and desires of the government, or (b) the government hasn't really gotten around to that company or industry yet.

Those are plain facts upon which industry might as well determine its attitude toward Washington. Bluntly stated it means: Find some means to cooperate or gradually lose freedom of action in operation of your private enterprise.

Much of the feeling of complete frustration that envelops many business men after running in and out of Washington "Office-of . . ." doors grows out of their idea that Washington should be at least as much interested in doing something for business as business should be in doing something for Washington. Right or wrong . . . for good or for ill . . . that simply is not the case. Most government men—New Dealers and dollar-a-year men alike—have their minds focused almost exclusively on one thing . . . getting the defense job done. Only incidentally are they interested in the effects of that job on individual private operations—and only to the extent that harm to the particular private operation might indirectly kick-back to hinder the defense program.

Charged with similar responsibilities for defense, the attitude of most business men might be about the same as that of current Washington officials. That is indicated by the attitude leading business men who have been and are charged with such responsibilities. Despite news-

paper headlines to the contrary, there was no great difference of opinion ever existed between OPM Director General W. S. Knudsen and OPA Administrator Leon Henderson about the extent to which automobile production should be cut. There were serious differences as to how, when and by whom—but business man No. 1 and New Dealer *par excellence* both sought and cooperated in achieving large reductions.

There aren't any sadists in Washington. No responsible New Dealer is trying to harm industry just to see it squirm . . . but men of small minds and small experience occupy posts of power in some instances, but generally speaking the minds are far larger than the experience. And in that fact, lies the possibility for establishment of practical liaison by industrialists—provided the industrialist recognizes it as *his* task to break down the unquestioned barriers of suspicion which exist between New Deal administrators and the business man in general. Perhaps it is unfair that so heavy a part of the load of establishing confidence should be on the business man—but it does rest there *because the power rests with the government administrators.*

Both defense administrators and business men, so far, often expect the impossible of human nature—chiefly because that impossible needs to be achieved for defense. Government officials continue to be amazed at the business man who—when presented with facts about material shortages—doesn't voluntarily go the limit on substitutions and reductions in use without waiting for official orders from Washington. The truly tremendous savings in critical materials effected by the automobile makers throughout 1942 models is accepted by OPM officials as an excellent but to-be-expected achievement, while the mere reduction instead of elimination of those materials from bright work on the 1942 cars pending an OPM order for removal sticks in official minds as a large black mark

against the industry. This despite the fact that OPM promised the industry such an order (to forestall any chance for competitive advantage of one maker over another) some two or three months before it actually was issued.

OPM response to industry's urge for active elimination of some critical materials in non-military Army and Navy purchases before civilian industry be severely shut down by shortages is something like this:

"OK, we are going to get action of this kind from the military as soon as we can. Beginning, a few weeks ago in fact, all non-military Army and Navy contracts are being submitted to OPM's Conservation Section for critical materials "strip-tease" before issuance. But in the meantime, we must be 100% sure that defense requirements are met. If there is to be *any* overstocking of critical materials, it is far better that it should be on defense than on civilian projects. Inadvertent unfairness to civilian industry may result in severe hardships temporarily, but unfairness to the military might mean that we would end up with our having no civilian industry except under Herr Hitler's control."

Obviously, the right answer to such questions is a matter of degree. Industry and government differences come about larger as regards the degree. But the cold fact remains that the decision will be made by the government—from *its point of view*. That's the law right now. Consequently, industry can participate in that decision effectively exactly to the extent that it is able to approach the problem first from the government's viewpoint and secondly from its own individual viewpoint.

Despite daily reiteration by government spokesmen, based on government studies, industrialists continue sincerely to question the extent of material shortages in many categories. Enough holes have been found in certain government statistics to cast considerable doubt on

the acuteness of some shortages. Obviously sound statistics are extremely difficult to obtain—and maintain. Here again, however, the government unquestionably is going to play safe from a military standpoint. “When in doubt, don’t chew up the material for other than *immediately* necessary civilian goods.” That seems certain to be the watchword . . . with strong emphasis on the “*immediately*.”

Only a few weeks ago, government spokesmen officially told the Engineers Defense Board and the Technical Committee of the National Academy of Sciences that:

Current shortage of steel scrap may result in a smaller output of steel in 1942 than in 1941;

Limitations in the ferro-chrome supply will limit the types of steel available for defense orders;

Vanadium supply in 1942 will be 1,850,000 lbs. short of demand;

Even molybdenum—the one allying element we have thought we had in profusion—cannot be supplied in sufficient volume to meet 1942 consumption needs . . . the lack estimated to be about 6 million lbs.;

Next year we will need 14 million tons of alloy steel—which probably will not be enough for defense needs alone;

Copper—the high spot shortage situation at the moment—can not be supplied in sufficient volume for 1942 defense needs alone, despite maximum increased production efforts currently under way; the quickest current hope for more copper lies in conservation and return of scrap;

Nickel—with vast expansions in mining and refining which will become effective late in 1942—continues short; negotiations are under way with the U. S. Mint to see about chances of taking the nickel out of nickels (although such action would require an act of Congress);

Zinc may be available for a majority of civilian needs next year—provided mili-

tary demands are not stepped up too much in the meantime.

All of which, in the eyes of one of the nation’s leading metallurgists adds up to saying that, so far as civilian industry is concerned, the time has passed when there is much use talking about finding any metal substitutes for metal. From here in, he says, we are faced with either (a) finding a non-metallic substitute, or (b) reducing the consumption.

These and similar discouraging and distressing estimates of our current materials situation, many well-informed industrialists continue to refuse to accept at face value as to accuracy. The writer of this article is in no position to argue the merits of this current running controversy between industry and government. He is, however, constrained to reiterate the thesis earlier stated:

Currently, the government is judge, jury, prosecuting attorney and general manager so far as American industry is concerned. If government officials believe these figures, their actions will be guided accordingly. The influence of industry on governmental action—as regards materials or almost anything else—must be exerted *through* government officials. In that way alone can private enterprise remain private in reality—and maintain sufficient hold on the course of its own operations to insure reestablishment of firm private initiative and control after the current emergency has passed.

John H. Heindel, Alpha Deuteron '16, is vice-president of Leonard Construction Co., at Chicago.

Carl Mitman, Nu '21, was recently elected to serve as lieutenant-governor of Division 11 of the Pennsylvania Division of Kiwanis for one year.

N. W. “Ruddy” Barnes, Xi Deuteron '26, is now in charge of the Chicago office of the Reynolds Metal Co. and the Fulton Sylphon Co.

Loysen Rescues New York Unemployment Insurance

By HOWARD E. SILBERSTEIN, *Assistant Industrial Commissioner
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Just three years ago the nation's experiment with Social Security was "on the spot."

In New York, the largest state in the union, the unemployment insurance administration,—an integral part of the new Social Security program, had collapsed with a bang that was heard throughout the land.

Washington was worried. Albany was frankly alarmed. And throughout the State hundreds of thousands of unemployed men and women clamored for the benefit checks to which they were entitled.

Many qualified observers believed that the entire federal Social Security program was threatened by New York's mistakes. The tangle became a mess and the mess became a burning issue of the 1938 gubernatorial campaign. By the narrowest of margins, the administration weathered the storm.

Three weeks later Milton O. Loysen, Xi '23, was handed the back-breaking, nerve-racking task of making unemployment insurance work. That was late in November, 1938. By spring of the following year, the organization was clicking like a well-oiled machine. Benefits were being paid to the unemployed promptly and accurately. Its severest critics were openly admitting that unemployment insurance had become a success in New York State.

And that's the success story of Milton O. Loysen in a nutshell. But it's far from a complete story. He's done big things since, just as he did big things before.

On graduation from St. Lawrence

University, where he had been a leader in campus activities and a star on the track team, Loysen found his first job in the personnel department of the Eastman Kodak Company at Rochester, New York, his home town. Four years later, in 1927, he joined the staff of the Retail Credit Company, nationally-known insurance investigators, as an inspector. The next year he entered the Rochester office of the Aetna Insurance Company, handling casualty, surety and life claims.

During the course of his work in the insurance field, Mr. Loysen attracted the favorable notice of his fellow-townsmen, George S. Van Schaick, and in 1931, soon after the latter was appointed New York State Superintendent of Insurance, he took Loysen to the State Capitol at Albany as the executive assistant in the Insurance Department.

The Insurance Department has supervision of all private insurance business in the State. It determines the qualifications of insurers, issues licenses and examines the companies periodically to ascertain their financial condition. In the case of domestic life insurance companies, the actuarial computation to determine the policy reserve is also checked by the Department.

After five months at the Capitol, Loysen was transferred to the New York City offices of the Department and in May, 1932, was made assistant special deputy superintendent in charge of a branch office of the Liquidation Bureau. In the three years which followed he handled the liquidation of 90 companies including the big Lloyds Insur-

ance Company of America. And then when the branches were merged into a central office in 1935, he became chief of the Bureau. Meanwhile, Louis H. Pink had been appointed Superintendent of Insurance, and a year later he promoted Loysen to the post of Special Deputy Superintendent.

And there he was working when the Governor and the State Industrial Commissioner started their hunt for the man they needed. Obviously, the situation called for an experienced insurance executive—a man who knew how to process claims. Loysen says today that it was a wonderful opportunity and that he seized it without delay. But his friends will tell you that they pleaded with him not to make the change. We told him, one of them says, that older, better-known men had refused the job, that he wouldn't be able to reconcile his ideas of business management with those of the social workers, that his fast-growing reputation for real ability would be ruined if he failed.

"But," the same man continued, "Milt Loysen always was stubborn. He laughed at our warnings, accepted the appointment and went to work without a moment's hesitation. He proved that we were wrong and I'm glad he did."

Loysen admits very frankly that while he had heard of unemployment insurance he didn't know the first thing about it. But he learned quickly some of the following facts.

After New York had passed its Unemployment Insurance Law six months prior to passage of the Social Security Act and had proceeded with the orderly collection of employers' contributions through 1936 and 1937, the actual start of benefit payments on January 1, 1938, found the system totally unprepared for the terrific onslaught of applicants who battered against the doors of local offices throughout the State.

Not that anyone in particular was to

blame. It was just one of those things. Unemployment insurance was a brand new State project and the benefit payment system had been set up hurriedly, perforce, with virtually no precedents to draw on. Those who established the procedures and methods were experienced personnel men, but they had no experience in handling insurance claims—particularly unemployment insurance claims which overnight totaled several hundred thousand.

This avalanche of claims which greeted the inauguration of benefit payments was, of course, only the beginning. As the days rolled by, thousands of new claims were entered, the backlog increased a hundred-fold, and the State Administration became the target of an aroused press and public. Here, indeed, was an unfortunate situation—an unemployment insurance reserve running into millions of dollars, hundreds of thousands of benefit claimants who were entitled to their insurance money, and seemingly, no way to get their money to them accurately and on time.

Overhauling the machinery, of course, necessitated finding a man capable of directing the work. And Loysen was the man. He had a wealth of insurance experience, had proved his worth with the State Insurance Department, and wasn't too big to surround himself with expert advisers and use their advice and counsel to the State's advantage.

Once he took the reins, things began to move—and move fast. Within a few months he had rebuilt the whole complicated benefit payment structure and unemployed workers were getting their insurance checks on time and in the proper amounts.

Loysen never fails to stress the fact, however, that the bulk of the credit for rebuilding the organization should go to the staff he found on the job when he arrived. The coöperated splendidly, he declares, and points out that real results

were obtained merely by assigning the personnel to the duties they were best qualified to perform.

As Executive Director of the Division of Placement and Unemployment Insurance, Loysen guides the destinies of the New York State Employment Service as well as the unemployment insurance organization. The Employment Service, with more than 90 offices located in population centers throughout the State, is the largest single employment agency in the world. Through its facilities, at the present time, over 400,000 workers are actively seeking employment. During September it made 63,000 placements, setting a new high record for public employment services. It charges no fees, either to employer or job-seeker, and confines itself solely to matching the right man to the right job. An applicant's financial status is of no concern.

The magnitude of the unemployment insurance job can be gathered from the fact that the New York State Unemployment Insurance Fund today totals more than \$268,000,000. During the last "benefit" year—April 1, 1940, to April 1, 1941—more than \$97,000,000 in benefits were paid to unemployed workers.

And as the defense program continues to gain momentum, with resultant increases in employment, the fund will continue to increase and benefit payments will continue to decrease. The list of subject employers already has grown to 143,000, and their tax payments are running around \$140,000,000 per year.

Although things have been moving smoothly in the Division of Placement and Unemployment Insurance since Loysen took over, don't think for a moment that he is content to rest on his oars. Only a few weeks ago he directed a complete reorganization of the Employment Service set-up in New York City.

Dissatisfied with the top-heavy system of 33 separate and distinct neighborhood placement offices in the Metropolis, he

instituted a centralized alignment of five specialized offices for the handling of all placement work according to industry. These offices cater respectively, to Commercial, Industrial, Building and Construction, Hotel and Service and Household workers and employers.

"It makes things easier, all around the circle," says Loysen. "All workers in a certain field of employment are now registered with one of these centralized offices. All employers can call the office servicing their line of work and get the worker or workers they need quickly and efficiently. It cuts red tape to the bone and increases our service to workers and employers, alike."

Loysen readily admits that he likes his job. As he puts it, it's something like the newspaper business, something new every day. The entire Social Security program, he believes, is still in its infancy. The unemployment insurance program is plastic. It lends itself to myriad improvements and extensions; and that's what he likes best.

While he's convinced that unemployment insurance is by no means the complete answer to the nation's economic problems in times of stress, he is certain that the program is the most penetrating social reform of our generation. And the vast majority of our economists agree with him. It cushions the disastrous economic consequences of mass unemployment, he says, and gives temporary monetary assistance to those who deserve it—those who want to work.

Unemployment insurance, he emphasizes, is real, honest-to-goodness insurance. A claimant's financial status—whether he is dead broke or worth a million—is of no concern to the unemployment insurance administration. If the claimant is unemployed and otherwise eligible, he gets his insurance just as he would get accident, burglary, fire or life insurance if the eventuality insured against happened.

Today, at 40, eighteen years after leaving St. Lawrence, Loysen is as lean as he was when he starred on the Laurentian track team. During the past year he found time to serve as chairman of his alma mater's 1941 Alumni Fund campaign. His current hobby is yachting and he is a frequent competitor in the Star class on Long Island Sound. He has four children, all boys, and makes his home in Roslyn, Long Island.

RAND DIRECTS STAGECRAFT AT MASSACHUSETTS STATE

Amherst, Oct. 31—"When you can do it yourself, then you can tell others how to do it."

That's the principle behind a new and practical course in dramatic direction and stagecraft recently begun at Massachusetts State College under the direction of Professor Frank Prentice Rand, head of the department of languages and literature and coach of the undergraduate dramatic society.

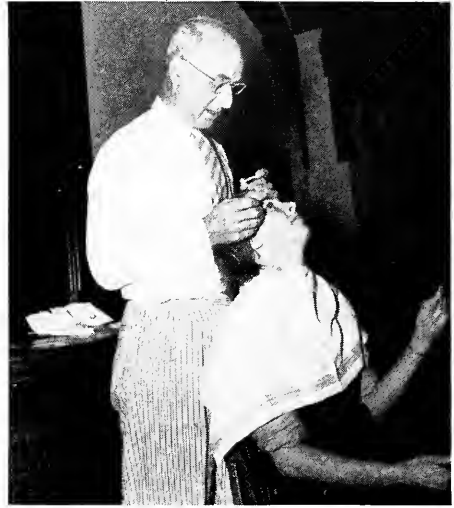
The course is designed to train students who wish to participate in or coach amateur dramatics while in college or after graduation.

This week students are learning something about the art of make-up. Professor Rand demonstrates the basic techniques. Then the students pair off at improvised dressing tables and put the theory into practice, using each other as subjects.

Next week they will take up carpenter's tools and actually construct flats and stage properties. Then, under the direction of James Robertson, Jr., assistant professor of landscape architecture, they will learn to paint scenery.

Later, students will dabble with kilowatts and rheostats as they learn how to handle spots and floods and incidental lighting on the stage.

Special attention is being paid to the conduct of actors while on the stage so that students may gain some insight into the mind of the actor.



Frank Prentice Rand demonstrates the method of making up an eyebrow for Ruth Helyar of Brattleboro.

At the end of the course all the isolated elements of direction and stagecraft will be brought together in a series of one-act plays which will be produced, then judged and criticized, by members of the class.

MARCHMONT VISITS CHAPTERS

National President Brother John H. Marchmont has had a busy autumn season visiting chapters and conclaves. Since the commencement of this academic year Brother Marchmont has visited Gamma, Xi, Nu, and Mu Chapters. He also attended the Region II Conclave held at Pi Chapter, and the Region IV Conclave at Beta Triton Chapter. On December 14th he was the guest of Omicron Chapter at the informal discussions held there by delegates from several Region I chapters. Brother Marchmont would also have been the guest of the Region VI Conclave held at Mu Deuteron Chapter had not Old Man Weather grounded all planes on the week end of that conclave.

Charles Deutchon, Xi Deuteron '36, is plant superintendent of Southern Dairies at Knoxville.

N. I. C. and N. P. C. Joint Meeting

History was made at the 33rd annual session of the National Interfraternity Conference, November 27-29, when members of the National Panhellenic Congress participated in a joint discussion of affairs concerning Greek-letter organizations, were among the more than two thousand persons at a dinner, the most representative gathering of college Greeks ever held, and also shared the annual dinner of the College Fraternity Editors Association. Delegates of the 59 national fraternities which make up the National Interfraternity Conference and the 21 sororities which comprise the National Panhellenic Congress also carried on separate sessions, which were largely concerned with problems resulting from the defense emergency.

Outstanding on the week-end programs was the dinner held at the Hotel Commodore Friday night. The main and subsidiary ballrooms, as well as the balcony of the main ball-room, were filled with diners representing not only every college fraternity and sorority, but hundreds of educational institutions of this country and Canada, when to the martial music of a drum and fife corps from Cornell University cadets marched in bearing the flags of the United States and Canada and those of the National Interfraternity Conference and the National Panhellenic Congress.

As the colors were presented, Jean Dickenson, Metropolitan Opera star, sang "The Star Spangled Banner," and Bruce Boyce, concert artist, followed with the equally stirring "Canadian National Anthem." The Rev. Paul Hickok, national chaplain of Alpha Tau Omega Fraternity, gave the invocation.

While the dinner was served, 150 members of the Cornell University In-

strumental Club and Glee Club provided music, both classical and collegiate. The individual star was N. Herrmann, Theta Delta Chi, a 19-year-old basso profundo, who fairly startled his audience by his rare musical ability.

Grand opera and concert stars, Jean Dickenson, Bruce Boyce, Alexander Gray, and Reinald Werrenrath, made very real contributions to the musical portion of the dinner program.

Lowell Thomas, Kappa Sigma, again proved that a news commentator can be an excellent toastmaster. Besides the speakers, he introduced Wendell Willkie, Beta Theta Pi, guest speaker at the 1940 dinner.

"We are to seek," said the first speaker, John G. Bowman, chancellor of the University of Pittsburgh, "and to get powerful inspiration and creative living in our colleges; and we are to have fraternities that will pick up that intent and hold it and carry it to its top expression." That was his expressed hope for the future of education.

In presenting "The Faith of Our Fathers," H. W. Prentis, Jr., president of the Armstrong Cork Company and chairman of the board, National Association of Manufacturers, declared that direct nomination and election of United States senators, the initiative, the referendum, and other present trends of government tend to create a government of the current majority, a government of men, not of laws, the very antithesis of that contemplated by the faith to which the founding fathers subscribed. He urged the importance of self-help and the danger of public subsidies and said that the schools must again take delight in teaching, even indoctrinating, the old-



Joint meeting of National Interfraternity Conference and National Panhellenic Congress.



Joint Interfraternity dinner, Grand Ballroom, Commodore Hotel. Left to right: Miss Wilson, Mrs. Rupert, Daniel Lundvall, Mrs. Hamilton, Mrs. Sherman, and Mrs. Herman.

fashioned patriotism, sacrifice, and civic virtue of national heroes.

In discussing "Fraternities and Defense," Lynn Stambaugh, national commander of the American Legion, asserted that fraternity men, because they often are in positions of leadership had a special responsibility to assist in the national emergency. He was emphatic in his statement that this nation is definitely in the war and that people should realize that fact and function accordingly. He called upon fraternity men to do their part in making defense efforts effective.

The right to develop individual lives is the thing the United States will defend, according to Dr. Robert G. Sproul, president of the University of California, in speaking to "The Topic of the Hour." As a symbol of that right, he cited the university, and declared that people, young and old, the universities, and the fraternities must reconsecrate themselves to the ideals of the founders.

Dr. Sproul warned that universities are today losing both faculty and students, although he asserted that in times of national peril people look to the universities for intellectual clarity.

"If the enemies of civilization triumph, as on every field they seem to be triumphing today, universities as we know them will cease to be, as witness the universities of Germany," Dr. Sproul continued. "Never in the long history of the

race have men of knowledge and men of thought been in greater danger of annihilation than they are today. Never has there been greater need for universities to declare to the people the truth that is in them and to make clear in works their value to mankind."

Judged the most outstanding in the country, the Interfraternity Council of Michigan State College became the first recipient of the National Interfraternity Conference Trophy.

This handsome four-foot bronze statue, the work of a modern French sculptor, is awarded on a rotating basis each year to some local interfraternity council for the formation and execution of a program to make fraternities on its campus contribute constructively to the educational and social program of the institution.

The projects which won this distinction for the Michigan State Interfraternity Council included: a scholarship program which put fraternities at the head of all men's groups, a handbook designed to make prospective students college- and fraternity-minded, the management of a Greek Week, the development of better community relations through cooperation in Community Chest and Red Cross drives, Christmas parties for underprivileged children, government of the fraternity system, which has been turned over entirely by the college administra-



Joint Interfraternity dinner, Grand Ballroom, Commodore Hotel. Left to right: Ralph J. Watts, George P. Rupert, Jr., Edwin C. Robart, G. William Bunn, Jr., Herbert L. Brown, John H. Marchmont, and Earl F. Schoening.

tion, the organization of a pledge trainers' school, an objective examination concerning fraternities and the college given all pledges before initiation on the results of which the chapters are rated, and attendance at regional and national meetings of the National Undergraduate Interfraternity Council.

Handsome programs, tied with the national colors and bearing engravings of all the fraternity and sorority badges, were at each diner's plate. They were illustrated with full page cartoons by such top-flight cartoonists as John T. McCutcheon, Fontaine Fox, Cargill, Tom Sanders, Jr., and Alexander.

L. G. Balfour, Sigma Chi, chairman of the National Interfraternity Conference, in his address Friday forenoon that opened the two-day program charged the delegates and national officers with the task of making the college fraternity the most constructive force in the social and moral development of the undergraduate.

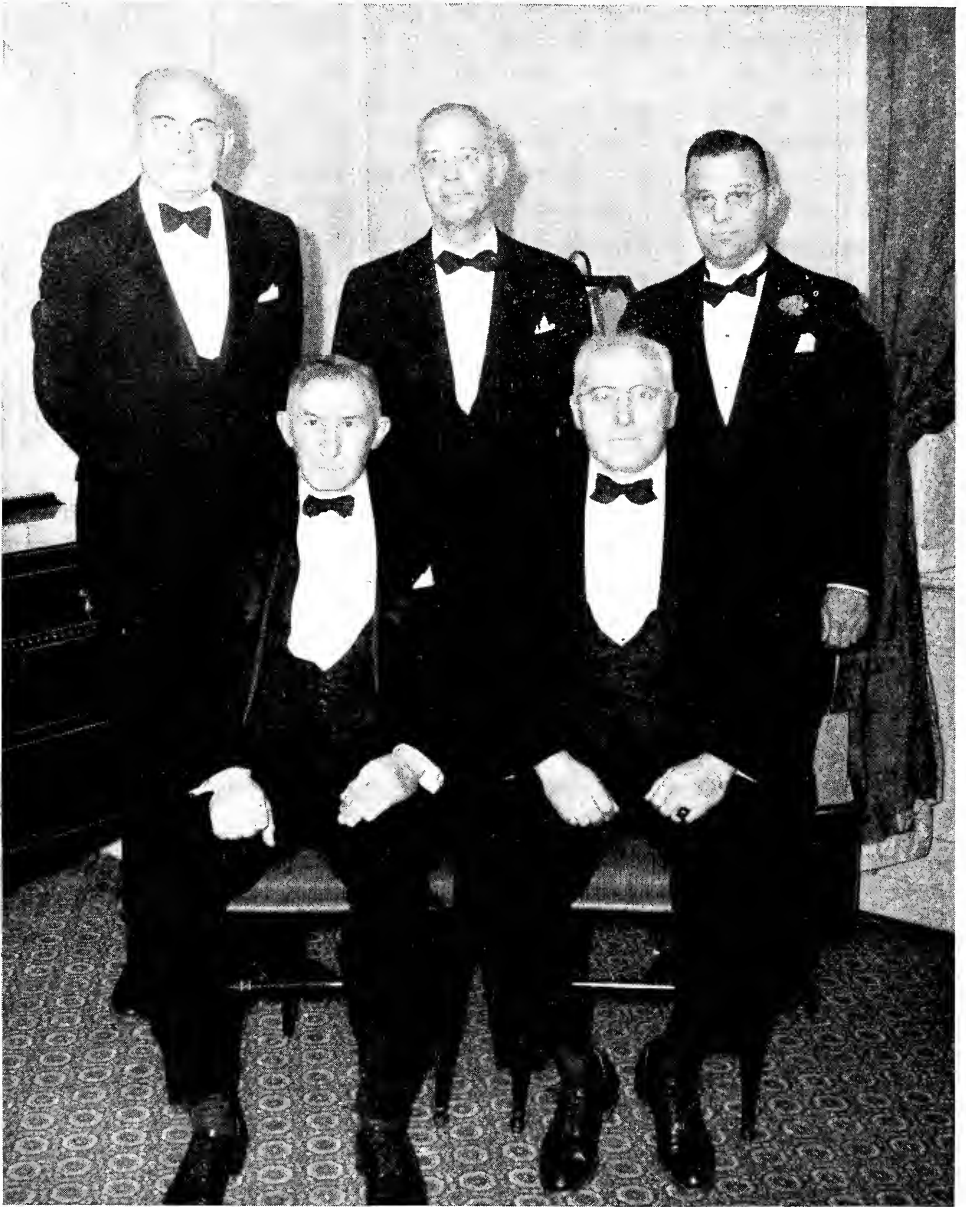
"There is nothing," he declared, "in college life that is capable of bringing men more enduring satisfaction than fraternity friendships which have grown out of working together, not only for ourselves, but for each other. That is the whole philosophy of the present social revolution. The fraternity belongs in the front of such a movement. Let us take our place on the college campus as a unified force for all that is fine, constructive, and dynamic in the life of the young men who will soon be called on to bear the burden of the present chaos."

"Despite Hitler and high water—and some hysteria, the Greek-letter organizations are doing business as usual," reported the War Committee through its chairman, Cecil J. Wilkinson, Phi Gamma Delta. He stated that, while the number of initiated men returning this fall to the campuses is slightly less than the comparable opening months a year ago, the number of men pledged is higher, reflecting the more prosperous business conditions.

Following are the ways the fraternities have been aiding the American defense program, Mr. Wilkinson reported: by arranging campus dances for men on leave, housing the men in fraternity homes; by offering meals and lodgings and a "date bureau" for lonely week-enders on leave; by inviting service men to specially planned "open houses" at fraternity homes; by obtaining for service men in coöperation with the college administration tickets for athletic events either without charge or at reduced rates; by contributing phonograph records to recreation centers; by presenting amateur theatricals, glee club programs, debates, and quiz programs at recreation centers.

National organizations have helped by reducing convention costs to service men, sending fraternity magazines without charge to members in uniform, giving advertising space without charge to defense projects, by requiring the American flag to be flown daily from all chapter houses, by encouraging the purchase of defense bonds and stamps, contributions to service organizations and Bundles for Britain, by arranging special affairs for the benefit of defense activities, such as the Defense Ball given recently in New York.

Officers elected at the closing session of the 33rd annual session of the National Interfraternity Conference are: Chairman, John M. MacGregor, Alpha Tau Omega, New York City; vice-chairman, Hamilton W. Baker, Kappa Sigma, New York City; secretary, Leroy A. Wilson, Lambda Chi Alpha, New York City; treasurer, Maurice Jacobs, Phi Epsilon Pi, Philadelphia; educational adviser, Dean Joseph A. Bursley, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor; Executive Committee, class of 1942, Warren C. DuBois, Delta Upsilon; Alvin T. Sapinsley, Zeta Beta Tau; Albert H. Wilson, Sigma Nu; class of 1943, Scott Turner, Psi Upsilon; Rupert R. Lewis, Tau Kappa Epsilon; S. Roy Smith, Pi Kappa Alpha; class of 1944, David A. Embury, Acacia; Verling



President Marchmont is host to past presidents. Back row, left to right: Horace R. Barnes, 1930-32; John H. Marchmont; Earl F. Schoening, 1936-38. Front row, left to right: William A. McIntyre, 1912-14; Don A. Hamilton, 1934-36.

C. Enteman, Delta Phi; Frederick W. Ladue, Theta Chi, all of New York City.

Discuss Vital Topics

The two-day session of the National Undergraduate Interfraternity Council held in conjunction with the National

Interfraternity Conference was presided over by the following officers: Donald Stevenson, Beta Theta Pi, University of Michigan, chairman; Donald G. Dubois, Alpha Delta Psi, Rhode Island State, vice-chairman; Carl Squires, Beta Theta Pi,

University of Florida, secretary. The graduate chairman was Frederick T. Mitchell, dean of men, Michigan State College.

Concrete suggestions for safe-guarding the fraternities were discussed under the general title, "Can the Fraternities Survive the Present Crisis?" Some of the proposals considered are: the adoption of coöperative rushing, with special help given those chapters adversely affected by the defense emergency; campus training schools for all chapter officers and committee chairmen; campus Greek weeks; the publication and the circulation among prospective students of illustrated booklets designed to bring students to the campus fraternity-minded from homes that are fraternity-minded; the adoption of simple, complete accounting systems and annual audits under college supervision; schools for pledges and improvement of pledge manuals; the inclusion of faculty and alumni in preparations for pledge training; coöperative buying, making possible reductions up to 15 per cent; improvement of financial credit; the discouragement of racial intolerance and discrimination.

Graduate speakers included Dr. Alvan Duerr, Delta Tau Delta, chairman of the NIC Committee on Public Relations; Leslie H. Belknap, national president, Delta Sigma Phi; and Robert Stewart, national president Alpha Chi Rho. Undergraduate speakers were: Robert F. Schwerin, Kappa Sigma, Carnegie Tech; James C. Stretch, Alpha Tau Omega, Pennsylvania; and John Arend, Theta Chi, M. I. T.

Hail 10th Anniversary

Marking the tenth anniversary of the organization of the College Fraternities Secretaries Association, members held their annual meeting Thursday.

Neither selective service nor the defense program has adversely affected the college fraternity, announced Chairman Richard Young, Phi Kappa Tau, in

opening the session. He reported that the great majority of chapters are awake to present financial hazards and have adopted plans to enable them to operate soundly in the years ahead. Members have more money, he reported, and are paying their bills promptly and, except in a few schools, rushing has been successful. The uneasiness of students caused by the national emergency, felt so generally on college campuses last year, seems to have disappeared, he stated.

In closing he said:

"Today we have a greater responsibility than at any time in the life of the college fraternity. Believing as we do in democracy, we have a two-fold task. We must make our chapters shining examples of democratic society at its best; we must prove to all concerned our willingness, our desire, our demand to take an active part in the preservation of our beloved form of government. Our program must be one of action—not words."

That members of the association, however, are concerned for the future of college fraternities because of the war situation was proved by the extended discussion over ways and means for college administrations and interfraternity councils to coöperate in safeguarding the established chapters on the campuses by thorough-going, intelligent coöperation and by making individual chapters realize that they must sacrifice some personal advantages to help others.

Frederick T. Mitchell, dean of men at Michigan State College, and A. B. Warnock, dean of men at Pennsylvania State College, spoke for the educational institutions, and Lauren Foreman, Sigma Alpha Epsilon, and Malcolm Sewell, Sigma Pi, for the fraternities.

Officers elected by the association are as follows: Chairman, G. Herbert Smith, Beta Theta Pi; vice-chairman, C. F. Williams, Phi Kappa Psi; secretary-treasurer, H. G. Slifer, Chi Psi; Executive Committee members, Harold Davison, Theta

Xi; Ralph F. Burns, Alpha Sigma Phi; and Richard Young, Phi Kappa Tau.

Hear Magazine Makers

That fraternities and sororities have many problems in common was again emphasized in the closing event of the three-day program, the annual dinner of the College Fraternity Editors Association in which the members of the Sorority Editors' Conference participated. This event was held at the Waldorf Astoria, Saturday night.

Various phases of magazine making were discussed by George L. Macy, one-time editor of the *Zeta Beta Tau Quarterly* and now director of the Limited Editions Club; Jessica Daves, managing editor of *Vogue*; and Otis L. Weise, Delta Chi, editor of *McCalls*. Mrs. James Young told of some of the experiences of her family in Japan when her husband, James Young, Phi Gamma Delta, while serving as chief of the International News Service in the Far East, was incarcerated in a Japanese prison.

George Starr Lasher, Theta Chi, took over the duties of toastmaster, after Miss Helen C. Bowers, Kappa Kappa Gamma, and Leland F. Leland, Tau Kappa Epsilon, retiring presidents of the two associations, had introduced their members.

A silent tribute was paid Oswald C. Hering, Delta Kappa Epsilon, whose death deprived the association of its president elected last year.

Officers elected by the College Fraternity Editors Association are: Robert Pilgram, Phi Kappa Sigma, president; Ralph F. Burns, Alpha Sigma Phi, vice-president; and Lawrence Reedy, Sigma Nu, secretary-treasurer. Earl F. Schoening, Phi Sigma Kappa, was appointed to the Executive Committee.

When Greek Meets Greek

Two delightful social events were a part of the week-end activities. A reception and tea dance for the delegates was given Thursday afternoon at Beekman Tower under the sponsorship of the

New York City Panhellenic Association, and Friday noon NIC Chairman L. G. Balfour was host at a beautifully appointed luncheon at the Commodore to representatives of all the fraternities and the sororities. For the latter event a delightful musical program was presented by Roma Swarthout, mezzo soprano, and a string trio.

Unusually impressive is the well illustrated booklet, "Philanthropy in N.P.C.," which was presented to the National Panhellenic Congress and the National Interfraternity Conference by the publishers of *Banta's Greek Exchange*. It was a report by Mrs. Margaret K. Banta, Kappa Alpha Theta, presenting in vivid fashion the extensive and varied philanthropic activities of the 21 members of the National Panhellenic Congress. Concrete evidence of the social-mindedness of national sororities is offered by the booklet.

All the sororities, according to reports at the National Panhellenic Congress, also have committees planning assistance to the regular military and civilian defense agencies in their state and local efforts. More than \$23,000 has been contributed by various sororities to relieve wartime suffering, particularly in England. Three sororities are maintaining mobile kitchen units.

Twenty-two deans of men and personnel officers participated in the National Interfraternity Conference sessions. They discussed affairs of particular interest to them at a luncheon, presided over by Dean L. S. Corbett of the University of Maine, president of the National Association of Deans and Advisers of Men.

An illuminated manuscript phrasing a tribute to the contributions he had made to the fraternity cause was presented to William L. Phillips by the College Fraternity Secretaries Association, with Cecil Wilkinson, Phi Gamma Delta, acting as spokesman. Mr. Phillips, who served as president of the association recently, has



President Marchmont receives Philadelphia contingent. Back row, left to right: William Ellis Zimmerman, Horace R. Barnes, Herbert L. Brown, President Marchmont. Front row, left to right: E. Lewis Gibbs, William A. McIntyre, Leighton P. Stradley.

just announced his retirement as executive secretary of Sigma Phi Epsilon, a fraternity whose development has been furthered greatly by his efforts.

Of unusual interest this year was the exhibits of magazines and other publications of fraternities gathered and displayed under the direction of Leland F. Leland, Tau Kappa Epsilon, president of the College Fraternity Editors Association.

Phi Sigma Kappa Reception

Preceding the dinner Friday evening, the Grand Chapter held a reception for visiting and local Phi Sigs and their friends. Among the sixty guests were past presidents McIntyre, Barnes, Hamilton, and Schoening. Members of the Council present were Brother Marchmont, national President, Brother Watts, Director-at-Large, Brother Rupert, Director from Region I, and Brother



Field Secretary George Amsbary with undergraduates from Gamma, Zeta, Iota, and Rho Deuteron Chapters at Phi Sigma Kappa reception, Commodore Hotel.

Brown, Director from Region II. Brother Zimmerman, Commissioner from Pennsylvania, was there with Brother Stradley, Endowment Trustee, and Brother Gibbs, Mu Adviser. Other chapter advisers present were Brothers Lundvall, Zeta, Bunn, Nu, and Chronister, Rho Deuteron. Dr. Herman, our Chaplain, and Brothers Miller, Schreckengaust, Harrison, Ridder, Wentworth, and Muecke were repeaters. Field Secretary

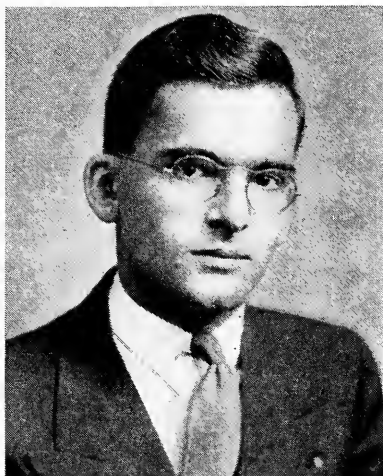
Amsbary, undergraduate Brothers Downing, Schwerdtfeger, Honey, Haronian, Zeta, Campbell, Iota, and Young and Wray, Rho Deuteron, were also present.

Beta Scholarship

During the 1940-41 academic year at Union College, Phi Sigma Kappa, placed third with a 3.022 average. The all-men average of the college was 2.547.

The Bridge Builder

By WILLIAM ALLEN DROMGOOLE



ROBERT B. ABBE
Epsilon Deuteron '38
Endowment Donor

*An old man, going a lone highway,
Came in the evening, lone and gray,
To a chasm vast, both deep and wide,
Through which there flowed a sullen tide.
The old man crossed in the twilight dim—
The swollen stream was as naught to him—
But he stopped, when safe on the farther side,
And built a bridge to span the tide.*

*“Old man,” said a fellow pilgrim near,
“You are wasting your strength in labor here;
Your journey will end with the closing day;
You never again will pass this way;
You’ve crossed this chasm, deep and wide.
Why build you this bridge at even-tide?”*

*The laborer lifted his gray old head.
“Good friend, in the path I have come,” he
said,*

*“There followeth after me today
A youth whose feet must pass this way.
This chasm, which has been as naught to me,
To that fair-haired youth may a pitfall be,
He, too, must cross in the twilight dim,
Good friend, I am building this bridge for
him.”*

The most recent Endowment Donor is Brother Robert B. Abbe, Epsilon Deuteron '38. He is also the youngest Endowment Donor.

Brother Abbe graduated from Worcester Polytechnic Institute with a B.S. degree in Civil Engineering in 1938. Following graduation, Brother Abbe was employed in the Engineering Department of the City of Hartford, Connecticut, as a Junior Engineer. Since August 1939 he has been with the Bethlehem Steel Company as a structural detailer in their fabricated steel construction division in Pottstown, Pennsylvania. When in college, Brother Abbe was a member of the band, the *Tech News* board, and the Dramatic Society.

In writing to the Editor of THE SIGNET, Brother Abbe stated “THE SIGNET is a credit to you and your staff, and I for one wish to congratulate you upon your success.”

Brother Abbe enclosed the poem “The Bridge Builder” which was recited at his initiation banquet in 1935. In referring to the poem, Brother Abbe states “It has so much truth in it as to just what Phi Sigma Kappa was founded for, has striven to be, and has been to all its thousands of members, a bridge builder of the first order.” Brother Abbe has attained from his membership in Phi Sigma Kappa those “hills” and that “star” to which Brother Rand refers in “Brother-to-be” (pledge manual, page 17).

PHI SIGMA KAPPA GUEST REGISTER

NAME	ADDRESS	CHAPTER	CLASS	COLLEGE
Claude H. Weitz	Endicott, Wash.	FEBRUARY 28, 1941 Chi Deuteron	'41	Washington State
Nick W. Marchuk	Peoria, Ill.	MARCH 1, 1941 Alpha Deuteron	'39	Illinois
Mrs. Leland F. Leland	St. Paul, Minn.	MARCH 11, 1941 Alpha Omicron Pi	'25	Minnesota
Kenneth R. Jones	Park Ridge, Ill.	MARCH 13, 1941 Beta Triton	'41	Knox
Charles A. Howe	Winnetka, Ill.	MARCH 24, 1941 Beta Triton	'31	Knox
Chuck Eaton	Chicago, Ill.	Beta Triton	'35	Knox
G. W. Baker	Western Springs, Ill.	Beta Triton	'34	Knox
J. A. Barger	Detroit, Mich.	APRIL 8, 1941 Delta Deuteron	'21	Michigan
John C. Kontos	Sterling, Ill.	APRIL 9, 1941 Alpha Deuteron	'39	Illinois
Richard G. Novak	Riverside, Ill.	APRIL 10, 1941 Beta Triton	'43	Knox
Gene Russell	Chicago, Ill.	APRIL 14, 1941 Alpha Deuteron	'42	Illinois
John T. Randall	Columbus, Ohio	APRIL 29, 1941 Gamma	'39	Cornell
E. R. Murch	Wilmington, Del.	Phi	'14	Swarthmore
M. E. Hopkins	Berkeley, Calif.	MAY 5, 1941 Chi	'09	Williams
Gerald W. Fordham	Shevlin, Ore.	MAY 10, 1941 Theta Deuteron	'43	Oregon State
Theodore H. Lassagne	San Francisco, Calif.	MAY 13, 1941 Alpha Deuteron	'26	Illinois
George J. Dillavou	Billings, Mont.	MAY 17, 1941 Alpha Deuteron	'44	Illinois
John F. Humes	Dalton, Pa.	MAY 19, 1941 Mu	'23	Pennsylvania
Paice Vandercook	Flossmoor, Ill.	MAY 26, 1941 Alpha Deuteron	'14	Illinois
Don L. Treu	Villa Park, Ill.	Omicron Deuteron	'41	Alabama
Clinton W. Evans	Berkeley, Calif.	MAY 29, 1941 Omega	'12	California
Jack Albright	San Diego, Calif.	Omega	'43	California
Harold Cates	Stockton, Calif.	Omega	'43	California
Stan Sharp	San Diego, Calif.	Omega	'43	California

Gene Russell	Chicago, Ill.	JUNE 2, 1941	Illinois
Claude Weitz	Endicott, Wash.	Alpha Deuteron	Washington State
Alf E. Nelson	Torrington, Conn.	JUNE 12, 1941	Minnesota
		Chi Deuteron	
		Beta Deuteron	
George W. Kiningham	Rockford, Ill.	JUNE 13, 1941	Illinois
		Alpha Deuteron	
O. Lang Hogan, Jr.	Columbia, S. Car.	JUNE 17, 1941	South Carolina
		Gamma Triton	
Jim Thackrey	Hartford, Conn.	JUNE 18, 1941	Kansas State
		Iota Deuteron	
"Woody" Baker	Western Springs, Ill.	JUNE 19, 1941	Knox
C. M. Eaton	Chicago, Ill.	Beta Triton	Knox
I. S. Tenny	Downers Grove, Ill.	Beta Triton	Knox
Richard G. Novak	Riverside, Ill.	Beta Triton	Knox
Richard L. Fisher	Crystal Lake, Ill.	JUNE 20, 1941	Knox
T. Lansdale Hill	Baltimore, Md.		St. John's
Ralph J. Watts	Appleton, Wis.		Massachusetts State
Edna K. Watts	Appleton, Wis.		
Jerome H. Watts	Appleton, Wis.		Michigan
Hoyt H. Sauer	Chicago, Ill.		Knox
John H. Marchmont	New York, N. Y.		Columbia
Ralph J. Watts	Appleton, Wis.		Massachusetts State
John L. Stone	Chicago, Ill.		St. Lawrence
Richard G. Novak	Riverside, Ill.		Knox
J. S. Tenny	Downers Grove, Ill.		Knox
G. W. Baker	Western Springs, Ill.		Knox
C. M. Eaton	Chicago, Ill.		Knox
Gordon B. Walker	Minneapolis, Minn.		Minnesota
Hoyt H. Sauer	Chicago, Ill.		Knox
N. W. Cusick	Champaign, Ill.		Illinois
Ruth Buckles	Champaign, Ill.		Illinois
Robert Helm	Metropolis, Ill.		Illinois



CARL MORROW

Looking at Ourselves

A Review

By



NELSON ANTRIM CRAWFORD
Iota Deuteron
Editor, The Household Magazine

I shy away from self-help books. Most of them offer some vague plan for getting into tune with the Infinite or even persuading oneself that one really is the Infinite, like the character in Ezra Pound's poem:

I dreamt that I was God Himself
Whom heavenly joy immerses,
And all the angels sat around
And praised my verses.

So it was with dubiety that I picked up *Personal Problems of Everyday Life*¹. Here, I thought, is probably another volume elaborating the obvious and the untrue. As I read, however, I changed my mind—fast. I found the book a simple, sound explanation of the problems of adjustment to life that trouble all of us—some more than others. In other words, mental hygiene—and for the average reader the best work that I have encountered in that field because it deals for the most part not with the psychoses or even the more severe neuroses but with the everyday difficulties of ordinary people.

The book is based on the psycho-

analytic principle that early experiences highly tinged with emotion are responsible for the emotional tone of the individual's later life. He has—intentionally—forgotten these early experiences so far as his consciousness is concerned, but they hover in his unconscious and break out in unrecognized forms or else merely inhibit him in his work and play. For instance, the angry golfer who smashes his club after a bad shot may be expressing his repressed hostility for a brother who always made him seem like a failure.

The authors trace the history of the human being from babyhood through childhood, adolescence, into marriage and parenthood. The emotional stresses peculiar to each period are analyzed—and useful suggestions are given as to relieving these stresses.

In every case the recommended solutions for problems are in accord with modern psychology. To take one example, the authors do not, like many writers, beat around the bush in their discussion of sex. A typical statement in books for young people is that sexual relations are not essential to physical health. Then the discussion is closed. Doctors Travis and Baruch, on the other hand, point out that sex relationships are entered into,

¹Lee Edward Travis, Ph.D., and Dorothy Walter Baruch, Ph.D.: *Personal Problems of Everyday Life*. New York: D. Appleton-Century Company, \$2.75.

especially by young women, for other than physical reasons; to gain a sense of achievement; to get recognition; to find affection and response; to punish oneself through a sense of annihilation; to punish one's parents for insults received at their hands. In so complex a situation the authors naturally do not prescribe a universal remedy, either abstinence or gratification. They do, very wisely, introduce a note of caution: before taking the final step one should be sure that afterward he will continue to approve of himself—which may not be too easy for the average person in a traditional civilization.

The treatment of marriage in the book is equally sane, especially in pointing out that in all relationships involving love there is also a certain measure of hostility, so that "there are bound to be moments of dislike and 'apartness' as well as of love and 'togetherness.'"

The knowledge and shrewdness shown by the authors in these subjects are a measure of the book. Not only are human vagaries explained, but sound suggestions for help are given. If one needs counsel and treatment by an expert, as most persons do at times, here are data on the various sorts of assistance available—and how to avoid the quacks.

There is also, however, the assurance that we can help ourselves. We can try, in the first place, to be honest and to look at ourselves as we really are—a mixture of kindness, hostility, protectiveness, sensuality, selfishness, ebullience, melancholy—a mixture of good and bad of all shades. We are that way—and so are other folks. We should face our characters—and our emotional troubles, without shame, and trace their sources if we can. We should realize, too, that we have fundamental human needs and that we ought consciously and deliberately to gratify them.

Finally, a point which is insufficiently emphasized in most works on psychol-

ogy, and which I shall present in the authors' own words:

"Just as we have needs, so do all other human beings. We can help ourselves to get along with other people considerably better if we take their needs into the picture. We will be able to do this better if we have satisfied our own. When we feel secure and adequate, we are not apt to envy security and adequacy in others. We are more willing to contribute to them. We are freer to let ourselves contribute.

"The effect, moreover, is retroactive. As we boost others, we will find them much more ready to boost us. As we contribute to them, we will find them much more willing to contribute to us. Our world will be a happier place."

Columbus Club Meets

The Phi Sigma Kappa Club of Columbus on November 15th (Ohio State Homecoming) met at the Hotel Virginia, Columbus, Ohio. Those present included Brothers Howard Laymon, Noel F. Haberkost, B. L. Scott, Theodore F. Nickel, Floyd Bell, Erwin Boye, Rush Robinson, John Snyder, Thomas J. Potts, Louis Murray, Donald Van Voorhis, Richard E. Davis, and their wives, Brothers Shefford S. Miller, Charles A. Rowan, Jr., and William Winter. Also present were many guests who in the past few years have always joined in to make the party a success. Notable among these were Lt. and Mrs. Dean Henry and Mr. and Mrs. Basil Long.

The principal business of the evening was fellowship; however, a new regulation was passed, providing for non-resident memberships at the rate of \$1.00 per annum. All present contributed to a man. Those not present should note and respond accordingly. Brother Scott was re-elected President and Brother Drake Secretary. Unfortunately, Brother Drake was unable to attend the dinner because of illness.

Phi Sigs Lead Division

By LEE McCARDELL, *Baltimore Evening Sun*

Officers, Except Reckord, Are Fraternity Brothers

A little bird—or maybe it was a carrier pigeon—wearing a Phi Sigma Kappa fraternity pin and carrying a St. John's College pennant, arrived here today from the Carolinas to report:

"After Maj. Gen. Milton A. Reckord, commander of the Twenty-ninth Division, got himself captured down there recently during army maneuvers, it was Phi Sigma Kappa and St. John's College all the way—all the way down from the general to Company K!"

What happened was this:

Brig. Gen. Amos W. W. Woodcock, commander of the Fifty-eighth Infantry brigade, succeeded General Reckord as divisional commander. General Woodcock graduated from St. John's College in 1903 and while in college was a member of the St. John's chapter of the Phi Sigma Kappa fraternity.

Col. Jarman Is Graduate

Lieut. Col. Carey Jarman is operations officer of the division. Colonel Jarman graduated from St. John's in 1917, and also was a member of Phi Sigma Kappa there.

Col. Harry C. Ruhl, commander of the One Hundred and Seventy-fifth Infantry—the old Dandy Fifth—succeeded General Woodcock as brigade commander. Colonel Ruhl graduated from St. John's in 1910, and he, too, was Phi Sigma Kappa at St. John's.

Lieut. Col. Edgar T. Fell, executive officer of the One Hundred and Seventy-fifth, took over the command of the regiment. Colonel Fell (yes, you've guessed it) graduated from St. John's in 1913 and was a fraternity brother there of the three Phi Sig's over him.

Major Baxter Is Another

Major William C. Baxter, operations officer on the regimental staff, is another St. John's man. Class of 1920. Also a member of St. John's chapter of Phi Sigma Kappa.

Major William C. Purnell, executive officer of the third battalion, graduated the same year from St. John's, and was initiated there into Phi Sigma Kappa along with Major Baxter.

And finally (have patience, Brother!) Capt. Francis R. Dice, captain of Company K, third battalion, came out of St. John's in 1923 wearing a Phi Sig pin.

In other words, the little bird explained, there was a complete St. John's College-Phi Sigma Kappa chain of command from the top of the division down to Company K. Any tactical order given by General Woodcock had to pass through this chain of command, from one brother-alumnus to another brother-alumnus, in order to reach Captain Dice.

The little bird didn't know the fraternity grip or the pass-word. But it sang what it said was a St. John's College song.

John Adams Lowe Jr. Commissioned

John Adams Lowe, Jr., 22 year old private in Battery H of 209th Coast Artillery (Anti-air Craft) on October 14, 1941, became the first enlisted man in the regiment to be commissioned a lieutenant. He was sworn in by Capt. Rufus Wesson, adjutant, as second lieutenant in the Signal Corps Reserve, and was transferred from the maneuvers base camp in North Carolina to Fort Monmouth, New Jersey where he will undergo a rigorous course in electronic training.

With the Armed Forces



Albright, Wesley A., Beta '41, Flying cadet corps.

Allen, Edward B., Mu '42, Army, Corporal.

Baehr, George William, Mu '40, Army, Private.

Bair, Charles, Pi '43, U. S. Army Air Corps.

Bergstrom, Robert V., Epsilon Deuteron '39, USNR.

Bixby, John Wesley, Mu '41, Army Air Corps.

Blackman, Daniel, Pi '43, U. S. Army Air Corps.

Bomberger, J. Graff, Private, Kappa '40, Co. C, 12th Training Battalion, 3rd Platoon, Camp Wheeler, Georgia.

Brattain, Donald Monroe, Lambda '43, taking commission in "Armored Div."

Bray, Frank Pi '43, U. S. Army Air Corps.

Burnside, James, Eta '41, 2nd Lt., Fort Benning, Ga.

Burnett, Walter, Xi Deuteron, Philipines.

Caemmerer, Robert, Nu '41, Lt., Armored Force, Pine Camp, N. Y.

Coogan, Edward William, Mu '41, Army, 2nd Lt.

Coulter, James E., Mu '39, Army, Private.

Dinneen, Michael Paul, Lambda '42, Sgt. Major in Army.

Douglass, Donald C., Alpha '20, Ensign, Naval Air Corps.

Duncan, Bill, Pi '42, Private, Newport News, Va.

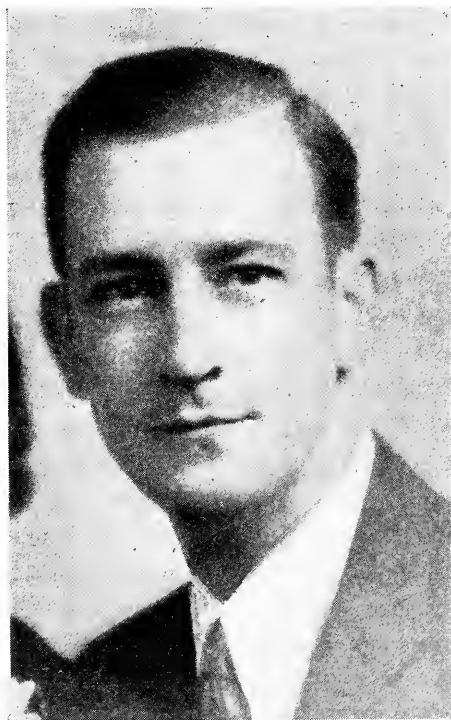
Ellers, William Herman, Nu '40, Private, Aberdeen Proving Ground, Md.

Evans, Sheldon James, Beta '40, Pine Camp, N. Y.

Fiedler, William, Mu '38, Naval Air Corps.

Flint, M. H., Epsilon Deuteron '17, Capt., USA, Plattsburg.

Foley, William Joseph, Beta Triton '38, Texas.



E. B. DANIELS

Frost, William Nathaneal, Beta Triton '41, Kelly Field, Texas.

Fugit, Donald, Eta '39, Private, Signal Corps, Army War College, Washington, D. C.

Gardner, John S., Lt., Nu '39, Co. C, 52nd Training Batt., Camp Walters, Tex.

Garran, Frank, Tau '42, Ensign, Navy.

- Garrison, Harry A., (Dr.), Capt., Delta '01, Navy Yard, Puget Sound, Wash.
- Gorisse, Richard A., Lt., Nu '39, Wright Field, Dayton, Ohio.
- Green, Thomas Plantz, Beta Triton '40, Naval Air Corps, Pensacola, Fla.
- Grunnell, Charles V., Private, Lambda '41, Battery C, Camp Wallace, Tex.
- Gustafson, Harlan, Mu '40, Naval Air Corps.
- Hambleton, Harry B., Eta '39, 518th M. P. Bn., Fort Jay, N. Y.
- Hardwicke, Harold, Chi '23, Camp Lee, Va.
- Hartley, Warren, Pi '37, Commissioned Officer, Naval Reserves.
- Hesselbacher, George Edward, Jr., Nu '41, Company C, U. S. C. C., West Point, N. Y.
- Hilferty, Charles P., Kappa '41, Alabama.
- Holland, Vernon Henry, Omega Deuteron '42, Infantry, Naval Air Corps.
- Hough, William Henry, Mu '41, Army, 2nd Lt.
- Howell, John R., Chi '41, Marines, Quantica, Va.
- Jacober, E. C., Epsilon Deuteron '41, Material Div. Army Air Corps, Wright Field.
- Jillson, Albert, Beta '41, Air Corps.
- Johnston, Charles G., Xi Deuteron '38, Army, Puerto Rico.
- Jones, Kenneth Russel, Beta Triton '41, Iceland.
- Jones, Louis A., Eta '39, 2nd Lt., Fourth Defense Battalion, Sea duty.
- Kalez, Marion, Dr., Lambda Deuteron '24, Flight Surgeon, Naval Air Corps.
- Kendall, Donald, Eta '43, 2nd Lt., Marine Corps, Brazil, Special Duty.
- Kendall, John T., Kappa '40, 2nd Lt., Camp Wheeler, Ga.
- Kephart, Bill, Pi '41, Flying Cadet U. S. Army.
- King, Carl S., Corporal, Kappa '40, Fort Monmouth, New Jersey.
- King, Charles E., Xi Deuteron '41, Fort Bragg, N. C.
- Kintz, Williard S., Kappa '44.
- Kingman, Dudley J., Alpha Deuteron '33, Co. 1, 8th Q. M. Training, Camp Lee, Va.
- Ladd, Barney William, Beta Triton '35, Iceland.
- Lennon, Harry, Chi '39.
- Little, David Edwards, Omicron Deuteron '41, Navy Air Corps.
- Ljunggren, E. N., Epsilon Deuteron '39, Lt., Army Air Corps, Panama.
- Lowe, John A., Jr., Chi '40, Volunteered, N. Y. State National Guard, Instrument Corporal, Battery H, 209th Coast Artillery, Camp Stewart, Ga.
- Loewenthal, G. H., Epsilon Deuteron '41, Army Air Corps, Parks Air School.
- Luber, John, Omega Deuteron '42, Navy Air Corps.
- Marks, William Chester, Omega Deuteron '43, Naval Air Corps.
- Martin, Jay, Chi '39, Quartermaster Corps.
- Meenach, Thomas J., Jr., Chi Deuteron '40, 2nd Lt., Fort Lewis, Wash.
- MacDonald, C. D., Epsilon Deuteron '40, Pvt. USA, Ord. Battalion.
- McAllister, Bill, Tau '41, Army Air Corps.
- McDonnell, John W., Omega '40, R. C. A. F.
- McElory, C. W., Epsilon Deuteron '34, Naval Training Station.
- McKnight, C. W., Epsilon Deuteron '38, Army Air Corps, Pearl Harbor.
- McMurray, Clarence Jr., Epsilon Deuteron '41, Panama Canal Zone, Engineer.
- Neal, Clark A., Nu '39, Private, Battery B, 244 Coast Artillery, Camp Pendleton, Va.
- Neiderhauser, Albert S., Kappa '42, Sergeant, Virginia.
- Nogle, Don, Omega Deuteron '42, Naval Air Corps.
- Novak, Richard Glenn, Beta Triton '43, Camp Lee, Fla.
- O'Hanlon, John Joseph, Mu '42, Army Air Corps.

Orem, Robert Pi '42, Private, Camp Lee, Petersburg, Va.

Palmquist, Robert C., Alpha Deuteron '40, Navy Air Corps.

Partridge, Robert Woodrow, Mu '41, Navy, Chief Boson's Mate.

Post, Fred, Pi '40, Flying Cadet U. S. Army.

Ralston, William Alan, Zeta Triton '39, Air Corps.

Rasmussen, Henry, Beta Triton '41, Naval Air Corps, Pensacola, Fla.

Reeder, Bill, Tau '41, Navy Air Corps.

Rice, Vilas Clifford, Alpha Deuteron '41, Air Corps, Randolph Field, Tex.

Rice, Virgil Thomas, Alpha Deuteron '41, Royal Canadian Air Force.

Richardson, Ralph Pi '39, Commissioned Officer, Naval Reserves.

Richmond, James Gibbs, Beta Triton '39, Air Corps, McClellan Field, Calif.

Riemandy, Augustus, Nu '41, Lt., Wright Field, Dayton, Ohio.

Rollo, Wesley William, Omicron Deuteron '40, Camp Wallace, Tex.

Robbins, Lawrence Austin, Mu '41, Corporal, Army.

Rupp, Edward, Pi '40, Flying Cadet U. S. Army.

Russell, Lester Earl, Omicron Deuteron '43, R. C. A. F., Manitoba, Canada.

Scheeren, Thomas McConnell, Mu '40, Army, Sergeant.

Schwazzenbach, Donald Waite, Mu '41, Army 2nd Lt.

Sellers, Robert Lee, Omega Deuteron '41, Instructor Army Air Corps.

Seng, Stanley Britt, Alpha Deuteron '42, Officer's training course, Fort Sill, Okla.

Shaffer, Richard, Mu '38, 2nd Lt., Army.

Smyth, John Thomas, Beta '41, Flying Cadet Corps.

Smith, Francis, Eta '41, 2nd Lt., Air Corps, Washington.

Souder, William, Eta '39, 2nd Lt., Marine Corps, California.

Stover, Richard, Chi '40, Army Air Base, Springfield, Mass.

Spurck, Robert W., Kappa '41, 38th Air Base Squadron, Will Rodgers Field, Oklahoma City, Okla.

Teru, Donald Lewis, Omicron Deuteron '42, Army Air Corps.

Townsley, R. T., Epsilon Deuteron '37, Army Air Corps, Parks Air School.

Thomas, Daniel, Jr., Kappa '41, 76th School Squadron, Ellington Field, Tex.

Thayer, Carter, Chi '40, First Lt., Instructor, Macon, Ga.

Underwood, Herbert Jean, Beta '41, Naval Air training course.

VanZandt, Kirby, Beta '42, Air Corps.

Vinzant, Mark H., Kappa '40, First Lt., Pilot, Air Corps.

Walk, Hugh Gerard, Alpha Deuteron '41, Student Instructor, Chanute Field.

Watson, Thomas, Eta '41, 2nd Lt., Fort Bragg, N. C.

Weaver, Kenneth E., Kappa '39, Private, Ellington Field, Texas.

Wilson, John Michener, Mu '41, 2nd Lt., Army.

Wolf, Alvin J., Lambda Deuteron '39, Private, Company C., Camp Roberts, California.

Young, Robert Augustus, Beta '40, Air Corps.

Charles A. Minot, Alpha Deuteron '31, was promoted from first lieutenant to captain in the U. S. Army. Captain Minot is an instructor in the tactics department of the officers' candidate school at Fort Sill, Oklahoma.

The laboratories of **Floyd Bell**, Pi Deuteron '30, are now devoted exclusively to defense manufacture.

Walter F. O'Brien, Delta '29, former foreman of the Roanoke Virginia repair forces of the Chesapeake and Potomac Telephone Company of Virginia, has been appointed manager of the Salem Virginia office.

THE CONCLAVES



Region V Conclave banquet, El Cortez Hotel, Reno, Nevada.

Region Five

By WILBUR HEDQUIST

The Region V Conclave opened in Reno, Nevada, on the 22nd of November. Delegates arrived late in the afternoon and in the evening of the preceding day. After establishing themselves at the chapter house, the delegates and advisers from Omega, Nu Deuteron, and Omega Deuteron were shown the "bright spots" of "the Biggest Little City in the World!" Omega was represented by Brothers Marin, Anderson, Weller and Henshaw. Nu Deuteron was represented by Brother O'Neil and Omega

Deuteron by Brothers Taylor, Dolan and Thoreson. Dr. F. L. Horner, James Eva and Irvin Ayer were the advisers from Omega, Nu Deuteron and Eta Deuteron, respectively.

Brother Franklin C. Palm opened the first meeting at 9:45 Saturday morning. Brother Zerweck, Eta Deuteron, was appointed secretary. Reports of the various chapters, except Eta Deuteron whose report was presented at the second meeting, were given by the chapter adviser and a delegate. Committees were ap-



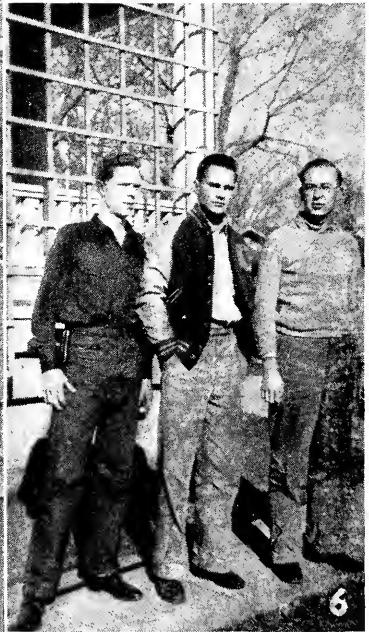
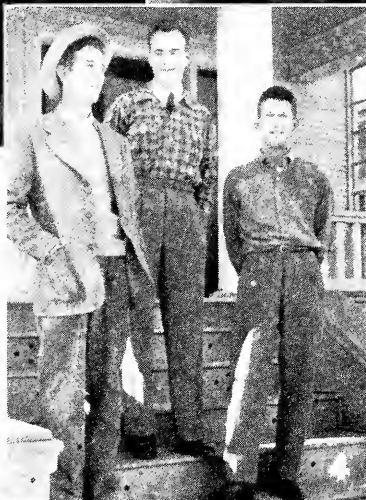
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(1) Omega delegates.

(2) Regional Director Palm and Nu Deuteron Adviser Eva visiting Virginia City.

(3) Nu Deuteron delegation. Left to right: Eugene O'Neil and James Eva, Adviser.

(4) Omega Deuteron delegation. Left to right: Howard Thoreson, Roy Weller, and Tom Taylor.

(5) Conclave hosts. Left to right, first row: Irvin Ayer, Adviser, Brothers Giorgi, Imus, Zerweck. Second row: Brothers Gioni, Gamble, Willis, Batchelder, Hedquist, Burke.

(6) Conclave committee. Left to right: Brothers Imus, banquet; Zerweck, secretary; and Hedquist, publicity.



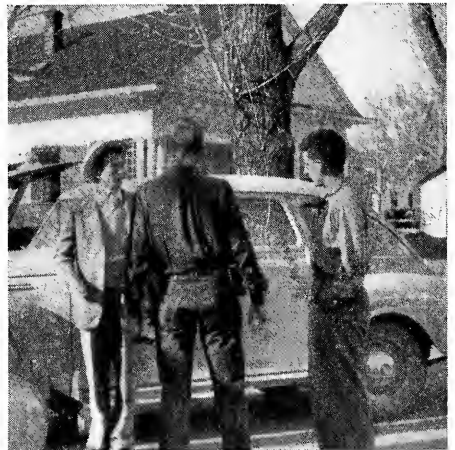
Region V Conclave banquet. Left to right: Joseph McLeod; Dr. F. L. Horner, Omega Adviser; Harry Frost; George Southworth, Jr., Eta Deuteron alumni president; Dr. Franklin C. Palm, Regional Director; Fred Batchelder, Eta Deuteron president; James Eva, Nu Deuteron Adviser; and Irvin E. Ayer, Eta Deuteron Adviser.

pointed to prepare and lead discussions at the second meeting. Telegrams were read and the national chapter reports were presented by Dr. Palm. Discussion followed about expulsion, inactivity and graduate student activity. The meeting was adjourned at 12:00 noon to reconvene at 9:30 the next morning.

After lunch, the delegates motored south to visit Virginia City, the world famous mining camp. Points of interest visited included Piper's Opera House, Bucket of Blood Saloon, Crystal Bar, and the Cemetery. Leaving late in the afternoon, the delegates returned to Reno to prepare for the banquet that was held that night at the El Cortez Hotel. Dr. Palm, the principal speaker, discussed "The Future of Fraternities."

The second meeting opened at 9:30 Sunday morning. Unfinished business was brought up and the four Brothers, Taylor, O'Neil, Marin and Hedquist, led the discussion about finances, scholarship, rushing and service in time of war. Brother Palm presented a proposed plan of holding a combined conclave of the Fifth and Sixth Regions sometime in the future in Reno. The Conclave closed

at 12:30 p. m. and, after another session of posing for photographs, lunch was served. Desiring to obtain an early start, the delegates and the advisers left for their chapters early Sunday afternoon. Eta Deuteron was very pleased to be chosen as host to the Conclave and is looking forward to the combined Conclave of the Fifth and Sixth Regions.



Leaving for home. Left to right: Howard Thoreson, Omega Deuteron; Austin Imus, Eta Deuteron; and Tom Taylor, Omega Deuteron.

Region Two

By H. L. BROWN, *Regional Director*

Region II held its Conclave for 1941 at Pi Chapter House in Lancaster, Pennsylvania. This date was chosen largely because two of the colleges in Region II met in their traditional football game on October 25th — Franklin-Marshall and Gettysburg. Unfortunately, the dates conflicted with important events at some of the colleges in this Region, and as a result three Chapters were not represented — Delta, Mu, Phi. In the case of Phi, the Chapter was not represented because Swarthmore College was quarantined for infantile paralysis.

The following were present:

GAMMA

Louis J. Koch, Jr.
John E. Perry (Adviser)

ZETA

Daniel Lundvall (Adviser)

NU

William L. Clark
Robert L. Forsyth

PI

J. Shober Barr (Adviser)
Harry M. Lynn
Thomas A. Monk, 3rd
William J. Killen
William Lees

IOTA

Wesley J. Howe
Richard F. Stott
Charles Bittman

KAPPA

Elwood R. Hendrickson

RHO DEUTERON

Elmer B. Ashway
Carl F. Chronister (Adviser)
William W. Miller
William N. Zimmerman
Edward A. Samuel
Donald W. Herb
John M. Kelso

In addition, National President, John Marchmont and Past National President, Horace Barnes attended the session which was called to order at 2:30 P. M. on Friday by Regional Director H. L. Brown.

An Agenda composed of the follow-



Region II Conclave group.

ing subjects had been prepared and copies were distributed to the delegates.

- (1) Finances
- (2) Scholarships
- (3) Rushing
- (4) Chapter Conduct
- (5) Chapter Officers
- (6) Chapter Advisers
- (7) Alumni Relations
- (8) Grand Chapter Relations
- (9) Miscellaneous Problems

At the first session, the subject of Finances was discussed with emphasis upon the value of Budgeting, House Management, House Ownership, and Finances. Each Chapter described the

procedures followed at their House and many helpful suggestions were made. Next came a comprehensive discussion of Scholarship with special emphasis upon proper supervision, study hours, recognition for high scholarship and penalty for low scholarship. Here again an interchange of ideas among the Chapters represented afforded the delegates valuable material to take back with them to their respective Chapters.

The various methods and problems that arise in Rushing were then discussed at length and among other things, Alumni aid in Rushing was found to be of particular interest to the delegates. In most cases, it was disclosed that aid from the Alumni is not what it should be and various methods were discussed as to how to improve the situation.

Other subjects coming under this heading were:—help from other Chapters, summer Rushing, various types of rushing, and the value of a thorough knowledge not only of Phi Sigma Kappa in particular, but of Fraternities in general.

At the second session of the Conclave which was called to order 9:30 Saturday morning, Chapter Conduct in its various phases first came up for discussion. It was interesting to note that there was a wide range of adherence to the by-laws of the Fraternity among the Chapters represented, but in general it can be said that the Chapters of Region II understand and appreciate the value of the proper supervision of Chapter Conduct, together with the need for wise disciplinary measures in extreme cases.

This discussion lead into the subject of Chapter Officers with special attention to the care with which Officers should be selected and the necessity for their fully realizing their responsibilities.

Unfortunately, the attendance of Chapter Advisers made a discussion of this subject rather incomplete, but it was disclosed that the Chapters realize the value of good Chapter Advisers and the neces-

sity for coöperation between the Chapter and the Adviser.

Alumni Relations was a subject which disclosed rather serious problems in some of the Chapters in Region II which, however, it was believed are not peculiar to this Region, but which all recognized should be given special attention. It was urged that Chapters have more functions for Alumni and that closer relations with the Alumni be maintained through the Chapter publications, news letters, etc.

Under Grand Chapter Relations various subjects were discussed, but most of the attention was given to the opposition that has been felt in the Region about the new Ritual. Regional Director Brown urged greater consciousness of the national aspect of the Fraternity and closer coöperation with the central office and with the national officers.

Among the recommendations that were made to be passed along to the Council for consideration were: (1) that a new directory be published as soon as practicable; (2) that at least once a year a listing of prominent Phi Sigma Alumni be made in *THE SIGNET* to be used for Rushing purposes; (3) that a study be made by the Council of some method by which Alumni can be more closely linked to the active Chapter so that Brothers graduating will not immediately lose interest in the Fraternity.

Friday evening was devoted to a "pep" rally at Franklin-Marshall, attended by many of the delegates, and on Saturday afternoon most of the delegates saw the Franklin-Marshall-Gettysburg game through the courtesy of Brother Shober Barr, Chapter Adviser at Pi.

While the Conclave may have been somewhat lacking in its social aspects, there was no dearth of interest on the part of the delegates and for the most part all came away feeling that they carried something of value back to their respective Chapters.

Region Four

By D. R. COLLINS

Precedent was dumped into the Chicago River with a resounding splash when arrangements were made for the 1941 Conclave of Region IV. Prior to this year the meeting had always been held at one of Chicago's larger hotels. But in 1941 the conclave was held on the campus of Knox College, Galesburg, Illinois—the old Siwash of song and fable, on Friday and Saturday, November 14th and 15th. And, so successful was this precedent, it is probable that it will be followed for many years—with the meeting rotated among chapters in the region.

It can be said of the conclave that it was, during the sessions, a business meeting from beginning to end. Delegates came well prepared to discuss the business before the meeting and to preside at and conduct the meetings assigned to

them. Timing was uncannily accurate. Meetings started on time—ended promptly. Discussions were confined to the subject assigned for discussion. And when a verbose delegate started to wander in his oral thinking he was promptly put back on the track by the officer presiding.

The conclave at Galesburg was unique from several standpoints. A copy of the program—with but two discussion subjects to a mimeographed page—was sent each chapter two weeks prior to the conclave. Each chapter was asked to call a special meeting to discuss the program—instruct its delegates on questions they were to ask and on suggestions they were to make. Such notes as the delegates made at these special meetings were noted on the mimeographed sheets—



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were then used by them at the conclave sessions.

Another novelty was the organization of the conclave into five business sessions, with a Chapter President presiding at each of these sessions—leading and directing discussion.

Following an address of welcome by Hoyt Sauer, President of Beta Triton, the first session on "How Can We Make Our Rushing More Effective?" was opened by Pliny R. Blodgett, Jr., President of Alpha Deuteron. In a succinct manner Blodgett summarized the rushing activities of his own chapter—then called on delegates from each of the other chapters present to state their rushing problems, limiting each chapter to ten minutes. The hour following was devoted to a review of these problems and their possible solution. Out of the session. From these discussions came a definite 25-point program on rushing practice and technique—too long to

enumerate in this space, but definitely promised readers of *THE SIGNET* in the next issue.

The second session, devoted to the subject of "How Can We Make Our Chapter Administration More Effective?" was conducted by Jim MacDonald, canny blonde President of Delta Deuteron. In quick succession MacDonald brought out for discussion and solution the following eight points:

1. How is the budget problem being handled.
2. What are we doing to train younger men for chapter leadership.
3. What method of auditing chapter books and making condensed reports are in effect.
4. What are we doing to maintain and improve the physical equipment of our chapter houses.
5. What are we doing to plan an economical yet more satisfactory nutritional program in our chapter.



President Marchmont addresses the Conclave.

6. Is the present method of electing officers proving satisfactory.

7. What sort of an insurance program on our chapter houses and their contents is considered satisfactory.

8. How is the housemother or proctor problem being handled.

Session 3 of the conclave covered the subject "How Can We Make Our Scholarship Program More Effective?" and was conducted by curly-haired Hoyt Sauer, President of Beta Triton. Following a brief address by Brother C. J. Adamec, Dean of Knox College, Sauer propounded the following questions and skillfully brought out the answers to them:

1. What is being done to maintain a check on grades of members and pledges.

2. What sort of an advisory program is maintained within the chapter.

3. What steps are being taken to enforce and maintain quiet and study hours.

4. Is any plan in effect that correlates scholarship with number of activities.

5. Are any incentives being offered members and pledges for superior scholarship.

6. What contact is being maintained between the chapter and the faculty.

The 4th session of the conclave, held on Saturday morning, was presided over, in the absence of President Alf Nelson of Beta Deuteron—grounded for the week-end by CAA exams—by Cy Navikas, Treasurer of the chapter. This program dealt with the question "How Can We Do a More Effective Job of Public Relations?" Six leading questions constituted this section of the program. They run as follows:

1. What are the chapters doing in the way of publicity that adds to their prestige.

2. What are chapters doing to cultivate chapter-faculty relationships.



Left to right: John H. Marchmont, national President; Mrs. Carter Davidson; Miss Sarah Coleman, Associate Professor of Spanish; Carter Davidson, President of Knox College.

3. What is being done to strengthen chapter-alumni relationships.

4. What is being done to encourage participation in campus activities that will bring publicity to the chapter.

5. What are chapters doing in the way of original social functions.

6. What is being done to develop SIGNET material.

The final session of the program, with John L. Huffman, serious President of Delta Triton in the presiding chair, called for solutions to the general question "What Can We Do to Strengthen Our Policies, Customs and Traditions?" The fact that the business sessions were drawing to a close had no deterring effect on the spirit of the session as John skillfully guided it to a prompt closing. Discussed were the following 7 points:

1. What can we do to make the exemplification of our ritual more effective and impressive.

2. What have other fraternities on your campus done to revive dormant chapters.

3. What can we do to further inter-chapter relationships.

4. What can we do to make regional conclaves more effective.

5. What suggestions do you have for amending the By-laws of the fraternity.

6. What should be the expansion policy of the fraternity.

7. What arguments have been developed within your chapter for the continuance of the fraternity system.

At the informal dinner held Saturday morning at the Galesburg Club, the Resolutions Committee, consisting of

Sauer, Blodgett and MacDonald, presented the following resolutions, which were unanimously adopted:

Resolution 1

Whereas after due consideration by the delegates of Region IV of Phi Sigma Kappa, it is hereby resolved that all elections of officers in active local chapters of Phi Sigma Kappa be held semi-annually, election of officers for the fall term to take place the last regular chapter meeting prior to summer recess.

Resolution 2

Whereas after due consideration by delegates of Region IV of Phi Sigma Kappa, it is hereby resolved that each active member in each local chapter be assessed an additional 25c per month, to be forwarded to the Grand Chapter, for the purpose of reviving dormant chapters.

Resolution 3

Hereby resolved that the national chapter through its secretarial office gather lists of Phi Sigs in the service of the U. S. Army from files of names furnished by their own local chapters, and send out such lists to the active chapters in the vicinity of military camps in order that such Phi Sig Brothers can be invited to attend dinners, dances, and other fraternal functions.

Brother John H. Marchmont, an interested participant at the discussion sessions, was the chief speaker of this never-to-be-forgotten event. His subject—"Phi Sigma Kappa Faces the Future"—his philosophy—a greater, stronger Phi Sigma Kappa through better administration, greater loyalty to the Creed of the Fraternity, expansion into new fields not now adequately covered by chapters of the Fraternity.

All in all, the session at Galesburg was one of achievement and accomplishment. To the writer of this review it was one of inspiration and provocative constructive thought.

Secretary-Treasurer Schoening, who inducted Beta Triton, compliments the host chapter on its record since induction.





tha Welch, Pi Beta Phi, Knox senior and military sponsor of Co. A., conclave dinner dance guest.

The Social Side of the Region Four Conclave

By TOD CYRUS, *Beta Triton '42*

From the social angle the conclave was more than a success. Friday night, November 14th, proved to be most enjoyable to every one involved. Some fifty couples danced to the marvelous music of "Doc" Lawson and his Orchestra in the Hotel Custer ballroom. A wonderful dinner, a fine band, a smooth dance floor, and an array of "super-smooth" couples—only an ideal evening could result with such a combination as this! Never did the "blind date" system, usually looked upon with horrible anticipation, suffice to any more perfect degree. As the evening and the weekend progressed, "repeat performances" were inevitable, and in several cases were "performed." Brother Navickas, of Beta Deuteron, so skeptical at first, never let his date out of his sight the entire week-end. Brother Huffman, of Delta Triton, "repeated" *solidly* the next afternoon. Brother Blodgett, "cyclone" of Alpha Deuteron, the little corporal, "five foot six," made all previous accomplishments pale with envy when, the following afternoon, in approximately two hours and fifteen minutes, thirty-three and a half seconds after he had met his date, proceeded to transfer his "hardware" to her fair breast. (Don't tell anyone, but it was all a put up job. Are you blushing, Pliny, or is that your natural color? What a man!!) Brother MacDonald, of Delta Deuteron, apparently prejudiced toward one certain sorority on the Ann Arbor campus, came four hundred miles to ring the gong in the same sorority here.

Flash bulbs popped and camera shutters clicked as beautiful girls and their escorts were seen everywhere. To these pictures the brothers of Beta Triton contributed nobly. Brother Ackerman, although "chained" in southern Illinois, showed no evidence of same as he was seen cavorting with a beautiful specimen bearing the moniker of Finger. (Of course, the girls' invitational Christmas Prom is just around the corner!) Brother Cyrus was "consumed" by his "Hedy Lamarr" to such an extent that he was practically dragged to the bandstand to offer two vocal selections. Brother Davis' lovely partner was photographed "solo" with marvelous results. Brother Kahlenburg was driving his "Ford" around in high gear, and loving it, judging by that far away look in his eyes. Pledge Ellithorpe seemed to have difficulty deciding which hotel room he had reserved for his Chicago girl. Prexy Sauer was seen billing and cooing "ala Espagnole" with his "dream girl."

The national officers and advisers certainly weren't to be left out either. Brother Marchmont was being intrigued by a charming combination of Spanish with a



John Huffman, President of Delta Triton, and Hoyt Sauer, President of Beta Triton, discuss Founders' Day banquet plans.

southern accent, and Brother Barlow, of Beta Deuteron, thought the band was so fine that he and his partner proceeded to put on a solo act lasting at least fifteen minutes.

All the visiting brothers agreed that the Knox coeds were the most beautiful encountered in some time and joyfully expressed their gratitude.

Laughter, music, gaiety, and beauty all reigned supreme this night making the evening one not easily forgotten.



Al Grunewald, Delta Deuteron, and Miss Betty McGillivray, Delta Delta Delta.



Miss Carol Stecher, Phi Mu, Pliny Blodgett, President, Alpha Deuteron. Barbara Ford, Delta Zeta, Junior, in background.

The next afternoon the delegates witnessed the gridiron slaughter of Knox by its traditional rival, Monmouth, to the tune of 20-0. All the brothers attended, including "George," the Beta Triton mascot—all, with the exception of Brothers Cyrus and Blodgett who were engrossed in "subversive activities"—and, Brother Blodgett's little tale has already been told!



Walter Ackerman, Beta Triton, Vice-president; Shirley Finger, Delta Delta Delta; Jane Houghton, Illini, Galva, Illinois; Tod Cyrus, Beta Triton, Sentinel, Social Chairman, member of Student Council.



D. R. Collins, Director from Region IV, and Mrs. Collins.



Left to right: Mrs. C. J. Adamec; Frank Barlow, Chapter Adviser, Beta Deuteron; Mrs. Frances Halquire; C. J. Adamec, Dean of Knox College; Mrs. Earl F. Schoening; Carter Davidson, President, Knox College; Earl F. Schoening, Alpha Deuteron, national Secretary-Treasurer; Mrs. D. R. Collins.

That evening, after the brothers were reluctantly dragged away from their dates, a stag banquet was held at the Galesburg Club. Brother Porter, chapter adviser of Beta Triton, served as toastmaster, and after telling his one and only "good" joke (the only one he knows!) proceeded to introduce Brothers Dillavou, Barlow, Adamec, Collins, and Robbins who contributed short speeches, each prefaced by the "best story they ever heard." (Whose idea was that, anyway?)



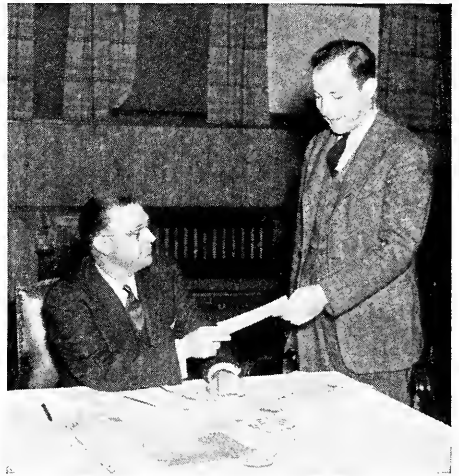
Miss Margie Layng, Pi Beta Phi; Richard Navickas, Beta Deuteron, Treasurer.

The address of the evening was given by Brother Marchmont.

Entertainment in the form of a so-called "floor show" followed, but the less said about this, the better!

In closing Brother Ackerman wishes to remind all the delegates that he is still agent for a local floral concern, and wishes that conclaves were held at least six times a year, and that percentages were higher, so that he could expand his coffers to a greater extent. He can get those corsages for you wholesale!

Seriously, and sincerely, we of Beta Triton hope that the brothers enjoyed themselves as much as we enjoyed having them.



Schoening delivers check to James MacDonald, Delta Deuteron delegate, for his conclave expenses.

It is great, and there is no other greatness—to make one nook of God's creation more fruitful, better, more worthy of God; to make some human heart a little wiser, manlier, happier—more blessed.—*Thomas Carlyle.*

The law of worthy life is fundamentally the law of strife. It is only through labor and painful effort, by grim energy and resolute courage, that we move on to better things.—*Theodore Roosevelt.*

Robbins Elected President of Purdue Advisers Association

As a reward for his untiring efforts in behalf of Delta Triton Chapter of Phi Sigma Kappa and all fraternities on the Purdue campus, Professor F. E. Robbins has been elected to the important post of



F. E. ROBBINS

President of the Fraternity Advisers Association at Purdue University. "Robbie," as he is affectionately known by undergraduates and alumni alike, has been a leader in the affairs of the organization for several years and his election to the presidency is well deserved.

The Fraternity Advisers Organization has done a great deal to improve the conditions of fraternity men here at Purdue. Because of their efforts, several laws have been passed in the State Assembly to benefit the college fraternities. They have lobbied in the State Assembly in favor of tax exemptions for fraternities, and it was largely through their efforts

that certain anti-fraternity tax exemption laws were blocked.

This association has fostered the formation of the Fraternity Affairs Committee which is a definite aid in solving pledging problems. They are always on the lookout for any way in which they can improve the lot of the Purdue fraternities and with a man such as "Robbie" at their head, they are certain to do even bigger things throughout the coming year.

Epsilon Deuteron Christmas Party

Three years ago Epsilon Deuteron started a custom when they gave their first annual Christmas party for a group of underprivileged youngsters from the Worcester Boys' Club.

About a dozen youngsters are brought to the house about seven o'clock. Games such as we all have indulged in at some time are played in the game room. The house fairly shakes as the youngsters cut loose. After the games the boys are ready to dig into the ice cream and cake. When everyone has reached his limit the boys gather around the Christmas tree in the lounge. The climax of the evening is reached as Don Downing, Chapter Adviser, in the guise of Santa Claus, makes his appearance to distribute the presents. Joy reigns supreme for tired but happy youngsters.

Chapterette Introduction Picture

The photograph used in introducing the Chapterette Section of this SIGNET is that of Miss Frances Lampe, Delta Delta Delta, a sophomore at Knox College, and Fred Bowditch, Alpha Deuteron.

Miss Lampe was born in Sen Sen, Korea, China. Her father, a Knox alumnus, is a missionary in China. She wanted to take her college work at her father's Alma Mater.

She was the guest of Brother Bowditch at the Region IV conclave dance.

Remember Pearl Harbor

No American will ever forget that dastardly attack on our land by the Japanese while their envoys were in our capital musing and prattling about peace in the Pacific. No attack so skillfully executed and so distant from main home bases would have been possible except as the result of very careful planning and expertly calculated timing.

However, Americans have no peers in skill and expertness when they apply themselves. It is now incumbent upon every citizen to apply himself diligently and with increased fervor to his daily tasks and constantly point those tasks to the winning of the war.

The undergraduate members and pledges of our chapters in college, those undergraduate members of our chapters with the armed forces or defense industry, and our alumni, whether in the armed forces, defense industry, or occupational pursuits, must apply themselves to their work as they never have before.

Undergraduate members and pledges in college must sharpen their minds just as the factory worker sharpens the tools of war. Guns and ammunition alone cannot win; they must be complemented with brilliance; your brilliance. Your country's existence is at stake, and you must give it that degree of your skill which results in high scholarship. You will if you remember Pearl Harbor.

Greater care, exactness and responsibility are required of you in the management of your undergraduate chapters; your bills must be paid promptly; your chapter operated economically; more thought must be given to the planning of meals in order to assure proper food for body building and good health. The training and discipline you acquire in the management of your chapter is invaluable now. Your country needs well trained, disciplined and physically fit soldiers. You will more diligently apply yourself in this training and management, when you remember Pearl Harbor.

As soldiers, your undergraduate members and alumni will profit by the lessons learned as undergraduates. With a keen alertness, an undaunted courage, an unswerving loyalty, and with the exactness in detail of a perfectionist, you will want to do your daily tasks. You will want to live and to practice that spirit of brotherhood and comradeship with which the fraternity imbued you. You will not only do all these things but you will do each with unexcelled zeal, when you remember Pearl Harbor.

He who is bearing arms is your brother. He bears arms for your country, your family, you. He bears arms for the free institutions embraced by your country, of which your fraternity is a part. If your brother soldier is to have the tools of war necessary for his task, you undergraduates and alumni in defense industries must do your work with that same alertness, courage, loyalty and exactness. You will not only apply yourself in your work but you will do so with unstinted ardor if you remember Pearl Harbor.

You alumni who follow your occupational pursuits, preserve the equilibrium of our economic structure so vital to the war's financial program. You must conduct your business with conservation and economy as its keynote. In providing the needs of a curtailed civilian life, you must cooperate in every way with the war program. You must at all times be ready to assist our undergraduates. You are not only glad to do so but you will do so with added vigor when you remember Pearl Harbor.

All of us must cooperate and unite in order that our country, its institutions—our fraternity—may prevail. As brothers in Phi Sigma Kappa we will do all these things with an unrelenting devotion because we will constantly remember Pearl Harbor.

Chapterettes



ALPHA DEUTERON

University of Illinois

By GEORGE J. DILLAVOU

Since the last edition of *THE SIGNET* went to press, much has happened at Alpha Deuteron. We went through Homecoming, Dads' Day, and the pledge dance on three consecutive week-ends, and most of us are none the worse. Homecoming was a huge success this year, even though we did not have quite as many alumni back this year as we have had in the past. The Draft and the national crisis plus our football team, or should I say lack of one, accounts for the drop in attendance.

This year at the meeting of the Phi Sigma Kappa Association of Illinois it was announced that in 1946 we would hold the ceremony of the burning of the mortgage. This was a big announcement to us, for it means that in slightly less than twenty years Alpha Deuteron will have built and paid for completely a chapter house that cost close to \$100,000.

Many years ago Alpha Deuteron presented to Brother Alvin T. Burrows, Past Grand President of Phi Sigma Kappa, a platinum pin set with diamonds. Early last spring Brother Burrows passed on. This fall his two daughters, Miss Dorothy Burrows and Mrs. Kirgis, came to us and said that it had always been their father's wish that the pin be returned to the chapter after his death. It was his wish that his pin be presented annually to the senior whose scholastic average was the highest for his first three years. The senior is to wear the pin during his senior year, at the end of which he is to return it to the chapter to be presented again the next year. The first senior to wear this pin is Brother Norm Cusick. It is truly a great honor to wear this pin.

December 10 is the date that Alpha Deuteron has set for its annual Housemother's Banquet. We are the only fraternity on campus to have such a banquet. Each year we invite the house-

mothers from all the sororities on campus over to the chapter house for a formal dinner. After dinner we have a small dance. We have found this dinner to be great fun as well as giving us a chance to become better acquainted with the various housemothers. It is the only function of its kind on the campus, and many of the housemothers have told us that they wait from year to year for this banquet. We would like to recommend it to any other chapter which doesn't have some similar party. Try it. You will find that it is a good way to get in with any sorority on campus. If the housemother is already on your side, the battle is more than half won.

Brother Lou Boudreau, Alpha Deuteron '38, was made manager of the Cleveland Indians late in November. Lou is assistant basketball coach here at Illinois and spends quite a good deal of time here in the chapter house. He has been a great help in rushing athletes this year. Alpha Deuteron is really proud of him.

We had our pledge dance November 14 in the chapter house. It was a great success. Our decorations were quite novel. Here at Illinois one of the sophomore honorary fraternities, Skull and Crescent, of which this chapter is a member, holds a pajama race every fall for all the pledges of all the fraternities on campus. This event has been popularized to such an extent that it has become a tradition. This year for our decorations we used the pajama race theme. Some of the brothers went around the house and collected all the pajamas and made a false ceiling from them. On the walls we hung paddles. The effect was striking. Balloons were concealed in the false ceiling, and toward the middle of the dance, they were released. These decorations were perhaps the most effective ever used at one of our pledge dances, and they cost us less than any decorations we had ever put up. Everyone got his pajamas

back in fine shape, and we were all pleased with the idea.

All the brothers and pledges are doing better scholastically than ever before, and we have high hopes of initiating the entire pledge class. So far, it has been a great year on the campus of the University of Illinois for Alpha Deuteron, and we are reaching out, expanding all the time.

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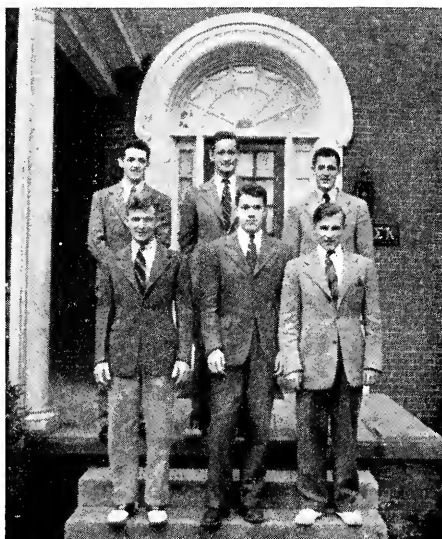
Franklin and Marshall

Pi Chapter's fall season has been notable in many ways. On the weekend of October 25th, the chapter had its annual Homecoming and the Conclave of Region II. We were fortunate in having with us John Marchmont, National President, and Herbert L. Brown, Director of Region II. A very profitable and enjoyable time was had by all the delegates, and Pi Chapter was very happy to be the host for the Conclave.

On the following weekend, Pi held its Fall Formal. Conspicuous by their absence were those of this year's senior class who are in the various branches of the service. Brother Orem at Camp Lee,

Naval Reserve, paid us a visit after having served on a destroyer in Icelandic waters. He had quite a few interesting stories to tell.

Pi's intramural football team, coached by Brother Greiner, fought its way to a well-earned victory over the other frater-



Officers of Pi Chapter for autumn term. Back row, left to right: J. M. Daughty, P. H. Ripple, H. M. Lynn, Jr., Pres. Front row, left to right: W. P. Killea, J. G. Clarle, R. J. Wimer.



Region II Conclave group in front of Pi Chapter house, October 25, 1941.

Brother Duncan at Fort Eustis. Both returned to Pi for a weekend not long ago looking a little lean but enjoying their life in the army. Brother Sellars of last year's graduation class, an Ensign in the

nities. Many of the games, in which the Schultz twins, Bair, Wimer, Agnew, Killea, Lees, George, Thumma and Monk all took important parts, were as exciting as college games or more so, and there was infinitely more spirit. Preparations are being made for the intramural basketball, table tennis, and bridge teams.

Many members of Pi Chapter participated in the hit production by the Green Room Theater of "Out of the Frying Pan." Among them were David Lees, business manager; C. B. Mills, patron manager; and J. G. Clark, publicity manager. Jack Keelen had one of the leading rôles, and proved himself to be a sensational comedian (he stole the show every night). Pledges George and Zin-

zow both tried out for positions on the business staff.

The Pledge Dance will be held on the 13th of December, and the Christmas Party just before the holiday begins.

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LAMBDA

George Washington University

By GEORGE H. BEHRENS

The school year is now well under way and Lambda has settled down after completing a very successful "rush season." Our twenty pledges, a group who have plenty of what it takes—(fraternity spirit)—have begun their period of initial training and we are looking forward to the time in the near future when we may call them "Brothers."

Those names on the pledge roster include Ted Britt, Interfraternity Pledge Delegate and new president of the interfraternity Pledge Council; Latch Leach, president of the class; James Billings, vice-president of the class; Al Richardson, secretary-treasurer of the class; Rad Calkins, social chairman; Jon Francis, John Parrish, John Nelson, Bob Edwards, Jim Barnett, Jim Myers, Joe Bremer, Nash Castro, Paul Ridgeway, Charles Watkins, Jerry Van Leewen, Richard Bragan, Ed Genger, Yale Gifford, and Don Frazier.

The interfraternity competitions started in October, and the first sport was golf. The golf team was captained by Brother Bauersfeld, and Brothers Hammond and Iliff. Pledge Britt did the rest of the driving.

In interfraternity tennis, Manager "Muffy" Madden did his best, but due to inexperience, the team failed to finish in the first three places.

Phi Sig took a third place for their "Homecoming Decorations" this fall, thanks to the fine work of Brothers Charlie Shinn and Pascal Frazier. We were all sorry that the George Washing-

ton team couldn't scare the Clemson "Tigers."

The interfraternity touch-football team, captained by Brother Behrens, will soon finish a not-too-successful season. The mainstays of the football squad were Brothers J. Bradley, II, G. Kelly, C. Shinn, R. Rissler, L. Moran, J. Vivari, W. Chase, K. Holtsford, E. Hauser, J. McGowan, J. Abercrombie, G. Sherk, B. Hammond, and Pledges Ronemus, Barnett, Myers and Edwards.

Interfraternity basketball is now getting under way, and it looks as if Brothers Rissler, Iliff, Madden, McGowan, Kelly, Hauser, Shinn and Holtsford will make up the squad. We are looking forward, especially, to see what Brother "Muffy" Madden can do to win the "Jack Armstrong Cup." He was one of the strongest contenders for this honor last year.

Pledges Jim Barnett, and Jimmy Myers will represent Phi Sig on the varsity basketball team this year and we know that they will do a swell job. Three other members are taking over the managerships of the basketball team: Brother Layne is manager, Brother Westfall, assistant manager, and Pledge Calkins, freshman manager.

The chapter was recently glad to hear that Brother Mike Dinneen is now a Sgt. Major in the Army, and that Brother Don Brattain is back from Newfoundland, and is taking his commission in Uncle Sam's new "Armored Division."

Lambda has had some fine parties already this year, under the direction of our social chairman, Charlie Shinn. The "Farmers' Day Ball" was made complete with bales of hay and real chickens. We have also had many informal parties after the football games, and recently had a "Firelight Party" which turned out to be one of the swellest parties we've had at the house in a long time.

In the not too distant future, Phi Sig at G. W. U. is looking forward to its annual Silver and Magenta Ball, the elec-

tion of new officers, the interfraternity basketball, bowling and ping pong seasons, and a continuation of its present success and place of note on the campus.

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MU DEUTERON

Montana State University

Rush week, and what a rush! Bringing with it the 1941 frosh of which the Phi Sigs got their share in quantity and quality, and are still going strong.

The call of the gridiron beckoned many from Mu Deuteron, with six of the men making the varsity squad—Carl Fiske, Jack Ferris, Arnold Scott, Kenneth Smallwood, Dutch Dahmer and Don Nyquist. Harold Scott earned a freshman numeral.

Even after the varsity took its toll, the interfraternity touch football team showed plenty of spirit and finished in fourth place. Barlow Ghirardo was chosen on the all-interfraternity lineup.

Phi Sigs are prominent in debate, having Gene Salisbury, Norman Barsanti and All-State Steve Holland speaking on the varsity debate team.

Ever-popular Earl Dahlstrom still holds the University vocal spotlight, and has appeared in several convocations.

Steve Holland and Dick Merritt, a transfer from Zeta Triton, brought Intercollegiate Knights' honors to the Phi Sigs.

Fall quarter's social events include a fireside, a smoker given by the pledges for the actives, dinners, homecoming entertainment and active-alum get-togethers.

The mothers' club deserves special mention for their activity and interest in the chapter.

Dutch Dahmer, Jack Ferris and Arnold Scott took off the helmets and donned basketball suits to toss the ball through the hoops on the varsity squad.

Interfraternity competition goes from the gridiron to the basketball court. Phi

Sig's outlook is bright, being the only team to have two legs on the coveted championship trophy. The third leg will give permanent claim to the cup.

Not only can we boast of athletes, singers, debaters and the like, but also a Phi Sig "Lil Abner." In fact, our "Lil Abner" is sort of special, and is two people. Yes, the Rigg twins, Peter and Charles are candidates for the campus "Lil Abner" title for the annual "Sadie Hawkins Day."

Fall quarter officers are: Frank Denny, president; Art Beattie, vice-president; Don Fransisco, secretary; Leonard Daems, treasurer; Peter Rigg, sentinel; Dutch Dahmer, inductor.

Preparations for the regional conclave to be held here in Missoula, December 5 and 6, are taking the greater part of our time and interest at the present. So with this bit of news in brief from Mu Deuteron, I'll leave to await the arrival of our brothers from the Northwest.

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Lehigh University

By EARLE W. WALLICK

Nu Chapter started off on its forty-first year with the pledging of eight good men early this fall. The new pledges are all freshmen: Dick Ford of Bethlehem, Pa.; Jack Haldeman of Doylestown, Pa., active in basketball and golf; Tom Johnston, Rockville Center, N. Y., now playing ice hockey for the Lehigh Frosh; Bob Mount, also of Rockville Center, N. Y., a bowler and tennis man; Johnny Schumacher, Pottsville, Pa., already swimming and waiting for the track season; Bruce Staples, Germantown, Pa., now also playing hockey for the Brown and White; and Dave Whitten of Glenside, Pa., cross country man and track star. We of Nu Chapter thank all the alumni for their coöperation and aid in helping us pledge such a fine class.

Early in October, Joe O'Brien, '44, was

initiated into Nu Chapter, and has been taking an active part in our affairs ever since. In October, we sent two delegates, Brothers Forsyth and Clark, to the conclave of Phi Sigma Kappa at F. and M. University. Our chapter was paid a great honor when on November 4, John Marchmont, national president, visited us



Pledge Class. Left to right: Whitten, Holdeman, Ford, Johnston, Staples, Stackbower, Maunt, Schumacher.

and, besides becoming acquainted with the brothers, joined our alumni in a meeting here at the house.

Since the beginning of the school year, the chapter house has seen many improvements. A fire escape has been added, the house has been re-weather stripped, the kitchen re-plastered, and the recreation room in the basement has been completely renovated, to our great satisfaction.

When the mid semester grades were released several months ago, they showed that Nu Chapter was on its way to keeping its scholastic lead around Lehigh, for we had less failures than any other fraternity in the school, as officially announced by the Dean's Office. This fall has shown an amazing number of brothers initiated into Lehigh honorary societies. Our chapter received one of its greatest all-time honors when it was announced that of the four seniors to be initiated into Omicron Delta Kappa, national fraternity for men outstanding in

campus activities and scholarship, two were to be Phi Sigs, Forrest Schumacher and Edwin Klein. Brother Bob Forsyth, '42, was initiated into Pi Tau Sigma, mechanical engineer's honorary, of which Bob Taylor, '42, is already a prominent member. Bob Taylor was also recently initiated into Tau Beta Pi, often called the "Engineer's Phi Beta Kappa." Craig Baker, '42, and Fordy Schumacher, received great honor when Pi Delta Epsilon initiated them for their great work as business manager of the "Brown and White" and editor of the "Bachelor," respectively. Brother Klein is already a member of this national honorary journalistic fraternity. Brother O'Brien was taken into Eta Sigma Phi, national classical fraternity. Earle Wallick, '44, and Blaine Ferrell, '44, received freshmen honors at a Founders' Day rally of the school, with Ferrell being elected into Phi Eta Sigma, honorary fraternity. Craig Baker was also taken into Phi Alpha Theta, national honor fraternity in history. Brother Henry, '44, was elected national treasurer of the International Relations Club by grateful members the world over.

Of course this long enumeration would be incomplete without the story of our parade of sports. We received quite a setback in the football season when we were forced into second place in the interfraternity football league as a result of a one-touchdown defeat, but next year should tell a different story. Our bowling team looks red hot and the boys are keyed up to regain the bowling championship. The freshmen have all been active in the fall sports. Brother Ferrell is again a star on the varsity swimming team. With Joe Smith, '43, playing lacrosse and Harold Grub, '42, again a soccer star, we feel our fall activities have been well rounded. The prospects for a banner spring are beginning to be apparent as far as our sports world is concerned.

Nu Chapter, always noted for its great hospitality, has kept its fine social standing on Lehigh's beautiful campus. A pledge party at the Beethoven Maennerchor Club, started off our gala year. A few weeks later the chapter house had a closed tea dance here which proved to be an overwhelming success. Then came *the* big event of the year. The traditional Lehigh Fall Houseparty brought some thirty girls to our house for the week-end of fun and merriment. From train to dance, to football game, to tea dance, to housedance, to breakfast and back to the train for the girls is the routine outline of these classic occasions. All agree that this fall's was the best houseparty in years. While the boys were still recuperating from the effects of houseparty, two weeks later was "Dads' Day" at the school and all of our fathers came up to watch Lehigh's eleven get trounced by Muhlenberg 7-2. Alumni weekend was next and as usual a great number of the boys came back to see the annual Lehigh-Lafayette contest and to receive a hearty welcome here at the chapter house. With another tea dance in December and the traditional Christmas party the night before vacation, our fall season was brought merrily to a close.

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OMICRON DEUTERON

University of Alabama

By GIL WEATHERBEE AND FRANK WEBB

Preliminary examinations having wended their weary way into the past, Omicron Deuteron has come out of hibernation to continue the successful season that was inaugurated by the pledging of twenty-eight men.

We proudly present seven new brothers initiated in the latter part of November: Brothers James Speaker, William Grant, Alfred Golo, Barthe Avery, Mowitt Drew, Ted McKosky and Edward Dennis.

Newly elected officers for the coming year are—president, Hugh Downey; vice-president, Dick Whitlow; secretary, Jack Browning; treasurer, George Ebert; inductor, Don Salls; sentinel, Carlos Bosch.

Don Salls and George Hecht along with new Brothers Barthe Avery and Ted McKosky have contributed materially to Alabama's football successes this season. Especially the Tennessee game in which Brothers Salls and Hecht scored all of Alabama's points to make the score Phi Sigs nine, Tennessee two. Also representing Phi Sigma Kappa, but in the press box, was Brother Byard Sooy who served as Alabama's headspotter.

With the basketball season about to start, Brothers Bob Lapolla and Barthe Avery will soon don the Crimson and White, taking up where they left off last year. Pledge Ross Price is also making a determined effort for the freshman team.

Along the social lines, a formal dinner dance, honoring the pledges and new brothers was given in the city's foremost hots. The ballroom was decorated in magenta and silver with the Alabama Cavaliers supplying the music. Pledge John Maloney, transfer from Villanova, played lead sax, and added greatly to the evening's entertainment.

This year's chapter appears to be very air-minded with Brothers Bob Armstrong paving the way in advanced C. A. A. Also in training are Brothers Dick Whitlow, Carlos Bosch, John Harris, Hugh Downey and Pledge Jesse Flynn.

Hopes for the interfraternity athletic cup was dealt a rude blow when the potentially great Phi Sig football team was defeated in the bracket finals. However, a strong volley ball team is rapidly taking shape and is so far undefeated. The great basketball team of last year is virtually intact and practices are being held with another championship in view.

Thus we end our travelogue of Omicron Deuteron. In closing we would

like to wish an Alabama "hi" to Bill Tierney at Pi and the very best wishes for the New Year to the other chapters.

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LAMBDA DEUTERON University of Washington

By NORMAN FREESE

Since the last issue of *THE SIGNET* went to press, many things have happened at Lambda Deuteron, and the boys at this chapter have really been going to town.

We have added to our growing collection a first-place cup for the intramural swimming championship. Our hopes were laid on the two Biesiot brothers, Bob and Pete, Ed Moe, Bob Thackeray, Roger Belles and Jack Ervin. They all came through with flying colors, battering all competition before them. Special mention should go to Jack "Beaver" Ervin who put on a fine exhibition in winning the 100-yard free style event.

Some of our frosh football players have already made a name for themselves, and the house, in the season just ending. Among these is Jim Jolgen, a fast, smart guard, one of the best prospects on the frosh team.

Our social functions have had an unlimited amount of success the last two months. Among the events have been firesides, exchange dinners, and our Fall Informal. Our firesides were a big success as they always are, and the fellows made many new friends at the Exchanges.

Our other big function, the Fall Informal, which brought attention from all over the campus, was a barn dance held on the 29th of November at Canyon Creek Lodge, a perfect place for a barn dance, a short distance outside of Seattle. The members and their girls came as farmers and farmerettes. Red handkerchiefs, straw hats, calico dresses and patched overalls made up the dress of the typical couple. To complete the rural scene, hay was scattered about and cider

and doughnuts were served during the intermission. We are happy to say that our dance was a big success and congratulations are in order to the chairmen, Ed Moe and Walt Woodward.

Among the events coming up in the near future is a big banquet on December 9th honoring Phi Sigma Kappa President, John H. Marchmont, our Christmas Party, and many more events during Winter Quarter.

In concluding Lambda Deuteron Chapter extends best wishes for the New Year to all the other chapters and hopes that 1942 brings success and good luck to all of you.

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OMEGA DEUTERON University of Southern California

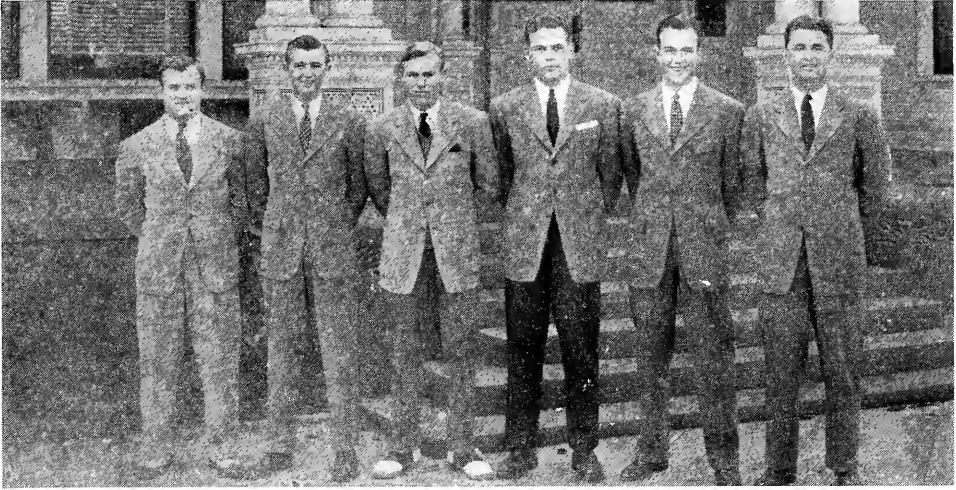
By "CHUCK" OSTROM

Amid the hustle and bustle of Homecoming plans, Omega Deuteron was especially proud when the "Queen of the Week" was announced. Betty Lou Stone, '42, a member of Pi Beta Phi, and wearing the Phi Sig pin of Brother Wes Rollo, Omega Deuteron, '40, was selected to preside over the festivities of the week.

Both actives and pledges are working hard on the house decorations and we're shooting for one or more of the seven trophies to be awarded by the Homecoming Committee. With our excellent location at the entrance to Fraternity Row we stand a good chance to come out on top this year.

Now that football season is almost over, the chapter is proud of the fine ball playing of Johnny Pranevicius, left guard, and the only first string man in the house. Among our new pledges, Ted Smith, end, and Al Ohanis, guard, both freshmen, show lots of promise for the future. Ted is a nephew of Ernie Smith, Omega Deuteron's All-American in '32.

Speaking of pledges, Omega Deuteron counted twenty-eight at the end of rush-



Chapter Officers. Left to right: Pranevicius, Sentinel; Fredericks, Inductor; Wise, Vice-president; Becker, President; Thoreson, Secretary; Lubber, Treasurer.

ing. Four of these were from last year, including Jack Bush, Bob Leonard, Carl Merritt, and Jim Seminoff. Jim is first string center on the basketball team and Carl is the No. 1 weight man on the U. S. C. National Championship Track Team, distinguishing himself by being undefeated in Pacific Coast Conference competition and taking third place at the N. C. A. A. meet.

Basketball season holds much interest in the Omega Deuteron House. Outstanding among the horde of Phi Sigs on the cage squad is John Lubber, '42, first string guard for the past two years and rated as one of the finest ball players on the Coast. Lubber will leave the squad in February to join the All-Trojan unit in Uncle Sam's Naval Air Corps. Sig Jacobson and Bob DeWitt, both All-State men from Modesto Junior College and Jim Seminoff, veteran from last year's team, represent the Phi Sig pledge class on the Trojan first string team. Brothers Ralph Foster and Virgil Fornas, and Pledge Gene Speck round out the squad. Ted Smith is showing great promise on the freshman basketball squad. Musically speaking, Ted is a

rabid fan of Jess Stacy and can demonstrate a bit of ivory-tickling himself.

Due to a healing knee operation, Tubby Porter, outstanding halfback from last year's frosh was out for this season; however, he will be one of the "Thundering Herd" next fall. Tubby was directly responsible for Phi Sig championships in interfraternity baseball in the spring of '41, as he was in the spring of '40 by virtue of his exceptional pitching ability.

With President Bill Becker presiding and the officers as follows: Vic Wise, vice-president; Howard Thoreson, secretary; John Lubber, treasurer; John Pranevicius, sentinel, and Tom Fredericks, inductor, Omega Deuteron initiated five men. They were Jack Trout, Jim Campion, Leland Risk, Bill Weber and Bill Ryan.

With the coming of the track season, both the University of Southern California and Phi Sigma Kappa look forward to another National Championship. Veteran Carl Merritt will return and will try to better his school record of 52 ft. and 11 in. Carl's outstanding competition will come from Pledge Wilbur "Moose" Tompson. Both boys attended

Modesto Junior College and held the National Junior College record for the 16 lb. shot. Before leaving Modesto, Carl broke Moose's record and he holds it at the present time with a heave of 51 ft. and 11 in. To round out the Phi Sig array of weight men, we have Tom "Socrates" Pappas, shot-putter and discus thrower on the freshman team. Tom was the center on the All-Central California Football Team in his senior year in high school, and he is expected to make a good showing with the Trojan Varsity next fall.

After a brilliant career in his Freshman year, Jack Trout was forced out of competition by a knee injury which necessitated an operation keeping him out of Varsity competition last year. Jack was California State Champion Sprinter in his senior year of high school in 1939, taking 11 of the 14 points to carry Bakersfield High to glory by winning the State Meet. Incidentally, Jack ran the spectacular time of 9.6 for the Century and 21.2 for the Two-twenty. From the results of recent work-outs, Jack is doing as well or better than ever before.

Brother Bob Burke brought glory to Phi Sig by being outstanding on the U. S. C. Water Polo Team.

On December 12th, the actives and pledges trekked to the palatial Hollywood home of Brother Charles Belt to hold a formal dance. We all had a fine time.

Omega Deuteron is represented in many of the campus activities. Included among them are: Ed French, Trojan Knights; John Cooper and Bob Frawley, Trojan Squires; Tom Taylor and Jim Campion, Blue Key; Dwain Oakley, Yell Leader; Bob Burke and Claude Ogle, Chi Epsilon.

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The happiness of sympathetic human intercourse seems to me incomparably greater than any other pleasure.—*Philip Gilbert Hamerton.*

RHO DEUTERON

Gettysburg College

By JOE WRAY

The Gettysburg Chapter of Phi Sig started off the school year with a whirlwind rushing attack which netted Rho Deuteron one of the best and most promising pledge groups in its history. When the smoke had finally cleared from the usual round of smokers, open houses, dinners and other rushing entertainments, the G-burg Phi Sigs had pledged 18 freshman, plus one junior. This currently puts the total chapter enrollment, including pledges, actives and one social brother at 53, largest of the ten national Greek groups on campus.

Great credit goes to Brother Dave Thomas, pride of Baltimore, for his excellent efforts and organization as rush chairman.

Here's just a bit of pertinent personal prattle concerning our new additions.

Leslie R. Schweizer, Brooklyn, N. Y., whose brother passed through the portals of Phi Sig here several years back, looks as if he'll more than live up to his brother's reputation.

R. Lewis Hoffacker, Hanover, Pa., is one of the most outstanding members of the class from an activity point. He is hard at work reporting for the "Gettysburgian," campus weekly. He has taken an important rôle in the campus production of "Male Animal" and also plays in the college band. He also plans to go out for the varsity fencing team.

Roy D. Musselman, Fairfield, Pa., has been one of the frosh luminaries on the JV soccer team. He, too, is following in the footsteps of his brother Marty, who graduated back in 1939.

Robert L. Dise, Glen Rock, Pa., another boy succeeding his brother Joe, who was a member of the class of '41, is on the business staff of the campus newspaper, plays a mean bass in the band and plans to get into debating in the near future.

Charles R. Williams, McKnightstown, Pa., is out for the college band and intends to get into forensic activities in the near future likewise.

James A. Graefe, Owings-Mills, Md., is one of the three frosh footballers in the pledge class and has hopes of making the tennis and swimming teams.

Sharpless M. Paxson III, West Chester, Pa., is another very active chap. He is one of the star reporters on the campus news sheet and also plays in the college band. He, too, hopes to get into debate activities.

George E. Bender, Chambersburg, Pa., is the sole member of the frosh group in Gettysburg's famous A Cappella choir.

Bradford K. Strock, Mechanicsburg, Pa., is expected to shine on the freshman basketball quintet and also has hopes of making the baseball team in the spring.

Willis H. Nolt, Lancaster, Pa., is another potential basketball man who has ideas about getting on the golf squad when that sport gets under way.

Chetivian E. Cook, Danville, Pa., is a little chap who plays a big trombone in the band. He intends to try out for the golf and wrestling squads.

Donald L. Clingan, York, Pa., is one of the outstanding linesmen on the freshman gridiron machine this fall.

John B. Thomas, Abbotstown, Pa., plans to get on the "Gettysburgian" staff and also to participate in a little wrestling.

Harry C. Sweeney, Shrewsbury, Pa., is another of our football boys and played a nice game at end this season.

William A. Smith, Summit, N. J., is touted as a golfer of no average ability and will be out with the squad this spring.

Arthur L. Eves, Camp Hill, Pa., is out for the debate team and plans to go out for the baseball manager's post in the springtime.

Samuel F. Snyder, a local chap whose father is a Phi Sig, will be a candidate for the frosh basketball outfit.

Charles M. Weigle, is the second town boy in the pledge class and is one of the frosh in the college band.

Andrew Maffet, Mifflintown, Pa., is the junior addition to the neophytes.

Rho Deuteron has once again maintained its outstanding scholarship record, acclaimed the best in Phi Sigma Kappa as well as in the entire National Interfraternity Conference. For the 16th consecutive year, Rho Deuteron came out with the top academic record on campus surpassing 10 other campus fraternities with a house average of B minus for the second semester of the 1940-41 term. Thus the coveted scholarship cup still adorns the mantel of Rho Deuteron. The trophy was presented to the house at the fall Penhellenic dance on Friday, November 28, by the campus interfraternity council.

However, Rho Deuteron's cup-winning abilities aren't confined strictly to things academic. The boys went out and won the interfraternity volleyball cup with a team that suffered nary a single setback in league competition.

While on the subject of winning things, Rho Deuteron's entry in the student council's float contest for the Ursinus football game was awarded first prize against displays of several other Greek houses.

Rho Deuteron was represented at the annual convention of the National Interfraternity Conference by Brothers Dick Young and Joe Wray. Naturally enough the boys report the traditional good time at the affair which was held at the Hotel Commodore in New York City on November 28 and 29. Chapter Adviser Carl Chronister, Harrisburg attorney, and Samuel Schreckengaust, alumni secretary and treasurer, also a Harrisburg barrister, not to mention National Chaplain Dr. Stewart W. Herman, another Harrisburger, likewise attended the conference.

Along social lines the G-burg Phi Sigs

have been right active. First dance of the year was the informal pledge dance held at nearby Piney Mountain Inn. This opening shindig is a tribute to the newly acquired pledges and from all reports was up to par. The Christmas formals are slated for Friday and Saturday, December 12 and 13. A formal affair is scheduled for the house Friday night while on Saturday night's program is a basketball game between the Gettysburg Bullets and the DePauw University five, followed by an informal vic dance at the chapter house.

Saturday, December 6, was an all-important date for Rho Deuteron. At this time a housewarming was staged in dedication of the newly completed \$10,000 building program. The new addition adds four new study rooms, additional dormitory space and a new dining room to the old house, while spacious quarters are also provided for a new game and recreation room. Many alumni were back for the dinner Saturday evening and plans were laid for the annual alumni subscription drive to get under way next semester.

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Williams College

By JOHN C. ANDREWS

Chi's rushing season ended September 23 with the pledging of seventeen freshmen: Brad Green, Ben Anderson, Ev Acklin, Bob Rader, Twang Traylor, Frank Schwarzer, Spike Runals, Rick Pearson, Bob Newton, Al Lincoln, Beany Kingsbury, Jack Howard, Bill Eyre, Jim Dickey, Cozy Cole, Chuck Widmann and Bert Bonyng. A great deal of credit is due Rushing Chairman George Sweet and President Bill Hatch for the work they did during the summer and during rush week in obtaining for us one of the two largest delegations on campus.

Bill Hatch, who was re-elected president unanimously on November 12, was

at the same time given a vote of thanks for the work he has done in putting this chapter in better running shape than it had been when he took office. At the same election Jim Williams was elected vice-president, and Sam Bacon Jr. was re-elected secretary. Treasurer Henry Kaldenbaugh announced that the house was well on the way to recovery from the financial losses incurred when several members left college last year.

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IOTA

Stevens Institute of Technology

School opened this year with the house already functioning since it remained open over the summer to accommodate brothers who had summer positions in the vicinity of the State. The summer months were used to give the house a complete renovation which included the opening of another room to provide adequate living accommodations.

After the completion of a successful rushing season, Iota can again look forward to another fine year. Since the rushing period came just after the annual Senior Inspection Trip, the main responsibilities of preparing the rushing program fell to the Juniors. Under the direction of President Harry Campbell as rushing chairman, the two weeks of freshman rushing ended with the pledging of eight men of the class of '45. The new men, including one member of the Sophomore Class are: Larry Vail, '45, Bloomfield, N. J.; F. Newton Wells, '45, West Orange, N. J.; Charles Killam, '45, Providence, R. I.; John Bersch, '45, Teaneck, N. J.; Jerome Brady Jr., '45, Bayonne, N. J.; Hugh MacInnes, '45, Bloomfield, N. J.; Robert Sigler, '45, Flushing, N. Y.; Jack Smith, '45, Yonkers, N. Y.; James Shook, '44, Jersey City, N. J.

The social calendar, to date, includes several house parties. The first of these was a bon voyage party for the seniors



Left to right: Standing, Larry Vail, Hugh MacInnes, Jack Smith, Robert Sigler, Charles Killman; kneeling, James Shook, F. Newton Wells, John Bersch, Jerome Brady, Jr.

before they left on their trip. The second was the traditional Pledge Welcome affair with the equally traditional scavenger hunt, that next day finds the house a mass of articles of unknown quantity and quality. In keeping with the spirit of the school which is trying to find an annual Autumn Carnival, Iota supported the affair by having a banquet at the house and the third of their parties. The week-end before Christmas vacation, the fourth and last party on the calendar so far, found its way into the house when the Christmas party, replete with tree and presents for all, was held in the house. Earlier in the season we entertained at dinner the recently appointed Dean Frederick E. Camp.

Iota was represented at both the Region II Conclave and the National Interfraternity Conference in New York. The Brothers at the Conclave were Jack

Howe, '43, Charles Bittman, '44, and Dick Stott, '44.

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DELTA University of West Virginia

By DON BOND

Maintaining her position as top fraternity on the West Virginia campus for the fourth consecutive year, Delta of Phi Sigma Kappa pledged a total of 45 boys this year, all promising fraternity men who have welded their pledge class into a solid group, which is working together more ably than ever before.

Under the tutelage of Pledge Master Dick Bayne, '42, and his assistants, Hugh Marsh, '42, and Bill Gott, '44, the pledges are showing the spirit needed to keep Delta on top here on the mountain campus. They presented the active chapter with a stove for the spacious living room

early this fall, and are now planning for a party December 13 in honor of the actives.

Headed by Pledge President Chris Wagner, '45, of Connellsville, Pennsylvania, the pledges are doing their part in intramural sports, too, promising a return of the all-year cup to Delta's trophy case next spring.

Hearty appreciation of the entire chapter goes to Brother Jim Fresh of Rho Deuteron, whose aid during the early rush week was a leading factor in the fine pledging efforts of the chapter.

Allan Sanders, '42, a student in business and economics, is Delta's new president. Al has taken over where Ted Brown, Ray Goodwin and Ed Siegrist left off, and is handling the chapter admirably.

Other officers include Don Bond, '42, vice-president; John Connell, '42, secretary; Charles Green, '42, treasurer; Jack Turner, '44, inductor; and Charley Schrader, '44, sentinel.

"Chugg" Schrader's activities are not confined to his duties as sentinel of his chapter, however, for the 195-pound full-back has managed to lead his team to a successful year as a sophomore, ending up second in yardage gained an all-year scoring, and elbowing into more than one All-American check list.

West Virginia papers have not been stingy in their praise of Schrader, who came like manna from heaven to the Mountaineers, who lost their best full-back to Uncle Sam last summer. "Chugg" has left little doubt that he is every bit the ground gainer and runner that his predecessor was, and will no doubt prove a better kicker in time as well.

Another football star, 165-pound Charley Champe, also of Charleston, is a guard on the freshman team this year, which was undefeated for the season. Charley is one of the chapter's most like-

able and popular preps, and will see much varsity service next fall.

Following a Phi Sig tradition of long standing, Delta this year put on another of her original informal dances, which began with the Bowery Ball in 1937 and the now famous "Every Man a Hitler" Party in 1938.

This year, under the direction of Chairman H. C. Foster, '42, the Phi Sigs went all-out for mountain style, and put on a Mountaineer Jamboree, on the eve of the Homecoming tilt with Kansas University. Every one was dressed in true mountain style, complete from plaid shirts to jugs. Refreshments in the dining room included cider and other articles dear to the stomach of a mountaineer.

Chapter "artists" drew large wall murals of a nationally-famous mountain cartoon series, which decorated the entire downstairs.

On the eve of the football finale with the Spartans of Michigan State, the annual Delta Alumni Banquet under the direction of Frank Mahan, '43 was held in the Hotel Morgan, with Captain Kemble White of Clarksburg, one of Delta's founders, as the principal speaker.

Reiterating again the principles of true fraternity, the speaker called on the actives and pledges of Delta to "carry on the fine traditions and heritages which are yours; . . . so that civilization, floundering in the rut dug by totalitarianism, may not sink from sight but may rise again."

Phi Sigs have recently felt keenly the temporary loss of their housemother, Mrs. Mabel Brennemen, who is confined to her home in Pittsburgh following a Thanksgiving heart attack. Every one of us regrets the occurrence deeply, and hopes that "Mother" will soon be with us again.

Dick Clark, '42, one of the chapter's more brilliant members, was recently elected to membership in Phi Beta Kappa, on the basis of four years of top

grades in the department of chemistry. Dick is a Morgantown boy and is very active in fraternal activities.

William I. "Spike" Powell, a second-year law student, was elected to Mountain, campus honorary, and Fi Batar Cappar, mock honorary, this fall, in addition to receiving an appointment as proctor at the men's hall.

Plans already are under way for the annual spring formal in April, under the leadership of Social Chairman Don Paterson, '42.

Right now, Robert Carr, law 2, is rehearsing the chapter nightly on Christmas carols and fraternity tunes, in an effort to cop the Sphinx Cup for the best Christmas singing on the night of the annual Sorority Serenade.

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ETA DEUTERON University of Nevada

By WILBUR HEDQUIST

Looking forward to the end of the semester with its holidays and finals, Eta Deuteron is finishing a very active and successful semester. The three latest additions to the pledge class includes Marvin Trigero, Dave Fairly and George Welsh. The forthcoming initiation promises to bring five new members into Phi Sig.

Brothers Batchelder and Giomi, president and house manager respectively, attended the National Livestock Show in San Francisco as a part of the Agriculture Club delegation.

Pledge Rube Boyce, varsity fullback, was put on the bench permanently by doctor's orders.

The Chapter was honored by being selected as host to the Region V Conclave which was held in Reno on the weekend of the 23rd of November. We were glad to renew acquaintances with Dr. Palm, Regional Director, and to meet the advisers and delegates from California, Stanford and Southern California. We regret that President Marchmont and

Adviser Paul Jones of Southern California were not able to attend the conclave.

Immediately following the conclave, alterations to the chapter house were begun and will be finished before the annual Christmas party, December 12.

Brother Charles Brock was commissioned ensign in the Naval Aviation Reserve last month. Brother Ted Wise will leave his work with the U. S. Bureau of Mines and report to a Naval Officer's Training School early next January. All members and pledges of Eta Deuteron, who are in the armed services, were honored by a dance held in their name on the 14th of November. Potential "rookies" include Brothers Zerweck, and Imus and Pledges Brace and Ross.

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THETA DEUTERON Oregon State College

By LES JENSEN AND BILL LOVE

Theta Deuteron started the year out with a bang by pledging twenty-five men, bringing the total of men in the house to fifty. This compensates for the large number of men called into the service. Lynn Loomis, Ben Ostlind, Bill Case, Dewey Talent, and Johnny Frick are all enlisted in the Air Corps. In the regular army we have Erhard Sjoblom, George Birkemeier, Carl Peterson, Bill Robertson, Louis Melvin, and John Schoffield.

In campus politics we have President Jim McAllister, who is also president of the Senior class and a member of Blue Key and other honor societies of the campus.

On the gridiron we are well represented by Joe Day, fullback; Quenton Greenough, center; Norm Newman, guard; Lloyd Wicket, tackle. All of these men have seen plenty of action this season on the field of battle.

On the basketball court we have Don Hall and Bob Harvey. Both of these

men will be taking part in lots of action this season.

Claire Fehler did an excellent job of editing the Fusser's Guide, and is doing a great job as editor of the daily paper.

In intramural football we went to the semi-finals and were beaten in an overtime period. We were rather disappointed but we feel that with a lot of men returning next year we should win the finals.

We have started a very successful year here and we are looking forward to finishing the year with an even bigger and better success than when we started the year.

Flash!!! We have just received word that Oregon State is going to the Rose Bowl! This means that the Phi Sigs here will probably be well represented in Pasadena for the football classic.

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EPSILON DEUTERON

· Worcester Polytechnic Institute

By HERBERT W. MARSH

This fall Epsilon Deuteron started off the year with the initiation of eight pledges, including Seniors George Sprague, Arnold Jones and Norman Bergstrom, and Sophomores Stephen Porter, Wallace Underwood, Howard Swenson, Newton Burr and John Newton. Al Green, a transfer student from Alpha Triton, was another newcomer to our ranks.

The latest addition to Epsilon Deuteron's imposing list of Sigma Xi members was Brother Elton Sceggel. Brother Sceggel was one of three fraternity men who were elected to the engineering honor society this fall.

This fall Brothers Warren Harding and James Donahue have been elected president of the senior and sophomore classes, respectively, and Brother Sceggel is treasurer of the A. S. M. E.

Following the custom of previous years, the \$225 prize money won by the

House has been turned into numerous improvements. Under the direction of Brother Al Luce, the two front rooms and the dining room have been papered by the brothers, and Ted Pierson directed the construction of new stairs to the game room and a trophy case for the game room. A new living room set has



ELTON SCEGGEL, Sigma Xi.

been purchased along with two new carpets. Venetian blinds have also been put in the front rooms and the game room. Several of the brothers have constructed double-decker bunks in their rooms in place of the customary iron cots.

We are in the middle of Rush Week as THE SIGNET goes to press so nothing is definite on that score, but Brother Pete Messer has been doing a swell job as rush chairman.

The social season really got under way on Homecoming Day when the chapter held "Open House" and the first big dance of the year. An unusually large number of alumni were back for the football game and dance. The House took

third prize in the interfraternity competition for Homecoming Day decorations. A roller-skating party was held in conjunction with Phi Gamma Delta and a hay ride and barn dance is planned for the evening after the Interfraternity Ball.

Epsilon Deuteron has got off to a good start in both varsity and intramural



Left to right: Don Buser, Bob Bierweiler, Bert Marsh.

sports. In football, Brothers Buser and Marsh were awarded varsity letters and Bob Bierweiler just fell short of his half time, while Pete Lindsay was elected varsity manager for next year. Brothers Sprague, Burr, Bergstrom, Jones and Moulton received their letters in soccer and Bud Handforth and "Soup" Campbell were chosen as varsity and freshman managers, respectively. Dick Dyer, Dayton Brown and Gordy Sherman made their letters in cross-country. Brothers Harding, Jones and Swenson should see a lot of action on the basketball court for Tech this year. In the only intramural competition this fall, Tom Crossley and Warren Harding lost only two sets in bringing Phi Sig through to an undefeated tennis season. Bob Grant, Elton Sceggel, Charlie Powell, Gordy Sherman, Pete Messer, Earl Lagerholm and Bob Brown are working hard in hopes of bringing home another relay cup, while the brothers are already getting in shape for basketball later in the winter. We have a long ways to go to

repeat the success of last year, but we seem to be off to a good start and we are hoping for the best.

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ALPHA TRITON Wesleyan University

By O. R. KLINE JR. AND D. T. PECK

This year the Brothers came back to a practically new house. Among the major improvements were paint jobs inside and out, along with extensive papering and refurnishing, all achieved under the aesthetic and economical eye of Treasurer Leslie Durgan, '43.

With such improvements, our rushing chairman, Ted Jones, '42, found it a comparatively simple matter to pledge nine promising freshmen. All had outstanding high school careers and are expected to make fine Phi Sigs. Those pledged were: Don Beaton, George Darrow, George Eldridge, Doug Ford, Lou LaRoche, George Nettles, Tom Price, Hank Webel and Hank Whitton.

Phi Sig came out at the end of the fall sports season with honors in all activities. Dave Peck, '42, received his letter for cross country, Art Shuck, '42, completed his management of the soccer team, and Carl Tillmans, '43, emerged from a stiff competition with the management of the football team for 1942. Freshmen Beaton and Whitton showed their colors by gaining numerals in soccer and football, respectively. Pledge Darrow was prevented from winning a third numeral for his delegation by a torn tendon which kept him on the sidelines most of the season. Next year Brother Dick Sweet, a transfer student from Dartmouth and the biggest man in the school, should be a cinch to make the football team. He was ineligible to compete this year.

The fraternity touch-football team, though it started out strongly by winning its first two games, finally ended up in third place after its enthusiastic captain,

Harry Detjen, '43, was put on crutches by a badly wrenched ankle.

November 29, we initiated Pledges Eldridge, Ford, La Roche and Webel of the class of '45, and Steve Watts, '44. In February we will hold another initiation for those freshmen who this time failed to pass the scrutinizing eye of our scholarship chairman. Maybe college is a little harder than high school. The initiation was climaxed by a banquet and a good time was had by all.

At elections last month O. R. Kline was re-elected president. Other choices were: Walt Schuyler, vice-president; George Morton, treasurer; and Ed Jones, secretary.

With the approach of the winter season, over a third of the Brothers have turned out for wrestling, a sport in which we have met considerable success in the past. Deserving special mention in this group are Tillmans, Schuyler, Kline, Dayton, Haight, Gramley and Jenkins. Brother Schuyler is also manager of the team. Ted Jones is competing for a berth on the basketball team, and Jack Skinner seems quite sure to make his letter on the squash team. Fred Mears is managing the swimming team.

Brothers Dayton, Jenkins, Haight and Gramley and Pledges Webel and Price were in the Wesleyan band this fall. In the Glee Club are Les Durgin, Charley Dayton and George McNear and Webel. When Brother Ted Jones, '42, hands over the editorship of the *Argus* in January, one of the candidates for the position will be George Morton, '43. Another active member of Phi Sig is Pledge Dave Russel, '42, who is president of the Dramatic Club and out for winter track.

This year the house has achieved scholastic goals as well, Brothers Mears, Russel and Shuck all being members of the Honors College. It looks as if we might have some Phi Beta Kappa material coming up. These, as well as other

achievements we hope to be able to announce in the next SIGNET.

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GAMMA Cornell University

By BOB PACE

With a completely filled pledge class, the boys of Gamma Chapter are again looking forward to a great year scholastically, athletically and socially. It would be putting it mildly to say that we were overjoyed when, after several weeks of hard rushing, bids were handed out and we immediately received our quota of top-notch fellows. On October 19th sixteen new pledges were inducted into Gamma Chapter of Phi Sigma Kappa and immediately began to show that they were set for big things. Pledges Bill Menges, Larry Dean, Jack Dalton, Fred Husley, Bill Gillies and Sam Mitchell reported out for crew and at present each has established himself as definite crew material. Dick Demmler is out for freshman basketball, and looks like first team material; Bill Bertelsen promises to cut himself a niche in track; Bill Tuttle is working out as a backstroker on the frosh swimming team, while Pete Frampton is trying out for the *Widow*, the campus' monthly publication.

The brothers are by no means planning to rest on the laurels of their new class, however. John Aldworth, who did such an excellent job as rushing chairman, is commodore of the crew and secretary of the student council. Dick Young is now working hard as manager of what promises to be the best swimming team in Cornell's history, and is doing an excellent job. Fred Schulte rows with the J. V.'s now and has an excellent chance of being with John Aldworth in the number one boat next spring. Bob Pace is the only Phi Sig on the varsity track team at present, as big Bob Larson, varsity javelin thrower and high jumper of last year, is taking a year off for farm

practice, and Gus Godley, sterling freshman miler, has now dropped running for flying, under the C. A. A.

Under competitions, John de Mol is competing for managership of crew and Alex Hutchingson is out for the basketball competition and also intends to try out for the varsity golf team next spring. In addition, the chapter is very well represented in the glee club by Herb Laughlin and Milt Wilkins, in the band by Herb Laughlin, and also in the various honorary societies and advanced R. O. T. C.

A pledge dance was held on October 25th, after the Colgate game, and was voted a success by all. On the following day all the brothers, the pledges and their friends attended a dinner at a local restaurant in honor of the pledges. The weekend of the Yale game, November 7-9, was the annual Homecoming, which was exceptionally well attended and enjoyed.

Intramural sports have not as yet assumed their place of importance this year, but we're hoping for the best. Our football team has won one and lost one game to date and our basketball team, which fell a bit below expectations last year, although it did set two intramural scoring records in a row, is in the process of re-organization.

We sincerely hope that our other chapters enjoy as pleasant a year as we expect to.

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OMICRON

Massachusetts Institute of Technology

By BOB PETERSON

This fall saw the Omicron Chapter House redecorated from top to bottom. Not only was the interior redecorated, but the house was given a new roof as well as a general outside face lifting.

Rush Week, which followed immediately on the heels of our general house-cleaning, was, on the whole, quite suc-

cessful. Ten men were pledged, all of whom show signs of doing not only unusually well from a scholastic point of view, but already have taken a very definite position in athletics and activities about the Institute.

This year two sophomores were pledged by Omicron Chapter. James St. Germain, a transfer student from Tulane University is at Tech this year studying Aeronautics. Besides being an unusually good student, Jim is already on the way to becoming an expert fencer. James Ruoff, our second new sophomore, is a Course X student, or, to the uninitiated, a chemical engineer. Last year he set an enviable record, not only being a Dean's List man, but a member of the Freshmen Gym Team as well.

Allan Porson, class of '45, comes to Tech with an excellent record. As well as being secretary of his senior class, he also was number one man on the Hastings-on-Hudson High School Tennis Team. He plans on going out for tennis at M. I. T. next spring, but in the meantime, he is keeping himself busy with his fencing. Allan aims for a degree in Mechanical Engineering.

Richard Gregg, of Hackensack, New Jersey, is taking business and engineering administration here at Tech. He has already made a place for himself on the Tech Engineering News and is also an excellent student. John Granlund is registered in electrical engineering. Already firmly entrenched on the swimming team, he is also a member of the R. O. T. C. Band. Johnny comes from Scarsdale, New York.

Warren Grosjean, of Staten Island, New York, is taking general engineering at the Institute. Back in high school he was president of his senior class. Here at Tech he is a member of the Debating Society, and is daily pushing the boys around in the boxing ring. Ralph Evans, of Long Island, New York, is a student of chemistry. He is already way up in

the Sailing Organization and spends almost all his extra time on the river.

Bob Rowe, hailing from New London, Connecticut, is spending a lot of his extra time over in the gym doing his bit for M. I. T. on the Gym Team. He is a student in the Chemical Engineering Department. Dwight Norris, also of New London, and also in chem. engineering is a member of the band and an enthusiastic member of the Sailing Association.

Archie Sterling comes from Crisfield, Maryland. Archie, as he is generally known around the house, is another chemical engineering student, and a member of the Tech Christian Association.

Brother Adams, newest addition to Omicron Chapter, is a Phi Sig transfer from F. & M. After his record there we are expecting big things from Johnny. Johnny is registered as a freshman and is an important man on the Freshman Gym Team.

In closing we would like to announce Omicron's latest honor in Brother Anderson's recent election to both the Executive and Dance Committee in the I. F. C.

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With the fall season coming to a close, Alpha finds herself enjoying a very prosperous year. The large senior class really has something to look back upon, as they have reached the goal of making our chapter one of the most active, and second to none, on campus. House Man-

ager "Stu" Bush supervised improvements rendered the house early in the year. The living room underwent a complete facelifting and, generally, the house was in its finest condition in readiness for the rushing assault.

Alpha still holds the spotlight in varsity sports here at M. S. C. This year we saw no less than five of our members garnering first string football positions. Among them is "Big Ben" Freitas, a senior, one of the best all-around athletes in college. Quiet and retiring on campus, Ben is a veritable bear-cat on the field. He tips the beam at 215 pounds, hits the line like a freight, and has great speed in the open. He is the climax player,—the "Jack Armstrong" of State, and performs best when the chips are down. Having received considerable recognition in New England circles, his deeds in the fullback spot will long be remembered. Paul Dwyer also winds up his football career this year. A veteran of three seasons, he was shifted from right tackle to end this year to bolster Coach Hargerscheimer's defense. Big and aggressive, "Myer" plays a bruising game and will leave a large gap in the line. Highly-touted "Gil" Santin, captain-elect, did most of the leather-lugging this year and was a triple-threat performer. From his position at left halfback, he was the spark plug of the club. Two talented sophomores were "Dick" Norton, converted to end, and "Rollie" Collela, classy guard. Norton saw plenty of action in every game and improved at his new position as the season progressed. Brother Collela was the mainstay in the center of the line. A transfer student, he earned his football at Brown University.

Not only on the gridiron was Alpha represented in fall sports. Captain "Lambie" Ericson gathered a bit of glory on the soccer field. "Lambie," a senior, sustained a leg injury in the early weeks, but staged a comeback to spark his booters to a successful campaign. "Ed"

Podalak figured greatly in all the games and will be back next season with his stellar playing ability. "Ed" is captain-elect of the soccer charges for 1942.

Brother "Bill" Kimball brought his cross-country squad through another good season. Twice captain, "Bill" hands the title over to "Russ" McDonald, Alpha junior. This mighty mite was a star performer of the "hill and dalers," and is an able successor to Kimball.

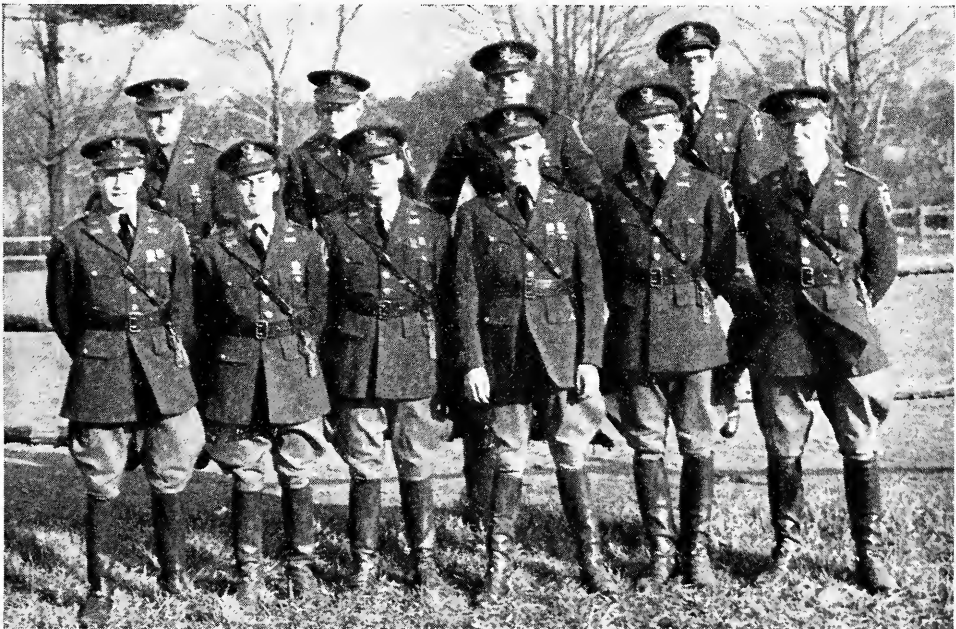
So it goes. Under our roof now are the present captains of three varsity sports, and three captains-elect: namely, football, soccer, and cross-country.

Highlighting the fall social activities was the annual Amherst Weekend celebration. The house assumed a carnival atmosphere. Commanding much attention from all on campus was a huge banner depicting the subjugation of our arch-rivals and neighbors, the "Lord Jeffs," (Amherst College). The cartoon was done by Brother Shackley. A ban-

quet preceded the dance in the evening. Music was furnished by Larry Francis and his orchestra. The occasion is fast becoming a home-coming day, and many of the Alpha alumni were on hand for the festivities.

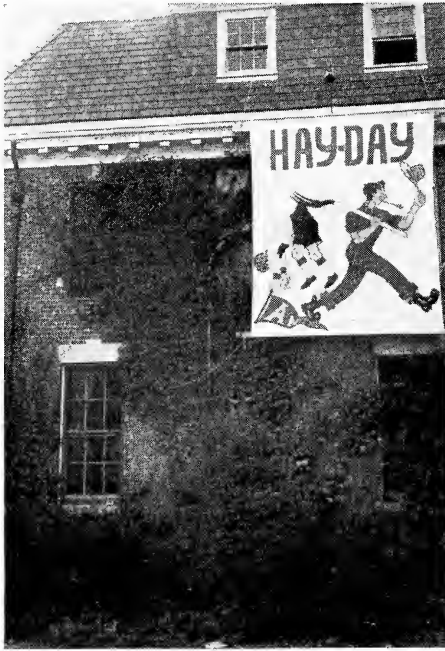
Several fraternities on campus have started a program which might interest other chapters of Phi Sigma Kappa. The innovation is a dinner-swap each week with some one of the sororities on campus. The plan meets with the approval of all the brothers, and is a much-awaited occurrence. It gives the "smoothies" a chance to entertain the co-eds, and promotes good feeling between houses on campus.

Phi Sig finished second in the interfraternity skits this fall. We had plenty of fun staging the production and it was received enthusiastically by the crowd. The presentation, under the direction of Brother "Mo" Leland, consisted of a 14-piece band of swing fanatics from the



Senior Military Majors, R. O. T. C. Cavalry. Front row: Gaumont, McDonald, Atwood, Leland, Stone, Hatch. Back row: McDougall, Kimball, Bishop, Cressy.

house who took off Miller and Dorsey in several numbers. Featured were beautiful "Anita" Hull and Jim Parsons on the torrid trumpet in the guise of Roy Eldridge. The setting was very realistic with appointed lighting features and ap-



Amherst week end cartoon. Cartoonist—
Frank Shackley.

propriate Phi Sig music banners. Chet Stone, the man behind the scenes, handled the details to the letter. It was not discovered by the audience until late in the act that an R. C. A. "juke" box provided the actual music that was amplified. In fact so perfect in timing were the movements and antics of "Ben Killer and his Band" that many were reluctant to believe the session emanated from the discs.

The Interfraternity Council is seeking a revision of the rushing regulations for next year, as a very low percentage of freshmen men responded to the first semester rushing. Alpha made out second best with eleven new pledges. Though

below our usual quota, they are not lacking in quality. A concerted drive is being launched for second-semester rushing. There was only room for a few sophomores to live at the house this year, due to the large number of senior members. "Bernie" Willemaine is back with us after spending a year at Coast Guard Academy and is currently vying with husky John Spencer as the house "smoothie."

Ace Thayer, returning late from his national defense job, found himself without lodging. The prospects were unfavorable, and for awhile it looked as though "The Ace" would spend his nights on the pool table. Undaunted, Brother Thayer proved his resourcefulness by commandeering a forgotten trunk room in the basement. Though barely ample, he transformed it into a study. He can maneuver his 6 ft. 4 in. frame into it with apparent ease (after a little practice), but confides he had to drop one of his courses, as he had no room for the book. His plight is best portrayed by an article which recently appeared in the M. S. C. Collegian. "It has been breathed about that Donald T. (Ace) Thayer, one of State's all-around athletes is working on a thesis which is gathering atmosphere by living approximately twenty thousand leagues under Phi Sig. Anyone wishing to interview Mr. Thayer may enter a compression chamber in the Phi Sig basement, and then proceed by express elevator to the mine floor where Alpha, the sacred river, runs down to a sunless sea. (Apologies to Coleridge). From the rude bridge that arches the flood, one swims upstream until he reaches the land of the Stalactites, known among tourists as Thayer Caverns. As an added attraction on the perilous descent, Ben (anything for a laugh) Freitas will entertain you with an impromptu speech entitled: "My experiences as a Prison Guard." Everything one-handed, Ben."

ETA

University of Maryland

By WILLIAM MYERS

Eta Chapter has swung into the first semester of the 1941-42 school year with a record of accomplishments equal to those of any previous year. Two alumni have entered the army in the rank of Second Lieutenant; key positions in student government and campus positions have been filled by many of the brothers; a rather successful pledging season has been completed; seven men have cadet positions in the University R. O. T. C. Regiment; and Eta has played host to the delegates from Region Three at the annual conclave.

Brother Orville Shirey, president of Eta Chapter, is president of Omicron Delta Kappa, honorary leadership fraternity, and is former president of Pi Delta Epsilon, honorary journalistic fraternity which was headed last year by Brother Allan Fisher. Brother Shirey serves on the interfraternity council and the student government executive council.

Arthur Farnham, Eta inductor, is secretary of Rossborough Club, the group presided over last year by Brother Bill Diggs. Brother Farnham is also a member of the interfraternity council.

Brothers Bill Schoenhaar, Neal Dow and Jerry Hege are members of Scabbard and Blade, honorary military organization; while Brother Schoenhaar is treasurer of the organization. Jerry Hege is a member of Tau Beta Pi, national honorary engineering fraternity.

Two brothers, Charles Jones and John Watson, are members of the varsity rifle team. Watson is a Pershing Rifleman and a pledge of Alpha Chi Sigma, chemistry fraternity. Jones is out for the position of manager of the varsity football team.

Others holding campus positions are Brothers Robert Steele, president of Education Club; Edward Pierce, member of

advertising staff of the Old Line; Henry Lambert, C. A. A. flight instructor; and Donald Jermain, business chairman of the Spanish Club.

Eta members holding R. O. T. C. cadet positions are Aldrich Hambleton, Second Lieutenant, Company H; Orville Shirey, Captain, Company F; William Schoenhaar, Captain, Company M; George Wannall, First Battalion Adjutant; Neal Dow, Lieutenant Colonel Regimental Executive; and Jerry Hege, Fourth Battalion Executive. Pledge Charles Beaumont is Fourth Battalion Adjutant.

Fall initiation was held October 27 with seven new members joining the ranks of Phi Sig. The initiates are: William Hutchinson, Vernon Hart, Donald Jermain, Edward Pierce, James Crammond, Henry Lambert and Donald Boyd.

Pledges Gilbert Gude, Paul deTamble, Robert Wright and Ned Thomas are members of Pershing Rifles. In sports, Pledges Robert Wright and Neal Brobeck are out for track, and James Brown and Robert Wright have participated in boxing and wrestling tournaments respectively. Pledge Charles Beaumont is business manager of the student band and treasurer of the student branch of the A. S. M. E. Hammond Wessels is a member of the freshman rifle team. Jack Cumberland has completed preliminary tryouts for the college dramatic club.

Officers of the pledge group are Charles Beaumont, president; Ned Thomas, vice-president; Wallace Marshall, secretary; and Gilbert Gude, treasurer.

Other pledges are Frank Sheridan, Albert Engle and Tom Kelley.

Following the regional conclave the weekend of November 14, Brother George Amsbary, field secretary, spent several days at the chapter house.

Chapter officers for the present quarter are Orville Shirey, president; Robert Steele, vice-president; Sherwood Dann,

secretary; Arthur Farnham, inductor; Hammond Rau, treasurer; and Aldrich Hambleton, sentinel.

With an active group of brothers and pledges Eta is looking forward to another successful year.

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ZETA TRITON Montana State College

By TED JOHNSON

Zeta Triton started the season with seventeen fine pledges, all from Montana except one from Brooklyn, New York, and one from Chile.

The officers of the chapter for the fall quarter were: president, Pierce Patterson; vice-president, Robert Baarson; secretary, Ted Johnson; treasurer, Everette Shuey; sentinel, John Medlin; and inductor, Vic Smith. Brother Smith also takes care of the social affairs and John Medlin is the intramural athletics manager.

During the fall quarter, Zeta Triton held several social functions. Among them was a semi-formal dance at the Valley View Country Club, and informal fireside at the chapter house, and several dinner parties.

Members of Zeta Triton are prominent in extra-curricular activities. Brother Everette Shuey is Duke of Fangs, local chapter of Intercollegiate Knights. Brother John Rousseau is also an officer of the organization. Brother Rousseau is Commissioner of Publications, and Brother Patterson, Commissioner of Dramatics on the school senate. Brother Vic Smith was tapped for Alpha Chi Sigma, national chemical honorary society. Brother Bob Baarson and Pledge Wally Dixon are active members of the organization. Brother Ted Johnson was pledged to Tau Beta Pi, national engineering honorary. He is also Business Manager of the Montana Engineer publication of the engineering department. Brother John Medlin is also a member of the staff. Brothers John Medlin and Bill

Jeffries are members of the American Society of Mechanical Engineers. Brother Ted Johnson is a member of the American Institute of Electrical Engineers and Brother Harold Johnson is a member of the Society for the Advancement of Management. Brother Bob Woodward is the Historian of Phi chapter of Delta Phi Delta, national Art honorary. Brother Bob Baarson, and Pledge Wally Dixon are members of the American Society of Chemical Engineers. Brothers Everette Shuey and John Rousseau were chosen for this year's advanced R. O. T. C. class. Pledge Bruce Isaacson is the state secretary of the Future Farmers of America. Brother Pierce Patterson is a member of Les Bouffons, social organization. Brother Stub Fjeld is also a member of Les Bouffons and is president of the Interfraternity council.

During the quarter the chapter was visited by several alumni, among them being George Jacoby and 'Lefty' De Vore, members of the Alumni Corporation. We enjoy visits from alumni and hope that any alumni passing through Bozeman will stop at the chapter house.

New living room furniture purchased this quarter, together with new carpets, purchased last spring, makes the house very attractive.

A pledge education week was held for the pledges during the last part of November, and initiation is planned for the first part of winter quarter.

Brother Bill Jeffries, who worked as Tool Designer for Douglas Aircraft Corporation last year, has returned to finish work for a degree in Mechanical Engineering.

Christmas vacation starts December 19 and most of the members plan to spend their vacations at home.

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There was never anything by the wit of man so well devised or so sure established, which in continuance of time hath not been corrupted.—*Common Prayer*.

MU

University of Pennsylvania

By CHRIS RINER

Upon this writing Mu Chapter of Phi Sigma Kappa is rolling jubilantly into its first pre-New Year rushing season. The cards are dealt; the table is set, and everything is in readiness for the on-



BILL MOSTERTZ

coming freshmen. We are looking forward to a very successful season as the spirit is good, and the classes of boys in the house are outstanding on the campus.

Bill Mostertz of the University of Pennsylvania football team made a meteoric rise as center. At the beginning of the year Bill, who is small for a football player, was third string center, and a poor third at that. When the second string center was hurt Bill got his chance, and he proved so good that this very same second string player only got into one game after his recovery. This victory wasn't enough for Bill, however, for he wanted that first string job, and believe it or not, that's just what he did. At the

end of the football season Bill Mostertz was first string center, and a darn good one at that.

Events of recent interest in Mu Chapter include the visit of national president John Marchmont, Regional Director Herbert Brown, and the newly appointed chapter adviser of Mu Chapter Lou Gibbs. Lou is a fine man and we of Mu Chapter hope we can live up to his fine leadership. We are most appreciative and indeed proud of our new chapter adviser.

Another event was the Cornell game played on November 22, in which Penn outplayed and outscored their traditional rivals by the score of 16 to 0. This climaxed a great season for a predicted mediocre team. We had our annual dance and celebration after the game, and with the help of Brothers Zimmerman, Fleming, Van Horn and Fox, the evening was a crashing success.

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KAPPA DEUTERON

Georgia School of Technology

We have several pledges this year who seem destined to make names for themselves on the Tech campus. Pledge Jack Young seems to be headed for a berth on the Freshman basketball team; pledge Paul Burgdorff is showing his toes to his competitors on the swimming team; and pledge Arthur Guistizia is a member of the Tech Band.

Among the Brothers, also, we have several outstanding men on the campus. Brother Horne has been elected to Kappa Kappa Psi, highest music honorary on the campus; Brother Henry was elected to the Bulldog Club, Junior social honorary; and Brother Smith, our president, is Editor-in-Chief of our annual, also a member of Tau Beta Pi, O. D. K., Eta Kappa Nu, Phi Eta Sigma, Pi Delta Epsilon, Interfraternity Council, Bulldog Club, Booster Club and A. I. E. E. He has also been listed in Who's Who in American Universities and Colleges.

The Alvin Todd Burrows

By G. R. NISH, *Alpha Deuteron '28*

During his lifetime Alvin Todd (Chappie) Burrows, Lambda '03, devoted a great deal of his time and energy to Phi Sigma Kappa nationally and to Alpha Deuteron in particular. He especially stressed the value of excellence in scholarship in his talks to the Fraternity, pointing out that both the individual members and the organization benefited immeasurably as the result of striving for scholastic leadership.

In keeping with these ideals of his lifetime, Chappie found a way to perpetuate his efforts for high scholarship. One of the requests which he made of his family was, that upon his death, the diamond fraternity pin, presented to him by Alpha Deuteron in recognition of his outstanding service to the chapter, be made a permanent award to be given to the senior in Alpha Deuteron whose scholastic record during his first three years had been the highest of his class. It was Chappie's wish that the winner be given the privilege of wearing the pin for his entire senior year, at the end of which time it was to be returned to the chapter alumni association to be available for award to the next year's winner.

Alpha Deuteron chapter and members of the alumni association were informed of Chappie's wish at their Homecoming meeting on November 1, and they thereupon adopted the accompanying resolutions:

ALVIN TODD BURROWS

WHEREAS the death of Brother Alvin Todd Burrows has closed a long and faithful service to our fraternity which began in 1903 and continued until the date of his death, and

WHEREAS his keen interest in all our affairs prompted the membership to elect him to the highest offices in the fraternity which he filled with such devotion and untiring effort that the fraternity has expanded and increased in influence under his leadership, and

WHEREAS his many years of loyalty and distinctive service should impress upon all those in authority their responsibility, the value of his most able service and the loss we have sustained in his passing,

Therefore be it resolved, that this association in annual meeting assembled place upon its records this evidence of our deep indebtedness to him, and the loss we have sustained in his passing, and that we express to the members of his family our profound sympathy in their loss of a devoted father whose good deeds will live as a monument to his memory.

And be it further resolved that copies of this resolution be transmitted to the daughters of Brother Burrows in token of our affection and in remembrance of the loss we have sustained by the decree of divine Providence.

Scholarship Award

ALVIN TODD BURROWS PIN

Whereas, the diamond set platinum Phi Sigma Kappa pin presented to Brother Alvin Todd Burrows by the Members of Alpha Deuteron Chapter in 1918 as a token of their friendship and love, has been presented to the Phi Sigma Kappa Association, of Illinois by his daughters Dorothy Burrows and Kathryn Burrows Kirgis,

And whereas, Brother Alvin Todd Burrows had often expressed the wish that his pin be returned to the Chapter with an expression of his lasting appreciation of the honor done him and that the pin be worn annually by the active senior whose scholarship for the first three years of his college career was highest, and that the pin pass from year to year to the highest ranking senior,

And whereas, the Phi Sigma Kappa Association is honored to accept the pin for the worthy purpose for which it is presented,

Now, therefore, be it resolved that the pin be kept by the Association and awarded at Homecoming to the senior whose scholarship average has been highest for the previous three years, and that the recipient each year return the pin to the President of the Association at his graduation,

And be it further resolved that copies of the resolutions be sent to Dorothy Burrows and Kathryn Burrows Kirgis.



ALVIN TODD BURROWS

Following the adoption of these resolutions it was announced that Norman W. Cusick, treasurer of the chapter, was the senior who had attained the highest scholastic average for his first three years, and he was presented with the beautiful diamond pin. It was apparent from his reaction and that of the Chapter that Chappie's fine award will serve to spur each member of the Alpha Deuteron chapter to seek the highest scholastic standing. This in turn will benefit the entire chapter and the fraternity, which is, of course, what Chappie most desired.

The Record

CHAPTER INVISIBLE

Death Takes Three Lambda Deuteron Undergraduates

Theodore William Marsh

Lambda Deuteron Chapter mourns the sudden passing of Brother Theodore William Marsh, '43, age 19, of Portland, Oregon, who died suddenly of acute leukemia on October 23, 1941.

Ted, known affectionately by many as "Yardbird," was an aeronautical engineering student, a member of the Washington NROTC unit, and an active member of the University of Washington Chapter.

Roger Lyle Belles and Edward Carter Brigham

Tragedy struck a double blow to Lambda Deuteron on November 1, 1941, when Pledges Roger Belles and Edward Brigham were killed in an automobile accident on the Seattle-Tacoma highway.

Both Rog and Eddie were to have become brothers at our Winter Quarter initiation.

Roger Belles, '43, age 20, of Raymond, Washington, was a staff photographer for the University of Washington "Daily" and the "Tyee," student publication and year book.

Edward Brigham, '43, age 20, of Menlo, Washington, was a photographer for the "Daily" and the "Tyee." He was also a member of the University Marching Band and of Washington Rifles.

Jack Sawyer Shipp

Word has come to the national headquarters of the death of Brother Jack Sawyer Shipp, M. D., Omicron Deuteron '28, at Anniston, Alabama, November 16th.

John R. Dershuck

Mu Chapter was grieved to hear of the sudden death of Brother John R. Dershuck, '12, November 12.

Dr. Charles Edward Chapman

It is with regret that we report the death of Dr. Charles Edward Chapman, Omega Fac., on November 19, 1941, in an Oakland hospital from a heart ailment. He was born in Franklin, New Hampshire, June 3, 1880.

Brother Chapman achieved prominence not only in the academic field, but in the world of sports as well. He was particularly interested in baseball and played with some minor professional teams. Dr. Chapman had refused an offer by the Boston Braves to play baseball. He was coaching football at the Imperial High School in Japan in 1906 where he had injured his arm. He gave up baseball then and became an attorney.

He was admitted to the bar both in California and Massachusetts. At the time he began to teach he was a special legal investigator.

He began his teaching career in 1909, and later joined the University of California as an instructor in history in 1910. He was made a full professor in 1927.

Some of the many organizations of which Brother Chapman was a member include the Hispanic-American History Review; and Phi Beta Kappa. He was a representative of the University of California at the American Congress of Bibliography and History. He was also awarded the Mitre Medal of the Hispanic Society of America for achievement in the field of Hispanic-American studies.

The eminent historian is survived by his widow, Mrs. Aimee Fleming Chap-

man, a son, Seville Dudley Chapman; a brother, Frank W. Chapman and a sister, Mrs. John Proctor.

Earle McLaughlin

Rev. Noble Earle McLaughlin, Xi '07, for many years prominent in the affairs of the Universalist Church in the state of Wisconsin died at his home in Wausau, Wisconsin, of heart disease on October 30, 1941.

Brother McLaughlin, born in Baltimore, Maryland was graduated from Saint Lawrence University in 1907 after an active career in the affairs of his college and of Xi Chapter. Later scholastic activities included studies in Union Theological Seminary, Harvard and Wisconsin Universities. He was also a graduate of the Wisconsin School of Music and aside from his duties in the ministry he was a singer of note, an accomplished pianist, and at one time a director of the Monroe Symphony Orchestra of Monroe, Wisconsin.

John Lewis Hanes

Brother John Lewis Hanes, M. D., Eta '02, died at his home at Pine Hall, North Carolina on January 16, 1940.

Jesse L. Wagner

Brother Jesse L. Wagner, M. D., Mu '06, died September 4, 1941.

Dr. F. N. Nichols

Brother F. N. Nichols, M. D., Eta '02, died at his home in Denton, Maryland on October 1941.

Justice is as strictly due between neighbor nations as between neighbor citizens. A highwayman is as much a robber when he plunders in a gang, as when single; and a nation that makes an unjust war is only a great gang.—*Benjamin Franklin*.

MARRIAGES

William Herbert Edwards, Beta Triton '40, was married to Florence Dexter of Galesburg.

Earl Theodore Rosenaw, Beta Triton '41, was married to Helen Weimer of Oak Park, Illinois.

Carl Emil Fjeld, Jr., Zeta Triton '40, was married to Miss Mary Lou Harper, Pi Beta Phi from Havre, on October 5.

Brother Fjeld is a member of Les Bouffons and is president of the Interfraternity Council.

Ralph H. Morgon, Nu '38, who is working for the Roller Smith Co. in Bethlehem, was married to Illene Ryan of Montclair, N. J.

Robert Miller, Nu '41, recently married the former Marion Whitney in New York City.

Brother Miller is working for the Chas. Miller & Company in Jersey City.

Brother Nelom Jackson, Xi Deuteron '33, was married to Miss Travis Simmons.

Brother Jackson is Trustee of Henry County.

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BABY GRAMS

George Bienfany, Nu '32, and Mrs. Bienfany are the parents of a daughter, Katherine Margaret, born last July 27.

On Thursday, November 27, 1941, a girl was born to Madeleine Doyle Scriven and **Frank Dee Scriven**, Alpha Deuteron. Brother and Mrs. Scriven live in Los Angeles, California.

The man who trusts men will make fewer mitsakes than he who distrusts them.—*Conte Cavour*.

It may make a difference to all eternity whether we do right or wrong today.—*James F. Clarke*.

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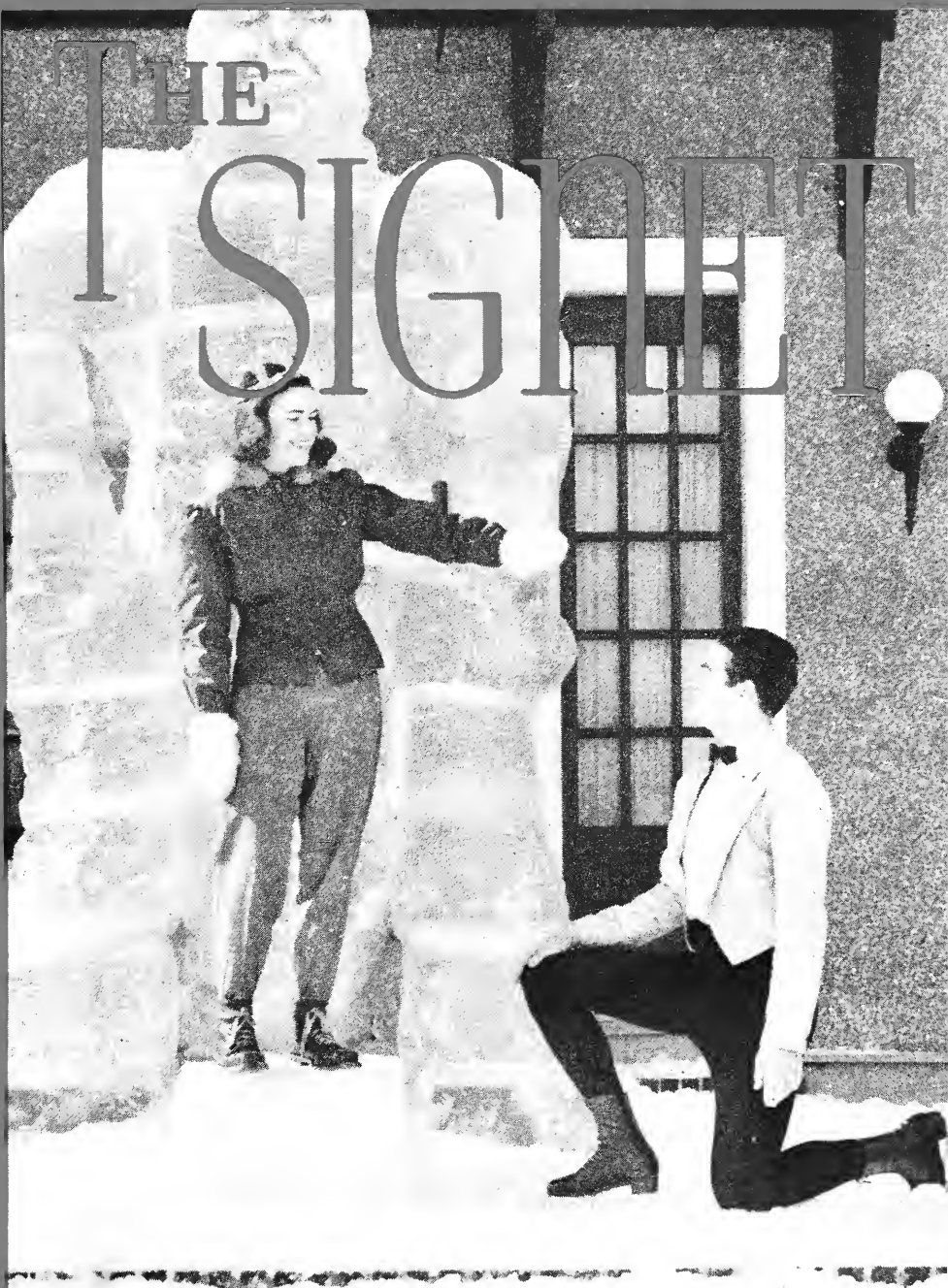


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St. Lawrence Winter Carnival



WISH that "the spirit of the Winter Carnival at St. Lawrence University, good fellowship, sportsmanship, peace and happiness, may spread from this Toyland and fill all the nations of this troubled world" was expressed by Dr. Millard H. Jencks, President of St. Lawrence University in his address at the coronation ceremony opening the ninth annual Winter Carnival of that university at Canton, N. Y. Thursday evening January 29th before more than a thousand students and other spectators.

President Jencks in crowning William Bartlett, Beta Theta Pi, of Rutherford, N. J., as King and Miss Patricia D. Ingalls, Delta Delta Delta, of East Aurora, N. Y., as Queen, told them that "there is beauty and charm in the stories and legends about the toylands of mankind. Every race in every age has had its toys and toylands, and always they have meant pleasure and happiness to youth."

Stressing the theme of this winter carnival—Toyland—one of the few neutral countries in the war-torn world, Dr. Jencks added "You are in the toyland of youth, and tonight your toys will come to life to dance and play as in the olden fairy tales while sober folks peacefully doze and slumber in the chimney corner."

The queen's court chosen by the three guest judges—Major Dudley B. Coche, Fourth Armored division, Pine Camp; Avery Slack, noted New York City portrait photographer, and Gerald Fitzgerald, Potsdam journalist included Eleanor Nora Moynan, Alpha Delta Phi,

Barbara Benjamin, Kappa Kappa Gamma, June W. Carlson, Kappa Kappa Gamma, Helen O. Persons, Pi Beta Phi, Coral M. Frey, Kappa Kappa Gamma, Jean B. Peterson, Kappa Kappa Gamma, Barbara J. Gould, Delta Delta Delta, Gale E. Budlong, Kappa Kappa Gamma, Vivian L. Gardner, Kappa Kappa Gamma, Patricia J. Mulford, Kappa Delta, Jean Sutherland, Kappa Kappa Gamma, Elizabeth A. Hutchins, Kappa Kappa Gamma. They were attractively attired in ski suits of all styles and hues, making a colorful scene as they surrounded the regal couple around the throne erected on Weeks Athletic Field where a special ice rink had been constructed for an exhibition of fancy skating by Miss Helen Carter, senior champion of the Lake Placid Skating Club, and John Walsh, Phi Sigma Kappa and his sister Alice Walsh, also of Lake Placid. There were also a "Red, White and Blue Rhythm" ice number and a comedy ballet number given by St. Lawrence students for the king and queen. A sock dance in Brewer Field House closed the evening's program.

With four Larries setting a torrid pace despite a dismal rain, the St. Lawrence University ski team walked off with the third annual invitation ski meet Saturday with Colgate second, Syracuse third and Clarkson fourth.

Ray Wrisley, who hails from Lake Placid, was first in the jump with two great 16 meter leaps in near perfect form, slowed up some by an icy take-off; Jack Wilkins won the downhill and downhill-slalom combination event; Bob Peabody won the slalom and Bob Wright, the cross country and combined cross country and jump.

The carnival ended Saturday night with the competitors' banquet and the annual carnival ball.

Jane Sheard, Kappa Kappa Gamma, niece of Brother Charles Sheard, Xi '03, and William Spancake, President of Xi Chapter, typify winter sports at St. Lawrence.



CAMPUS WINTER SCENE

In the background, left to right: Carnegie Hall, Men's Residence, and Hepburn Hall.

The St. Lawrence University

By MILLARD H. JENCKS, *President, St. Lawrence University*



THE Legislature of the State of New York chartered St. Lawrence University in 1856, for the promotion of general education, and to cultivate and advance literature, science and the arts. The sturdy men and women who founded this University had the zeal and courage of the early missionary, and they pledged mind and resource to build an institution for the liberal education of men and women.

St. Lawrence University is an undenominational, coeducational, liberal arts college of 700 students, located in Canton, St. Lawrence County, New York, between the Adirondacks and the St. Lawrence River, delightful both for its summer climate and its winter sports.

The College of Letters and Science offers courses leading to the undergraduate degrees of B.A. and B.S. Graduate courses are also offered for the degrees—M.A., M.S., and M.E.D.

In response to the national emergency, the University has arranged an accelerated program to meet the needs of students who must complete their undergraduate work in less than four years. Special courses in defense work are also offered. The regular four-year program continues to be available to those students who do not need to shorten their undergraduate programs.

For the past twenty years, the University has conducted a summer school for teachers who wish to improve their professional and intellectual standing, and for regular students to make up deficiencies in hours and quality points. A feature of the summer session for 1942 will be a Reading Institute, designed to meet the needs of students, teachers, and others who wish to improve their read-

ing ability. The program of this Institute offers an intensive curriculum of diagnosis and training in the mechanics, comprehension, and interpretation of the printed page.

St. Lawrence University was a pioneer in educational radio work, and from 1923 to 1940, maintained its own station on the campus. It now has a twenty-four hour circuit connecting the studio on the campus with the broadcasting station,



MILLARD H. JENCKS

WSLB, at Ogdensburg. Courses are given at the radio shop for training in broadcasting techniques.

In 1902, when Xi chapter of Phi Sigma Kappa received its charter, the student body numbered about 250, or one-third of its present size. The campus contained four buildings. From their prominent location overlooking the campus, the Phi Sig's have seen the college grow to its present size.

The Founders

By BLAINE GILDAY, '05



LASSES of 1904 and 1905 were the largest in the history of St. Lawrence. The two nationals with chapters already firmly established initiated only an average of four men per year. This, of course, left a great many outside the mystic circle.

There was a loose organization called The Literary Society when I entered St. Lawrence in 1900, at the age of 15, in short pants. At the earnest request of Roblin, Lane and Card, '03, I suddenly graduated into long pants. How old this Literary Society was I don't remember, but in 1901, with no literary ambitions whatsoever, I joined for the sake of an argument with Deke Morgan and Rube Hastings.

During the winter of 1901-02 we picked up several debaters from '05: Ad Dewey, Bill Maloney, Lige Briggs, Bernie Ruggles, Jim Gillett, and John Lowe. I can't recall who first suggested another national fraternity, but the idea was definitely in the air. To make it more so, some literary explorer (it must have been Charlie Sheard) started us toward Greece, via Rome, as the name Decemvirs was substituted for the ten non-literary members of a literary society that functioned about ten per cent.

I do not know who suggested Phi Sigma Kappa. I was all of 17 years old and trying to like beer illegally. Whatever serious business was to be done I had absolutely nothing to do with then, or before graduation. However, things moved fast. We petitioned Phi Sigma Kappa and were accepted. At the Hodskin House in Canton, April 12, 1902, Dr. John A. Cutter inducted Rube Hastings, '03, Charlie Sheard, '03, Deak Morgan, '03, Runt Gilday, '04, Ad Dewey, '05,

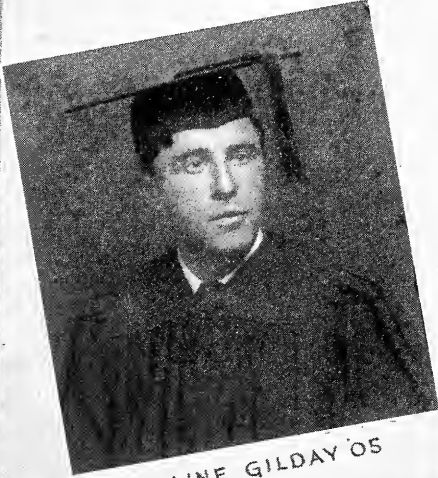
Bill Maloney, '05, Lige Briggs, '05, Rugg Ruggles, '05, Jim Gillett, '05, John Lowe, '05.

Brother Lowe did not participate in petitioning the national, consequently his name is not listed among the founders.

Since their induction, the founders have spread to all parts of the United States and engaged in many different lines of activity. Three of the founders, Briggs, Maloney, and Dewey have joined the Chapter Invisible. Briggs, at the time of his death in 1919, was a commercial traveler employed in the Ivanhoe branch of the General Electric. Brother Maloney had served on several commissions for the development of water power facilities in New York state and had held several official positions in his capacity as a specialist in the field of water power. Brother Dewey died in 1933, having served in various capacities in the General Electric Company since 1907. He was vice-president of the International General Electric Company and travelled extensively in Russia, Chile and Australia, representing the firm. He was considered an outstanding specialist in the field of public utility engineering.

The other charter members have distinguished themselves in many ways. Notable is Charles Sheard, director of research in bio-physics and expert on optics at the Mayo Brothers Clinic at Rochester, Minnesota. Blaine Gilday, '05, has been conducting a successful lumber industry in West Chazy, New York, not 100 miles from Canton. Gillett is engaged in engineering in Bonneville, Oregon; James Morgan is engaged in chemical work and is considered an authority on soil analysis. George Ralph Hastings is conducting a law practice at Tupper Lake, New York.

Five of our
FOUNDERS



BLAINE GILDAY '05



HERBERT HOPKINS DEWEY '05
(DECEASED)



JAMES BELKNAP GILLETT '05



ROY ELIJAH BRIGGS '05
(DECEASED)



BERNARD CLINTON RUGGLES '05

History of Xi Chapter

By ROBERT WAGNER, '43



REALIZING a need for another fraternity at St. Lawrence and feeling that the literary club of which they were members could hardly serve their purpose, nine Laurentians organized as the Decemvirs on the 10th of February, 1901. They immediately began a double search; one for another member for their group, and one for a national fraternity with which to become affiliated.

Success early rewarded their efforts. The President of the University and one of their friends on the faculty introduced them to Phi Sigma Kappa and helped them file petition for a charter, which was granted on March 14, 1902. With the charter came the announcement that Dr. Cutter, Alpha '82, Beta '86, then head of the Grand Chapter, would be in Canton within a month for the induction of the new members.

It was on Saturday afternoon, April 12, that the ceremony took place at the New Hodskin House. Nine new Phi Sigs then sat down to what was probably the best banquet of their lives. We read in *The Laurentian*, the college monthly, that the "banqueting room was festooned with the fraternity colors, silver and magenta interwoven with the scarlet and brown. The table was decorated with roses and carnations, the gifts of the Alpha Tau Omega and the Eta Pi Alpha. On the wall at the left hung a satin banner of silver and magenta, faced with the fraternity initials, $\Phi \Sigma \kappa$, which was presented by Delta Delta Delta." Midnight had come before this first meeting of Xi Chapter was adjourned.

John S. Lowe, '05, had the honor of being the first initiate and the tenth man

originally sought by the founders. It was shortly after Lowe's induction that the chapter could announce that it had rented the home of Professor Liotard on Church Street as the Chapter residence for the 1902 fall semester.

By 1905 there were twenty-two men in the active chapter, and a new and larger house was needed. Therefore, the fraternity leased Professor Lewis B. Fisher's spacious home on Park Street opposite the campus in 1906. Xi continued to grow, and in 1915 had the largest active chapter on the hill.

Seven Laurentians who had the honor of wearing the Phi Sigma Kappa pin gave their lives for their country in the World War. Among these was J. C. Proctor Gilson of the class of 1915, a captain in the United States infantry, who was killed in action in Soissons, France. His parents helped to remodel the chapter house and in 1922, they dedicated Gilson Hall in his memory.

John R. Walsh, (see SIGNET cover) newest brother, took the number 442 and joined the ranks of those Laurentians who for forty years have commenced their college careers with membership in Xi. Many of these men have won fame and honor for themselves; none is better known to the fraternity at large than William F. Wood, '10, who is an ex-president of the Grand Chapter.

Celebrating our fortieth anniversary we at Xi can't be unmindful of the fact, nevertheless, that the future for the fraternities seems dark and uncertain. Yet, we are ready to do our best to carry on, to insure another forty years of success. Therefore you may look for us again in 1982.

Our University

By BOB MAIER, '43



NORTHERN New York was settled by New Englanders and, like the university, has retained many of the early New England characteristics. These principles were instilled in the school by its first president, Dr. John S. Lee, a graduate of Amherst College in 1845, and at the present time they continue to add much intellectual content to the life in northern New York.

With the exception of a small grant from the state in 1857, all the funds and grounds and buildings have been the result of private benefactions, which now exceed five million dollars.

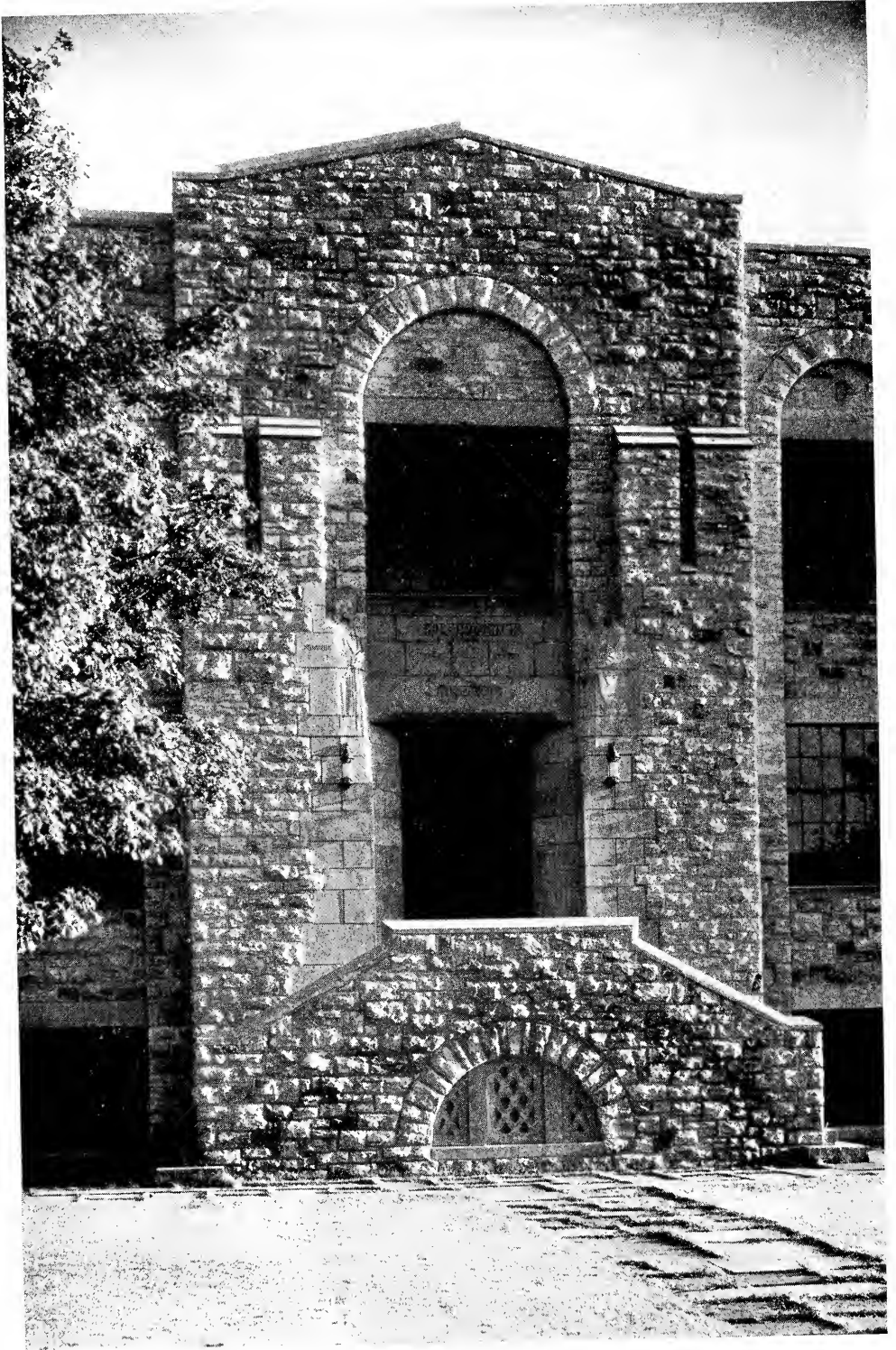
The college continued to grow in size and in enrollment; however, the administrators desired that the benefits of a small school should always be made available at St. Lawrence University, and with this in mind, the number of students doing undergraduate work has been limited to about 750. These students are drawn chiefly from New York, New Jersey, and New England, and from the

beginning women have been admitted on the same terms as men.

Mr. Edward J. Noble, chairman of Life Savers, Inc., former Under-Secretary of Commerce and the first chairman of the Civil Aeronautics Authority, is the Chairman of the Board of Trustees. Mr. Louis H. Pink, Superintendent of Insurance for the State of New York, is first vice-president, and Harold B. Johnson, publisher of the Watertown Daily Times, second vice-president. Among other members are Irving Bacheller, well-known author; Mrs. A. Barton Hepburn, prominent in the sorority world and largely responsible for the building of Panhellenic House, Beekman Towers, New York; William W. Trench, Secretary of the General Electric Company; and Floyd G. Hitchcock of Detroit, Michigan, an active alumnus of Xi Chapter. Mr. Owen D. Young was chairman of the Board of Trustees for many years until his election to the Board of Regents of New York State. All are graduates of St. Lawrence—Mr. Noble and Mr. Johnson being honorary alumni.

Richardson Hall, original University building, erected in 1856 and still in use.





HEPBURN HALL
(Dedicated by Madame Curie)

In 1928 Owen D. Young '94 presented a 200 acre tract of land to the university. Eight years later he made another gift of 118 acres. Two rivers flow through this beautiful campus located in the foothills of the Adirondack Mountains, overlooking the town of Canton, once the home of Silas Wright, and the scene of notable incidents in the novels of Irving Bacheller.

The year 1899 saw the establishment of a chapter of Phi Beta Kappa, election to which is the highest scholastic honor attainable by an undergraduate. The highest ranking student honorary society for men at St. Lawrence is Kixioc, founded in 1924 while Kalon, established in 1925, represents the supreme student honor that can be conferred upon a woman. Other honorary societies are Tau Kappa Alpha, debate; Pi Delta Epsilon, journalism; Pi Mu Epsilon, mathematics; Sigma Pi Sigma, physics; and Gamma Sigma Epsilon, chemistry.

Fraternalities and sororities were estab-

lished early at St. Lawrence and have always played an integral rôle in the life of the university. The national fraternities on the campus are Phi Sigma Kappa, Alpha Tau Omega, Beta Theta Pi, Sigma Alpha Epsilon, and Sigma Pi while the sororities include Alpha Delta Pi, Delta Delta Delta, Kappa Delta, Kappa Kappa Gamma, and Pi Beta Phi.

Winter sports very naturally have a prominent position in this northern New York school. Recently the services of Otto Schniebs were secured for the coaching of skiing. Last year St. Lawrence placed third, behind New Hampshire and Dartmouth, in the Lake Placid Ski Meet and now holds a class "A" rating in this sport. At this writing the ski team is participating in the meet at Dartmouth in Hanover, New Hampshire.

With its advantageous location, its sound physical, mental and social program, and its capable leaders, St. Lawrence University is carrying out its motto, "Fides et Veritas."



ELECTRICAL LABORATORY, CARNEGIE HALL

Alumni of Xi Chapter

By EDWARD BLANKMAN, '29



BY common consent, at the head of any list of Xi Chapter's alumni would be placed the name of Charles Sheard, '03, one of the founders of the chapter and for many years a world famous authority in the science of optics. Since 1924 he has been chief of the section of physics and bio-physical research at the Mayo Clinic in Rochester, Minnesota as well as professor of bio-physics at the University of Minnesota. His experience includes service with the American Optical Company as head of its Division of Ocular Interests; and at Ohio State University today one will find the Sheard

Foundation of Education and Research in Vision, which grew out of the course in applied optics which he founded in 1914. It was this course which led to the first degree in visual optics in the world.

He has been honored by the Royal Optical Society of Great Britain as well as by numerous organizations in this country. He is the author of many books and treatises in his field. His research interests have been concerned with dynamic ocular tests, bio-electric potentials and currents, effects of radiant energy on plant and animal tissues, energy exchanges between the body and its environment, and spectrophotometry and photo-electrometry in biology and medi-



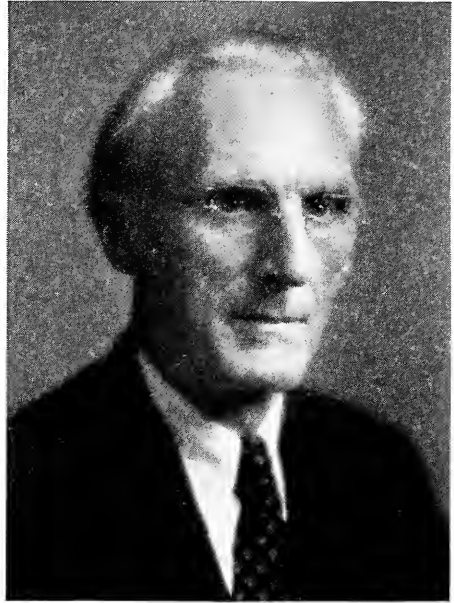
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ciné. He has invented many instruments for use in optics and bio-physics.

Yet, with all this, "Charlie" Sheard remains the same unassuming Laurentian and Phi Sig that he was as a student forty years ago, and many are the village and college folk of the North Country who have received a warm welcome from him at the Mayo Clinic.

Another founder, Herbert H. Dewey, '04, became an expert on public utility engineering development with the General Electric Company, and at his untimely death in 1933 was vice-president of the International General Electric Company, in charge of that company's farflung engineering work in the Soviet Union.

Floyd Hitchcock, '08, went into the business field and for many years has been chief buyer for the S. S. Kresge Company, with offices in Detroit. He has served both his University and his Chapter well for many years. He is a member of the board of trustees of the University, and he has always, in his genial, confident manner, remained an interested participant in the affairs of Xi Chapter. At present his daughter is carrying on the St. Lawrence tradition as a freshman and a Delta Delta Delta pledge.



CHARLES SHEARD

Baine Gilday, '05, another of the founders and always one of the Chapter's best friends, is a prosperous lumberman in Chazy, New York. An alumnus of a later day who has made himself one of the best known of New York State officials is Milton Loysen, '23, whose pioneer work as the executive director of the State's Division of Placement and Unemployment Insurance was described in the January 1942 *SIGNET*. Brother Loysen is a member of the University's Alumni Council and last year served as chairman of the Alumni Fund drive.

Some of Xi's most devoted alumni are giving their lives to educational work, many of them in upstate New York. Bob Wallace in Carthage, Harold Cole in Potsdam, Hugh Williams in Canton, Lloyd Benton in Plattsburgh, and many others are doing work that is not spectacular but that serves a valuable function in this democracy of ours. One might cite the many brothers in quiet walks of life—the late Frank Maloney, onetime chapter adviser; Ralph Howard;



Gail Hitchcock, Delta Delta Delta '45, daughter of Floyd G. Hitchcock, Xi '08, chatting with Walter Shutt, Xi '43, on the steps of Richardson Hall.



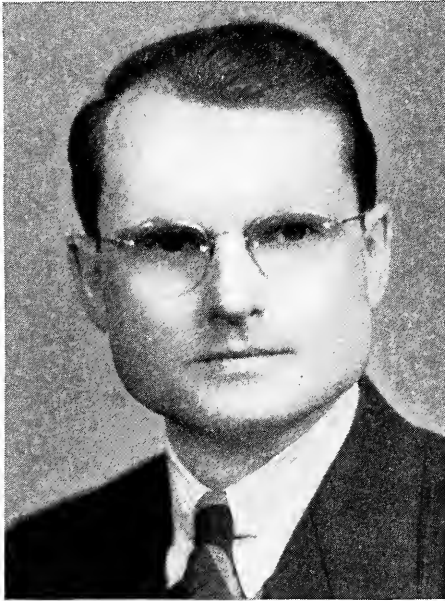
WILLIAM F. WOOD, *Xi '10*
National President of Phi Sigma Kappa 1938-40.

Xi Chapter Today

By BOB BUSH, '43



MEMBERS of Phi Sigma Kappa at St. Lawrence University are attempting to continue the record of achievement in activities that has been traditional with the chapter. Many of the members of the fraternity have distinguished themselves in these endeavors during the past



EDWARD J. BLANKMAN '29
Chapter Adviser

years and it is hoped that the success will be perpetuated.

Many of the brothers are active on publications. The *Hill News*, the college newspaper, has tempted the talents of several Phi Sigs; Charles Hodges, is associate editor on the senior staff, Bob Bush and Bill Hunold are on the assistant editorial staff, and Charlie Hall and Dick Spooner are starting at the

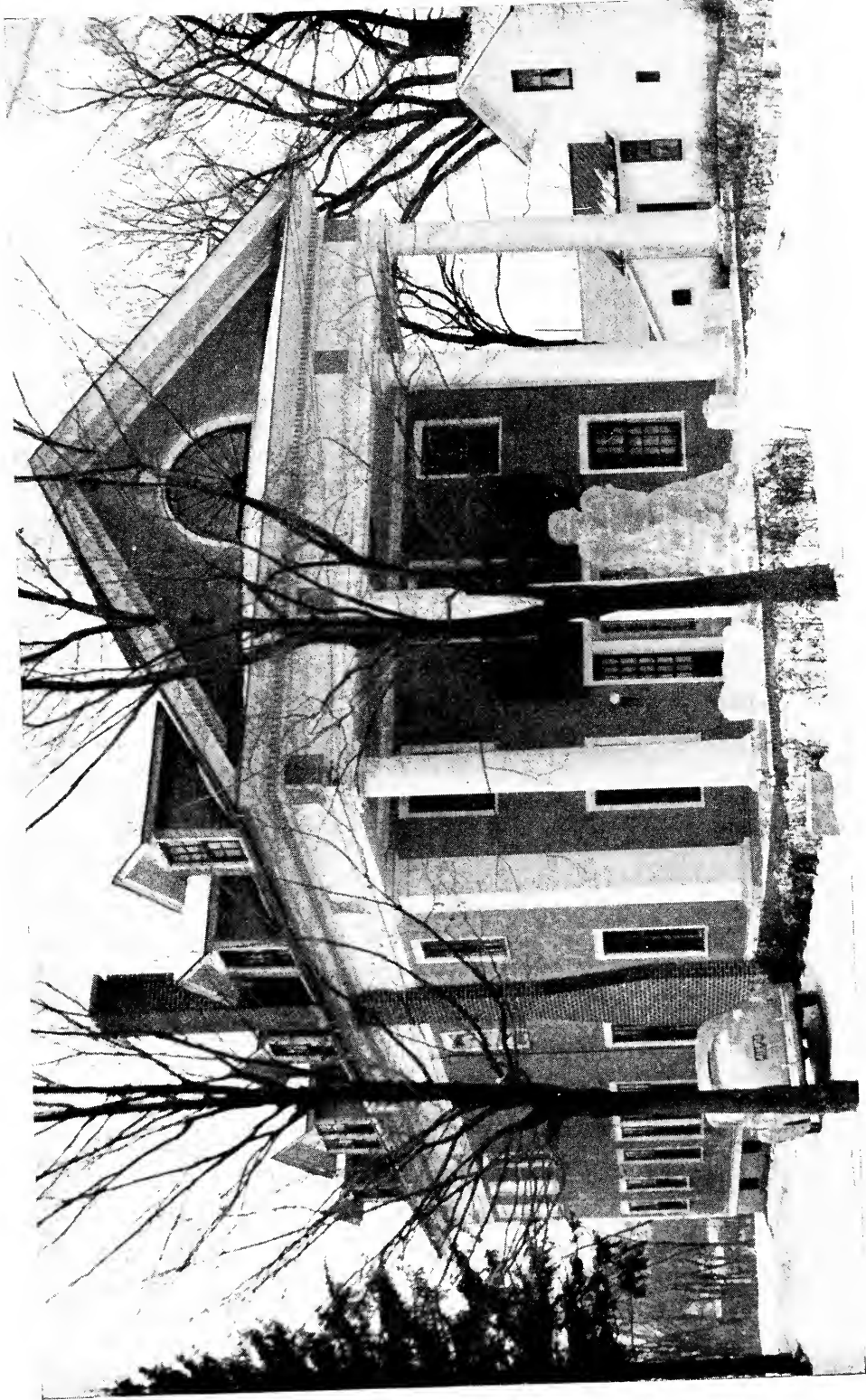
bottom as reporters. Brothers Hunold and Bob Bush are news and sports editors respectively of the St. Lawrence University News Bureau, college publicity agency, and both are outstanding rivals for the top post of city editor. Dick Spooner, Charlie Hall and Dick Stitt are also competing for positions on the Bureau. The *Laurentian*, college magazine, attracts Bob Wagner, who is on the staff as an associate editor and feature writer.

Bob Maier and Bob Wagner, are outstanding controversialists, holding the posts of director and manager of the radio division of debate at St. Lawrence. Pledges Fred Dennin and Bob Russell are striving to follow in the footsteps of these two persuasive upperclassmen in the realm of forensics.

Brothers Dick Tongue, Frank Magoni, Charles Hodges and Pledge Rex Wright are members of the University Chapel Choir, while Dick Spooner, Dick Stitt, and Pledge Wright represent the house in the band.

Xi Chapter has at least one man in nearly every honorary society, local and national, on the campus. Charles Hodges, is a member of Kixioc, men's exclusive honorary organization at St. Lawrence, Who's Who among Students in American Colleges and Universities, and Pi Delta Epsilon, national honorary journalistic fraternity. Brothers Maier and Wagner have debated themselves into Tau Kappa Alpha, national forensics society. Brothers Walt Buckoski, Jack Potter, Bob S. Gray and "Went" Slobbe belong to Gamma Sigma Epsilon, national chemistry society and "Went" Slobbe, Dave Thielking and Johnny Cooper are in Sigma Pi Sigma, national honorary society for physics students.

While Xi Chapter is not extensively an



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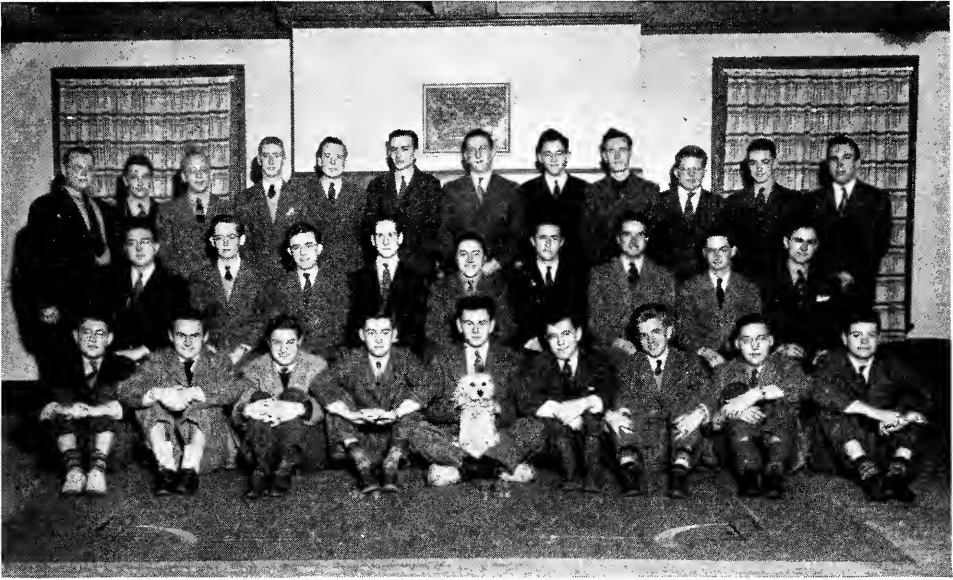


Back row, left to right: Spancake, President; Buckoski, Steward; Potter, Inductor and Social Chairman.
Front row, left to right: Slobbe, Secretary; Gray, Treasurer; Wagner, Vice-President.

XI LEADERS

Left to right, back row: R. Bush, Maier, Wagner. Front row: Hall, Hodges, Tongue, Hunold.





Top row, left to right: Canoll, Hodges, Wilkins, Stitt, Wagner, Maier, Spanceke, Potter, Layton, Hall, Douglas, R. L. Gray. Second row, left to right: Magoni, R. Bush, Irwin, K. Bush, Ianotti, Opitz, Walsh, R. S. Gray, Wright. Bottom row, left to right: Slobbc, Pflugfelder, Tongue, Spooner, Booth, Thielking, Hones, Russell, Hunold. Center front row, "Jack" the mascot.

athletic fraternity, many of the individuals have distinguished themselves in sports in some way or another. Sports managers from the house are Vinnie Ianotti, tennis, whose successor will be Kel Bush; Dick Tongue, hockey, who will be succeeded by Bob Bush; and Charlie Hall, manager-elect for baseball. The most outstanding individual performer from the house is "Jarring John" Cooper, winner for two successive years of the college wrestling award. John has never lost a varsity match, only once failed to win by a fall. John is a tradition in sports at St. Lawrence and has twice represented the college in National Intercollegiate competition. Brother Dick Spooner, winner of the 128-pound class in last year's intramurals, although disabled by a knee injury this year, gives promise of a good record in varsity grappling next season.

Pledge Jack Wilkins, a wild-eyed skier from Lake Placid, is one of the outstanding skiers in a school which has become

ski-conscious of late. During the recent Winter Carnival Jack placed first in two of the ski events, second in another and fourth in another.

Other aspiring athletes from the chapter are Pledges El Booth and Fred Dennin, aiming for line posts in varsity football and "Buck" Buckoski, lanky center, and set shot artist of the basketball team.

Xi Chapter is concerned at present with improving the chapter's scholastic standing. Efforts along this line succeeded in placing the house on the top of the fraternity heap scholastically last year, and we are attempting to strengthen the hold on the summit, assuring a continuation of this achievement.

We naturally are interested in continuing participation in college activities. Beyond that, however, we have a reputation for friendliness and hospitality to preserve. Xi Chapter has always had a reputation for the congeniality of its social functions and the affability of its campus relationships.

Anniversary Celebration

By BILL SPANCAKE, '43

Forty years isn't much in the history of a nation, but to us at Xi Chapter it is a significant and impressive period. In our short stay here we have been able to perceive through our own experiences only a suggestion of the combined struggle and fellowship through which our predecessors formed and built this chapter. In an attempt to imbue ourselves more fully with chapter traditions, and to show recognition to those to whom we owe our origin, we are combining the 1942 Initiation Banquet with the Founder's Day and the 40th Anniversary Celebration; uniting in fellowship the oldest and youngest members of our chapter, bridging the gap between the past and the present, and even the future.

Plans for the celebration set the date on Saturday, April 18th. This date has been chosen so that the occasion may be held when Spring has obtained a firm grip on the Wintry North Country. It is hoped that the roads will be in good traveling condition for those alumni who will be returning at this time and that the campus will be saturated with the characteristic spring splendor which has so stirred many a Laurentian.

The feature of the occasion will be the banquet to be held at the chapter house Saturday evening. We expect to have Brother Clyde Abernathy on hand as usual to direct the continuity and salt the oratory, and the brothers are planning a program. We are anticipating the return of a large number of alumni and are looking forward to having the founders here.

This is the time to make that visit to Xi Chapter that you have been planning for so long. We urge all Phi Sigs to reserve the date and to bring their family and friends to meet the present generation at Xi. Perhaps you will meet the fellow you used to room with. At any rate it promises to be an enjoyable occasion:

"For it's always fair weather, boys, when the Phi Sigs come back home."

All members of other Phi Sig chapters and friends of the chapter are cordially invited to join us in our dedicatory event.

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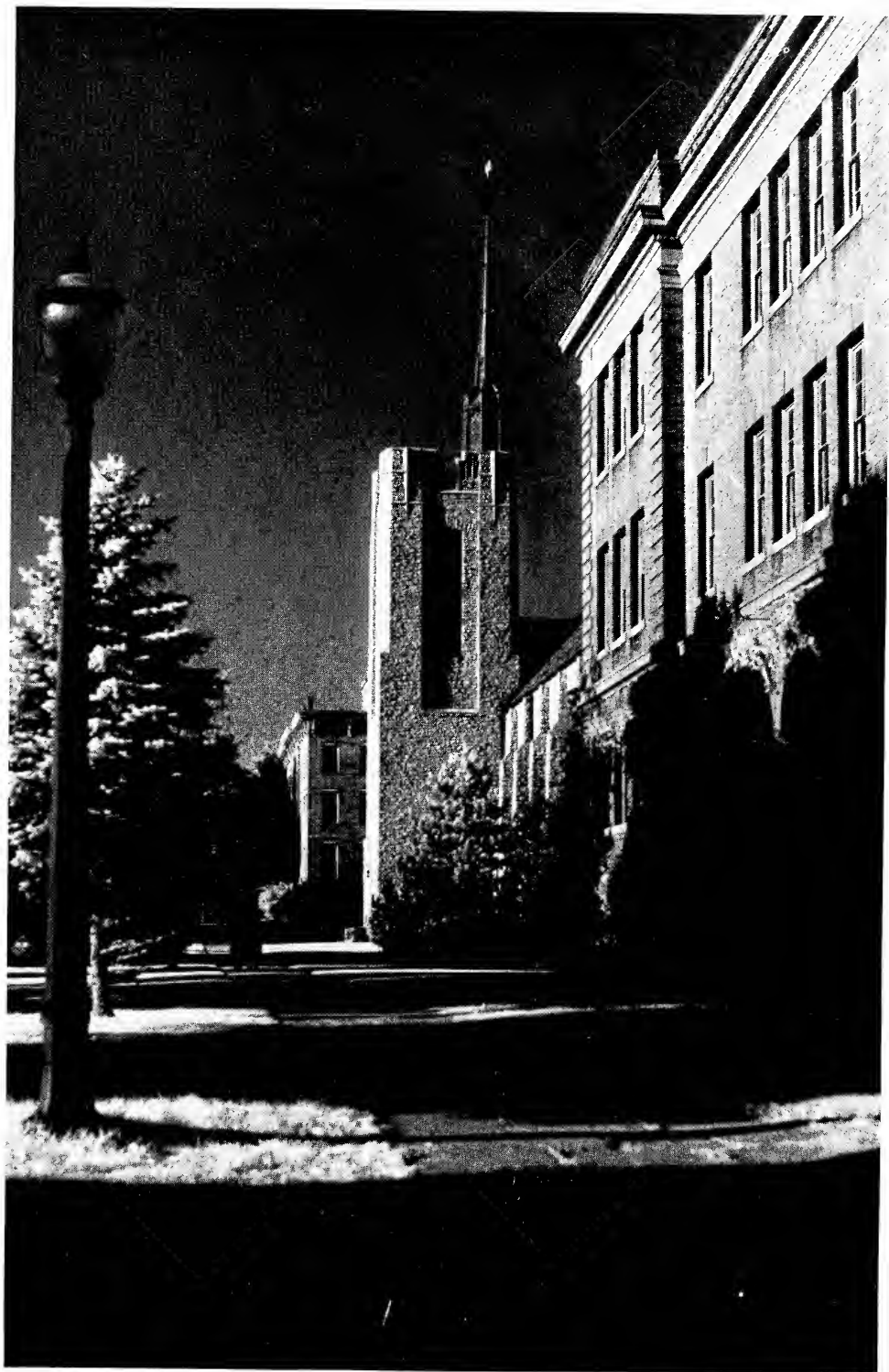
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Striking view of St. Lawrence campus showing left to right: Richardson Hall, Gunnison Memorial Chapel, Carnegie Hall. 





TOM J. DAVIS

Tom Davis, President, Rotary International, Visits Central Office

Phi Sigma Kappa's Tom J. Davis, Mu Deuteron, President of Rotary International paid his respects to his beloved fraternity by a visit to the National Headquarters on February 2, 1942. Most of the afternoon, he and Brother Schoening interestingly discussed Phi Sigma Kappa, Rotary, and the work which both these and similar organizations could and would do in coöperating in the present war effort and what might be done now to bring about a better understanding between people so that when peace comes, one may be had which is based upon the dignity of the human soul and framed for the economic and spiritual happiness of all.

Brother Davis is a most active president of Rotary International. Through the *Rotarian*, the official magazine of Rotary International, he has called upon his fellow Rotarians to help and to lead in the job of the systematic removal of those points of friction which cause wars and foredoom peace treaties to failure. Brother Davis maintains that the job is largely a home-town job. He believes that it all goes back to supplying man with his simple wants; to have a job and some assurance of continued work, a chance for his children, independence when he is old, security. He believes that the end of the war will not end our problems; that there will be the just distribution and allocation of raw materials—imperative if nations are to survive; the reopening of world trade channels; the sudden stoppage of the gigantic arms industry; the demobilization of millions of fine young men; and the vast problem of

cushioning the financial shock that peace is almost certain to bring.

Just as he feels it is the duty of Rotary to plan more clubs, so he feels it is the duty of Phi Sigma Kappa to increase the number of its chapters and its alumni clubs. He maintains that both organizations are the friends of youth; that youth wants no coddling; but it does want understanding, and that Phi Sigma Kappa can and will give youth that understanding.

Shortly after being elected president of Rotary International, Brother Davis flew the Clipper to England to confer with T. A. Warren, First Vice-president of Rotary International. During this visit to England, he was entertained by the *London Times* at one of its famous Board Dinners. He was shown through the plant by the distinguished Jeffrey Dawson, chief editor of *Times*. Since the damage to the *Times* premises, during the heavy air raids, the presses have been dropped under ground; the new headquarters and press-room being entirely bomb-proof.

Brother Davis had a most interesting half hour visit with Anthony Eden. While at Coventry, he was presented with a cross made of two ancient iron spikes taken from the ruined Cathedral and bound together with silver wire.

It was the observation of Brother Davis that instead of the air raids filling British hearts with dread and terror, it has stiffened back-bones into rods of steel. Brother Davis found no mock heroics and the most impressive thing about it all was the fact that everyone insisted that it was the other fellow who had the dangerous job; that his was just routine. The captain of one of the destroyers which was in the Bismarck chase and battle, as-

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sured him that it was no more dangerous than any seagoing duty; that it was the people at home who had the dangerous tasks. On the return to the United States Brother Davis visited Spain, Portugal and Bermuda.

In December, Brother Davis took an eight thousand mile trip to eleven Latin-American countries in the interest of Rotary. On this trip Brother Davis was entertained by the presidents of five of these countries. He was entertained by many Rotary Clubs and other organizations of Latin-America. He was truly an ambassador of good will.

Brother Davis is one of the founders of the Pylon Club, the local organization

which became Delta Deuteron chapter of Phi Sigma Kappa at the University of Michigan in 1915. Following his college career at the University of Michigan, Brother Davis went to Butte, Montana, where today he is recognized as one of Montana's most prominent lawyers.

Mrs. Brooks Now Residing in Attleboro

Grace Holden Brooks, widow of William Penn Brooks, last of the Founders of Phi Sigma Kappa to join the Chapter Invisible, has moved from the old Brooks home in Amherst, Massachusetts, to 53 Bank Street, Attleboro, Massachusetts.



Deputy Regional Director Thomas N. Johnston, Xi Deuteron, presents "Moonlight Girl," Miss Mary Elizabeth Edington, Phi Mu, freshman, to the brothers and guests of Xi Deuteron Chapter at its annual formal dance February 7th. Miss Edington was elected "Moonlight Girl" by the actives and pledges of Xi Deuteron Chapter. At Brother Johnston's elbow is Bill Lawson, Phi Sig freshman whose band played for the dance.

The President Speaks

Last March I spoke to the active membership regarding our duty to our country and to Phi Sigma Kappa. At that time I emphasized the necessity of strengthening our chapters by improving scholarship, by securing of acceptable pledges, and by insuring financial stability. Then we were at peace. Today we are engaged in a serious struggle and are on a war footing. Now it is far more essential that we exert our every effort to preserve our chapters during these troubled times.

It is easy to become depressed. In World War No. I, I was actively interested in attempting to preserve the life of my own and other chapters. The task was indeed a difficult one. However, we did not become discouraged, and when peace was established membership in our chapters was increased, and our fraternity, in common with others, became more prosperous than ever before. May we take thought of what we did then and not assume a defeatist role now.

I find in my visits that some of our active brothers lose interest the moment they are in receipt of a questionnaire. This should not be. You do not serve your institution and your fraternity well by such a surrender of morale. Dark though the days may be at present we must feel that better ones will eventually come. Your own lives will be made brighter by your having a renewed determination to work harder than ever before. Faint hearts never produced a victory. To win we need courage.

Our fraternity is a part of the American way of life which we must preserve. Let us by our every thought and action endeavor to hold our chapters together so that we may be firmly established at the end of this war and again prove to be a factor in the educational world.

JOHN H. MARCHMONT

The No. 1 Man on the Medical Front

By GEORGE S. AMSBARY, *Alpha Deuteron*, '41

Having risen out of an array of illustrious ancestors, academic honors and degrees, and a wealth of field experience, Dr. Thomas Parran, Sigma '11, and Surgeon General of the U. S. Public Health Service now sits at the head of one of the most important phases of our nation's defense and war efforts—the maintenance and improvement of our nation's health!

Before bombs and planes and ships can be built, there must be *men* to build them! Before battles can be fought and won, there must be *men* to fight them! And *men* are those who can call upon the full, God-given capacities of their bodies and brains! It is the job of the Public Health Service, of which Brother Parran is the head, to see to it that every person has every chance to become healthy and remain healthy. This is vital to defense, fighting, victory!

Brother Parran is fitted in tradition, education, and experience for this most important task. Over 150 years ago there was a Thomas Parran who was a surgeon in the Revolutionary War and a member of the first Medical and Chirurgical Faculty of Maryland. On Brother Parran's mother's side, Chief Justice John Marshall is an illustrious ancestor.

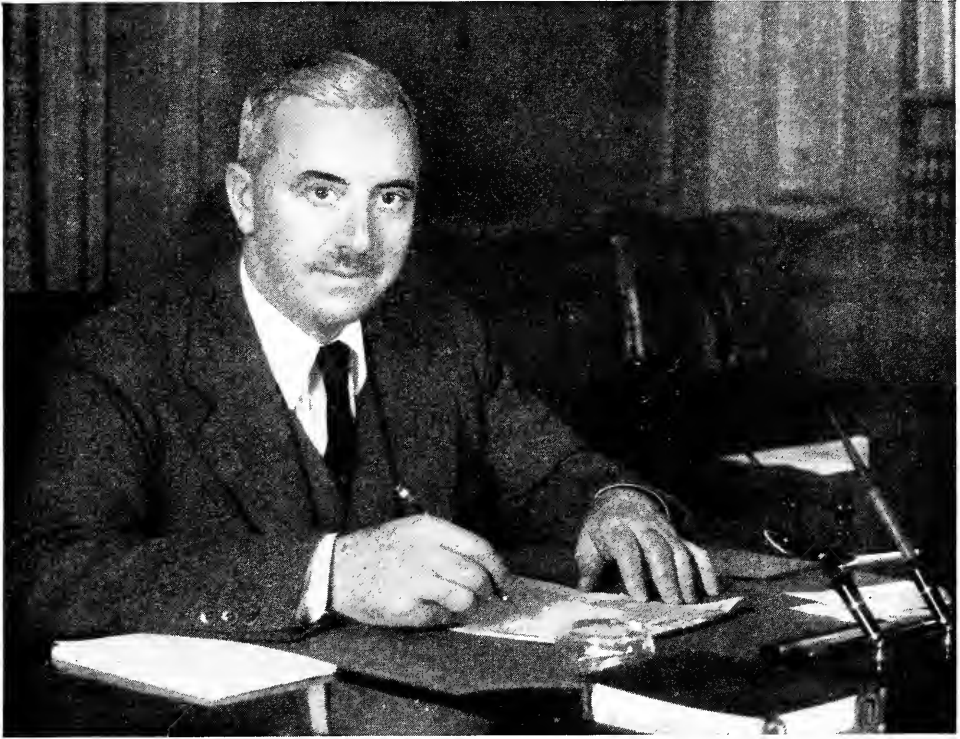
Brother Parran became a Phi Sig when he was pursuing his Bachelor of Arts degree at St. John's College in Annapolis, Maryland. Following this he graduated with honors from the College of Medicine of Georgetown University, and at the same time was awarded the Degree of Master of Arts from St. John's College. Since then, he has received honorary degrees from St. John's, Georgetown University, Colgate, Columbia, New York

University, Syracuse University, Wesleyan, St. Bonaventure, University of Maryland, Tufts College, the Philadelphia College of Pharmacy and Science, and from the University of Toronto.

He has received many special honors, such as the Mendel Medal for scientific work, from Villanova College; the Sedgwick Memorial Medal of the American Public Health Association "for distinguished service in public health"; and the William Freeman Snow Award of the American Social Hygiene Association "for distinguished service to humanity."

As for experience, Brother Parran has had much. He did his internship at Sibley Memorial Hospital in Washington, D. C., and in 1916 he obtained a temporary appointment to do rural sanitation work for the U. S. Public Health Service. Because of his fine work, he was commissioned an officer in the regular corps the following year. After that, he successively served in fourteen states on public health research and administrative assignments, became Commissioner of Health for the State of New York in 1930, and was appointed to his present position of Surgeon General of the U. S. Public Health Service in February, 1936.

And now, with our country at war, Brother Parren has the most important and far-reaching responsibility that any Surgeon General has ever had! Industry must step up its production; so, the health of more workers must be safeguarded! New military camps are being built—new industrial plants are rising; so, sanitation, hospitalization, disease prevention and other health services must be



DR. THOMAS PARRAN

established. More men are in our country's service; venereal diseases must be checked. Our own United States cities are now very liable to attack; emergency medical services for civilian defense must be developed. The need is greater; more nurses and professional personnel must be trained. Community needs for health and sanitary facilities must be appraised. And now that we are at war, research must be intensified in problems of wartime importance. These are the things Brother Parran must consider daily, so that America may defeat the enemy on the medical front, as well as on the fighting front!

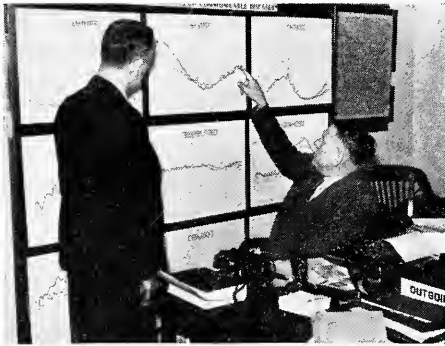
And what is the U. S. Public Health Service doing about these problems? Let us take the job of improvement of working conditions, for example. In coöperation with the U. S. Army during the past year, the Public Health Service has sur-

veyed 30 large government munitions and airplane plants, military establishments and arsenals. Fifty more such plants are under survey today. The Public Health Service is giving technical guidance to forty-two State and local industrial hygiene units, which are performing similar surveys in private defense industries. All told, nearly 7,500 plants totaling an aggregate employment of more than 2,000,000 workers come under this supervision since July, 1940.

As for the new military camps which are springing up all over the country, the U. S. Public Health Service, under the direction of Dr. Parran, has drained or treated for control of the malaria mosquito 300,000 acres of land. This measure is protecting no less than 700,000 civilians, as well as the nearby military population. Also, five hundred new Federal workers in public health have gone into

the field, establishing new services in 150 critical defense areas, and strengthening the State and local health services.

Under the Selective Service Act, Army candidates, for the first time in the history of military medicine, have been given a blood test for syphilis! The Public Health Service has found this remarkable case-finding program to be of great value in determining the extent of the venereal disease problem. Last year, the nation's



Public Health Service officials check charts which show the prevalence of communicable diseases. The trends are established on the basis of weekly telegraphic reports sent in from stations throughout the country.

3,245 venereal disease clinics gave more than 11 million treatments to about 411,000 patients a month. Laboratories gave nearly 18 million serologic tests, and 7,800 full-and part-time workers carried on more extensive case-finding and case-holding activities. And with the greater number of known cases available, naturally this work is being expanded.

And, civilian defense health problems are not being neglected, either. After all, for every man in action on the fighting front, there must be at least five men and women to provide food, clothing, shelter, and services to insure his efficiency and safety. The Public Health Service has physicians who are assigned to the Office of Civilian Defense, and these men have developed a program of Emergency Medical Service to care for the injured among civilians who are sub-

jected to enemy attack. Water supplies and sewerage systems are protected by precautions taken by Service engineers. In coastal cities there is a constant arrival of foreign ships, and very often these ships arrive unannounced, due to immediate demand for war supplies. Often these ships are poorly sanitized. But, through the efforts of the Public Health Service, not one case of quarantinable disease entered the borders of the U. S. during 1941. Plague, cholera, yellow fever, typhoid fever, and typhus could not enter and destroy our country from within, while Axis forces battered from without, because of the Public Health Service's foreign quarantine system.

Much has been done by the Public Health Service, and Dr. Parran believes that, with the advent of more military camps and naval bases, with the shifting of localities and ages of workers, and with the speeding up of production, there will be more to do. Already, 2,000 additional student nurses are being trained; 3,500 graduate nurses are receiving postgraduate courses. Many more engineers, doctors, and field workers are being employed. Physicians, dentists, and veterinarians who desire to serve in the civilian, industrial or military services should volunteer through the Procurement and Assignment Service, Office of Defense Health and Welfare Service, Washington, D. C.

It is for all of us, then, to recognize the importance of the duties devolving upon Brother Parran and the U. S. Public Health Service, so that we may better appreciate the services of this America of ours, and that we may better serve. We can never forget that at the same time our khaki columns are marching, and our boys in blue are sailing, another great army—led by Brother Parran, is fighting to keep this country clean and liveable, to keep our civilians safe, and to see that, at least, our boys are not needlessly killed by disease!

France Under German Occupation

By SAMUEL G. UNDERHILL, *Omicron Hon.*

Upon returning from France last August, 1941, I found it advisable to warn my compatriots of what ruthless brutality and invasion could do to a country, as I had personally seen it happen in one rural region. It is less important now that America has been abruptly forced into armed conflict, but there still may be time to draw some lessons from France's experience, as England seems to have done.

I first came to the town of Saint Aignan, Loir et Cher, in 1918, and have lived there intermittently ever since. It is situated about 150 miles southwest of Paris in the direction of Bourges in the Touraine called of old "LeJardin de la France." Many American tourists know the district as the Chateau Country, where the glorious kings had their rural estates and built their beautiful palaces and magnificent hunting lodges, like Chambord. St. Aignan is a typical French town with an important Chateau on a hill dominating the country-side for miles around. Between the Chateau and the river is the town, in which the principal building is the cathedral. From the church to the Chateau is an elaborate broad staircase built on graceful lines with an ornate balustrade. There are the usual shops of a small city, but the living of most of the inhabitants depends on the cultivation of the vineyards, which extend over all the slopes and on the plateaus above the river valley.

In 1917 this region was chosen by the French and American authorities as a safe location for the assembling of troops arriving from America, and for the accumulation of enormous stocks and stores of material and supplies.

On the bridge, a monument was erected in 1922 to the 500,000 American soldiers who had passed over it. At its inauguration the then United States Ambassador, Myron T. Herrick, came from Paris with several of his staff. During our participation in the war, a constant population of about 30,000, with frequent replacements, required a completely equipped hospital. I was medical head of the American Camp Hospital No. 26, with 800 beds and surgery, ex-ray, and pathological services. After the Armistice in 1918, we accepted some French patients as there was no hospital for surgical or radiological treatment nearer than Blois, forty kilometers, or about twenty-five miles, away. I was the only American there



S. G. UNDERHILL

who spoke fluent French, having had French conversation at Harvard, and so I was always called to interpret for the admission and care of French patients. I thus met one of the older demobilized doctors who said to me one day, "Come back after the war-time has passed, when we no longer have restrictions on so many things, such as bread and meat, and other supplies; then we will show you what French hospitality is like! The French are not militaristic; they don't like war; we are peace and fun-loving, and we want to live and let live. A Frenchman likes to work until he is fifty or so and then retire to live simply on his

small income." This chance remark was partly responsible for my return to that locality two years later, and indirectly for making it my residence since then. The French have always been grateful for the help given by America, and retain undying affection for those they knew.

I have mentioned this situation to show how, at the beginning of the present war, this region was considered by the French government as a safe refuge for those to be evacuated from Paris. All available vacant rooms had been listed, and when war was declared, the inhabitants had been notified to receive arrivals. In our town, and in the better houses and Chateau of neighboring towns, were placed the heads and personnel of The Ministry of Colonies.

The day of General Mobilization, I went to the Mayor of St. Aignan and offered my services in any capacity. The Mayor was very gracious and said he remembered with gratitude America's constant help and would call on me when necessary. I was put on Passive Defense and asked to aid the requisitioning officers from Paris by transporting them to the neighboring towns to locate the available quarters for officers and clerks. I was also asked to serve as guard at night on top of the Chateau tower to watch for parachutists.

Of course we had immediate and complete black-outs, and certain supplies which were brought in ships, began to be scarce. There were no matches and no tobacco. Condensed milk and tinned meat, chocolate, rice, and mustard soon gave out. No oranges or bananas—of course! Batteries for flashlights were unobtainable. Cars had to be driven at night with almost no lights.

To occupy the women and keep them from idly talking and spreading rumors, a workroom was organized and after a collection was made in the town, wool was obtained to be knit into sweaters,

socks, and helmets for the men at the front. The response to this request, and the attendance at the workroom, was far from satisfactory. Fortunately, we received aid immediately from our friends and relatives in America, which helped continue the work. A center for blood transfusions at Blois, our nearest large city, also had great difficulty in getting enough noncombatants to submit themselves for even a preliminary blood prick to determine those who could be used for supplying a Blood Bank.

During the eight months of quiescent warfare, our mobilized men came home on leave, often for weeks, with the object of catching up on their farm work and other things. Also many came to thank us for what we had sent them. They were still optimistic and confident as to the outcome of the war.

It was only after May tenth, 1940, that there was some apprehension as to how things might turn out. We had read that Belgium was well fortified and armed, and that Holland would be so flooded by opening the dykes that tanks could not pass. Even when we heard that Belgium had been invaded and Holland had been traversed, we still did not feel that our remote district was in any danger.

However, by May 15th, we were conscious of a stream of Belgium refugees coming through our town. They came first in luxurious cars and then in more ordinary ones. All the cars had mattresses strapped on the tops to protect them from shrapnel. Then came a great variety of horse-drawn vehicles, even hearses, and then people on bicycles and on foot.

We learned that the north of France had been invaded, and that Amiens and Arras had fallen. Knowing the geography of that region after having motored through it, I realized that Paris was in imminent danger, but, living perhaps in a Fool's Paradise, I thought that when the Germans had captured Paris they would stay there, and direct diplomatic

maneuvers from there. It never occurred to any of us that the Germans would continue their ruthless destructive invasion toward the Mediterranean and the Alps via our region.

Among the refugees who asked shelter was a Belgian lady with two young daughters. She said they had stayed at their home until the bridge next to their property had been blown up. They had then fled with some of their servants and workmen in one of her husband's trucks. They had been bombed from the air by Germans, and some of their number had been killed and buried by the roadside. Others who I later saw had been injured and were bandaged. She didn't know what had become of her husband and her eighteen-year-old son. A Belgian couple, who worked for a Brussels doctor, were sent to us by our "Curé." They wanted work while waiting to return to Brussels, where their employer had departed before them, and told them to lock up and go south. They had the keys to his house and garage.

Then came refugees from the north of France, among them an artist whom we had formerly employed. He and his wife had stayed at their home in Commenchon near Chaunay in the department of the Aisne until told by the Mayor of their town to evacuate, as the Germans were only ten miles away. Knowing he could not get gas en route, he had packed a huge bundle of most necessary things on the front luggage carrier of his old, heavy bicycle. He put another big bundle on the rear luggage carrier and had his wife get up on the top of that. He had then pedalled all the 400 kilometers, about 250 miles, to our door. They had also witnessed aerial bombardment, but, by hiding in ditches, had not been hit. When they arrived I was off on a job with the Gendarme, and when they asked my wife's advice as to what they should do, she told them we would

keep them for at least that night. They remained with us forty-four days. The man, nearly seventy, was very willing to help us take care of other refugees, and their experiences during attacks proved most useful.

Just before the army began to arrive on their retreat through our region, I was asked to take some refugees to Montluc, on, about 300 kilometers south. The trip gave me a chance to observe the catastrophe which had befallen that section of France, due to the panic. The roads were full of vehicles, practically all headed in the same direction "south," but there was frequent evidence of serious accidents. I saw many cars and trucks upside down, or overthrown and ditched, and others in head-on collisions or up against trees or stone walls. Literally, thousands of cars were demolished.

Mail, newspapers, telephone, and telegraph were all suppressed. We heard rumors that the Germans were attacking the towns to the north of us between our town and Paris. Trains were still running irregularly, crammed with refugees from Paris. We served in relays at the railroad station to endeavor to alleviate suffering, but the equipment and relief were unbelievably inadequate!

On June 18th in the early morning hours, about 2:30, the Town-cryer beat his drum to announce that all males between the ages of 13 and 48 must be assembled on the market square at 5:00 A. M., to be transported south in trucks. Some of us surmised at once that it was a Fifth-Column maneuver, and many things about it confirmed my first opinion. Most important was that there were no trucks there at 5:00 A. M., and only a couple in the afternoon. The effect on the populace was incredible; practically everyone decided to flee. Having seen the conditions on the roads a few days before, and knowing that they were now even worse, I had no intention of

joining the motley throng, so we camped near the roadside when we could go no farther.

We had in our house a family of refugees from St. Germain near Paris; two little boys, a bigger brother, the mother, and the grandmother had arrived by truck. The father, an employee in a branch of one of the big French banks, "Société Générale," which has branches all over France, had come with some others of the personnel on foot, pushing a little hand-cart which held the securities and valuables of his bank. The young man used one of my bicycles and helped me get supplies from the neighboring villages. Matches and other essentials were scarce. I showed him the way to the mushroom caves, which are in the hill beyond our town, in case we were obliged to evacuate our village during an attack.

An American Captain who had come with some new Chevrolet American Ambulances called at our house. He said we had nothing to fear, a defenseless town like ours would be an "open city" like Paris. I never saw him again but, at least, one of his new ambulances was left on the "Place" for the Germans when they came.

When I heard that the authorities were taking steps to be ready to blow up our little bridge I endeavored to prevent it. I said that the Germans, with their engineers and pontoons, would cross our narrow river in no time. The officer replied that he would have to obey orders to blow up the bridge as soon as the Germans were in sight. It was done, and we had to suffer the consequences. I might mention that I crossed the German-constructed temporary bridge a few hours later!

In the afternoon of June 19th, our experienced refugees informed us that they could tell by the sound that the German planes were very near, and that shells and machine guns were not far away and

approaching. The refugees and our servants went to our cellar. When they were comparatively safe, my wife and I went to our room, up one flight from the street floor. The shelling continued sporadically after dark at rather long intervals, so we went to bed. Some of the loud crashes seemed very near; I got up to look out of a rear window which overlooks much of the town between our house and the cathedral and Chateau. I had thought that if the enemy aimed too high for the Chateau we were in direct line to receive the missile. I saw buildings being demolished and clouds of dust and smoke rising. We thought it more prudent to go to the cellar. About midnight the explosions ceased, and we went up again to bed. I then heard groaning and got up to determine what had occurred. Following the sound, I arrived just as a Gendarme was aiding a wounded muleteer into an ambulance, one of his mules had been killed and lay in the streets for days, the other was so wounded and lame that it could not walk, and was a menace to any traffic. I tried to move him, but he could only go in a circle. I went for the veterinary, who lived nearby, but he said he would not go out and risk his life. As there was no more traffic, I went to bed and was tired enough to sleep a little, in spite of the conditions. Before daylight I thought it wise to try and save at least one of my cars, if the town was to be razed. I took the aged and invalid some blankets and supplies to the mushroom caves in the hills beyond the town. We got the servants and refugees up from the cellar and gave them a French breakfast. We then lead those, who could walk, over the hill by the path I had shown the oldest boy. I took a carload around the hill by the road to the same cave. I walked back on the foot path with a youth from Martinique, to get the two bicycles I had bought. We made the trip in spite of the shelling which had

begun again, but the Martinique lad was terrified. He had been under fire while walking from Paris.

When we had returned to the caves and all were provided for, various neighbors asked me, if I went again, if I would do sundry things for them. I was also anxious to observe, from the top of the hill, how much the town was being demolished, so I started back by the road up the steep hill, wheeling my bicycle beside me. On reaching the top all seemed calm, so I mounted and rode rapidly down the sloping familiar street. I was suddenly surprised by several cries of "Halte, Halte," and was thunderstruck to find that Germans had already traversed the town and had reached the properties of my intimate friends. The Germans searched me summarily for arms, and ordered me to stand to one side, while they continued machine gunning civilians, for there were no more military. I told them in German that I was a doctor and an American; I suppose that is why I was spared.

After a while their Panzer Division advanced through the country south of St. Aignan. They allowed me to continue to my house. Arriving there and seeing the demolition of my home, I was told that there were killed and wounded at the bridge. I went down there. The dead were still there, but I could do nothing for them. I heard that the injured were being moved to the hospital, which is not like a small town American hospital, but more like an old folks' home. I walked in and found the directress going around with the German medical men attending the wounded, many of whom were beyond help. I had so many calls outside and demands for aid of all kinds, that I left there and worked my way back through the town and returned to the mushroom caves. There my wife had gathered some more invalids, one of whom had been operated on for appendicitis the day before at Blois

and evacuated with that hospital. She refused to be carried further from her home.

On returning to town and after attending the most urgent needs, I sought the roofer and glazier at once. I was hoping to get my house made habitable, for all the windows had been blown out, as well as a huge hole in the roof due to an explosive shell, the shrapnel having penetrated through the first story. Our bed and bedding was destroyed and some of our furniture. As the weather was mild and dry, by using all sofas, couches, and cots, and spreading mattresses on the floors, we were able to house all our refugees and those who came for the succeeding weeks.

I was the only doctor available in the region, as the younger men were mobilized and the older ones were afraid to leave their houses. France does not allow foreign doctors to practice unless they have a French medical degree, but under the circumstances I did not stop for formalities, but answered all calls, accepting only as remuneration whatever could be offered to contribute toward the expenses of those who could give nothing.

As far as we were concerned, the retreat of the refugees after the so-called armistice was more trying than the exodus. The Germans repaired only temporarily the main bridge in our town to simplify for them the surveillance of those passing from the unoccupied zone to the occupied zone. This resulted in frightful congestion in our town. Those refugees who could get permission, were as anxious to return to see what had happened to their hastily abandoned homes as they had been to leave them. There was complete confusion as nobody knew, perhaps not even the Germans in command there, what the requirements or formalities were to entitle certain ones and not others to cross the bridge. Those who had permits to go across, often could not obtain any gasoline.

Of course a shortage of all supplies began to be felt, and there were as yet no ration cards. By scouring the countryside on our bicycles we were able to subsist on what we could find. It was useless to try to seek any special thing. After some days the authorities ordered all refugees to scatter back into the unoccupied zone and thereafter for a few months only single lines of cars from two directions were allowed to approach the town. This resulted, of course, in having cars and trucks stretching for miles in lines out into the country, and the poor passengers suffered inconceivable hardships, from which some died. A sort of soup kitchen was established and residents along the routes and the peasants farther out did all they could to help. Often people didn't want to leave their cars for fear of missing the chance to cross the line of demarcation from the unoccupied into the occupied zone.

As a dotcor, I was given a pass by the Germans, to pass over the line, so for nine months I knew conditions in both zones. I also visited Montrichard, Blois and Tours and saw what the invasion had done to those places. Montrichard was not in the line of advance and had not been shelled but it had been bombed a few days before from the air. One hotel had been split in two, and all the débris was lying beside it. I was told that several missing were undoubtedly buried in the great mass of plaster and bricks. On the large "Place," where the monthly fairs were held, were assembled the cars of the refugees heading south. The bombers came unexpectedly in the night and I saw those cars afterwards looking just like an auto dump in the United States. Some of the surrounding houses had been hit, and I heard that about sixty had lost their lives, among them some of the well-known citizens.

Approaching Blois from the river Loire, all the buildings on both sides of the main street are completely destroyed,

and entering Blois the devastation continues. All the splendid municipal buildings, banks and shops are entirely ruined, and the old quarter of the city with its medieval treasures from there up to the Chateau is laid waste.

The same is true of Tours. Both sides of the beautiful Rue Nationale with its museums, library, and splendid shops of all kinds, and even the sidewalks and paving, are just heaps of rocks and dirt. The foundations are hardly recognizable. I went to the homes of some of the people I knew and was able to see for myself the willful destruction that had been done. The least that can be said is, that in some of the houses the appearance was that drunken orgies had been held, and that empty bottles had been hurled at mirrors and bric-a-brac, and the furniture and pianos wantonly damaged or destroyed or used for fire-wood. Ladies' apparel was misused or sent away. Some refugees on getting back to their homes were forbidden admittance by the Germans occupying them, and on applying to the authorities for permission to enter one room or attic, they were refused and told to go elsewhere and fend for themselves.

Practically everything now has become rationed. Living has become merely an effort to exist. Many things are unobtainable even with tickets, but enough of the ordinary staples can be had with these tickets to keep soul and body together. Coal was strictly rationed and very limited, so the families moved their beds into the kitchen and cooked, ate, and slept in the same small room in order to utilize and conserve all possible heat. A little flour could be had, but only by giving up your bread ticket. If you had a meal in a hotel, restaurant, or dining car, if you could find one, you had to surrender tickets for bread, cheese, butter, and meat—if there were any. Even clothes and shoes are limited, and there is no leather for repairs. There are no

tires to be had, even for bicycles, in cities where they used to be made. The Germans took all the wheels and tires off the wrecked cars, and made a census of all the tires on cars, which are stalled in garages, due to lack of gasoline. Some cars and trucks have been fitted out at much expense, with facilities for using "gazogène" from charcoal, but it is limited and hard to obtain. In Lyons I saw some cars with cylinders on top, and was told they were run on city gas. They were rationed, and one has to have a special permit to circulate, and another to go from one town to a different one.

My friends in Lyons told me that Germans control all the output of the many big factories in that city, which is in so-called "unoccupied France," and that food is difficult to obtain. I know there was not a potato to be had. For, in circulating widely in the third largest city in France, in going from one consulate to another, and to travel offices, I saw signs in grocery windows announcing that, if you were a regular client, and would put your name on the waiting list, you might get a pound or two of potatoes the following month! Most of the shops all over France had signs stating what they did not have, and that clients must bring their own containers to take away what they could purchase.

While waiting for the post-office at Clermont-Ferrand to open, I saw a crowd lined up at a cigar store opposite. They were waiting to be served one package of cigarettes apiece. I had time to count them; there were 180. When I came out of the post-office a few minutes later, the crowd had disappeared. I said to some one, "They were quickly served," and he replied, "Oh, they are all gone. There weren't enough for a quarter of that number."

While riding my bicycle in the occupied zone, I saw posters up on conspicuous billboards, not only with vicious

anti-British propaganda, but also the names, addresses, and pictures of Frenchmen accused and convicted of offenses against the Germans or their army. The penalties which were meted out, were out of all proportion to the crime, even if proved. Such were, death penalty for threatening or brawling, and enormous fines like 3,000,000 francs imposed on a city such as Angers, because a telephone cable had been found cut. I know many poor peasants who had Germans quartered in their houses, and they showed me and told me of the material abuses they were obliged to endure. They knew that if they objected or resisted, the retribution would be much worse. The Germans had taken and consumed, and requisitioned all the grain and flour, so that the peasants couldn't raise chickens and rabbits, except by letting them forage.

The interruption of telephone, telegraph, and mail service between the two zones, and between occupied France and abroad, has no military importance. It is only to paralyze France more completely, and cut it into two separate parts. Many personal family letters were smuggled across the line, but if the carrier were caught with even one letter, the minimum penalty was five weeks in jail, as I knew from some personal acquaintances, who paid the penalty.

Up to the time of our leaving France, the end of July 1941, conditions were getting constantly worse. There was no tea, coffee, chocolate, split peas, beans, or other dried vegetables. No flashlights, wood-alcohol, and only limited sugar, rice, tapioca, flour, soap, and meat with tickets. Regulation blanks had to be filled out for shoes, shirts, and clothes. Your signature authorized the officials to search your house in order to determine whether you had falsified your statements and demanded something you didn't need. If you were found to possess more than you admitted, you were liable

to a heavy fine and imprisonment, and for a second offense the penalties would be doubled.

Even with the authorized permit, you might not be able to find what you needed. Rationed meat was very scarce. One day a horse died of blind staggers, and the Town-cryer announced that the meat could be had without tickets. My wife went right down, and stood in line an hour and a half to get a pound!

Since my return to the United States, I have found that most Americans believe that the French under Vichy, or the French in unoccupied France, will eventually collaborate with the Germans against England. My own fairly wide experience over a considerable region among all classes of the French, has shown positively to me, that this cannot take place. The chance is even less now that the United States is at war against the Axis Powers. I met one sailor who had been a prisoner in Germany, and had been re-patriated and told to report in one month to Toulon, the naval base. He said, "If they think they can get us to man the boats and go against England, I know of none of my friends who would consent. They would either mutiny, or take the ships directly to the English, and for my part, I would prefer to be shot at sunrise! This you may tell your compatriots." Our man-servant, who had been wounded and was demobilized, had been sent home. He came to us and said that if he was summoned again, he would respond dutifully, but, if he were sent against the English, would be killed in the first battle or surrender as a prisoner. They all say Darlan is a traitor, and have no use for Laval. They feel that Pétain is too old to be very powerful, and that their only hope is in the victory of England.

The cause of the sudden collapse of France cannot be attributed to the soldiers or sailors. It was partly due to overconfidence, the suddenness of the sur-

prise, the incompetence of the officers, and the lack of proper organization, equipment, and training. Many of the soldiers are veterans of the last war. They wept with shame and remorse at what had happened, and expressed their intense desire to retrieve what is lost. They said they would gladly join English or American forces, if they could find a way.

So many have asked how we finally returned from France, that it may interest those who are familiar with travel conditions abroad, to know of the present difficulties. The first requirement was to have passage to America prepaid or guaranteed from Lisbon. With that a "Visa deSortie" would be demanded and obtained in about two months, from our present préfecture, because we could no longer go to our former Préfecture, or to our railway station. We had to go 65 kilometers to take the train. The next essential is a Transit Visa for Spain, which is dependent on the Transit Visa from Portugal. With these Visas, one can then get authority to carry enough money to pay expenses on the trip. The train service is very bad. Practically only one a day, not very comfortable even in first class. There are no dining cars. We were forewarned, and therefore carried enough to nibble on until we could get a little refreshment at 4:00 P. M. In Portugal conditions were very satisfactory, and we were able to take the Clipper on which we had engaged passage. However, we had to have vaccination against Small-Pox for the United States authorities, and to have another Visa to leave Portugal. The Clipper trip was in every way a perfectly delightful relaxation!

The Bible is the most democratic book in the world. Nowhere is the fundamental truth, that the welfare of the state, in the long run, depends upon the righteousness of the citizen, so strongly laid down.—*Thomas H. Huxley.*

Where Are You Celebrating Founders' Day?

ETA DEUTERON

March 14, 6:00 p. m.
Chapter House
Speaker—Franklin C. Palm

EPSILON DEUTERON

March 15, evening
Chapter House
Speakers—John H. Marchmont
Don A. Hamilton

PHI DEUTERON

March 14, 6:00 p. m.
Chapter House
Speaker—Thomas N. Johnston

ALPHA DEUTERON, BETA TRITON and DELTA TRITON, JOINT CELEBRATION

March 14, 6:00 p. m.
Alpha Deuteron Chapter House
Speaker—D. R. Collins

LAMBDA

March 14, 8:00 p. m.
Chapter House

BETA DEUTERON

April 10, 6:00 p. m.
The Covered Wagon
Speaker—Don A. Hamilton

PHI SIGMA KAPPA CLUB OF CHICAGO

March 20, 6:30 p. m.
Medinah Club of Chicago
Speaker—Stewart W. Herman

DELTA DEUTERON, PHI SIGMA KAPPA CLUB OF DETROIT and GRAND RAPIDS ALUMNI GROUP

March 14, 7:00 p. m.
Delta Deuteron Chapter House
Speaker—R. G. Lafean

RHO DEUTERON

March 14
Speakers—Herbert L. Brown
Stewart W. Herman

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March 13, 6:30 p. m.
Mask and Wig Club
Speaker—John H. Marchmont

Alpha Deuteron Alumni News

R. A. (Bob) Snow, '27, is an attorney for the Chicago Housing Authority with offices in Chicago.

Willmore B. (Cy) Hastings, '32, is credit manager for the Klode Furniture store in Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

Lucius M. Dillman, '30, is holding forth in Houston, Missouri, as physician and surgeon. At present he is secretary of the South Central (Missouri) Counties Medical Society.

Ray Herrmann, '41, is doing his share in the current emergency as a metallurgist with the U. S. Cartridge Company in St. Louis.

H. Denton Peoples, '31, is doing engineering work for several construction firms and can be addressed in Louisville, Kentucky, at Box 1800.

Marchmont and Schoening Visit Delta Deuteron

Brother Marchmont, national president, and Brother Schoening, secretary-

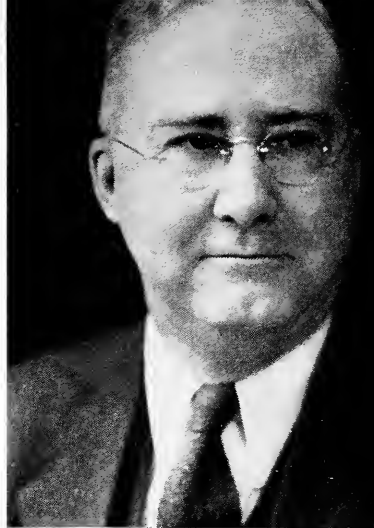
treasurer, visited Delta Deuteron Chapter on Sunday, February 22. Brother Cecil O. Creal, chapter adviser, together with Brother Kenneth Huff, president of Delta Deuteron Chapter, and the other officers, members and pledges of the chapter left nothing undone to make the visit of these national officers a most pleasant one.

In an informal way such questions as the officers and members of Delta Deuteron had were answered, and much of the day was spent in an informal discussion of the world events of the day, fraternities in general, and Phi Sigma Kappa in particular.

"Tiger," featured on the Chapterette page is the mascot of Mu Deuteron Chapter. He is of unknown vintage. As a puppy he wandered up to the chapter house one day last year. He is quite intelligent, knowing how to sit up, roll over, speak, and so forth. He goes to college every day, lies quietly under some chair while classes are going on and when they are over he follows whichever of his numerous masters he is with, outside.

Is Tomorrow Ours?

A Review



NELSON ANTRIM CRAWFORD
Iota Deuteron
Editor, The Household Magazine

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Never before has there been a war that produced so many books during the progress of the conflict; books explaining, interpreting, inhibiting, pleading. The problem is to select for reading the volumes that offer the most authentic material—and the best way to do that is to consider the authors.

I am going to comment on a book that I believe to be definitely authentic because of the author and his background. The book: *Is Tomorrow Hitler's?*¹ The author: H. R. Knickerbocker. Knickerbocker, a Texan by birth and a journalist, went to Europe in 1923 to study psychiatry. Before he had studied long, big political events broke. He became a correspondent for American newspapers. He got thoroughly acquainted with Russia, Italy, Austria, the Balkan states, but especially he learned Germany. Speaking and understanding German fluently, he discovered the point of view of every German group. He wrote not only for the American but for the German press. He published half a dozen books in Germany. He lectured at German educational institutions.

¹Published by Reynal & Hitchcock, New York. \$2.50.

Knickerbocker covered the trial of Adolf Hitler for treason in 1923 and as a journalist followed his career thereafter. When Hitler came to power, Knickerbocker exposed him and the Nazi terror. Naturally the Fuehrer got violently angry and drove the American correspondent out of the country.

The expulsion of Knickerbocker from Germany is the best possible proof of the authenticity of his work, for what Hitler hates most of all is the truth.

Is Tomorrow Hitler's? has back of it detailed observation, intimate acquaintance with the German people and the German thought and emotion pattern, familiarity with European public affairs, and, fully as important as any of the rest, the understanding of psychiatry necessary to interpret Hitler's psychopathic personality and its effect on his followers. Written in question-and-answer form, the book offers a clear and comprehensive picture of the psychological as well as the military set-up of the war.

From Mr. Knickerbocker's answers you learn that Hitler is the whole German régime, with no one of the caliber to succeed him—in other words he is the nearest thing to Napoleon since Na-

poison; that he is hard without being tough and one day will prove brittle; that he reflects in himself the unconscious of the German people, a people ecstatic and hysterical; that the German economic system cannot outlast the war. As to Russia, you learn that fanatic faith and zeal are responsible for the showing made by Stalin's soldiers; that the Red army, if victorious in the long run, will have more influence than the Communist Party and will tend to be more conservative and pacifist.

Naturally, the book was written before the United States formally entered the war, though the author was then hopeful that we would soon enter. There is only occasional reference to Japan; Mr. Knickerbocker is not an authority on the Far East. The fact is, however, that Germany is our major enemy, and the author's remarks about that nation are as illuminating as if we still were merely considering action instead of really fighting.

In this connection it is especially significant to note Mr. Knickerbocker's conviction that we were not suckers in entering World War I: if we had not entered it, he feels, we would have had to fight the Germans later and fight them alone. If we had entered the League of Nations, he concludes, it would probably have succeeded, Hitler would not have risen to power, and we should not now be faced with the most grueling conflict in our history.

It is obvious that Mr. Knickerbocker does not believe tomorrow is Hitler's unless the nations opposing him fall down on the job. Mr. Knickerbocker has no notion that Hitler's concepts constitute a wave of the future that cannot be resisted. He is confident that Hitler can be beaten and that a peace can then be established "which will postpone for a long time, if

not forever, a repetition of this war." "We want to rule out war for as long a time as possible," he continues, "and we can do it only by repairing at this peace conference the errors made after the last one." A new league of nations, he is certain, can be made to work if we Americans do our duty in supporting it. For that matter, he feels that we shall have to support it— that "the United States after this war is going to be compelled to assume the leadership of the Western World, not only economically but politically."

Finally, here is good advice for the immediate future:

"Raymond Swing always tells me as he rakes in the pot, 'Knick, it is not good hands that win in poker; it is better hands.' So it is in this war. We shall never win with a good army, navy, and air force; they have to be better than the enemy's and bigger too."

Boudreau Interviewed

Lou Boudreau, Alpha Deuteron '39, Manager of the Cleveland Indians, received an exceedingly fine write-up by Lisagor of the Chicago Daily News, sports writer, on February 10, 1942.

The write-up was run in connection with two illustrations of Boudreau by Pap. According to Lisagor, Boudreau stated that he wanted his coaches to coach. Lou told Lisagor he does not want the kind of ball player who thinks he knows it all or cannot learn anymore.

Lou says his club will miss Feller. When asked which teams were the teams in the American League to fear, Boudreau gradually wound up by naming them all, and then concluded, "Well, they are all tough. This is the Majors you know."

All Phi Sigma Kappa

BASKETBALL TEAM



HOWARD SWENSON, *Forward*
Epsilon Deuteron—W. P. I.



DUTCH DAHMER, *Forward*
Mu Deuteron—Montana State U.

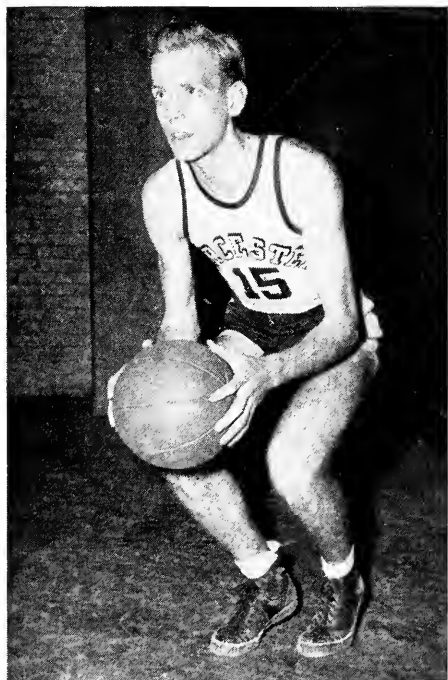


JIM SEMINOFF, *Center*
Omega Deuteron, So. California

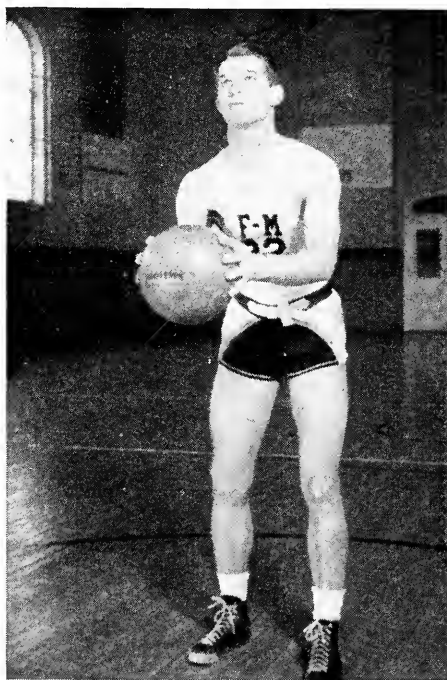


WARREN HAMSCHER, *Guard and Captain*
Pi—Franklin and Marshall

JOHN LUBER, *Guard*
Omega Deuteron—So. California



HOWARD SWENSON



WARREN HAMSCHER

The Conclaves

REGION SIX

Mu Deuteron Chapter of Phi Sigma Kappa played host to the Region VI conclave on the 6th and 7th of December. Nine delegates and one adviser from four of five chapters of the region gathered at Montana State University in Missoula for the annual event. Marc Miller, Regional Director, presided in the absence of National President J. H. Marchmont. President Marchmont had planned to fly to Missoula; but when adverse weather conditions upset these plans, time did not permit making the journey by train from New York. These same weather conditions, coupled with other factors, cut the expected attendance at the conclave by more than half. Psi Deuteron delegates, of Oregon University, were unable to attend at all because of exam schedules. The number of delegates from Lambda Deuteron of the University of Washington, Zeta Triton of Montana State College, and Theta Deuteron of Oregon State College were somewhat reduced because of weather, illness, and road conditions. Also attending the conclave were T. C. Spaulding, State Commissioner, and other alumni.

Despite these initial set-backs, the conclave was successful in all respects; it was warmly lauded by Marc Miller and attending delegates. For the most part, the conclave concerned itself with discussions of fraternity problems and programs. Informal meetings were held throughout the greater part of each day. Among the topics of special interest dis-



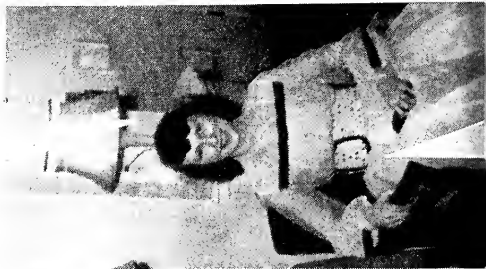
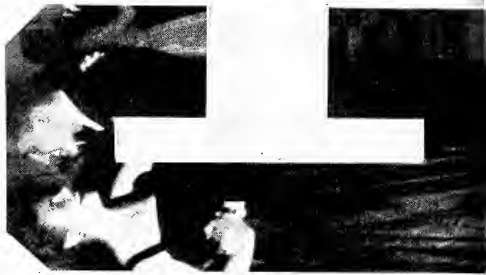
ALINE MOSBY

Journalism student at Montana State University,
chosen Conclave Queen.

cussed was that of coöperative rushing. Always one of the most pressing of fraternity problems, rushing rules occasioned a lengthy discussion. Several suggestions were made as to plans for coöperative rushing.

Many new plans and ideas for more efficient fraternity management were brought forth by the delegates in the course of these meetings. Also up for examination were the perennial questions of pledge education and the delegation of extra duties to officers. The belief was expressed by the delegates that all those present gained much benefit from this exchange of information and ideas.

On Saturday evening, the delegates were given an opportunity to relax completely from the hurried bustle of the conclave. All were guests of Mu Deuteron at the Pledge Formal Dance. The ballroom of the new and modern Flor-



MU DEUTERON
SEPTETTE

Left to right: Jiggs Buntin, Don Koefod, Harold Scott, Lou Stevens, Dave Nyquist, Bill Chebul, and Director Earl Dahlstrom.



At an intermission in the business sessions the fellows got together to discuss cooperative rushing. Left to right: Jiggs Buntin, Mu Deuteron, Joe Cochran, Chi Deuteron, Bob Baarson, Zeta Triton, Frank Kramer, Chi Deuteron, Earl Cochran, Chi Deuteron, Kent Peterson, Theta Deuteron, Roscoe Balch, Chi Deuteron.



CONCLAVE
DELEGATION

Left to right, front row: Bob Biesoit, Lambda Deuteron, Bill Chebul, Mu Deuteron, Dick Rigg, Adviser, Mu Deuteron, Don Foss, Mu Deuteron alumnus, C. Marc Miller, Regional Director, Bruce Bean, Adviser, Lambda Deuteron; second row: Joe Cochran, Chi Deuteron, Kent Peterson, Theta Deuteron, Roscoe Balch, Chi Deuteron, Don Francisco, Mu Deuteron, Earl Cochran, Chi Deuteron, Art Beattie, Mu Deuteron; back row: Laurence Degnan, Mu Deuteron, Tom Jackson, Chi Deuteron, Frank Kramer, President, Chi Deuteron, Dick Merrit, Mu Deuteron affiliate, Frank Denny, President, Mu Deuteron, Bob Baarson, Zeta Triton, Jiggs Buntin, Mu Deuteron, Herman Seideman.



ence Hotel was the spot chosen for the event.

During intermission, delegates enjoyed the rendition of several Phi Sig sweet-heart songs by a septette led by Earl Dahlstrom, leading male songster on the campus. Pictures were taken during the course of the dance in order to choose



DISCUSSION AT INTERMISSION

Left to right: Herman Seideman, Zeta Triton, Bob Baarson, Zeta Triton, Don Foss, Mu Deuteron alumnus, Bruce Bean, Lambda Deuteron Adviser, Frank Denny, President Mu Deuteron, Tom Jackson, Chi Deuteron, Dick Rigg, Mu Deuteron Adviser.

from coeds present the Conclave Queen.

A banquet Sunday afternoon brought the conclave to a close. Marc Miller and several delegates spoke to express their appreciation to Mu Deuteron and most especially to those members of the house who managed the affair. Delegates departed with expressions of optimism for Phi Sigma Kappa's future, despite the announcement of a congressional declaration of war with Japan just before the banquet.

Mu Deuteron Chapter expresses its thanks to attending delegates and to advisers for the manner in which they received our efforts toward a profitable and entertaining conclave.

REGION THREE

A lively business session, good entertainment, and excellent attendance highlighted the Region III Conclave, held at the Eta Chapter House in College Park, Md., on November 15.

The delegates from Alabama were the first to arrive, and were on hand to help the Eta men greet the delegates from chapters in Kentucky, Tennessee, Georgia, and Washington, D. C., most of whom arrived during the day on Friday, November 14. National officers in attendance were T. N. Johnston, Assistant Regional Director from Region III, and George S. Amsbary, national traveling Field Secretary. Due to extenuating circumstances, it was impossible for delegates to attend from Sigma Chapter at St. John's College, or Gamma Triton Chapter at the University of South Carolina.

Friday night, the delegates were guests of Orville C. Shirey, Eta Chapter president and also president of the Maryland Chapter of Omicron Delta Kappa, to a dance sponsored by Omicron Delta Kappa. The delegates were "fixed up" with dates with practically the whole Kappa Kappa Gamma sorority, and it was truly an evening enjoyed by all.

Saturday morning the business meeting started promptly at nine o'clock, and was presided over by Brother Johnston, Assistant Regional Director. Brother Aaron Layne of Lambda Chapter at George Washington University was elected Secretary of the Conclave. During the meeting, which lasted until twelve-thirty, a report of local problems and conditions was given by a delegate from each chapter. Suggestions and tips on chapter management were exchanged freely. It was found that rushing and finances were the most prevalent problems.

Many suggestions and recommendations were made to the Council for their

further and continued aid to chapters. The Conclave also voted to send telegrams of greeting to the officers attending the Region IV Conclave at Galesburg, Ill., and to Brother A. L. Atchison, Regional Director from Region III, who now is with the Army in Arkansas.

Immediately following the business meeting, lunch was served in the Eta Chapter House. In the afternoon, the delegates witnessed a somewhat disappointing gridiron clash between the University of Maryland and the Virginia Military Institute, in which Maryland went down to defeat. The fine supper that evening at the Eta Chapter House, and the informal house party afterward made the delegates forget the defeat, however, and they left Sunday for their respective chapters full of new ideas.

Those present at the Conclave are as

follows: From Eta, Brothers Orville C. Shirey, C. Sherwood Dann, Arthur C. Farnham, and Charles H. Jones; from Lambda, Brother Aaron A. Layne Jr.; from Kappa Deuteron, Brothers Jackson S. Smith, E. A. McGuire, D. R. Peters, C. R. Brown; from Omicron Deuteron, Brothers Hugh Downey, Jack Browning, George Ebert, Dick Whitlow and John Drew; from Phi Deuteron, Brothers Stoy Whitten, Charles Rocke and Pat Connelly; from Xi Deuteron, Brother John Jenkins; and from Epsilon Triton, Brothers Don Kayhoe, Kenn Fox, Wendell Williams and Al McCulloch.

The Chapter Advisors were represented by Brothers T. N. Johnston of Xi Deuteron, and W. B. Fuchs of Epsilon Triton Chapter. Brother Johnston, who is Deputy Regional Director from Region Three, presided.



A TABLE OF PHI SIG SERVICE



ACCEPTING THE CHALLENGE!

CHARLIE SHINN
— LAMBDA '44 —

Responsibility of the Fraternity In War Time

By D. R. (SPEC) COLLINS, *Gamma Deuteron '17*

Perhaps the headway of Pearl Harbor did America an unwitting service, because it awakened in the heart of each of us a resolution to be an American of whom America can be proud. No longer can we quarrel pettily among ourselves. We have a common enemy, and all Americans have become friends. Never, in the life of any living man, has this unity been so completely realized as it is today. For it we should thank God. It is a precious thing.

We seek now only to know and to do the thing that will best help our country in its task. For some, who have been called to the colors, the matter is obvious. For others of us, who are still in college or university, the decision is only a little less clear. But what is to be the part of the fraternity in this struggle?

Perhaps some of us have seen the old-fashioned Corliss engines in the power-houses, fitted with balls that moved carelessly round and round. That part of the engine is the governor. It adds nothing to the output of the engine, but it is a vital part of the machine, because it keeps the whole running smoothly, and the power flowing steadily. It typifies responsibility. The "will" of the machine to do its work without nervous racing, and without breakdowns and stoppages. Something of the same kind is the function of the fraternity in this emergency.

Today your fraternity assumes a new rôle in the fight to preserve our traditional American way of life. It is the haven where resolution is to be strengthened—where rest is to be found; where the reservoirs of purpose are to be replenished. It is to be the governor on our

energies and our anxieties. It and its teachings and associations are to be the source of personal strength for the orderly and energetic performance of our part, day after day and week after week, in fitting ourselves for the important part we are to play in the struggle ahead. It is to be a place free from panic and depression—a place where we may drink of the fountain of knowledge, and of courage. That is the responsibility of your fraternity.

No one in our entire fraternity may escape his part in our new responsibility. It will be the part of each one to prepare himself for, and work at, that task to which he is best adapted and which best aids the nation. It will be his duty to uphold the hands of all his brothers; to keep steadfast to the Creed of Phi Sigma Kappa; to remain forever true to his fraternity's faith in Him and its faith in our nation.

With our fraternity as our support and our ideal, one need not fear that any one of us will fail to assume and to discharge with credit any public duty that may appear. Such duties will be recognized and seized with vigor. They may be duties of widely varying natures. They may take us far afield. They may upset our ordinary lives completely, but with the inspiration of our fraternity before us, we shall not find any duty too onerous, any sacrifice too great. That is because we are working for America—for everything that upholds the American tradition and way of life, of which our fraternity, Phi Sigma Kappa, is a vital, living part.

(Adapted from an editorial in *Better Homes & Gardens*).

Advertising's "Man of the Month" Any Month

One of the nicest compliments to a modern executive was paid to Brother Samuel C. Gale, Beta Deuteron '16, by the editor of the *Midwest Media*, a Midwest monthly magazine of Media markets and merchandising methods, when



SAMUEL C. GALE

it chose Brother Gale as the "Man of the Month" for October and featured his picture on the cover of that magazine.

The editor of *Midwest Media* introduced his write-up on Brother Gale in the following manner,

"SAM GALE is one of the smartest advertising men in the business.' . . . 'I'd like to hear about that man Gale, over at General Mills. He's good!' . . . 'General

Mills advertising manager, Mr. Gale, would be my *Man-of-the-Month* any month!'

"A few more responses like these to an informal poll of some *Midwest Media* friends, and we knew we couldn't have made a more popular choice than Samuel C. Gale, advertising manager of General Mills, Inc., Minneapolis, for *Midwest Media's* October Man-of-the-Month."

Brother Samuel Gale was born in Minneapolis in 1895. He received his education in the public schools of Minneapolis and at the University of Minnesota where he was initiated into Phi Sigma Kappa on November 20, 1912.

Brother Gale served in the Army during World War No. I. He rose to the rank of First-Lieutenant in the Field Artillery and was discharged in 1920, after having served three and a half years.

From the very beginning Brother Gale was interested in advertising. He attributes this interest in this field to the research and writing his father did on a pamphlet issued many years ago about the psychology of advertising.

His first position, following his Army career, was with Brown-Blodgett-Sperry Company of St. Paul. A year later he went to Washburn Crosby Company sales promotion department, and has been with that company and General Mills ever since.

Brother Gale is realistic in his advertising point of view. He states that the most important function of advertising is to help reduce the cost of distribution. General Mills campaigns are planned accordingly.

He has kept pace with the growing consumer education about, and public interest in, the nutritional improvement

of food products, particularly as an important phase of defense. Consequently, defense to Brother Gale is an advertising opportunity rather than a problem.

Brother Gale has maintained a constant interest in Phi Sigma Kappa. He was Chapter Adviser of Beta Deuteron Chapter from 1929 to 1933, and since that time has been an active participant in the affairs of the Phi Sigma Kappa Club of Minneapolis, as well as a loyal supporter and Councilor to the alumni and undergraduates actively interested in that chapter.

The editor has finally obtained Brother Gale's permission to announce that at the time of the 1941 Founder's Day Banquet of the Minneapolis Club, he presented to Brother Collins, National Phi Sigma Kappa Director from Region IV, the largest individual contribution so far made by a Brother to the Phi Sigma Kappa Endowment Fund. Because of Brother Gale's persistent modesty, most of Phi Sigma Kappa will never know what a staunch and loyal supporter of Phi Sigma Kappa he has been throughout the years.

To Phi Sigma Kappa, Brother Gale is the Man-of-the-Month, every month.

Coordinator in Terminal Education

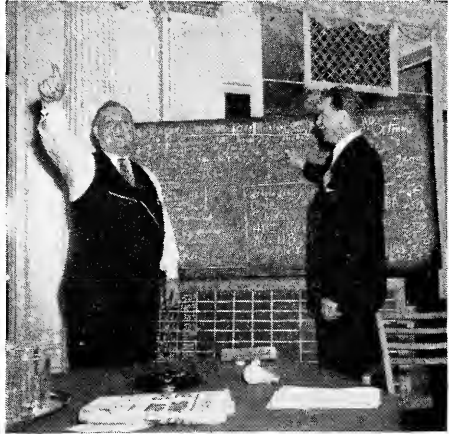
John F. Humes, Mu '23, is now attached to the Scranton-Keystone Junior College, La Plume, Pennsylvania, in the capacity of Coordinator in Terminal Education. This college is one of nine making a nation-wide study of terminal courses under the direction and sponsorship of the General Education Board.

Willmore Goes to Town

The *American Builder* in its December 1941 issue, in an article entitled "Aroused Builders Protest," refers to Brother Cyrus Crane "Red" Willmore, Alpha Deuteron '11, in the above language. During the second day of the joint meeting of the convention of the Home Builders

Institute and the National Association of Real Estate Boards, meeting in Detroit in November, the Home Builders got together for the purpose of raising \$15,000 to be used to establish a strong Home Builders representation in Washington.

The *American Builder* states that the session took on the nature of an old-time revival meeting when Brother Willmore took the platform to call out the sum



Cyrus Crane Willmore calls for contributions as Albert Balch of Seattle chalks up the amounts on the blackboard.

subscribed. The subscriptions ranged from \$50 to \$1000 and the goal of \$15,000 was oversubscribed by \$10,000.

The Editor acknowledges his thanks to the *American Builder* for the photograph used in reproducing the above picture.

Chicago Club Dinner-Dance

The annual pre-holiday dinner-dance of the Phi Sigma Kappa Club of Chicago, held too late to report for the January SIGNET, was another huge success.

The officers of the Chicago Club are now looking forward to their annual Founders' Day banquet. Dr. Stewart W. Herman, national Chaplain, is scheduled to speak on the occasion. Refer to the page of Founders' Day announcements for the time and place.

Miner and Educator

By WILBUR HEDQUIST, *Eta Deuteron*, '43

Culminating thirty-four years of endeavor in the field of mining, Jay Arnold Carpenter, *Eta Deuteron* '17, was appointed Director of the famed Mackay School of Mines in 1939.

"Jay A. C.," as he is familiarly known in mining circles, was born in Beloit, Iowa, on May 17, 1883; son of Edwin and Mary Elizabeth Carpenter. Attending



JAY ARNOLD CARPENTER

four colleges, the University of Wisconsin, the South Dakota School of Mines, the University of California, and the University of Nevada, he graduated from the University of Nevada with a degree of Bachelor of Science *cum laude* in 1907. He returned to his studies at this alma mater after a brief interval of four years during which he married Florence Bender of Reno, Nevada, in 1909. Completing his course, he was awarded the degree of Engineer of Mines. He was a

member of Sigma Alpha fraternity while attending Nevada. When that group affiliated itself with Phi Sigma Kappa, he returned in 1917 to be initiated into Phi Sig.

Upon graduation, Carpenter started his mining career as a surveyor and assayer in Tonopah, Nevada. The following year, he accepted the position of Instructor and Assistant Professor of Metallurgy at the Mackay School of Mines, which had just opened as a part of the University of Nevada. Leaving that post, in 1910, he was employed as mill superintendent at the West End Consolidated Mine at Tonopah. From 1916, he was progressively appointed mine foreman, superintendent, and manager of Nevada Mines. In 1921, he left to accept the chair of Professor of Mining at the South Dakota School of Mines for the school year of 1921-1922. Answering the many calls for his services as a consulting engineer, he was employed as superintendent of Randsburg Silver Mining Company from 1922 to 1923; as president of Insulex Company from 1924 to 1925; and as an industrial engineer by the Pacific Portland Cement Company from 1925 to 1926. Closing his office in Los Angeles, he returned to the Mackay School of Mines at Reno as Professor of Mining. In 1939, he was appointed to his present position and to the post of Director of the Nevada State Bureau of Mines. He was retained as a consulting engineer for the Nevada Colorado River Commission on Boulder Dam legislation in Washington from 1937 to 1940.

He was elected into membership of the American Institute of Mining and Metallurgical Engineers in 1916. In 1927, he was elected chairman of the Institute's Nevada Section. In 1934, he left that

post for the chairmanship of the Institute's National Committee on Student Relations. In 1940, he was appointed chairman of the Committee on Mining Methods. He has written numerous articles for engineering and mining magazines.

His present home is at 245 University Terrace in Reno, Nevada. He has two children, Elizabeth and Clayton, both graduates of the University of Nevada. His hobbies include tennis, volley ball, and bridge.

Havner Manages New Department for Borden's

Brother Harrison H. Havner, Gamma Deuteron '11, has been made manager of the Live Stock Feed Department of



HARRISON H. HAVNER

the Special Products Division of The Borden Company. The formation of the Live Stock Feed Department by The Borden Company is the result of the Defense Program requiring an increase of 11% in milk production, an increase of

an additional billion pounds of pork and a substantial increase in the production of beef.

To obtain increased production of milk, beef and pork it will be necessary to commence a forced feeding of cattle and hogs. This program calls for vitamin supplements for live stock rations. Brother Havner is a specialist in the subject of the nutritive factors of the vitamins essential in animal food when such production is desired. He has had many years of experience in this field, recently being General Sales Manager of Philip R. Park, Inc., one of our nation's large feed specialty companies.

Brother Havner was Professor of Animal Husbandry Extension of the Pennsylvania State College for eleven years, and for seven years he was Assistant Director of Agriculture Extension, supervising the work of county agents.

He was a Founder of Gamma Deuteron Chapter. His son, Robert S. Havner, '38, is a member of Gamma Chapter.

John Dietz, Alpha Deuteron '18, has recently been appointed assistant Professor in Economics and Finance at the University of Florida.

Sheard Presents National Headquarters With Autographed Work

Brother Charles Sheard, Xi '03, has presented the National Headquarters with his book entitled "Life-Giving Light." In the Foreword, Brother Sheard states that his volume may be considered a series of essays concerning light and life and their intimate relationships.

In his work, he has sketched the developments of a century concerning light and its great influence on life. The National Headquarters is very grateful to Brother Sheard for this presentation and is especially pleased because he autographed the volume.

Buy a Phi Sig record now. \$1.

O. E. M. Calls Dr. Wilson

According to the *Pennsylvania Gazette* of February 1942, Dr. G. Lloyd Wilson, Phi '18, Professor of Transportation and Public Utilities at the University of Pennsylvania, who has been serving as the Director of the Transportation Division of the Office of Price Administration in Washington, has been named Chairman of the Division of Rates of the Transportation Division, an agency of the Office of Emergency Management.

Brother Wilson, who is the author of numerous books, assumes the new position, according to Joseph B. Eastman, Director of Defense Transportation, "to lend aid and authority to the Government to maintain transportation service which will effectively and efficiently meet the needs of the country in its war effort."

Brother Wilson was also recently elected vice-president of Education and Research of the Associated Graphic Club of America at its 20th annual convention held in Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

Brother Wilson has accepted the assignment of the Editor to prepare for one of the forthcoming issues of *THE SIGNET* an article on the subject of the relation of transportation to the war.

Dwyer Elected Senior Class President

Brother William J. Dwyer, Alpha '42, of Holyoke, Massachusetts, was elected to the Senior Class presidency at Massachusetts State College.

Brother Dwyer has an unusual record in that he has been a class president since his sophomore year. He was a member of the Honor Council, Editor-in-Chief of the college newspaper, the *Collegian*, a member of the Student honor society, *Adelphia*, and a member of the Winter Carnival Committee.

Purchase a Phi Sig Songbook. \$1.

The Record

CHAPTER INVISIBLE

Dr. Walter B. Orbin, Mu '03, died in the Presbyterian Hospital, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, December 6, 1941. He was captain of the Penn baseball team in 1903.

BABY GRAMS

Harry W. McCulloch Jr., Alpha Deuteron '25, and Mrs. McCulloch are the parents of a son, Harry Weber III, born this fall.

MARRIAGES

Norman Cusick, Alpha Deuteron '41, was married to Ruth Buckles, Chi Omega during the Christmas vacation.

Robert Reinhard, Omega '42, was married to Betty Jane Staddon, January 9, 1942. They reside at 2322 Haste Street in Berkeley, California.

Ralph Bruce Parkinson, Nu '43, who is working now for Mack Truck Co. in Allentown, Pennsylvania, was married to Miss Roberta Manogue, on January 31, 1942, in Rockledge, Pennsylvania.

Finally Succumbs

Twenty years is a long time to wait—for the right woman! The Editor has the pleasure to announce that his classmate at Alpha Deuteron, John Mitchell Clyne '21 (Maple Park, Illinois), was married on January 26, 1942, to Miss Evelyn Polly Rumbel of Butler, Wisconsin.

Most of John's classmates were either easier to please or were less able to withstand the wiles of the opposite sex and succumbed long ago. Alpha Deuteron, class of '21, to a man, rises to the occasion and wishes John and Polly a most happy matrimonial voyage.

Remember Pearl Harbor

No American will ever forget that dastardly attack on our land by the Japanese while their envoys were in our capital musing and prattling about peace in the Pacific. No attack so skillfully executed and so distant from main home bases would have been possible except as the result of very careful planning and expertly calculated timing.

However, Americans have no peers in skill and expertness when they apply themselves. It is now incumbent upon every citizen to apply himself diligently and with increased fervor to his daily tasks and constantly point those tasks to the winning of the war.

The undergraduate members of our alumni, whether they must apply themselves

Undergraduate the factory worker win; they must be existence is at stake high scholarship.

Greater care, exact of your undergraduate operated economic order to assure discipline you acquire country needs well diligently apply your Pearl Harbor.

As soldiers, you learned as undergraduate swerving loyalty, and do your daily tasks and comradeship these things but you Harbor.

He who is beat family, you. He to which your fraternity necessary for his task, you undergraduates and alumni in defense industries must do your work with that same alertness, courage, loyalty and exactness. You will not only apply yourself in your work but you will do so with unstinted ardor if you remember Pearl Harbor.

You alumni who follow your occupational pursuits, preserve the equilibrium of our economic structure so vital to the war's financial program. You must conduct your business with conservation and economy as its keynote. In providing the needs of a curtailed civilian life, you must cooperate in every way with the war program. You must at all times be ready to assist our undergraduates. You are not only glad to do so but you will do so with added vigor when you remember Pearl Harbor.

All of us must cooperate and unite in order that our country, its institutions—our fraternity—may prevail. As brothers in Phi Sigma Kappa we will do all these things with an unrelenting devotion because we will constantly remember Pearl Harbor.

First Phi Sig Casualty



*Ensign Stephens Stockdale, Mu Deuteron '37
Killed in action at Pearl Harbor, Hawaii,
December 7, 1941*

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Phi Sigma Kappa Creed

In the firm conviction that my Fraternity demands of me a life of Faith and Purpose:

I hereby solemnly declare MY FAITH in the wisdom and love of God; in the dignity and worth of my fellowmen; in the strength and beauty of true fraternity; in the history and future of my country; and in the traditions and program of my Alma Mater.

Henceforward, therefore, it shall be MY PURPOSE, to remain forever true to this, my Fraternity's faith in me and in turn, to preserve and promote courageously and unselfishly the chosen ideals of our mutual affection and common endeavor.

To this end I dedicate MY LIFE to the maintenance of this Faith and the pursuit of this Purpose so that the ideals of Phi Sigma Kappa, being embodied in me, may be fulfilled in my character and conduct, and be known and honored by all men.

By these things I stand.



Chapterettes

MU DEUTERON University of Montana

By DICK MERRITT

Highlight of autumn quarter at Mu Deuteron was the Region VI conclave, December 6 and 7. Director C. Marc Miller and delegates from all regional chapters excepting Psi Deuteron were present. Representatives from the University of Oregon chapter were unable to attend because of the nearness of final exams. We hope delegates enjoyed our fall pledge formal which was held in the Empire room of the new Florence Hotel, December 7. Mr. Thomas Spaulding, Mu Deuteron '06, commissioner for Montana, Mr. Miller, and Mr. Bruce Bean, Theta Deuteron '22, chapter adviser of Lambda Deuteron, were among the many alums who were able to be present for at least part of the proceedings. "Jiggs" Buntin, committee chairman deserves much of the credit for staging a successful conclave.

Chapter officers for this quarter are as follows: Art Beattie, president; Bill Reed, vice-president; Ray Ryan, secretary; Leonard Daems, treasurer; Jack Eidel, inductor; and Bill Chebul, sentinel. Frank Denney, our re-elected president, separated from his degree by only five months, was forced to leave school by that omnipresent bogy, the draft.

The class of 1943 has practically monopolized the pin-hanging at Montana U. Bill Chebul, Art Beattie, "Dutch" Dahmer, "Pops" Degnan, Barlow Ghirardo, and Les Taylor all juniors and the lone senior, Kenny Obrecht, have hung their pins on the following respectively: Yvonne Palin, June Schwab, Margie Harrison, Dorothy Kemp, Betty Hodson, Georgine Wright, and Bertha Durfey. Lots of the best luck to all of them. Incidentally, Dot Kemp is the sister of Bermie Kemp, Mu Deuteron alumnus.

Montana Phi Sigs have been entering Uncle Sam's employ slowly and surely,

notably here of course is our ex-president Denney, and in addition, Chuck Buntin, who will enter the Naval Air Corps probably in February. Chapter adviser Dick Rigg will probably lay down the duties of that office in the near future, for military reasons. Jerry Spordeder '40 is going to the Naval Air Corps, as is Bill Fleming '41.

Honorable mention should be given to pledges and actives who have recently become affiliated with various honoraries. Russell Anderson is regent and Art Beattie vice-regent of Kappa Psi, national pharmaceutical honorary. Don Francisco and pledge Sam Filecetti are pledges of that organization. Art is also a member of Phi Sigma, a biological honorary. Les Taylor and pledge Dave Nyquist represent Phi Sigma Kappa in Alpha Kappa Psi, commercial honorary. In advanced R. O. T. C. are Cadet Second Lieutenants Leonard Daems and Emory Plummer, and Sergeants Art Beattie, Chuck Rigg, and Karl Fiske. Numerals were won by freshmen Harold Scott, Frances Boyd, and George O'Connell; letters by brother Dutch Dahmer and pledges Arnold Scott and Karl Fiske. Art Beattie and Ralph Gildroy made the honor roll. Phi Sigs in the university glee club are Bill Chebul, Earl Dahlstrom, Dave Nyquist, and Harold Scott.

Local members of Phi Sigma Kappa were at once proud and sorrowful when the following article appeared in the Montana *Kaimin*, university daily, on January 7, 1942: "Stephens Stockdale, ex-'37, an ensign in the United States Navy, was killed in action at Pearl Harbor, Hawaii, Dec. 7, when the U. S. S. Oklahoma to which he was assigned, capsized. He is the first former state university student known to be a casualty in the present war.

"While attending the University, Stockdale was a member of Phi Sigma Kappa, national social fraternity."

February, and again our big dinner-dance of the year, "Coffee Dan's" hits the campus. Fourteen years ago, while attending a national convention of Phi Sigma Kappa in San Francisco, a group of alumni of Mu Deuteron chapter discovered on Market Street an interesting little speakeasy-nightclub called "Coffee Dan's." The place had a warm, pleasant atmosphere presided over by the owner, genial Coffee Dan. There, the idea for a new type of dinner-dance was born. The alums brought the idea back to Montana where members of Phi Sigma Kappa enthusiastically applied it to their winter formal. Each year since that time Coffee Dan's has been a bigger and better success, and this year will be no exception. Care will be taken to have the hall decorated in as nearly the same way as the original. Each guest will be presented with a beautiful souvenir booklet with a history of "Coffee Dan's" and a menu in French. The guests will be allowed to order anything they wish, but all will receive a ravioli dinner. We hope no one understands French or our little trick will be discovered—but then we're Greek, not French.

Mu Deuteron plans an impressive Founders' Day celebration but has been unable to complete arrangements at the time of this writing. We have approached Mr. Tom Davis, Mu Deuteron '16, president of Rotary International, to be our speaker on Founders' Day but we haven't yet received his reply. This year, we will have our banquet either in the first or the last week of March so that it won't conflict with final examinations.

Brothers Everett Shuey and Vic Smith from Zeta Triton were present on January 31 when brother "Dutch" Dahmer made a successful free throw which saved the honor of the university's basketball five. It was the last of a series of two bitterly contested games with the state college and it was a tie 43-43 when the

final gun sounded. In the last half, however, one of the opposing players had failed to report to an official and a technical foul was called. Brother Dahmer stepped forward, did the good work and thereafter became the center of no little attention from fans.

Our house occupies literally a place of importance. On one side we have the Kappa Kappa Gamma sorority, on the other side across the street are the Alpha Phi girls. Recently, the Kappa Alpha Theta sorority announced plans to build a house across the street in front of us.

Recent additions to the ranks of our brotherhood are William Reed, James McGray, Louis Stevens, Robert Sias, Albert Wilkinson, and Robert Sprinkle.

Our mothers' club deserves all the praise we can give. Last quarter they arranged for the purchase of venetian blinds and smoke stands for the living room. They meet at the house on the first Thursday of each month and we often have card parties with them.

To all Phi Sig members and alums, greetings and best wishes of Mu Deuteron until our next communication in the "merry month."

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DELTA DEUTERON University of Michigan

By KENNETH HUFF

Delta Deuteron started the first semester of 1941-42 with a total of nine pledges, a redecorated house, strengthened alumni relationships, and a refinanced economic structure. Also, to make an even brighter prospect for the year, there were two transfers, Bill Davey from Cornell and Art Tozer from Lehigh. Even the Dean came through with a report that we stood seventh scholastically among the forty fraternities on campus.

Before going further, the undergraduates want to publically express their gratitude to the alumni for the money

and effort which made our refinancing possible.

Radio dances were held after each of the football games, and the fall informal was held early in November. We were glad to see so many of the Alums out for these events. In December, the Bowery Ball, one of the bigger costume balls on campus, kept things in gear. The traditional Christmas party, with its banquet, songs, poems, gifts, and the rest of what makes a Christmas party, was held the night before we went home for Christmas. The Pledge Formal early in January closed the social events of the first semester. Howie Almdale, social chairman, was the brain behind all this activity.

Brother Collins, Regional Director, paid us a visit a few weeks before vacation, while he was here the Alumni Board met. At this meeting graduate and undergraduate relationships were discussed; and plans were made for Founders' Day. This year Delta Deuteron will celebrate on March 14th, and the banquet is to be held at the chapter house for the first time in a number of years.

Brother Humber, one of our Detroit alumni, presented the house with a beautiful collie dog. His name is Jack, and he insists upon expressing a Don Quixote complex by chasing automobiles.

Initiation is planned for the 28th of February and probably six pledges will become brothers. The pledges, by the way, are: Joe Egan from Detroit, an outstanding man on the freshman track team. Richard Shannon of Rochester, a candid camera fiend who has made himself known at all dances this semester. Bob Smallman from Barberton, Ohio, also a camera man full of ideas. Richard Northrup of Schenectady, prominent in all the house athletics and a good man with the, ahem. . . . Bill Hillig of Detroit who, if he does as well on his blue

books as he does on pledge tests, promises to bolster the house average. Henry Vinkemulder (better just Vink) from Grand Rapids is the son of one of our alumni. He is an ardent hypnotist and slight of hand artist who can entertain you or really put you to sleep. Mervyn Walsh of Detroit, or maybe Florida as far as we know, because he seems to commute from here to Miami every month or so. John Carlson from Schenectady, brother of an active, is short and small, but can he flip pie . . . wow!!

New officers were chosen in December. They are: Kenneth Huff, president; Bob Carlson, vice-president; Joe Lynn, secretary; James Paul McPherson, treasurer; Richard Sharpe, sentinel; Charles Wiley M. Waggoner, inductor.

Of course, the war has affected us as it has all houses. To date, only one man has left for the army, but we have four men in the Naval Reserve and several more first class draft prospects.

In closing the brothers of Delta Deuteron wish all chapters of Phi Sigma Kappa a successful rushing, social, and academic season.

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PHI

Swarthmore College

By JOHN S. THOMSON

The College year of 1941-42 opened for Phi Chapter two weeks after the original date had been set. Located in the Philadelphia area we were requested by the Pennsylvania health authorities not to open until the second week in October because of the infantile paralysis epidemic. Since then the year has been bright, despite the cloud of uncertainty ahead of us.

We started the year with a successful rushing season under the competent leadership of Brother Erdman, '43. Seven freshmen and a junior transfer joined

the brotherhood at the end of the official rushing season. Since then four more men have pledged, giving us a total membership of forty. The new members are Robert Sanford, a transfer from Delaware University; John Coates, Dean Freed, and John Pixton, all '44; and Fuller Adamson, Russel Graves, Howard Harris, Robert Nolte, William Sieck, John Siegle and Robert Simpson, all '45.

In campus activities Phi Chapter has had a shining start for the year. Brother Walt Skallerup, twice president of the chapter and a member of the senior honorary society of the college, completed term as president of the senior class this fall. He captained the cross country team and is currently engaged in swimming a powerful backstroke for the varsity, holding the college record for the 150. He recently completed two years' as one of our representatives on the interfraternity council, of which he was vice-president.

Next in line is Brother Bill Erdman, who is an important cog in the executive end of student affairs; managing the football squad is his main job. In addition, he is running the College Chest Fund Drive, the Annual Winter Weekend, and the finances for the class of '43. He is also serving as president of the managerial society, is the vice-president of the new interfraternity council, and manager of the College Cracker Room.

While on the subject of class officers it is only right that we should mention Brother Walt Donahue who is serving as treasurer for the class of '44. Walt plays excellently on the varsity football team and is now playing jayvee basketball. He expects to be in the air force by the end of the semester.

Managing seems to be the strong point among the present junior class members of Phi Chapter. In addition to Brother Erdman, the following brothers are managers or members of the man-

agerial society; Reiting, cross country; Coleman, swimming; Jones, track; and Goodman, G. Fudakowski and Thomson. Brothers Gale and Canedy are already in line as next year's members. Gale will be manager of soccer in the fall.

In the literary field, Ted Goodman has taken the position as News Editor of the publicity agency for Swarthmore College, the Swarthmore News Bureau; and Bob Reiting is the business manager of the College paper. Brothers Deane and Lyman are now both Junior Editors of the paper.

In addition to the athletes already mentioned, Brother Luckie received his letter in soccer and was declared potentially one of the best wings in the country. Brother Zipfel ran varsity cross country as did Brother Deane. Brother Pixton plays varsity football and will receive his letter in swimming this year. Brother Thomson plays some varsity soccer, and Pledge-brother Adamson received his freshman numerals for football.

Academically, we hold the scholarship cups for both the freshman class and the fraternity as a whole. We hope to maintain these honors for another year, with six out of our nine junior members in honors our chances look fairly good. Brother George Fudakowski was pledged to Sigma Tau, an engineering honorary society this fall and Brother Dean Freed received the Sigma Tau award given to the best engineering student in the sophomore class.

With the honors we hold now in the active freshman and sophomore classes, the future, under the usual circumstances, looks extremely bright. However, in view of the war, it is not safe to predict. We are now working on plans for keeping the chapter active during the summer for the benefit of those members who will be attending summer school.

DELTA TRITON Purdue University

Here at Delta Triton we are preparing to say goodbye to the class of 1942. It might seem to some that we are a bit premature, but the day of farewell is not so very far distant. Because of the national emergency the scholastic program at Purdue has been speeded up a good deal. Our commencement will be held in the first week in May instead of the traditional month of June. What makes it more confusing is that we will actually have two classes of 1942 because the present Junior class is scheduled to graduate on the 23rd of December.

It is unnecessary for us to say that we will miss these men, but we are happy to say that they will be going out into the world and doing their bit to answer our nation's needs whatever they may be, not all of the men will actually bear arms. Some of them will find positions in industry for which they have been trained by their courses in engineering.

Several of the men have definitely made arrangements to go into service and join the multitude of Phi Sigs that are already in uniform. Our vice-president George Huffman is enrolled in advanced military and will receive his commission as a second-lieutenant in field artillery upon his graduation in May. Treasurer Irvin Overmeir will be commissioned as an ensign in the ordnance department of the navy at the same time. Brother Chet Riegle will go into training as a deck ensign at the same time. At this point, we should bring in the name of brother Norman Benedict who is already on duty with the Navy as an ensign aboard the U. S. S. Cuttlefish somewhere in the Pacific. Norman was also in the class of '42, but he chose to go on active duty rather than stay in school and complete his education.

Our prexy John Huffman is making preparations to enlist in the Naval re-

serve for training as an ensign, all of which seems to indicate that the Navy has some strange fascinaion for the men of this chapter.

Dick Kratzer, Purdue swimming captain, is undecided whether to enter some defense industry or enter the Navy ordnance department. With his training as a mechanical engineer, Dick has had offers from several firms in the manufacturing of aircraft for our armed forces and he is not certain just what course he will follow.

Others of the graduating class, Brothers George Freck, Bruce Johnson, and Judd Dillon have no definite plans as to their actions after commencement. To them and all the others we wish good luck and God's blessing no matter where their paths may lead them.

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OMICRON

Massachusetts Institute of Technology

Since the last issue of the Signet, new officers have been elected at Omicron. Brother Ken Radimer, '42, was elected president, and Brother Bill Ritterhoff, '44, vice-president. The other officers are Brothers Adams, Crocker, Anderson, and Strohmeyer. Behind Brother Radimer's leadership, two more pledges were acquired, bringing the total to twelve. They are R. J. Horn and Frank Pohanka. "R. J.," as he is called by everyone, was graduated from Herman Preparatory School where he was valedictorian of his senior class. He is an ardent fencer, an amateur photographer, and a marksman. Frank hails from Washington, D. C. where he graduated from high school. He is also interested in photography and is a fine pianist.

Brother Dave Hoadley, '45, a transfer student from Principia College and a Phi Sig at Swarthmore, has also joined us. Dave's prime interests at the moment are skiing and skating.

On December 6, our alumni associa-

tion held a meeting at the Kenmore Hotel. After discussing many subjects concerning the chapter, they were invited to a buffet supper at the house. Approximately twenty alumni attended and an enjoyable time was had by all. The following week-end, Region I held its conclave at our chapter house, but for various reasons a small number attended.

Our traditional Christmas party was held just before we left for the holidays. Brother Ketchledge, '41, who is now a graduate student at Tech, was the "honored" guest. He was married the Saturday after Christmas.

The annual "Barn Dance," one of the favorite social functions of the fall season, was held in October. The furniture from the lounge and dining room of the chapter house was evacuated, and straw was literally packed into these rooms to make the atmosphere appropriate. Besides this dance, quite a few Saturday night "record" dances were held. These affairs are becoming increasingly popular with the fellows here at the house. Now we are looking forward to our spring formal which is generally considered the best dance of the year.

With mid-year vacation now at hand, those of us who aren't going home or who aren't seniors will travel either to New Hampshire or Canada for a week of skiing.

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NU
Lehigh University

By EARLE W. WALLICK, JR.

On February first Nu Chapter initiated five men into the brotherhood; Richard Ford of Bethlehem, Pa., John S. Haldeman of Doylestown, Pa., John E. Schumacher of Pottsville, Pa., Ellsworth Stockbower of North Hills, Pa., and David R. Whitten of Glenside, Pa. As is the tradition at Nu Chapter, the

initiation was followed by a stag party, providing a merry way of welcoming the latest brothers into our midst.

As is common at most of the colleges throughout the country, Lehigh is inaugurating a three year plan for her students, but as most of the plans in the different Universities vary greatly it is worth while to mention a few of the details of our school's system. The three year course will be optional. Those electing it will go to school for three complete 16-week semesters a year, with few, if any, vacations. This gives the eight full semesters required for graduation in two and two-thirds years. Almost without exception the Phi Sigs are accepting this course, so that our chapter house will now be open the year around.

In the brief period since Christmas Lehigh has been in the throes of final examinations, and with the rest of the school we have had little time for much else. Again we expect to find ourselves near the top of the fraternity rating when the averages are finally compiled. Almost a third of the active chapter made the Dean's list this past semester, thus placing them in the upper tenth of their classes.

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RHO DEUTERON
Gettysburg College

By JOE WRAY

Since the last issue of the Signet went hither and yon into the hands of the assorted brethern, Rho Deuteron chapter has elected a new set of officers.

The present administration is headed by Brother Dave Thomas, Baltimore's gracious gift to Gettysburg. Brother Hen Schwartz is serving as vice-prexy while Brother Robert Garrett takes care of the secretarial duties and Brothers Dick Teeter and Johnny Tome serve as sentinel and inductor respectively. Brother Dick Young was re-elected treasurer.



Pledges of Rho Deuteron Chapter, left to right, first row: Williams, Cooke, Eves, Thomas, Clingan; second row, Weigle, Paxson, Hoffacker, Musselman, Graefe, Nolt; third row: Snyder, Smith, Maffet, Schweitzer, Disc; last row: Bender, Stroch, Sweeney.

Of prime importance currently is the traditional Founders' Day Banquet, long a red letter day in these parts for Phi Sigs. This year the Founders' Day banquet and program will be held at the usual locale, the Blue Parrot Tea Room, Saturday evening, March 14. Speakers for this occasion have not been announced at press time but it is assumed that some ranking officer of the national chapter will be present in addition to Chaplain Stewart Herman of Harrisburg, as well as the local faculty Phi Sigs.

The Phi Sig Founders' Day Banquet always sees the welcome return of a goodly number of alumni. Last year over 50 grads came back to attend the festivities. The Phi Sig Founders' Day week-end is conveniently coincident with the annual Interfraternity Alumni Week-end sponsored by the campus Interfraternity Council. Highlights of this are

the pledge banquet for all pledges of the 10 national campus Greeks and informal skits presented by each of the houses in the gymnasium on Friday evening, March 13. Despite the forboding date a successful program is assured. Rho Deuteron hopes to see many of its alumni on campus for the affair.

Improvements to the new house addition completed this winter which included a new dining hall, four new study rooms and additional dormitory space, are still underway. The basement, erstwhile dining hall, is fast being converted into a hybrid recreation hall and meeting room. A new coat of paint has been applied by enterprising brothers headed by Brother Paul Swank's recreation committee, floors renovated and a new ping pong and pool table installed. Bridge fiends likewise are clustered about the card tables placed therein. In the new

dining hall Venetian blinds have been installed throughout and smart draperies have been hung. These drapes were the thoughtful and greatly appreciated gift of Mrs. Frank Kramer, wife of one of the faculty Phi Sigs. The new girls' lounge and powder room has likewise been furnished and tastefully decorated under the discreet eye of House Manager Bowersox.

Shortly before the Founders' Day week-end, the latest edition of the *Oak-leaf*, annual magazine of the chapter, should be in the hands of all alumni and actives. Brother Dick Young is slaving away in the capacity of editor of our little literary effort and is ably assisted by a number of the editorially inclined brothers.

In the interfraternity sports realm, Phi Sig is out to capture all possible laurels in the I-F basketball loop. Captained by Brother Nelson Arigo, the hardwood team is expected to turn in a respectable record this year in a league which is seeing more competition and rivalry than ever before. In the Greek swimming meet held in December, the house swimmers didn't fare so well. When the splashing finally subsided and the towels were wrung out, the boys were submerged in 6th place.

As for things socially, Brother Bob Garrett, co-chairman of the Junior Prom, did a splendid job in supervising Gettysburg's highlight of the winter social season. Will Bradley and his band, featuring Ray McKinley on the drums, played for this year's Prom on Friday, February 6. In tempo with the times a patriotic theme was carried out for the affair. No corsages were permitted, the money instead went for the purchase of defense stamps and the entire dance program was carried in harmony with the patriotic motif. Miss Kathleen Flinchbaugh, York, Pa., who is pinned to Brother Ralph Cox was selected as the coed Junior Prom Queen.

The house was also honored recently when Brother Fred Wentz of the Braintrust was issued a bid to Phi Beta Kappa, the greatest academic achievement possible on campus.

Pledge brothers Bill Nolt, Brad Strock and Sammy Snyder have all been breaking into the lineup of the freshman basketball squad and displaying some nice form. Likewise in the athletic circle, Brother Hen Schwartz, Middle Atlantic champ, has been appointed captain of the varsity wrestling squad. He is undefeated so far this year, in his 145 pound class. Pledge brother John Thomas is also a member of the junior varsity wrestling team.

In closing may we remind our Alumni not to forget the date of the Founders' Day Banquet and Interfraternity week-end on campus, Friday and Saturday, March 13 and 14.

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ALPHA DEUTERON University of Illinois

By GEORGE DILLAVOU

Phi Sig at Illinois is beginning to feel the effects of the war. We are losing several of the brothers and some pledges at the end of the current semester. However, we do have three new pledges, John Mackey, Ray Kilan, and Gene Estes. We expect to get several more at the end of the mid-semester rush week.

Alpha Deuteron had its Christmas formal, December 19, the last day of school before the vacation started. Brother George Dillavou, '44, social chairman, and Brother Ray Essington, '44, co-chairman were in charge. The elaborate decorations that had been planned were curtailed by the request of the university that all decorations be cut down for the duration of the war. Decorations are, however, a small part of our dances. It doesn't matter where we are or how the hall looks, Alpha Deuteron always has a good time.

Our chapter has two men, Brother George Balestri, and Pledge Ray Kilan, on Illinois' formidable hockey team. Long famed as one of the best hockey teams in the country, Illinois has countless times won the championship, and, now this year, with two Phi Sigs on the team, Illinois ought to blaze right on to glory.

We lost Brother Norman Cusick during the Christmas vacation. He married Ruth Buckles, Chi Omega. At our Christmas formal, the chapter presented them with toaster. They are both finishing school as they are seniors. Norm will go into the army as a second lieutenant at the end of the school year. They are living in a cozy little apartment just a few blocks from the chapter house.

Since the Christmas vacation nothing much has happened at Illinois. All the instructors begin to crack down in order to finish courses that have been dragging, and the going gets tough. This year it was especially bad because the semester had been shortened, and there was a mad rush to finish scheduled courses in a hurry. Illinois is now organized on a war-time basis. Our mid-semester vacation was cut to the bone, and our Easter vacation has been completely cut out. The school term has been shortened so that we get out May 23, and there will be no more final examinations for the duration.

Alpha Deuteron is going ahead, making plans for the Founders' Day Banquet at the chapter house. Beta Triton, Delta Triton, and Alpha Deuteron will all meet and celebrate the founding of Phi Sigma Kappa. As yet, no definite plans have been made for the speaker.

At the last meeting in December we elected new officers for the second part of the academic year. Our newly-elected president is Brother Ken Brown; vice-president, Dale Simpson; secretary, Harry Gotti; treasurer, Norm Cusick; in-

ductor, Fred Bowditch; sentinel, George Dillavou.

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KAPPA DEUTERON Georgia School of Technology

By S. J. HENRY AND J. W. THOMPSON

Coming out of hibernation forced on us due to mid-term exams, Kappa Deuteron is now continuing on its merry way. During the mid-term dances, which feature Harry James and his orchestra, we plan two cocktail parties for members and dates—nothing elaborate, however.

On the day before the holidays we held our annual Christmas party with the usual enthusiastic attendance. Presents were distributed among the brothers and their dates with an appropriately worded poem accompanying each gift. The usual Christmas spirits were served in the form of an egg nog. Needless to say, everyone entered into the spirit of the party. Chaperones for the occasion were Mr. and Mrs. C. R. Brown, parents of our Brother C. R. Brown, Jr. Among the alumni who attended during the evening was Brother and Mrs. Francis R. McClellan. Brother McClellan is Commissioner for the State of Georgia.

Recently elected new officers for the chapter are Frank L. Sheram, president; E. A. McGuire, vice-president; Joel W. Thompson, secretary; L. B. Brumbelow, treasurer; S. J. Henry, sentinel; and C. N. Adams, inductor.

All the members, and pledges especially, are awaiting "Hell Week." This event is scheduled for the week ending on St. Valentine's Day on which nights the pledges are to entertain the brothers at a party celebrating the end of their persecution and torment. Head Devil for this ordeal is pledge master Brother Smith.

We are all looking forward to our sport dance which is to be held at the

Biltmore Hotel on April 25th. A banquet preceding the dance, and a breakfast following will add to the enjoyment. All Kappa Deuteron alumni have been invited to attend.

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TAU Dartmouth

By EDWARD F. McLAUGHLIN, JR.

Since the world of Phi Sigs last heard from the northern wilds of Hanover not an awful lot has happened to the fraternity directly. Our athletic teams have maintained their opening pace in the various intramural competitions and right now the hockey and basketball teams are fighting for the top spot in their respective league. Led by burly defense man Warren Taylor and goalie "Bob" Perkins — alias Mr. Zero — the hockey team has yet to lose a game. Playing a large part in the team's recent successes was wing Jack Haffenreffer '44. On the basketball team the leaders so far have been Don Lindell '44, Dan Holley '44, and Harvey Daniels '43. Rolsay Scofield is the backbone of the fencing team and a sure bet to gain the varsity "D." If Uncle Sam does not extend a beckoning finger the next two years seem to hold a bright future for the teams of Tau.

Dick Bugbee '43, has just been appointed auditor, replacing Warren Taylor who has been accepted at the Dartmouth Medical School, and he will take over the office of Treasurer come the Spring. And of further news in the non-athletic field is the selection of Bob Kerwin '43 to play a leading rôle in the Carnival show "At Yale."

And now on to the military news. With the declaration of war on Dec. 8, the Administration took several drastic steps to put the entire college on a war-time basis. Of primary importance and covering a multitude of factors was the telescoping of the college year which in-

cluded the following: The first semester exams were crammed into one week with some coming even at night; the usual mid-term week layoff culminating in the annual Winter Carnival was wiped out; the Spring recess was eliminated; the second semester finals come the last week in April; and graduation for all (we hope) of us "grand old seniors" takes place Sunday, May 10, over one month ahead of schedule. Despite the shock of such a move and despite the extra and difficult work entailed, the undergraduate body has responded remarkably well with the fullest coöperation.

So far this chapter has been quite fortunate in losing but one member, whereas some of the houses on campus have lost as many as 9. George Buckner '43 is the fellow in question. He hails from Bethlehem, Pa., and has gone to work for the Midvale Steel Co. in Philadelphia in a vital defense post. Bill Hart '42 of Wilmington, Del. is 1-A in the army and expects to enter the service in a few weeks. Rumor has it that he is A-1 in another league at the same time. Doc Lewis '42 who comes all the way from Holland Patent (ever hear of it?) N. Y., is 1-A also and is anxiously awaiting his call to duty. . . . Flash! William Fraser Ford, Jr., alias "The Mole," '42 has just announced that he will take the fatal step into the sacred bonds of matrimony come St. Valentine's Day. He is the first of the '42 delegation to do so but we expect that Neil "the Sack" Benton, the hero of the Railway Express, will follow suit in the near future. To both of these erstwhile free members of the male order, we extend our most sincere sympathies and hopes. May they still be the rulers of all they survey.

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PI Franklin and Marshall

Pi Chapter becomes increasingly proud of the growing number of its members

in the ranks of the United States military service. Added to the list of our men in uniform, the list includes Brothers Orem, Duncan, and Kephart, and the name of our President, Harry M. Lynn, Jr. We feel both regret and gladness at the loss of "H" Lynn to the U. S. Naval Air Corps; we regret at our own loss, and gladness for the members of the Air Corps whose good fortune it will be to have him with them. Another member of Pi, Harold Esterly has been accepted into the Naval Air Corps and will join the forces after graduating in May. We have had good news concerning one of last year's graduates, Bill Kephart. Bill, a private in the Army, will soon have the rating of Classification Specialist, Research, in the Army Psychological Division.

Pi had its usual Christmas party before the holidays after which we all enjoyed a "streamlined" holiday period.

Brother Schober Barr, Assistant Professor of Physical Education, line coach of the football team, and coach of varsity basketball, as well as our chapter adviser, has been made Director of Admissions of Franklin and Marshall College.

At present a very successful construction week for pledges is being carried on at Pi, after which a record initiation is expected. The fraternity has been busy adjusting itself to the accelerated program of studies at F. and M. and the new brothers will play a large part in activities of the chapter throughout the summer sessions and regular fall sessions.

We are all very proud of the fact that three of our number, "Dutch" Ham-scher, Ken Snyder, and Bob Pearson were chosen as members of the All Phi Sig Football Team. "Dutch" is also present captain of the varsity basketball team.

Jack Keelen, recently elected president of Pi Chapter is scheduled to have a leading part in the next Green Room Club play, "The Devil's Disciple." Others who

will take part in the production are Dave Lees, Business Manager; Ben Mills, Patron Manager; and "Rounder" Lumb, in charge of production.

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LAMBDA

George Washington University

Examinations are over, and the feeling of relief is just as great as ever. If anything, it is greater, because of the fact that Washington's war-time fever has caught the brothers, and not too much studying was done as a direct result.

Lambda chapter has sent a goodly number of brothers off to the war as the list in this issue will testify, but we are initiating a good class of pledges and expect to carry on as before. Pledges being initiated at mid-semester are: Alma A. Richardson, George Robert Hughes, Edward Francis Fogerty, Gerald William Von Leeuwen, Jon David Francis, Edward Genger, Murrell Browning Leech, James Billings, Donald Frazier, Ignatius Joseph Castro, and John T. Nelson.

Lambda men are particularly proud of their representatives on the George Washington basketball team. George Washington, annually, has a very good basketball team, and starring on such a team requires considerable skill and general ability. Pledges Matt, Zunic and Jim Myers fulfill these requirements very well. Zunic is playing his senior year, and for the second year in a row has proven to be the star of the team. He broke the University scoring record for total points in one year, which record had been set two years previous by Brother Bob Faris. This year his points per game average is considerably above last year's, and he seems to be headed toward another record. In his eleventh game this year, he broke the university record for total points scored during a full three year's play, and he still has nine games to go. He stands second in

points scored in the Southern Conference this year.

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EPSILON DEUTERON Worcester Polytechnic Institute

By JACK WHOLEAN AND ERL LAGERHOLM

With the same men who took the championship last year, our Phi Sig relay team brought still another trophy into the house when it pounded out another decisive unbeaten season. The squad composed of Charlie Powell, Pete Messer, Gordie Sherman, and Bob Grant, with Erl Lagerholm and Bob Brown subbing, completely subdued its rivals with its consistent low time. To give an idea of how fast we were in comparison with other houses: on only three occasions did any team do better than our poorest time. Since three of our men, Messer, Sherman, and Grant, are now competing for varsity relay, it will probably mean that Phi Sig will own a share of the results in our intercollegiate contests.

Our house basketball team, rated only an outside chance to make any kind of a showing at the beginning of the season, battled its way into a first place tie and held this for most of the season. But our Silver and Magenta boys hit a lapse and were upset in a game which left us with a second place berth. Brothers Jim Donahue, Ted Pierson, Gordie Sherman, Don Buser, and Pledge Phil Sheridan played brilliantly throughout a season in which nobody expected such a fine showing. These first-stringers were relieved in the games by Brothers Erl Lagerholm, George Sprague, Norm Bergstrom, and Jack Hagstrom, and Pledges Bill Langworthy and Marty Flink. The coaching duties were capably handled by Brother Howie Swenson, a sophomore who is first-string forward on the W. P. I. varsity five. With the entire first team and most of the subs left intact for next year, we should really set the pace in interfraternity hoop circles next winter.

Epsilon Deuteron is again well represented on the varsity basketball court this year. Besides Howie Swenson, we have Arnold Jones, a 6 foot 5 inch center who is an ace pivot-man and a scoring machine, and Warren Harding, an able utility guard. Pledge Marty Wilson is playing bang-up ball at guard for the Freshman team.

While having such good success in sports, Epsilon Deuteron has not been a bit lax in the social end. The outstanding event of this type to date was the house party which was held in conjunction with the annual Interfraternity Ball week-end. The brothers topped this off by holding a combined hay ride and barn dance at a country lodge. The lodge was not equipped with electricity, but Brother John Newton solved the problem by converting the decorations from series to parallel and installing a six-volt P. A. system for dance records.

With the advent of the Christmas holidays came the end of the delayed rushing system now in effect at W. P. I. The brothers were able to get a good pledge group totaling seventeen future Phi Sigs. Inductor "Pete" Messer did a fine job as rushing chairman and deserves a great deal of praise for his efforts. The new pledges are as follows: Milton D. Bartlett, South Sudbury, Mass.; Robert M. Drew, Cranston, R. I.; Robert S. Fay, Jr., Monson, Mass.; Martin R. Flink, Jr., Worcester, Mass.; George W. Gregory, Jr., Winchendon, Mass. Malcolm H. Hunt, Burlington, Mass.; Owen W. Kennedy, Jr., Boylston, Mass.; William M. Langworthy, Rochester, N. Y.; James R. Perkins, Minneapolis, Minn.; Herbert M. Pettee, Providence, R. I.; Edmund C. Platt, 2nd, New Britain, Conn.; Philip B. Sampson, Wellesley Hills, Mass.; William L. Sheldrick, Gardner, Mass.; Warner C. Sturtevant, Springfield, Mass.; Roger L. Taylor, Worcester, Mass.; Philip H. Sheridan, Worcester, Mass.; and Martin C. Wilson, Worcester, Mass.

In the scholastic field, Brothers Elton Sceggel, George Sprague, and Warren Harding, all of the class of '42, were pledged to Tau Beta Pi. Brother Sceggel was doubly honored by being elected to Sigma Xi.

With these scholastic honors, and with the Tennis and Relay cups already won, the chapter is shaping up as another well rounded house for the year '41-'42.

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IOTA

Stevens Institute of Technology

With examinations over and first semester completed, Iota Chapter had one-half of the Senior Class on the Dean's List with Brother Robert Seybolt '42, leading the house in marks. Due to the pressure of exams, the social functions within the house were at a minimum while the house still maintained good representation at college and interfraternity affairs.

Brother Robert Seybolt '42 was accepted by the U. S. Naval Reserve to serve in the Ship Building Department. He will be commissioned as an Ensign on Graduation Day. Brother Steve Downey '41 is to be commissioned as a Second Lieutenant in the U. S. Army Air Corps as soon as the next class is called up.

The Mothers were entertained at a Tea in January when the new pledges' Mothers were introduced to the other Mothers and had the opportunity of conversing with the upperclassmen.

Dog collars, were very much in evidence as a laborious Hell Week descended once again on the hapless pledges. Despite the individual and collective efforts of the Brothers, they all survived. At the completion of the week, four of them were initiated into the Brotherhood: Larry Vail '45, Newt Wells '45, Jack Smith '45, and Jimmy Shook '44.

LAMBDA DEUTERON University of Washington

By NORM FREESE

Lambda Deuteron has been coming along very well these last few months. Our initiation was held February 1, and we welcome Louis Roberts, William Mathers, and Peter Besiot as new members of Phi Sigma Kappa.

We have also added to our pledge class five new members. They are: Don Deeks, Arnie Wienmaster, Jim Bow, Stan Corbin, and Bill McKenzie. Deeks and Wienmaster have made their numerals in Frosh football this year. They are considered two of the finest prospects for line positions on the varsity squad next season.

In addition to these two, we have many other athletes who are now coming to the fore. Most of these are freshmen. Tall, rangy, Jack Ervin has won number five spot on the Frosh crew's first boat. This boy has plenty of fight, and is considered by many to have one of the greatest futures of any crew man at the University of Washington. Phi Sigma Kappa will be well represented in Frosh track too. Bob Thackrey, a pint sized speedball, is showing promise in the dashes. Norm Freese looks good in the high and low hurdles. We also have three brothers in the weight division. Deeks and Hoff throw the shot-put and the discus, and Bill McKenzie throws just the discus. It seems that much of our space is taken up with the progress of the Frosh athletes. This just furthers the fact that Lambda Deuteron has one of its finest pledge classes it has ever had.

Our chief social function the first part of this quarter was a Fireside held on February 7. An exceptionally large crowd turned out, and the evening was featured by dancing to the newest popular records. Refreshments were served by the Mothers Club, and an enjoyable time was had by all.

With the Armed Forces



ALLEN, Hugh A., Jr., Lambda '43, 1st Lt., Army.
BALL, James A., Lambda '44, Ensign, Naval Communications, Navy Dept., Washington, D. C.
BEAMER, David J., Lambda '45, Corporal, Camp Meade, Md.
BEARDSLEY, David A., Lambda '44, 2nd Lt., Instructor, Army Air Corps.
BENEDICT, Norman F., Delta Triton '42, Ensign, U. S. S. Cuttlefish, Navy.
BENTON, John C., Omega '41, Fort Ray, Sitka, Alaska.
BILDEN, William O., Lambda '42, Private, Camp Meade, Md.
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Since the last issue of *THE SIGNET*, Brother John H. Marchmont, our national President, has visited Epsilon Deuteron, Beta Deuteron and Delta Triton Chapters. He expects also to have visited Beta, Delta Deuteron, Alpha Deuteron, Phi Deuteron and Omicron Deuteron Chapters, in that order, by the time that this issue of *THE SIGNET* is ready for distribution.

Brother Schoening, Secretary-Treasurer and Editor, has visited Omicron, Alpha and Xi Chapters, in that order, since that

time. Brother Rupert, Director from Region I, also visited Alpha. Brother Brown, Director from Region II, has visited Gamma, Iota, Nu, Mu and Phi Chapters. Brother Collins, Director from Region IV, spent week visiting Alpha Deuteron, Beta Triton, Delta Triton, and Delta Deuteron. Brother Palm, Director from Region V, has visited Omega Deuteron, Eta Deuteron and Nu Deuteron Chapters. Brother Miller, Director from Region VI, has visited Mu Deuteron Chapter.

Delta Initiates Twenty-eight

Delta Chapter of Phi Sigma Kappa, located at the University of West Virginia, Morgantown, West Virginia, initiated twenty-eight pledges. This class is one of the largest to be initiated by a chapter of Phi Sigma Kappa in many years.

Those who became brothers on February 15 are as follows: William Vincent Graham, Clarence Corder Bragg, William Powell Jr., James William Conner, James Marshall DePue Jr., L. Burke O'Neal, Preston Caldwell Davis, Robert Davis MacFarland, Charles Edward Lester, Justus Wells Eakin, Kermit Reed Orders, Charles Ray Kunkle Jr., Joseph Craddock Elliot, Thomas Edward Stanley, John Eldon Stenger, George Irvin Rexroad, William Ernest Burroughs, William Tilden Williams, Samuel Comstock McCorkle, William Louis Wagner, James Alpha Thompson, Frederick Lionel Thomas Jr., John Marion Ashcraft Jr., Edward Eugene Franz, Ruffner Fenton Stalnaker Jr., John Perry Jr., Charles Ernest Champe, Charles Francis Printz.

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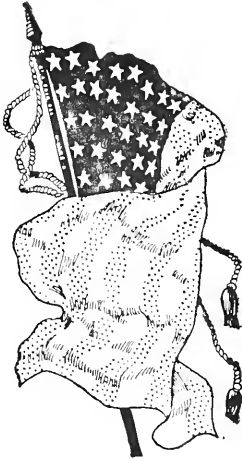
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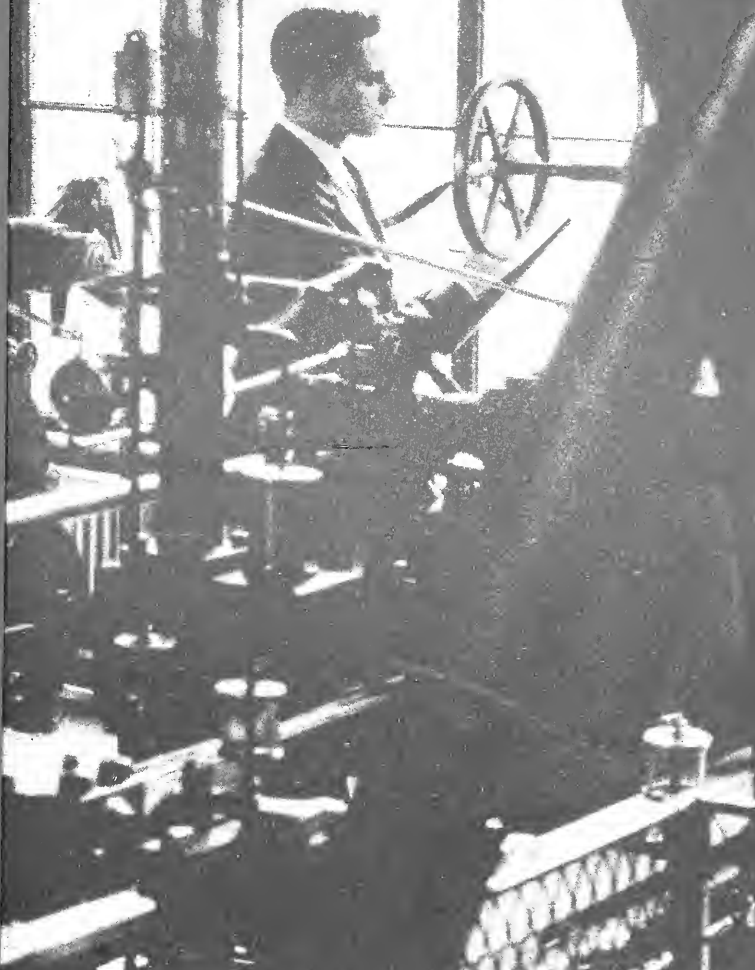
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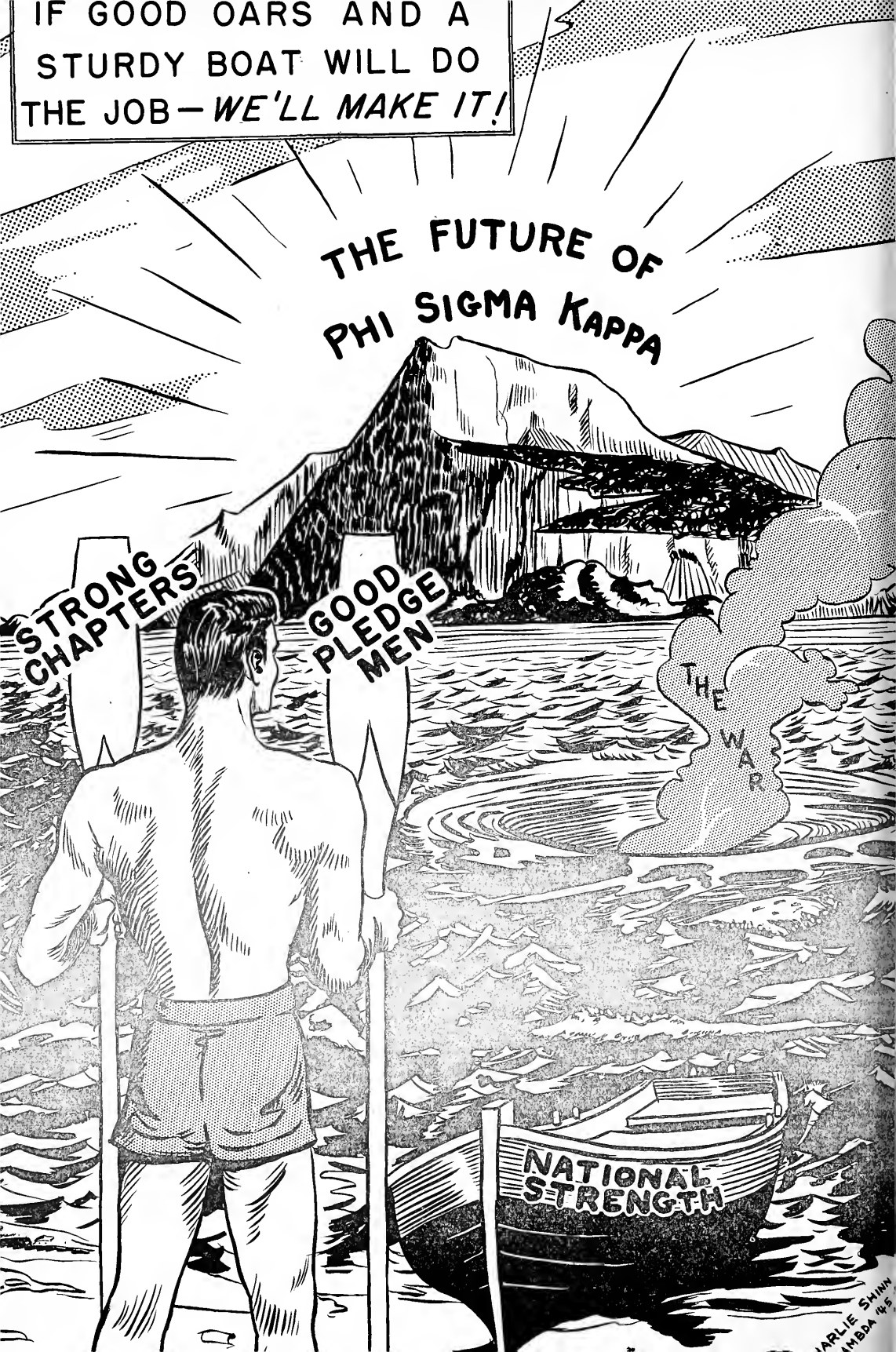
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A Phi Sig Builds The Pennsylvania Turnpike

By *JESSE M. AYCOCK, Sigma Chi*

Between industrial Pittsburgh and Harrisburg, the capital of Pennsylvania, lies a formidable range of mountains—the Alleghenies, which has been a barrier to commerce since the first stubborn pioneers set out to conquer the West. Wagon trails were beaten out, winding from craggy summit to tortuous pass, and eventually railroads came upon the scene and strove courageously to keep pace with the traffic created by the swift growth west of the mountains. During the 1880's, the Vanderbilt interests became embroiled in a gigantic struggle with competitive railroad interests and set about to purchase right-of-way and construct a direct rail line to Pittsburgh. Then suddenly, the project was dropped but not until vast quantities of earth had been scooped from cuts and placed in fills, and nine railroad tunnels had been partially driven under the principal mountain ridges. For more than half a century, these workings lay idle, grew up in scrub, and the ceaseless work of the weather caused the tunnel walls and ceilings to crumble so that finally the few hunters who ventured into this wilderness could hardly recognize the scars left by the hand of man.

Up to, and during the great depression, Pennsylvania's highway system developed normally, and as a whole compared more than favorably with that of other states, although the east-west routes still followed the lines of least resistance, in many instances along those early trails of the pioneers.

For years, Pennsylvanians had dreamed of an all weather route through the Alleghenies but not until the post de-

pression years, which might well be termed the Era of Public Works, did the accomplishment of such mammoth projects become practical.

The Pennsylvania Turnpike, as magnificent and efficient a piece of highway construction this nation has ever seen, has been in operation for a little more



SAMUEL W. MARSHALL

than a year and may now be pronounced an amazing success, even beyond the most optimistic hopes of its sponsors. Within less than two years after the first spadeful of earth was disturbed, fifteen thousand workmen have carved a monument to American ingenuity and progress, straight through the heart of the wild but beautiful Pennsylvania Mountains. During that short time, they mov-

ed more earth than was required for the famed but tragic Maginot line, and poured almost as much concrete and placed almost as much steel as the French in the more than ten years they laboured in vain.

Samuel W. Marshall, Mu '15, is the man who headed the engineering organization that built this great new super-highway, but, as anyone who knows him can confirm, he has been more than Chief Engineer of the group who designed and built this modern engineering marvel in record time. Back in the days when the first surveys of the abandoned South Penn railroad right-of-way were undertaken, and when most people regarded the proposition as a pipe dream, Sam Marshall was appointed a member of the Pennsylvania Turnpike Commission, a body empowered by the State Legislature to construct, operate, and maintain a toll highway from Harrisburg to Pittsburgh, but, unfortunately, not provided with the means to finance such an ambitious venture. He resigned shortly thereafter to accept an appointment by his friend, former Governor George H. Earle, as chief Engineer of the Pennsylvania Department of Highways, a change which instead of terminating his interest in the proposed project, brought him into even more intimate association with its early development for the initial surveys and planning was done under the Department's supervision.

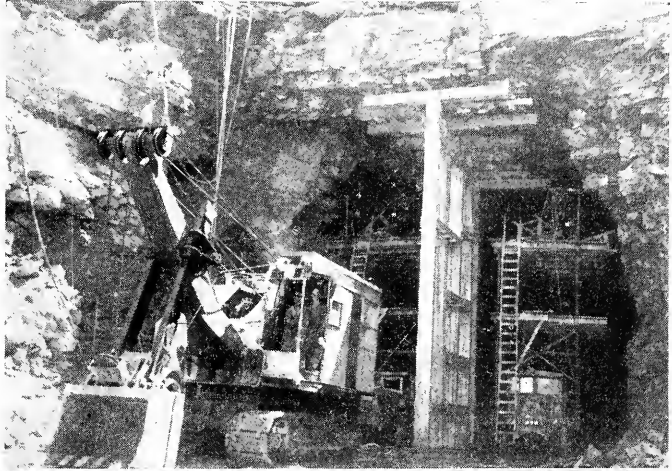
Running the Pennsylvania Highway Department is a full time job in itself, and it was necessary for Marshall and his associates to work far into the night, month after month, preparing estimates, studying surveys, determining lines, and planning the tremendous organization which would be necessary to complete the job when and if the money became available. But Sam Marshall never doubted that it would and that when it did, he and his men would be ready.

He was right. On October 10, 1938, the Turnpike Commission received final notice of assistance by Federal authorities. Arrangements were made immediately to complete plans and advertise for bids for the first ten mile section at the eastern end where the terrain is not so difficult. Believe it or not, the successful contractor had commenced operations seventeen days later, October 27, this being necessary in order to meet an almost impossible deadline established by the Federal Emergency Administration of Public Works.

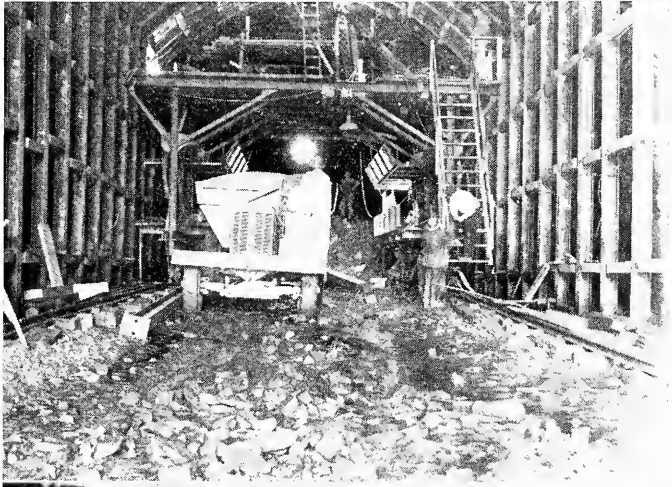
During the following four months, roadway plans were completed, more than two hundred and fifty overpasses, underpasses, and miscellaneous bridges were designed and by early spring were either already under construction or were in the process of being placed under contracts. By this time, Sam Marshall, having completed his term with the Department of Highways, had moved over to devote his full time as Chief Engineer of the Pennsylvania Turnpike Commission and full time meant just about as near 24 hours a day as humanly possible, for when the Federal Government gives financial assistance to projects such as these, it demands action and plenty of it.

The action Sam Marshall gave them was such as to cause old construction men to whistle in amazement. By the middle of the summer of 1939, men and equipment were making the dirt fly from one end of the 160 mile route to the other, and Marshall and his engineers were making preparations for awarding paving contracts. Seven tunnels, totaling more than 6½ miles in length, some of them utilizing the partially driven tunnels abandoned fifty years previously, were under contract and driving at top speed from both ends of the mountains. Marshall's engineering organization had grown from a mere handful to more than one thousand hard hitting engineers, designers, draftsmen, construc-

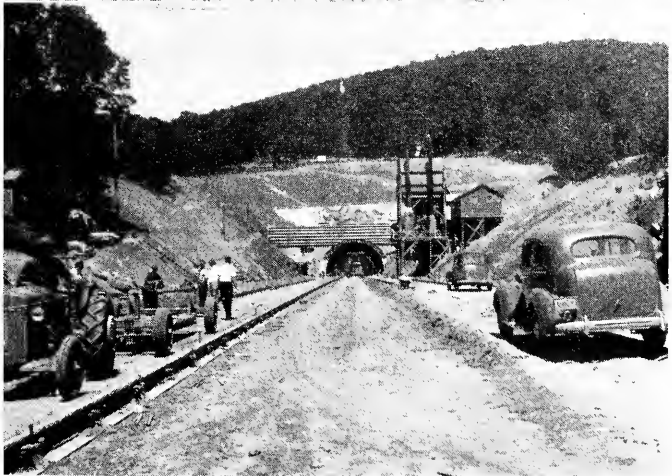
This tunnel contractor has cleaned out the portal and is ready to begin normal tunnelling cycle — drill, blast, scale loose material, and muck out.



Tunnel contractor sets steel arch supports where rock is not considered stable.



Paving, ventilation building and tunnel contractors coordinate their respective operations.



tion inspectors, and the numerous administrative and clerical groups necessary to round it out. To the most casual observer it was fairly obvious that almost to a man they had absorbed Marshall's enthusiasm, for within the memory of none had a peacetime organization so willingly contributed so many long hours of overtime. Most of them knew him well for he seemed to be everywhere at once—in the draughting room, walking the "line" in all kinds of weather, standing knee deep in water at a dangerous tunnel heading in search of the solution to some intricate construction problem, or flying to Washington to expedite the progress of financial arrangements.

By early fall of 1939, the major problems of design had been met and mastered, and it was fortunate indeed that this phase had been successfully discharged, for Sam Marshall was suddenly faced with an entirely different sort of a problem, a problem which, although not altogether unforeseen, was of such magnitude as to stir misgivings in the minds of the most optimistic. Grading the roadbed was rapidly nearing substantial completion and, except for a moderately sized mountain which showed a tendency to creep over the line at one location—a minor difficulty by comparison with what had already been surmounted and what was to come—, could be considered safely under the deadline. Tunnels had been beset with innumerable delays, chiefly due to the close quarters in which excavating, concreting, and portal building contractors had to work and at the same time coordinate their operations, and to the accidents which are generally unavoidable in tunnel construction. But here, too, no time had been lost that could not be made up, and preparations were already being made for "holing through" ceremonies by the first of the six contractors, who were engaged in spirited race not only with time but with each other.

This new problem concerned paving, which under normal conditions is one of the least of the worries of the highway builder. A few short stretches of pavement had been laid over some of the earlier graded sections which had had a reasonable amount of time for heavy fills to settle, and all fills had been placed and rolled in relatively thin layers in order to facilitate compaction. Yet Marshall and his designers, in their best engineering judgment, insisted that it would not be safe to pave those sections which had been graded in 1939 until the following spring, because of the certainty that enough settlement would occur to cause damage to the permanent riding surface. This meant that virtually the entire paving operation, totalling more than 4 million square yards, would have to be completed in a little more than 50 paving days, the normal expectancy of the days of good weather in the interval between the spring thaw and the deadline set by the Federal Government for their participation in expenditures.

Now, furnishing the material, preparing the roadbed, and paving and curing the concrete for four million yards of pavement in two or three, or even six months, parallels in scope the maintenance of considerable military operation. It involves the stocking at strategic points of more than one and a half million barrels of cement and two million tons of stone and sand. Movement of nearly 2,500 freight cars daily would have been required to effect these deliveries if railroads could have been used exclusively, but due to the inaccessibility of almost the entire line, thousands of trucks were required, the extent of which operation defies description.

Sam Marshall met this task with his usual determination. Contracts were awarded and the contractors were called in so that they could personally assist in planning the campaign. Step by step schedules were prepared and carefully



Safety engineers laid out the moderate curves so that any of them can be taken at 75 miles per hour without strain.

studied, materials were purchased and stocked along the line, protected, of course from the elements. The mightiest array of equipment ever assembled was readied for the first break in the weather, much of it new but a substantial portion of it being hauled from distant states.

When the break came, and it came late, they were ready. From that time on the central office of the Turnpike Commission saw little of Sam Marshall—he was out on the line again, knowing no hours, for floodlights were set up and the giant pavers crept along night and day without halt. Contractors labored against time, weather, material supply, and labor supply, and gradually the end came in sight and the impossible was accomplished. On July 29, 1940 the Turnpike was pronounced substantially complete, only minor items such as toll taking facilities, roadway markers, fencing, and cleanup remaining to be completed. On August 26, 1940, a five mile caravan carrying figures of national importance, congressmen, senators, military and industrial leaders, and outstanding engineers, sped from end to

end in an official preview of the finished job. A better day for displaying the Turnpike's advantages could not have been chosen for it was one of those murky, foggy, wet days when a trip over the old Lincoln Highway is more trying than a ride on the roller coaster, yet the caravan made the trip in little more than half the running time required on the old routes in the best of weather. Immediately the press burst forth in a spontaneous and continued expression of admiration.

It is not hard to understand why this \$70,000,000 superhighway is now expected to yield revenues which will retire its financial obligations years before scheduled maturity. In order to fully appreciate its advantages one has but to puff up the grades of adjacent public roads and wind around their slippery curves until they catch a glimpse far down in the valley below of the Turnpike's gleaming ribbons of concrete. Along its 160 miles there are no grades steeper than three percent, no curve that cannot be taken at 75 miles per hour or better. There are no grade intersections and motorists entering or leaving at its eleven

interchanges are provided with extra lanes for acceleration and deceleration so that they are not endangered by thru traffic. Only in the tunnels is it necessary for one to slow down to speeds equivalent to limits set on ordinary highways. The Turnpike is actually a gigantic metropolitan boulevard linking vital eastern industrial centers.

These United States were at peace when this project was first conceived. Yet there was something prophetic in a statement made by Sam Marshall in the early days—"I earnestly believe that a network of superhighways financed either as Federal or State projects, will prove one of the most economical developments that could be constructed in the country today, not only from the standpoint of social and commercial development but as an emergency military necessity for the fast movement of war materials and supplies." In recent weeks, newspapers have featured pictures of a heavy Army Bomber which came down on the Turnpike during a storm and later took off safely. Potentially, the Turnpike, if desired, could be transformed overnight into the world's greatest landing field.

Samuel W. Marshall's part in the creating of the Pennsylvania Turnpike isn't the only service he has rendered his country in time of war. He went overseas as a Captain in World War I and distinguished himself, being awarded the French Croix de Guerre and the American Silver Star. He might have rested on his laurels—but he didn't. Upon completion of the Turnpike he became Chief Engineer of the Caribbean Architect-Engineer, a firm which has contracted to design Army air bases at Trinidad, St. Lucia, Antigua, and British Guiana, projects which together are even larger in scope than the Turnpike. In addition, he has become a partner in the firm of Parsons, Klapp, Brinckerhoff & Douglas, Consulting Engineers,

one of the two architectural and engineering firms holding the Caribbean contract with the government. Who can doubt that the job will be well done?

ANDERSON ELECTED PRESIDENT OF COE

Charles A. Anderson, Chi 1912, has recently been elected President of Coe College at Cedar Rapids, Iowa, and will assume the duties of this office during the coming summer.

Coe College is one of the strongest co-educational liberal arts colleges of the middle west with an enrollment of nearly 750 students. Affiliated with Coe College in the Mid West Conference, are Beloit, Carleton, Cornell, Grinnell, Knox, Lawrence, Monmouth, and Ripon Colleges.

Since 1931, Brother Anderson has been President of Tusculum College at Greeneville, Tennessee. Under his wise and able leadership this college increased its student enrollment, expanded its physical plant, enlarged its endowment, and made notable advances in its academic standards. Brother Anderson's selection for a more responsible and influential position is a well deserved recognition of his executive ability and of his educational leadership.

After graduating from Williams College in 1912, where he roomed with Brother Frank Prentice Rand, formerly Editor of *THE SIGNET* and author of the *History of Phi Sigma Kappa*, Brother Anderson attended the Auburn Theological Seminary, preached at Maplewood, N. J., and for ten years served as student pastor at the University of Pennsylvania.

The world bestows its big prizes, both in money and honors, for but one thing. And that is initiative. What is initiative? I'll tell you: It is doing the right thing without being told.—*Elbert Hubbard.*

Experiences of a Petroleum Geologist in Sumatra

By I. K. NICHOLS, *Theta Deuteron* '37

(Continued from January 1942 SIGNET)

Latin Americans are notorious for postponing unpleasant tasks until *mañana*. Now that I am down here in the "land of *mañana*," I seem to have fallen into the same bad habit. Consequently as the "dead-line" of this article draws near, I find myself sitting here in a leaky tent on the shores of Twara Lagoon on the east coast of Nicaragua as the rain pours down in torrents outside. Under these circumstances I find it a bit difficult to get myself back in the jungles of Sumatra and pick up the thread of the story where I left off as I entered Mr. Dieprink's camp at Permatang Perbada in 1938.

Mr. Dieprink was a young Dutch geologist a few years older than myself and had been working in Sumatra and Java for about two years. He was finishing up the detailed surface geology of the Sebang anticline and I was to work with him until I became familiar with the methods used by the company in central Sumatra.

Mr. Dieprink's camp consisted of an *atap* (thatched palm) house for his quarters, and *atap* cook's house and servant's quarters and several coolie tents which were located at about 100 meters distance from Dieprink's house in order to avoid the many unpleasant odors arising from the said tents.

Dieprink's house consisted of an *atap* roof and sides which extended up about four feet from the ground floor. This left an opening of several feet from the low sides to the eaves for ventilation. The house was divided by a partition into an office and dining room on one end with the sleeping quarters in the

other half. The office and dining room had a ground floor and the sleeping quarters were built up on poles about three feet above the ground with steps leading up from the ground floor. This type of sleeping quarters is necessary in the Tropics in order to avoid the many snakes, scorpions, etc., which also like dry bedrooms. We slept on army cots with mosquito nets or *kelambus* draped over them to keep out the many insect pests. The anopheles mosquitoes, that is the malaria carrying type, are abundant in Sumatra. Since nearly all of the coolies have malaria it is necessary to take every precaution possible to keep from contracting the disease from the coolies via the anopheles mosquitoes.

The company provided each geologist with a Malay or Javanese servant boy who did the cooking, serving, washing and general housework. We were also provided with the very best food that good American dollars could buy. We had everything from hors-d'oeuvres to after dinner mints. The company followed this policy in order to protect and preserve the health and morale of the geologists who had a mighty tough job under the best of conditions.

Our supplies were brought in from Pakan Baroe to Balai Poengoet by boat and were carried by coolies from Balai Poengoet to the base camp at Permatang Perbada, a distance of 14 kilometers. The coolies received about 1¼ cents (U.S.) per kilogram for this trip. Each man would carry 50 kilograms and the round trip required two days so that each man would average about 31 cents a day,

which, by the way, is excellent wages for coolies in that part of the world.

The above wage quotation brings to my mind a story I heard while in Makassar, Celebes. There the coolies working on the government docks were receiving about 5 cents (U. S.) a day. It seems that some public-minded government official decided that the coolies were underpaid and their wages raised to about 10 cents (U. S.) a day. Everything went along fine for a few days and then the coolies became very irregular in reporting for work. They would work a few days and then lay off for several days. Finally an investigation took place and the officials discovered that the coolies were not working regularly because at 10 cents a day they could make enough in a week to buy their rice and fish for two weeks. So consequently they only had to work half as much as they did before when they were only getting 5 cents a day. Incidentally, the wages were again dropped to 5 cents a day. The coolies reported regularly for work and everyone lived happily ever after. That is, until the Japs came along!

We usually received our mail once every week and this was to us the most important day of the week. I just lived from one mail day to the next during the first few weeks until my homesickness wore off. We had no radio and our only contact with the outside world was via the weekly mail. We worked seven days a week as a day of leisure only meant a day longer until the job was finished, and a day longer until we could get back to civilization.

Dieprink's party consisted of two Javanese surveyors and draftsmen and approximately 100 Malay coolies who did the hand auger drilling, pit digging and *rintis* (trail) cutting.

The Malay people are small of stature and the average man is about 5 feet 4 inches tall and weighs about 125 pounds. They thrive on a diet of rice and dried

fish with occasionally a few green peas or other green vegetables. They much prefer the polished rice to brown rice and consequently many of the coolies were troubled with beri-beri.

The Malays are Mohammedans and will not eat or touch pork. Some of the servants even refuse to cook pork for their *toeans* (white men) and will quit rather than break this rule. When killing a bullock for meat, they always kill the animal by slowly cutting its throat. This is done with a special type of knife and the cutting is accompanied by a certain prayer from the Koran. If the throat of the animal is not cut before the animal is dead, the meat is unholy and cannot be eaten by a faithful Mohammedan. The story is also told that some devout Mohammedans even say this prayer when opening a tin of meat with a can opener. I have never witnessed this, however, and do not know it to be a fact.

During the Mohammedan New Year, the Malays celebrate by praying and fasting. If I remember correctly this period lasts for one month and is called *poeasa*. During this period, they do not eat, drink or smoke between sunup and sundown. Consequently they have to eat about four o'clock in the morning, fast through the day and eat again after sundown. Naturally the coolies are very listless during *poeasa* and it is difficult to keep the work going as many of them quit and return to their *kampongs* (villages).

Most of the Malays love to gamble and they spend their evenings in the jungle by playing various games around the campfire, or by swapping various legendary stories about the various spirits of the jungle.

The company had devised a method of working out the surface geology in central Sumatra which is peculiarly adapted to that area. I don't know of any place else in the world where the same tactics are used. Since it is an area of low relief and deep weathering, there are no sur-

face outcrops from which the geologist can collect samples, take dips and strikes, and procure other data necessary for mapping the surface geology. However, it was found that good samples could be obtained by drilling deep hand auger holes and the approximate dips and strikes could be determined by making oriented punch cores in the same holes from which the hand auger samples were obtained. Trails were first cut through the impenetrable jungles at approximately right angles to the trend of the regional folding. These trails were then surveyed and the hand auger holes drilled along the trails at various regular intervals varying from 50 to 200 meters. It was usually necessary to drill down about 5 meters to penetrate the weathered zone and get into the fresh unweathered strata.

All of the auger holes, dips and strikes, and other pertinent data were plotted on a large scale map. It was then that the geologic picture of the area would begin to take form in the same manner that the picture on a blank kodak film takes form when immersed into the developing solution. This type of "work" is to me a fascinating and all-absorbing problem. Perhaps it is this fascination that makes it possible for geologists to undergo so many hardships in remote corners of the world for months at a time without any diversion from their work and without going crazy.

Our days in the jungles began at day-break when we were awakened by the incessant howling of the *wah wahs* (Malay for black gibbons) as they began their search for a bite of breakfast to "take the wrinkles out of their bellies." Their reverberating howls would cascade down upon our palm house from every corner of the jungle and further sleeping was impossible. I often profanely concluded that there were enough monkeys in one square mile of this jungle to fill all of the zoos from Hoboken to Hoquiam.

After my morning coffee, I would have the head *mandoer* (foreman) take the coolie roll call and then I would start out on the day's work at about 5:30 a.m. The morning hours are the best for working in the tropics as the afternoons are usually terrifically hot.

I had had no opportunity to learn to speak Malay before I was put in charge of a large drilling party and during the first few weeks I underwent many exasperating experiences. I wasn't able to give orders to the coolies in Malay and they couldn't understand a word of English. Consequently, I had to rely upon sign language and a few key Malay words which I had looked up in my pocket dictionary. I carried the dictionary with me every day and studied it diligently at night so that in a few weeks I had learned enough Malay to supervise the work.

Most of the coolies had never seen a pipe wrench or a pipe before and it took the "none-too-bright" coolies a few days to learn how to couple and uncouple the $\frac{3}{4}$ inch pipe with a pipe wrench. Invariably they would turn the pipe the wrong way or cross thread it when coupling the pipe together. I had to show them how to do even the simplest task. I took the brightest of the coolies and made *mandoers* of them and placed one *mandoer* in charge of each drilling crew of four men. Only a few of the coolies could write and I taught these men to label the sample bags and paint the number of the auger hole on a tree beside the hole. I gave each man a simple routine job to do and after a few days the work went along smoothly.

This area was considered to be bad tiger country and every day we saw their large tracks in the fresh mud along the trails. Some of these tracks were as large as a salad plate and I often wondered what I would do if I met one face to face. One evening while coming in from work with the coolies along one of the

jungle trails we did meet a large tiger. We all stood in our tracks as if hypnotized. We stood thus for what seemed to me fully a minute. I had no gun but carried only a small Bowie knife. Each coolie carried a long wicked knife called a *parang*. The tiger merely looked us over, yawned, and finally strolled off nonchalantly into the jungle. Needless to say, we all heaved a big sigh of relief.

One may shoot tigers from the height of a platform in a tree or an elephant's back with comparative safety; but when you come down to the ground the feeling comes home to you of the marvellous strength and activity that are combined in



Tiger proof house in camp on the Sungai Sebunga.

that beautiful frame. You know that when the occasion comes that the beautiful brute can come with lightning speed through the thick tangled jungle. Finally you realize that at close quarters a man is as helpless as a child against the overpowering weight and strength of an animal that can kill an ox with one blow. When you are on the ground looking a tiger in the eye, you realize all this with great vividness.

This reminds me of the story about a certain Frenchman who met a tiger on a trail one day. Some one asked him whether it was a big tiger. It was his answer that illustrates my meaning. He said, "Well, Messieurs, I cannot say if he is a big tiger. My eyes see that he is big; but I cannot say how big I see him

to be; and if I say how big, it is perhaps that I tell a lie. But I can tell you, Messieurs, how big I *feel* him to be, and I can tell the truth. When he is standing there in front of me, I tell you that I feel he is not less than thir-r-ty feet high."

A few weeks later two of our coolies did not come in at night from the *rintis* where they had been working. The next morning we sent out a searching party to find them. All that was ever found was a belt buckle and a few pieces of their rubber shoes. We presumed, without much doubt, that they had been eaten by tigers!

We also had to be very careful of snakes and scorpions, as these pests abound in the jungle.

One evening while Mr. Dieprink and I were having dinner I happened to look down under the table and discovered a large scorpion directly between our feet. I briefly reviewed the situation to Mr. Dieprink and we both moved back from the table simultaneously without giving the scorpion a chance to strike us. We then dispatched Mr. Scorpion with a *parang* and continued our meal.

Upon completion of the work at Sebunga, Mr. Dieprink returned to Medan to write up his report and I moved on to the north to work with Mr. Nygren who had organized a large party and was mapping that area.

WORD FROM HARTMAN

A letter from Brother P. F. Hartman, Beta Deuteron '25, mailed to THE SIGNET November 28, 1941 from Buitenzorg, Java, was received three months later. The letter promised a story of Java for THE SIGNET. THE SIGNET will be glad to receive Brother Hartman's story and hopes that he successfully eluded the Japs. Brother Hartman is with the Good-year Tire and Rubber Company, Ltd.

Buy a Phi Sig record now. \$1.

JAMES THOMAS JAP PRISONER

EDITOR'S NOTE: Information for following was telephoned to Omega Chapter, March 30, 1942, by United Press.

James Thomas '41, a graduate of the college of engineering and a member of Phi Sigma Kappa fraternity, is a prisoner of war in Japan, a United Press dispatch reported last night. (See the Omega article in THE SIGNET Chapterette section for further details about Brother Thomas, Omega '41).

A radio propaganda broadcast from Kobe, Japan, picked up by the UP monitoring station in Moraga, California, carried a "letter" from Thomas to his mother in Idaho.

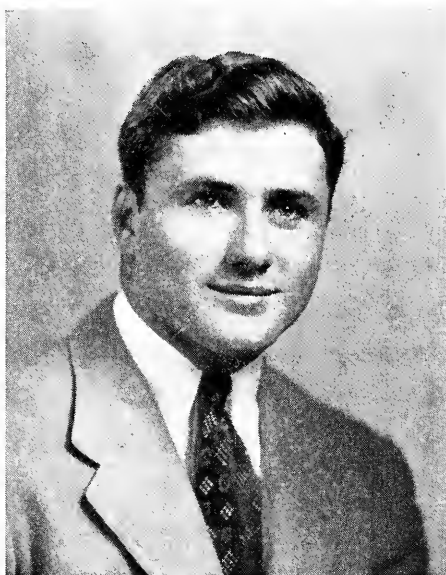
Thomas was taken prisoner at Guam, December 7, 1941, where he was working as assistant airport manager for Pan American Airways.

In his letter Thomas sent greetings to all his friends. He said the prisoners of war were in need of warm clothing and shoes. He hopes there will soon be an exchange of prisoners although he expects to have to remain in Japan for the duration.

PHI SIG'S NEW PLAYWRIGHT

Brother Bill Kephart, graduate of the class of '41 at Franklin and Marshall, one of last year's Phi Beta Kappa men, has sold a play which he worked on while in college to Samuel French Publishers of New York. The play, called the "Great American Ape," has been chosen by Margaret Marjory as one of the best one-act plays of 1941 and has been published in her work, "Best One Act Plays of 1941."

Bill was an ardent enthusiast of the Green Room Club plays at Franklin and Marshall, and the club's director, Darrell Larsen, Professor of English and Public Speaking received a tribute in the preface to Brother Kephart's play.

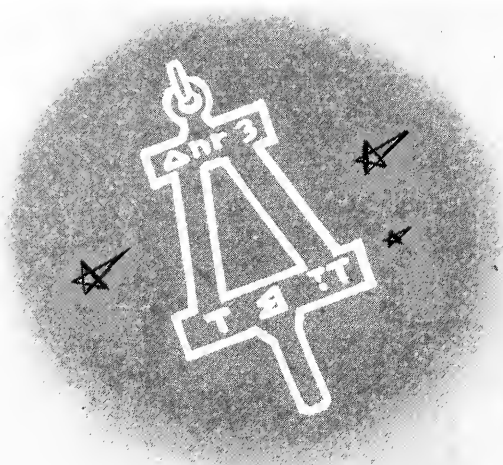
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FRATERNITY MEN LEAD SCHOLARSHIP

Fraternity men rank higher in scholarship than non-fraternity men in the United States for the twelfth consecutive year, according to a survey covering institutions of higher learning which has just been released by the National Interfraternity Conference.

The nation-wide survey made by Dr. Alvan E. Duerr of the Manufacturers Trust Company of New York City included the scholastic records of more than 75,000 undergraduate members of the 2,389 chapters belonging to 60 national fraternities established at 180 colleges and universities. When fraternity men passed unorganized men in scholarship for the first time in 1929-1930, there were only 125 institutions which furnished scholastic records covering 60,000 fraternity members.



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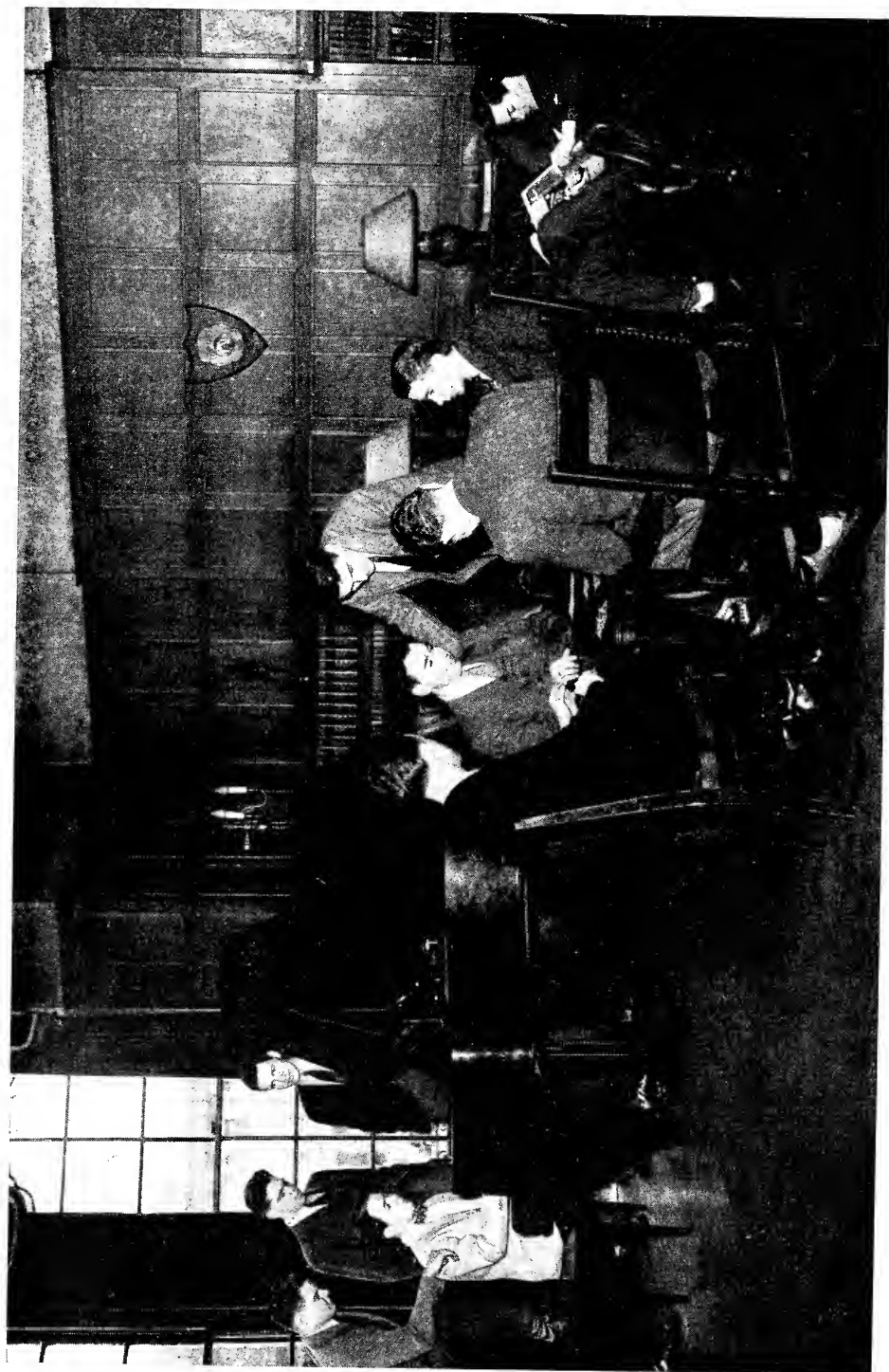


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Here's to Omicron!

- Forty Years A Faithful Phi Sig Chapter
- Forty Years the Father of Fine Men
- Forty Years an Integral Part of M. I. T.
- Forty Years a Real Fraternity



OMICRON LOUNGE

Left to right: Granlund, Pohanka (seated at piano), Ritterhoff, Gregg, Mitchell, Ruoff, Lusti, Adams, St. Germain, Porson.

The Historical "He-Men" of Omicron

By KENNETH J. RADIMER '42



THE following quoted passages are literal translations from the original tongues, unknown to they may be, in which the scribes of the transient tribes of the genus homo, species sapiens have recorded the history of the predecessors of that group of men now known by the illustrious nom d' Omicron Chapter of Phi Sigma Kappa.

In short, the following are excerpts from the chapter minutes of years gone by.

Sometime prior to the the present and more enlightened century, the all grand and almighty bigwigs of Phi Sigma Kappa were well aware of the need of a chapter at M. I. T., but unfortunately there must have been some pulling of the well worn wool over the eyes of the more enlightened by the less enlightened, because it would seem from the evidence obtained from the archives (mostly old bills) that the first intentions were to attempt establishing at chapter at Hahvahd University. The present consensus is that there could hardly be a worse fate than this. But the authorities of Hahvahd, not being as far-sighted as the authorities of M. I. T., allayed this almost certain sad fate, by declaring in no uncertain terms that fraternal organizations are just not permitted at their "fair" university. That ended that.

And so the members of Omicron's first chapter were formally inducted into the national fraternity on May 24, 1902. From this date on, for some undetermined reason, the group kept records which were called minutes, but which actually were merely collections of intriguing Egyptian and Babylonian picture-writing symbols, which this writer can assure

you were very difficult to translate. A complete translation, it was realized would amount to a monumental work, and for this reason, only the passages quoted below are rendered into English.

One of the first passages was this: October 6, 1902, "Howard Crane was elected president at this, our first meeting. He delivered a speech which was



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said to have been written by Jacob Brunn Reinhardt, for the writing of which Reinhardt extracted from Crane two old telephone transmitters in payment."

Omicron's first mistake was made in November, 1905, when the House Committee announced that "from now on nothing more is to be thrown into the fireplace." In the opinion of this writer, the House Committee should have let well enough alone, for because of that



OUR PRESIDENT

entry undoubtedly, now the custom is well established that members should leave everything strewn all over the floor. Now if it were only the custom to throw things into the fireplace, they could at least be disposed of very simply by burning.

And, speaking of burning things, October, 1906 saw the earliest mention of the now-familiar-in-a-slightly-different-form admonition. "Turn out your gas when you leave your room." It's the same old saw. Merely a timely variation of a modern theme.

Thus you see that things have not changed fundamentally in forty years. This is again shown by an entry for a meeting in May, 1909, during which it is complained that "every other year the by-laws seem to be revised." This makes one wonder if, way back in 1909, these changes were made in the same stormy sessions as they are today.

Although Omicron has had its conservatives, they never did seem to have very much power, and the next coup of

the radicals was made while everyone's attention was focussed on the first World War. In the minutes for one of the May, 1916 meetings, it is recorded that "Brother Strong announced that soft collars may be worn at dinner after May 26." The collar controversy evidently continued intermittently for years, until in January, 1919, we read that soft collars could be worn at formal meetings but not at dinner. In May, 1919, the final blow was struck, and stiff collars became matters of personal dictate, even in the sanctum sanctorum, commonly known as the dining room.

The unruly character of the members of Omicron chapter has been fairly constant in its nature. This is proved, beyond a doubt, by the entry for one of the April, 1921 meetings:

"It was the sentiment of the chapter to reaffirm to the I. F. C. its disapproval of any rushing rules." And then just following the preceding sentiment was a discussion of pipes which were to be distributed to all juniors and seniors as mementos of their fraternity days. Of course, the propinquity of this pair of excerpts shows beyond a shadow of a doubt that the use of another kind of pipe was in mind when the proposed rushing rules were being considered.

But, although the upperclassmen were obviously no angels, they did do their best to keep the freshmen pure, sweet, and good. This is evidenced by an April, 1922 entry, in which freshmen were admonished concerning their behavior. This must have been a clear case of "Do as I say, not as I do."

The evolutionary Theory had its place in the evolution of Omicron to its present proud pinnacle. In the minutes of November, 1928, we find the following: "Due to an epidemic of colds, each man will use his own napkin at meals." Evidently prior to this, they had been using any napkin they could get ahold of,

demonstrating quite aptly Darwin's theory of the survival of the fittest.

1930 was a big year at Omicron. According to the minutes there was an open season on discussions about the noisy conditions of the house. It is this writer's experience that these discussions about noise in the house are usually the greatest sources of noise in the house. Also, according to the minutes for the month of November, the fire in the furnace was started. Yes, 1930 was a big year!

In April, 1933, a plague of mice forced the brethren to put all edibles into tin boxes. From what this writer has seen, the mice are of a very odd species, being very large bipeds. But, in spite of this undercover looting of each other's food supplies, the Phi Sigs did seem to be tending more to business. The good old subject of by-laws came up in April, 1933. It seems a committee had to be appointed "to redraft the by-laws in view of the fact that Article VII was definitely missing.

Yes, there are very definite indications that Omicron was on the road to mending its ways. In February, 1938, it was "moved, seconded and passed that Vogue be discontinued." The point the minutes fail to state is just what periodical was substituted for Vogue. Further evidence that Omicron was on its way to becoming a "good" chapter, was when "Brother Freyfogle said there were to be no more practical jokes in the dorms," in November, 1938.

Improvement is very often characterized by reconstruction. At least this must have been the case with Omicron in February, 1939. The minutes dutifully record that there was a discussion relative to the advisability of getting a new radio, or reconstructing the old one. Of course, all that was meant by reconstructing the old one was letting the Physics and Electrical Engineering majors have a field day taking the thing

apart, and putting it back together again. In this way they could save as many of the parts for themselves as possible, and still have the radio work (maybe). Finally in 1941, after many years of being torn down and reassembled, the old radio was relegated to the lowly lounge, and a new radio was purchased. Since then, the old radio has been working perfectly.

By far, the biggest event of the past year was the Boston Blackout in February, with Phi Sigs wandering all over a pitch-black house, and falling over everything. Also worthy of note is the competition they gave the official air raid sirens. It is rumored now that they will replace these very shortly.

And so, according to the minutes, the historical he-men of Omicron have marched through the years. And, our scrawling scribes of the present still spatter their heiroglyphics on the minute book pages, to be translated with the same difficulty and amusement (we hope) by the future he-men of Omicron, as we translated the markings of those of the past. Let it never be said that these minutes would have been as com-



pletely world-moving as they are, if Omicron had been inducted at Hahvahd—the thorn in every Tech man's flesh. Certainly those who would have walked through the minute-book's pages, at least, would never have been "He-men."



EDWARD HARRIS
Chapter Adviser of Omicron

COVER PICTURE

This Signet's cover picture was taken in the steam laboratory of M. I. T. of one of the few large triple expansion Corliss engines ever built. The person in the picture is Omicron's Carl Meurk, '42. It will be noticed that the wheel in the foreground forms the "V" for Victory. Cover colors are those of M. I. T.

Brother Porson of Omicron (page 188), exhibits Phi Sig loyalty by his interest in another Phi Sig's work. That of Brother Arnold R. Gingrich, Delta Deuteron '25, Editor of *Esquire* Magazine.

Send your dollar to the National Headquarters for that Phi Sig songbook now.

GEORGE P. RUPERT, JR.

One of Omicron Chapter's outstanding members and loyal Phi Sigma Kappa men is George P. Rupert, Jr., Omicron '25, Regional Director of Region One. Rupe, as he is known in New Eng-



GEORGE P. RUPERT, JR.

land, has been successively Secretary and President of the Phi Sigma Kappa Club of Boston. As Chapter Adviser of Omicron Chapter from 1935 to 1938, he has materially contributed to the excellent quality of Omicron.

Elected to the Council of Phi Sigma Kappa in 1938, as Director from Region One, he has served it well and was the main cog in programing and managing the Boston Convention of Phi Sigma Kappa in the summer of 1940.

Mrs. George Rupert has generously contributed cartoons from time to time for the Signet and on page 202 you will find "Strategy on the Home Front" which is from her pen.

Buy a Phi Sig record now. \$1.

The Present Omicron Chapter

By R. J. HORN '45, and DAVE HOADLEY



WHEN we first began to think about writing an article on the present Omicron chapter, thru force of habit we began to make the usual compilation of activities in which the members of the house are engaged, positions held on the campus, members of honor societies, and so forth. But when we had scarcely begun, (naturally the list was of great length), we weren't really giving much of a picture of the chapter at all. So we have decided to break all precedent and tell you just what it's really like around the Phi Sig house here at Tech; and we are going to omit all of the usual material about honors held by the house, not even deigning to mention our house scholastic average, which was third among the twenty-six M. I. T. fraternities last semester.

To begin at the beginning, our day starts at seven forty-five in the morning when brother rising committee makes his rounds and discovers that all of the fellows have contracted badly sprained ankles and have decided to stay in bed this morning. At eight, brother riser takes another shot at it, this time with a few takers. Said brethren, once up, become veritable dynamos of energy and proceed downstairs to the dining room where Simpkins is dispensing bacon and eggs and "Terry and the Pirates." Simpkins, by the way, has been with the chapter for twenty-five years, during which time he has probably witnessed the mutilation of more morning newspapers than any other man alive.

The chapter house is situated on Commonwealth Ave. in Boston, across the Charles river from M. I. T. The greatest barrier standing between the Omi-

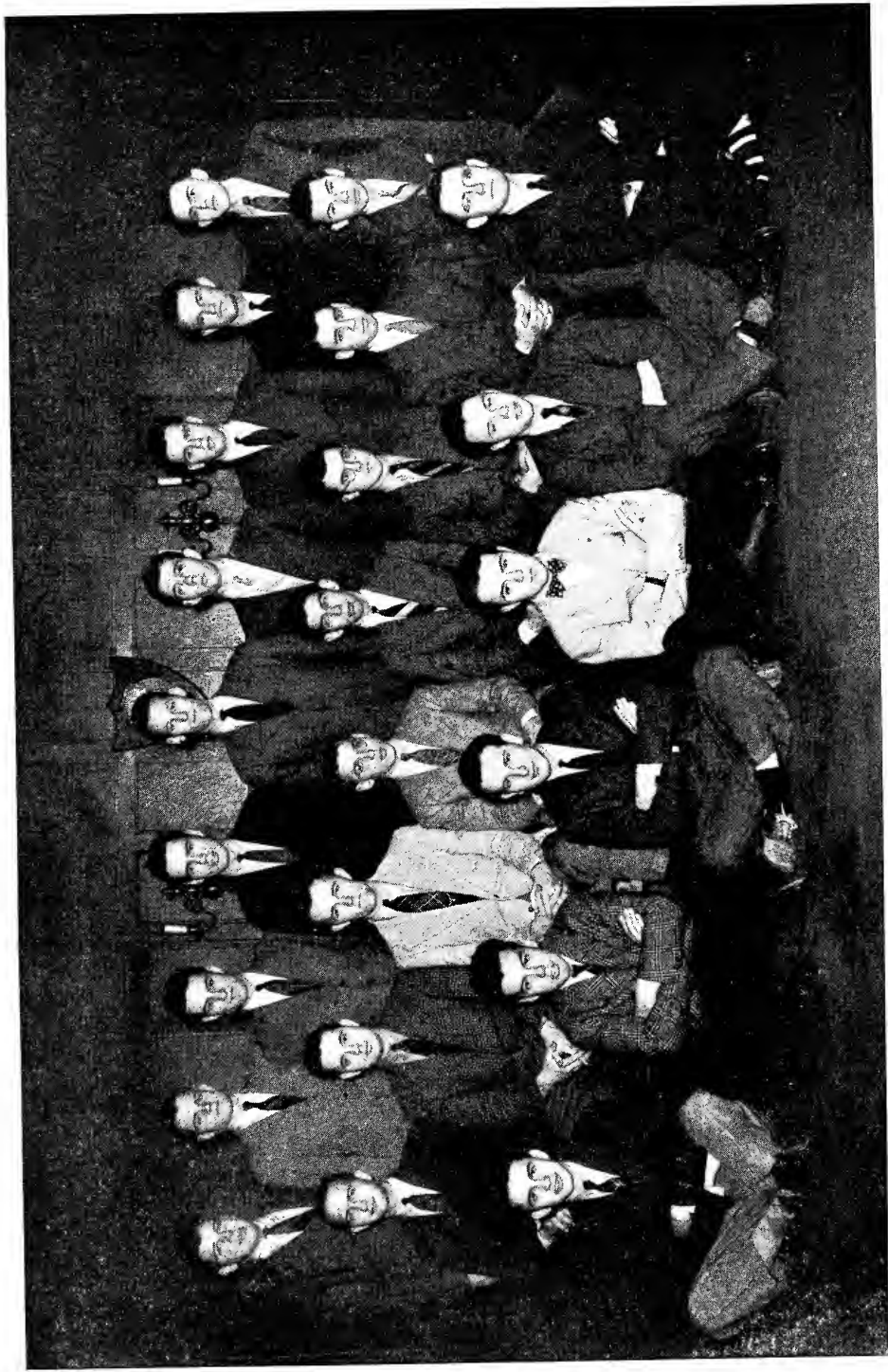


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cron boys and an education is the Harvard bridge which spans a windy half mile over to Tech, and which has been described by Admiral Byrd as the coldest place in the world, bar none. This being the case, we generally all pile into two or three cars in the morning and drive over. Most of the brothers who maintain cars are having the currently universal case of tire-worry, but we still manage. Brother Granlund's car, for instance, continues in use with no qualms whatsoever on the part of the owner; because he knows that the car



BACON AND EGGS



THE CHAPTER

Left to right, back row: Radimer, Granlund, Lusti, Gregg, Anderson, Crocker, Ritterhoff, Mitchell, Horn.
Middle row: Harris, Meurk, Marr, Strohmeier, Peterson, Forsbergh, Ruofi, Porson.
Front row: St. Germain, Rowe, Adams, Polianka, Grosjean, Warzeski.

is almost certain to fall apart mechanically before the tires ever think of giving out.

School seems to pretty well break up our day, and we don't see much of each other again until just before dinner time when we gather in the lounge to shoot the bull and listen to records. In regard to the latter, the house taste in music runs the complete gamut from Bach to boogie with slightly more emphasis on the eight-to-the-bar. Brother Forsbergh, a classical enthusiast, feels that the antiphonal progressions in most swing music are inexcusable; while Brother "Cat" Maconi is of the opinion that Beethoven is plenty solid, and Brahms is hep too, but that Haydn is definitely an "ick."

Our dinner table talk is probably one of the most distinctive features of the chapter. We are all engineers of sorts, and we have a lot in common as to our general interests. Now and then we try feebly to keep shop talk away from the table, but it always creeps back, because it is the one thing we are all concerned



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with. We do delve into other subjects, but often it gets back to vectors and black body radiation and kindred subjects. There was one colossal argument a couple of weeks ago as to whether or not it is possible to design a cam with a zero rate of acceleration.

Here we see Brother Porson's date bureau at work with Brother Warzeski calling long shots from the front row. Due to the fact that M. I. T. is a city college with a small campus, most of the fellows find it expedient to form connections which make it possible to use the Wellesley campus. Despite the fact that "Tech is Hell" and we all work pretty hard, most of the brothers find time for quite a bit of social life. We have numerous informals in the house come Saturday nights, and what with the other twenty-five fraternities on the campus, and all of us throwing formals at one time or another, there is seldom a dirth of things to do. When utter ennui sets in around springtime, there is always the open air theatre at Saugus.

The one serious note which we are



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hearing from all sides this spring is, of course, the war. Our three seniors will be graduating a month early in April, and all of the Juniors will be staying at Tech for the regular summer session. Of the three men we are losing, Bruce Anderson will go into the service as a Second Lieutenant in the Army Ordnance, Carl Meurk will pursue his Naval Engineering in one of the many east coast ship-building companies, and Ken Radimer will probably stay at the Institute doing research work in Chemistry. The Sophomores also are taking their part in the war effort, as they have all been requested by the Institute to get defense jobs for the summer.

Although we don't like to admit it, there is the functional aspect to our fraternal life together. Gertie (the furnace) does require a little care now and then, and the hotwater heater blows its top on occasion. But with our house full of engineers we don't have much trouble, and as herein depicted, we get our brains and brawn coordinated on the sundry jobs. Most of the fellows, like Brother



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Grosjean here, do pretty well with the slip stick; but Brother Radimer is one of the few who understands the intricacies of the monkey-wrench.

So we really live a pretty good and enjoyable life around the Omicron chapter. It has been said and rightly that Tech is one of the toughest engineering schools in the country, but the Fraternity life serves to smooth out a lot of the rough edges of our education and keeps us "in phase" and "on the beam."



MEURK



ANDERSON

Historical Sketch of the Massachusetts Institute of Technology

By PETER FORSBERGH '43



IGHTY years ago, William Barton Rogers, a geologist and natural philosopher of the University of Virginia, anticipated by a century the place and influence which pure and applied sciences were to win in America, not only in practical fields but in the wider domain of general culture as well.

The Charter was granted by the Commonwealth on April 10, 1861. After the first hard and almost defeated years, came Francis Amasa Walker, and later Richard C. Maclaurin, under whose leaderships the Institute may be said to have come to its own, educationally and financially. The first buildings were in Boston, on Boylston street, adjacent to the Museum of Natural History; they were the Rogers Building, containing the administrative offices and the departments of mining, mathematics, drawing, history, economics and English, and the Walker Building, in which were the departments of physics and chemistry; other buildings, the Henry L. Pierce and the Engineering Buildings, contained the departments of civil, mechanical and electrical engineering, architecture, naval architecture, biology and geology, were in Trinity Place; elsewhere were workshops and gymnasias.

After occupying for fifty years its site in Boston, the Institute in 1916 moved into a completely new plant located on the Cambridge side of the Charles River Basin. Here, on a tract of eighty acres, extending along the river, in a beautiful and well organized architectural group, planned and built by Institute architects and engineers, are twenty educational

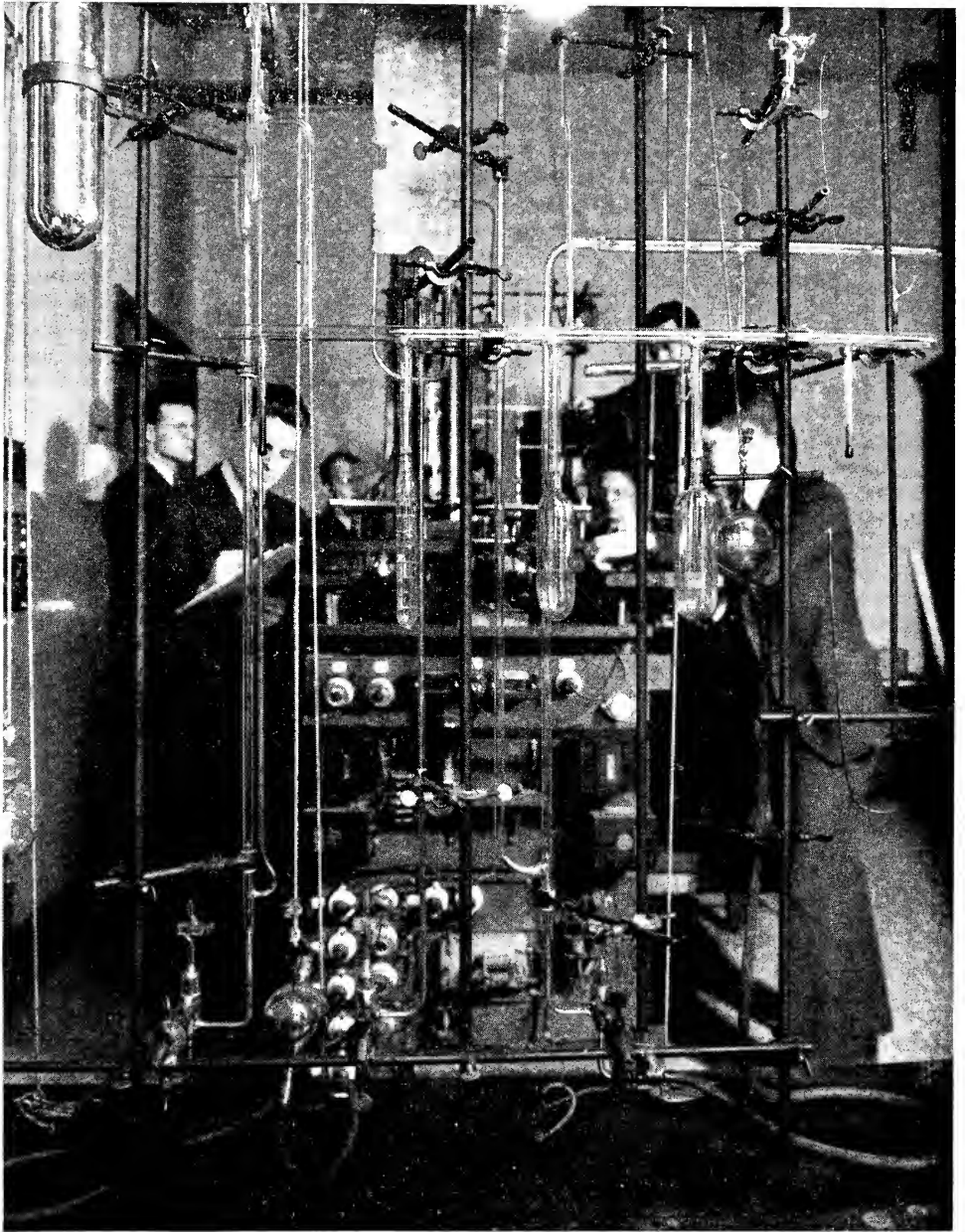
buildings and laboratories, administrative offices and an infirmary; on the same grounds are other subsidiary buildings: wind-tunnel, high-voltage generator, swimming-pool, dormitories, and Walker Memorial—the center of student activ-



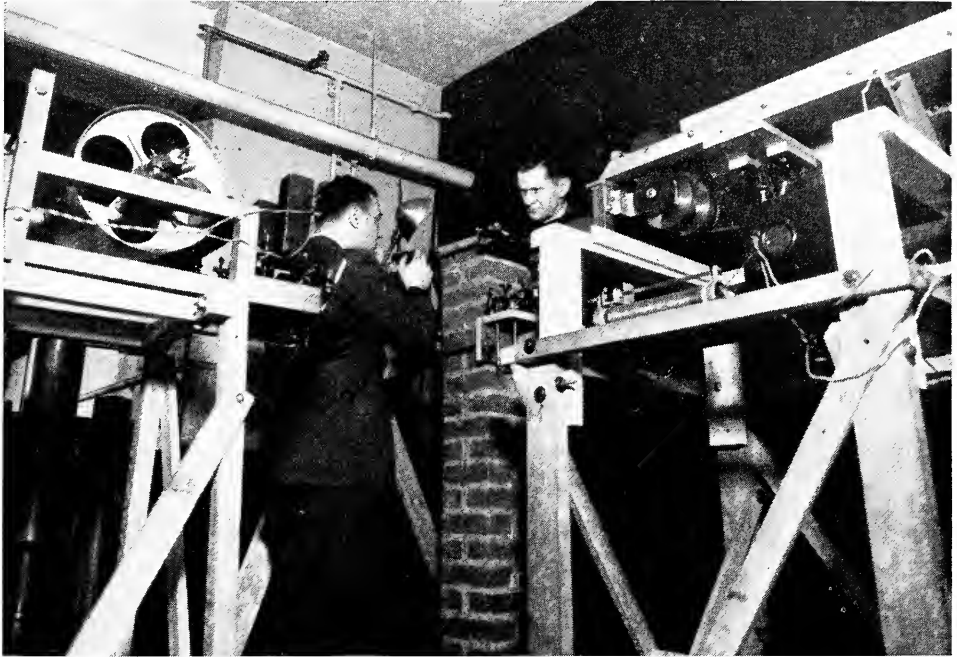
KARL TAYLOR COMPTON
President of M. I. T.

ities; there are also gymnasias, playing fields, sailing pavilions and a boat house.

In the eighty years of the Institute's life, the patterns and concepts of higher education have greatly changed. On the date of the charter, 1861, Darwin's "Origin of Species" was not yet two years old. That is to say, the evolutionary hypothesis, so familiar to the scientific world ever since, was then a matter of intense controversy and a startling novelty. To a great body of educated persons, it seemed, indeed, a rather



Students at work in a laboratory of the Department of Chemical Engineering at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology. In this, as in nearly all departments of the Institute, students have an opportunity to observe and participate in research in the various professional fields. Thus their technical education finds early application in laboratory investigation.



Much depends upon the kind of mortar used between bricks in various types of structures. Here is a research project in the department of building engineering and construction at M. I. T. to test the strength of columns of bricks bonded by various kinds of mortars. In the background is Professor Walter C. Voss, head of the department, who is working with a graduate student during a test.

shocking break with what had passed for fundamentals. The liberal arts college was at the apex of our general educational system,—for the university, in the proper sense, first came with the establishment of Johns Hopkins, fifteen years later. The liberal arts college provided, chiefly, two things: a preparatory training for the learned professions and the accepted finishing school for gentlemen. Science on the whole was tolerated in the curriculum, but was by no means rated as a “discipline” comparable to the Greek and Latin classics, while medicine, the ministry, and law were, distinctively, gentlemen’s careers. Indeed, training in medicine was then about the nearest thing to a training in science that even the American professional schools had to offer; so that the approach to science was largely through medicine, when it was not through

geology, which had somehow received the stamp of an especial respectability.

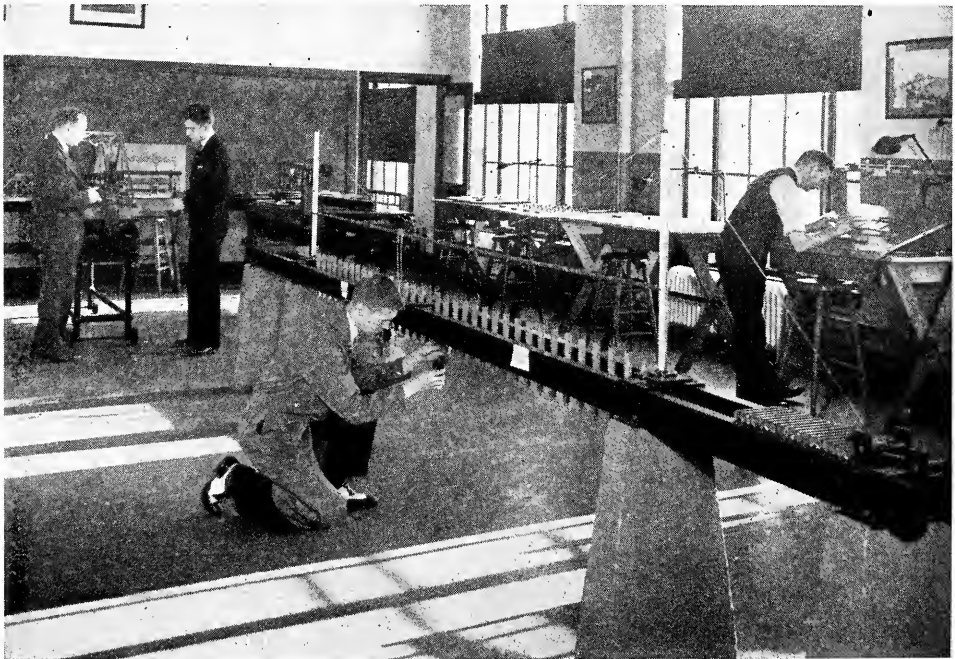
Alongside the older academic tradition thus outlined and surrounding the spirits of scientific anticipation, was the new industrialism—born another seventy-five years earlier with the birth of the factory system, the use of machinery, and the division and subdivision of labor—which was pressing eagerly and vigorously forward towards fresh conquests. Finally, America possessed a vast, if unmeasured, store of natural wealth, as yet hardly more than tapped, the extraction of which for human comfort, convenience, and luxury, offered such returns to capital and to brains as the world had not yet seen. As a result, America needed what scientists and engineers could alone supply, while the accepted academic system could not, or at least did not, produce these technic-

ians. Thus the school of pure and applied science had become an economic requirement at the very time when both pure and applied science were making their importance felt more and more and when scientists were beginning to urge the claims of their disciplines and their findings to a place in cultural life.

These forces it was which worked together, in such sensitive and penetrating minds as that of Rogers, to evolve that type of "polytechnic" or "technological" or "practical science" school which would give them for the first time effective expression. So was born a new type of cultural institution. Even in this sphere of modernity, of "learning by doing", the founder contended that in some respects such a school would subserve a higher purpose than technical education "by leading the thoughts of the practical student to those wided and elevated regions

of reflection to which the study of Nature's laws never fails to conduct the mind." As a matter of fact, Rogers never broke with the cultural climate in which his own spirit had blossomed and fruited. He did not come to destroy but to fulfill the tradition—to add and enrich the so-called "cultural studies," not to displace them. At the time the Institute began, those in this country who desired to sit at the feet of the masters were forced to go abroad. The universities as yet were wanting here; they had long existed over there. In this short space of eighty years there have developed in America institutions well equalling those older European ones.

Joe Cochran, Chi Deuteron '44, was appointed Executive Secretary of the Interfraternity Council for the period from June 1942 to June, 1943.



Measuring the load on the deck of a suspension bridge in the structural analysis laboratory at M. I. T. More and more engineers are using models to determine the behavior or development of the design of full-size structures. The weights suspended beneath the deck of this model simulate the load of traffic which the full-scale bridge will be called upon to carry.



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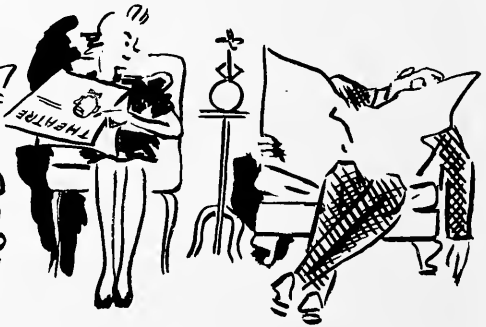
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On the Home Front

Brother Marchmont's Recent Tour of Chapters

During the month of February, our National President, Brother John H. Marchmont visited several chapters in the Middle West, the East, and the South.

On February 20, he met Brother Earl F. Schoening in New York, and both of them went to Beta Chapter in Schenectady, N. Y., where they attended Beta's Founders' Day Banquet. From there, they both journeyed to Ann Arbor, Michigan, February 22.

After being guests of Delta Deuteron chapter at Ann Arbor that Sunday, Brothers Schoening and Marchmont returned to Chicago. Brother Marchmont

then left for Champaign, Illinois to visit Alpha Deuteron chapter. Here he was royally welcomed by the members of the chapter, alumni, and university officials. While he was there he saw the "red hot" University of Illinois Big Ten Basketball Champions play and win a game.

On the way to Phi Deuteron he stopped off in Indianapolis to visit Brother George Stark, former Regional Director from Region IV. He and Brother Stark had an excellent visit, during which Brother Marchmont was shown around Brother Stark's packing plant. Alumni matters, and National Fraternity problems were discussed.



NATIONAL PRESIDENT JOHN MARCHMONT VISITS ALPHA DEUTERON CHAPTER

Left to right: Brother C. A. Webber, bursar of the University of Illinois; Brother Frank Smith, representing local alumni; Brother Marchmont; Brother Kenneth Brown, president of Alpha Deuteron Chapter; H. S. Dawson, assistant dean of the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences; Brother Ora Dillavou, chapter adviser; and Brother Charles C. Price, Phi, assistant professor of chemistry.

Arriving in Lexington, Kentucky on February 25, Brother Marchmont immediately visited the chapter house, where he visited with Brothers J. D. Williams, Chapter Adviser, and Stoy Witten, Resident Counsellor of Phi Deuteron, as well as with other members of the house. He also had the opportunity of talking with Mrs. Atchison, wife of Brother A. L. Atchison, former Regional Director from Region III, and who is now a captain at Fort Knox, Kentucky. In fact, Brother Marchmont got so interested in his talk with the members of the chapter at Kentucky, that he forgot about the time, and missed the train he was planning to take to Tuscaloosa, Alabama.

He caught a later train, however, and arrived at the Omicron Deuteron Chapter there on February 26. While here, he had the opportunity of attending their Founders' Day Banquet which was held in the McAllester Hotel in Tuscaloosa. While at the Banquet he had a chance to talk to the other guests of honor, President Denny of the University of Chattanooga, and Dean Moore, and Dean of Men Newman, of the University of Alabama. After having a very excellent time at Omicron Deuteron, Brother Marchmont left to visit Xi Deuteron chapter, at the University of Tennessee.

At Xi Deuteron, Brother Marchmont had a very pleasant, although necessarily short, visit. He missed the opportunity to see Dean Mosely of the University, but had a good chance to visit with the active members of the chapter.

Earlier in the month of February, Brother Marchmont had made a one day visit to Beta Deuteron Chapter at the University of Minnesota. There he had the opportunity of discussing chapter and national matters with Field Secretary George Amsbary, and with actives and alumni of the Beta Deuteron chapter.

DR. MICHAEL X. SULLIVAN RECEIVES HILLEBRAND AWARD

Dr. Michael X. Sullivan, Upsilon '03, director of the Chemo-Medical Research Institute of Georgetown University, received the Hillebrand Prize for 1941 of the Chemical Society of Washington, D. C.

Although Dr. Sullivan's research work has been extensive in biological chem-



MICHAEL X. SULLIVAN

istry, the award was made for his work on the development and quantitative application of highly specific tests for important constituents of plants and animals, especially for valuable contributions to biochemistry of sulfur with special reference to quantitative determination of biologically important compounds.

In accepting the award, Dr. Sullivan called attention to the fact that in the interpretation of the phenomena of living, chemical factors play an important role.

The 17 papers winning the award were published in scientific journals.

MILLER ELECTED PRESIDENT OF MID-CONTINENT AIRLINES

At a special meeting of the Board of Directors of Mid-Continent Airlines, Inc., at Kansas City on March 6, Thomas Fortune Ryan, III, President of the Company, resigned to enter the military services of the United States. It was announced that J. Westcott Miller, Lambda, Vice-President and General Mana-



J. WESTCOTT MILLER

ger, was elected President of the Company.

Brother Miller is a native of Washington, D. C., was educated in its public schools, and attended George Washington University. He first entered the aviation field as Secretary of the Daniel Guggenheim Fund for the Promotion of Aeronautics in 1926. He served in that capacity for five years and aided in the direction of a wise investment of the \$5,000,000 appropriation established by the Guggenheim Fund. This expenditure gave the aviation industry many aids it needed during its formative period. Then, he became associated with Western Air Express as secretary-treas-

urer in executive charge of the airline and remained there until 1935.

In 1936 Brother Miller was elected Vice-President and General Manager of Mid-Continent. The complete organization and development of the present company has been accomplished through Miller's guidance, and because of his farsightedness, Mid-Continent has expanded and developed rapidly. Brother Miller, with his wife, and son Robert, reside in Kansas City, where the general offices of the company are located.

Jackson to Replace Matsen

At a meeting of the Interfraternity Council Tom Jackson, Chi Deuteron '43, was elected Second Vice-President. Jackson was recently appointed chairman of next fall's Western Interfraternity Conference.

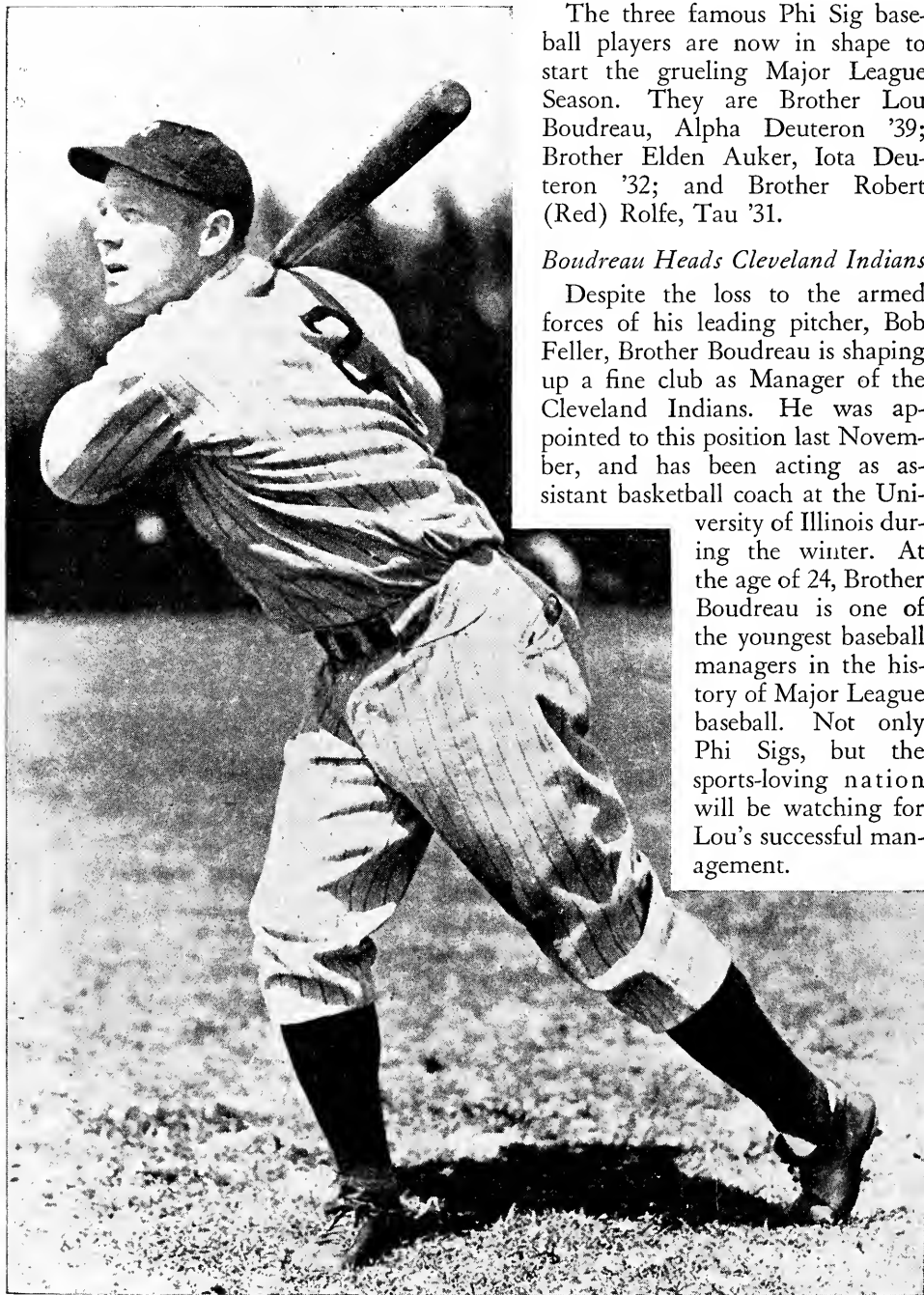
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John Aldworth, Commodore of Crew, and Fred Schulte.

Phi Sig Major League Baseball Players Ready for Campaign



The three famous Phi Sig baseball players are now in shape to start the grueling Major League Season. They are Brother Lou Boudreau, Alpha Deuteron '39; Brother Elden Auker, Iota Deuteron '32; and Brother Robert (Red) Rolfe, Tau '31.

Boudreau Heads Cleveland Indians

Despite the loss to the armed forces of his leading pitcher, Bob Feller, Brother Boudreau is shaping up a fine club as Manager of the Cleveland Indians. He was appointed to this position last November, and has been acting as assistant basketball coach at the Uni-

versity of Illinois during the winter. At the age of 24, Brother Boudreau is one of the youngest baseball managers in the history of Major League baseball. Not only Phi Sigs, but the sports-loving nation will be watching for Lou's successful management.

Rolfe a Yankee Veteran

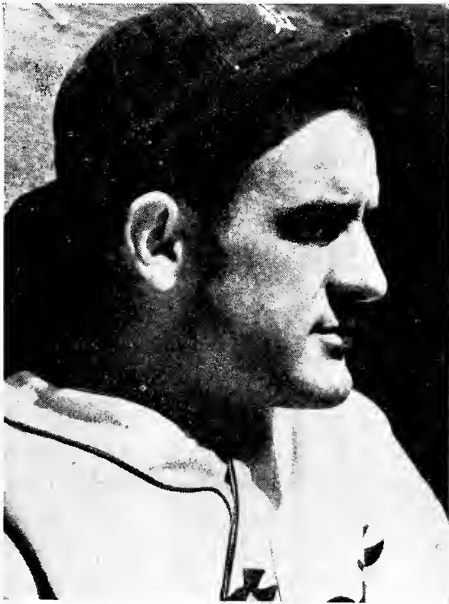
Brother "Red" Rolfe, a veteran of five World's Series with the Yankees, and one of the best third basemen in baseball today, from all appearances will be back again this summer. Brother Rolfe will probably be looking forward to experiencing another World Series this fall.

"Red" was ill part of last season, but no reports have come through which would indicate that he would not be on the starting lineup again this year. Phi Sig fans can look forward to the usual consistently excellent hitting and fielding that Brother Rolfe has given in the past.

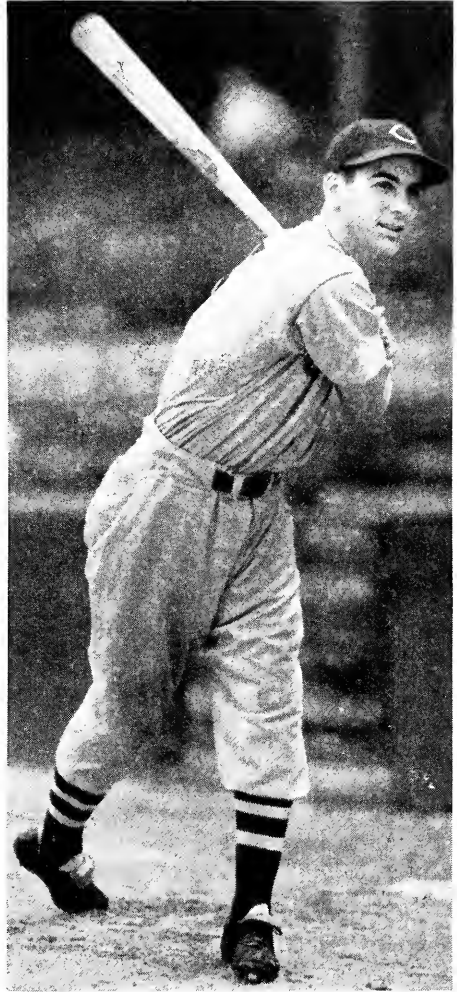
Auker Brown's Leading Pitcher

Brother Elden Auker, World Series pitching ace with the Detroit Tigers in 1934, and without doubt the outstanding pitcher with the St. Louis Browns last season, is headed for another successful season this year.

Brother Auker should undoubtedly be the spark of the Brown's team this com-



ELDEN AUKER



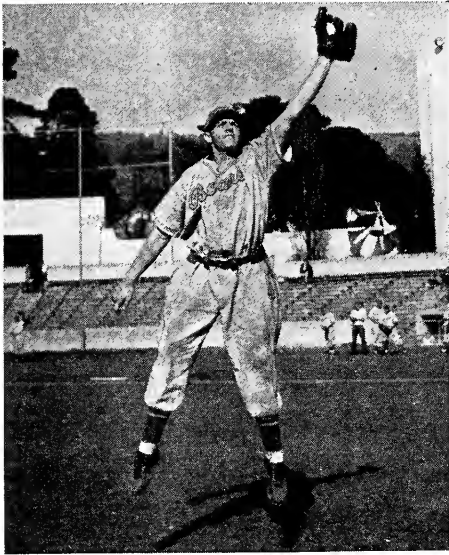
LOUIS BOUDREAU

ing season, because of his steady, consistent pitching ability.

Brother Clifford E. Frismuth, Mu '20, has recently been elected vice-president in charge of sales and advertising of the Supplee-Wills-Jones Milk Company. He has been connected with this organization since graduation, and has worked up to his present position and that of director since then.

Omegans Head Bears Line-up

By WILLARD W. SUMMERS



HAROLD JOHN ALBRIGHT, JR.

California's Varsity baseball team is under the direction of Head Coach Clinton W. Evans, Omega alumnus and charter member, and the first four positions on the batting lineup are filled by Omegans, Brother Albright, Gates, Donnan and Sharp, shortstop, left outfielder, centerfielder and pitcher, and catcher respectively.

To date California has played 10 conference and 9 non conference games. The Bears have won all 9 of the non conference games. Of the 10 conference games played the Varsity has won 7 and lost 3 having been defeated by University of California at Los Angeles, University of Southern California, and the University of Santa Clara.

At present the California Varsity leads the conference race for the California Intercollegiate Baseball Association championship. In the opinion of most bay region sports writers California has an

excellent chance to win the championship. There are 5 more conference and 5 non conference games on the schedule.

Brother Harold John Albright, Jr.

Brother Harold John Albright, Jr., Omega '43, San Diego, California, is first string shortstop on the University of California Varsity baseball team. So far this season he has a batting average of .350 with 3 home runs to his credit.

Brother Albright has V7 classification and is an apprentice seaman.

He has won two Block "Cs" and his frosh numeral in baseball. Albright is a member of the Bib "C" Society and the Winged Helmet Society and other organizations on the campus.

Brother Harold Vernon Cates

Brother Harold Vernon Cates, Omega '43, Stockton, California, is first string left outfielder on the University of California Varsity baseball team. At this point in



HAROLD VERNON CATES

the season he has a batting average of 200.

Brother Cates is a member of the Marine Corps.

On the campus he is a member of the Big "C" Society, the Winged Helmet and the Physical Education Majors Club and other campus organizations.

He has won two Block "Cs" and a frosh numeral in baseball. Cates is a Physical Education Major in the College of Letters and Science.

Brother Douglas William Donnan

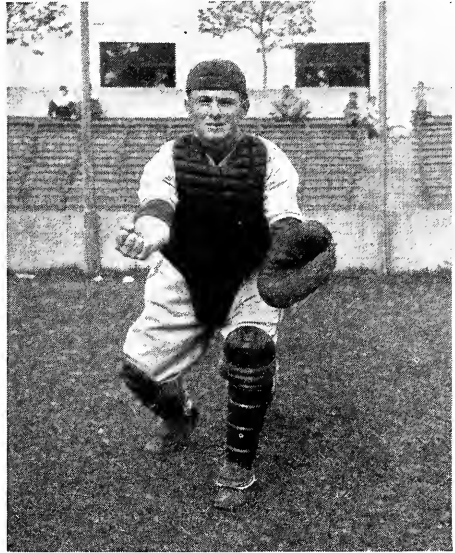
Brother Douglas William Donnan, Omega '44, San Diego, California, is first string center outfielder and catcher on the University of California Varsity baseball team. To date he has a batting average of 300.

Brother Donnan has won a Block "C" and a frosh numeral in baseball. He is a member of the Big "C" Society, The Tri-Una Society, the Vigilante Committee and is a Big "C" Guard.

Donnan is in Basic ROTC and is an Economics major in the College of Letters and Science.



DOUGLAS WILLIAM DONNAN



STANLEY RAY SHARP

Brother Stanley Ray Sharp

Brother Stanley Ray Sharp, Omega '43, San Diego, California, is first string catcher on the University of California Varsity baseball team. So far this season he has a batting average of 400.

Brother Sharp is an Infantry Sergeant in ROTC. He is a member of the Big "C" Society, the Winged Helmet Society and many other campus activities and organizations.

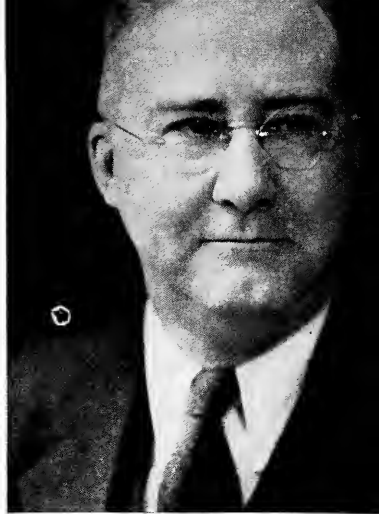
Sharp has won two Block "Cs" and his frosh numeral in baseball. He is an economics major in the college of Letters and Science.

Rumors have it that Brother Sharp will be next year's captain of the team.

Jean Elkin, daughter of Brother E. M. Elkin, Lambda '20, and Mrs. Elkin, has been elected to reign as May Queen at Grove City College when the annual pageant of that school is staged this month. The queen, Miss Elkin, and her court were selected on the basis of beauty, charm and personality.

American Folk Gallery

A Review



By

NELSON ANTRIM CRAWFORD
Iota Deuteron
Editor, The Household Magazine

Did you ever attend an Ozark singing convention? Or see twenty thousand people gathered on a bleak hillside in the hope of seeing a wildcat oil well brought in? Or look in at a rattlesnake-handling service in a primitive country church? Or talk with the Negroes, the Jews, the Sicilians, and the bums in Chicago slums? Or hear the tall tales of Paul Bunyan retold in French-American? Or view the Pueblo Indian dances with their strange, mystical intermingling of Christianity and ancient tribal magic?

If you have not experienced these things, *Eve's Stepchildren*, a collection of folk Americana edited by Lealon N. Jones*, will open your eyes to the diversity of our country. On the other hand, if you are already acquainted with distinctive local customs over the United States, you will be glad to have your observations revived by this fascinating volume.

Professor Jones, the editor, was born, so he says, half hillbilly and half "swamp angel," hence has the background for interpreting American folk life. To this he has devoted his life. Himself a playwright, he is director of the important

Midwestern Folk Drama Tournament at Cape Girardeau, Missouri. Twenty-six plays produced at this tournament have been published.

Eve's Stepchildren contains twenty-eight significant contributions, chiefly descriptive or narrative, by writers manifestly familiar with their subject matter. There are names as well known as Harry Harrison Kroll, Charles Morrow Wilson, Josephine Johnson, Robert Whitehand; there are other authors who have yet to attain wide recognition. In all the material there is vividness and understanding, and much of the writing shows high literary talent. Beautiful full-page photographs illustrate and reinforce the text.

Anyone who reads this book will be freed from the comic-strip, movie, and radio concepts of folk life. On the other hand, he will acquire none of the sentimental pity which certain reformers have poured upon it. He will see the folk as poor, unsophisticated, but often wise and gifted with a genuine culture. He will realize that the strength of America is not in a mechanical, nationally imposed uniformity but in the sum of the contributions made by innumerable races, national origins, social, occupational, and

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political groups. Most of us are descended from the folk, rather than from royalty, the nobility, or the gentry. We are better for it. Future America will be better for those who are living the folk life today.

AN ILLINI BMOC

In the month of February, just two years ago, a mild, unassuming chap named Bill Brekke arrived unheralded on the University of Illinois campus. Although entering school in the second semester is usually considered a disadvantage, Bill evidently did not think so. At any rate, he immediately pledged the fraternity of his choice, Phi Sigma Kappa of course, and went out for the swimming team. And it wasn't long before people began to look twice at Bill. Before the end of that semester when he had entered school he had received his numerals in Swimming.

As the years wore on, one success seemed to follow another for Bill. He became initiated into Phi Sig at the end of that school year in which he pledged. The next year found him organizing not one political party in his class, but two! Then he won his first varsity "I." Partially through his political power, perhaps, but mostly because of his exceptional ability as a swimmer, and his likeable personality, he was elected President of the Dolphins, an honorary Illini swimming organization.

The next year, Bill decided that the White Horse party was the best of the two parties he had founded, so he evidently effected a merger of the two parties and called them both the White Horse Party. The White Horse Party has never been defeated at the polls yet, and with Bill the power behind the throne, it doesn't look as though it ever will be. He also snagged another varsity "I" this year, and is well on his way to being a four-letter man in swimming.

Probably this last semester has shown the culmination of Bill's successes to date. He was elected captain of the University of Illinois swimming team, as well as being the high-point man on the team. And on top of this he let himself be appointed chairman of the Sophomore



BILL BREKKE

Cotillion, one of the four "big" dances of the year.

So Brother Bill Brekke still has over a year and a half to go, and already he has attained a share of success that many seniors would envy. He cannot stop, either, because his momentum is too great already. Watch this man, Brekke. He's a Phi Sig!

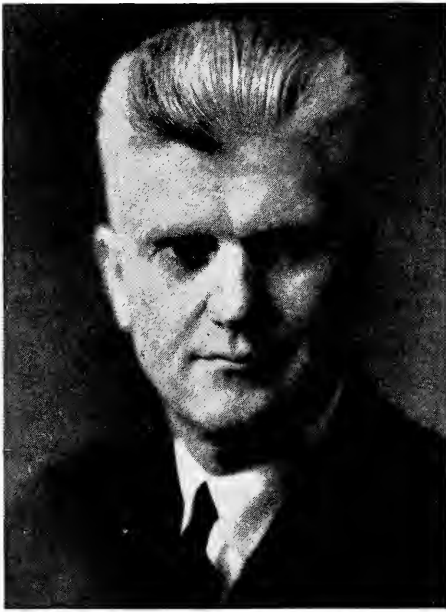
Brother Leighton P. Stradley, Mu '05, in collaboration with his son, and two other men, has just published a monumental work of two volumes entitled, "Corporate Taxation and Procedure in Pennsylvania."

Back up your brothers and your country. Buy Defense Stamps and Bonds.

Davis Addresses Mu Deuteron Founders' Day Banquet

By E. P. FURLONG, *Mu Deuteron '35*

Montana State University, Missoula—The question is not “when will we win the war?” but “will we win the war?” Brother Tom J. Davis, president of Rotary International, Butte lawyer and member of Mu Deuteron chapter, em-



TOM J. DAVIS

phatically stated in the Founders' Day address at the chapter house the last Sunday in March.

In a talk that commanded the rapt attention of every hearer, Brother Davis urged the young men of the nation to stand ready to take their part immediately in their country's battle for life. He told the assembled members of the chapter and alumni that never in history had civilization been faced with such dangers as it is today, following the events of the past four weeks.

Brother Davis asked Phi Sigs and college students as a group not to be “stampeded” into joining the armed forces, reminding them that they should remain in their classes until their country's leaders decide that it is time for them to be called. He stressed the opinion that the student is of far more value to the cause while studying for a highly specialized position than he would “packing just one gun” on the battlefield.

Brother Davis reviewed the highlights of his recent tour of Latin America and a 1941 visit to England, in which he discussed the war situation with leaders of America's friendly neighbors to the south and her embattled ally across the Atlantic.

In Latin America, Mr. Davis said governmental officials and the public are eager to discuss the United States' economic and social structure. The great majority of the people, he said, are solidly behind the U. S., but there are two other groups, smaller but influential—a group of business men who are interested in the United States only on a dollar basis, and the close-knit U. S.-hating group of Axis nationals and Americans of Axis parentage.

Describing the destruction wrought by German blitz airforces in England and Scotland, Mr. Davis said that no man has the vocabulary to express the awfulness and horror of the scenes he saw, particularly the sight of a newly blitzed city such as Newcastle-upon-Tyne, which Brother Davis and his party entered a few minutes after the bombers and machine-gunners had departed.

The speaker described the British

public as a courageous people in recounting the scenes he had witnessed: residents of the bombed area digging grimly among the shambles of their homes in search of their loved ones, bravery in their attitude and with "just another day nearer victory" on their lips. "America has yet to be tested in that manner," he reminded his hearers, and he challenged the people of this nation to stand the test as well as their courageous brothers-in-war have in the event that this country too, should feel the fury of the enemy's devastating mechanized might.

Brother Davis traveled 240 miles expressly to address the members of the chapter which he embraced when, partly through his efforts, it became affiliated with the Phi Sigma Kappa in 1923.

He reminded the Phi Sigs of today that he was present when the local chapter of Iota Nu, an outgrowth of the House of Jericho, the original fraternal organization of the Montana campus, was inducted into Phi Sigma Kappa, whose founding in 1873 the chapter was observing. At that time Mr. Davis, a member of the organization at the University of Michigan, changed his allegiance to Mu Deuteron.

At the behest of Brother Davis, Mu Deuteron adopted a resolution confirming its faith in the American way of life and pledging its support to its country and its university in any matter pertaining to its welfare. The resolution follows:

To Dr. E. O. Melby, President of Montana State University:

Mu Deuteron chapter of Phi Sigma Kappa and its alumni at their Founders' day banquet on this twenty-ninth day of March, 1942, in recognition of liberty, freedom and fraternity enjoyed by us as a free people, whose way of life is jeopardized by nations whose code of ethics is so contrary to that of brotherly love and fraternity, do reaffirm our faith,

loyalty and allegiance to our country and University. We stand waiting to help, aid and assist you in all of your efforts."

T. C. Spaulding, dean of the Montana school of forestry, was toastmaster at the banquet and called upon Don Foss, who spoke for the alumni of Mu Deuteron chapter and Henry Dahmer, chapter president, who thanked Mr. Davis for his attendance on behalf of the active members and pledges of the chapter.

ENGINEERS SECOND BASEMAN



HAROLD I. CASTAGNETTA
Kappa Deuteron

PHI SIG AIRMAN WRITES

Brother Marc Miller received recently a letter from Brother Jiggs Buntin, Mu '43, who is stationed at the Naval Reserve Aviation Base in Seattle, Washington.

In his letter, Brother Buntin gave names of all Phi Sigs who were at his base, and of those expected there soon. Notable in his letter was this one sentence: "We (Phi Sigs) stick together well and are realizing even more the advantages of our fraternity."

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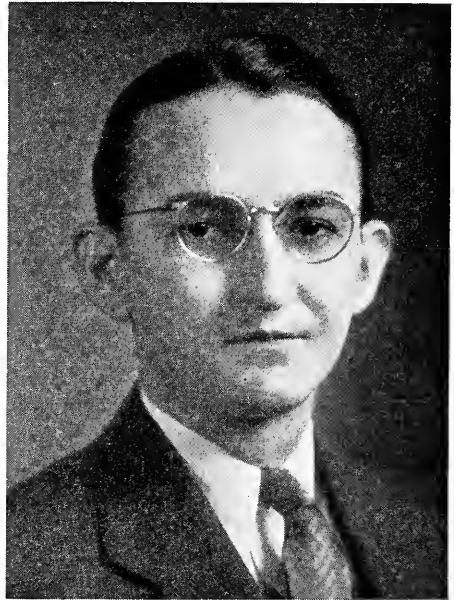
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- SNIDER, John L., Delta '40, 2nd Lt.,
Army, Fort Knox, Ky.
- SNYDER, Dr. William H., Rho Deu-
teron '30, Air Base Detachment, F.M.
F., St. Thomas, Virgin Islands
- SPAULDING, Clifford K., Theta Deu-
teron '43, Naval Reserve Aviation
Base, Seattle
- SPORLEDER, Gerald L., Mu Deu-teron
'39, Naval Reserve Aviation Base,
Seattle
- SPRIEGEL, William T., Delta '39, Ca-
det, Naval Air Corps
- STEBBINGS, Robert W., Alpha Deu-
teron '34, 1st Lt., Signal Reserve Corps,
Fort Buchanan, Puerto Rico
- STENGER, A. Bernard, Jr., Delta '39,
Army Air Corps, Jefferson Barracks,
Mo.
- STRONG, Dr. Paul T., Phi '30, Capt.,
Medical Service

SUHL, Rudolph L., Jr., Gamma '42, Seaman, 1st Cl., Naval Reserve, Headquarters, New York City
 TALLMAN, James K., Naval Air Corps, Corpus Christi, Tex.
 THOMPSON, G. Nile, Gamma '38, Lt., Pro. Div., Pittsburgh, Pa.
 TIMS, Marvin A., Psi Deuteron '42, Army Air Corps Technical School, Fort Logan, Colo.
 TRUAX, Woodrow E., Psi Deuteron '38, Naval Air Corps, Corpus Christi, Tex.
 TUCKWILER, Francis, Psi Deuteron '42, Naval Reserve, Class V-7
 VINCENT, Richard W., Alpha '40, Marine Officers Training School, Quantico, Va.
 WAINSCOTT, Philip E., Chi Deuteron '41, Lt., Air Corps, Bakersfield, Calif.
 WALK, Hugh G., Alpha Deuteron '41, Instructor, Sheppard Field, Wichita Falls, Tex.
 WARNER, Lewis C., II, Alpha Triton '44
 WHEELER, John M., Delta '40, Lt., Army Air Corps, Australia
 WHITE, DeWitt, Delta '36, Lt., Army, Fort Bragg, N. C.
 WILLIAMS, John D., Psi Deuteron '43, Cadet, Army Air Corps
 WILSON, Thomas R., Jr., Delta '40, 2nd Lt., Quartermaster Corps, Fort Benning, Ga.
 WINTER, William F., Pi Deuteron '31
 WOIDDALL, Robert J., Kappa Deuteron '40, Ensign, North Atlantic Fleet
 WOOTEN, William A., Chi Deuteron '40, Sheppard Field, Tex.
 WYATT, Edwin O., Psi Deuteron '42, Naval Reserve, Class V-7
 ZERWECK, William W., Eta Deuteron '42, Army

Beta Founders' Day Banquet

Beta Chapter celebrated Founders' Day with a formal banquet at Hale House on the evening of February 21, in honor of their initiates of the night before.

Speakers of the evening were Dixon Ryan Fox, president of Union College, and John H. Marchmont, president of Phi Sigma Kappa; they were classmates at Columbia. Brother Rupert, who also addressed the banquet, officially represented Region I of Phi Sigma Kappa at the banquet.

Brother Schoening, secretary-treasurer, who had conferred with Brother Marchmont in New York City on February 20, also joined the banquet party.

Several alumni were present, including Brother Harry Cregier, former Regional Director from Region I.

The true fraternal spirit and cordial hospitality of Beta Chapter beamed throughout the all-too-short evening under the most able direction of Brother Reuben Head, chapter adviser of Beta, the toastmaster for the occasion.

Salt Lake Meets

Brothers of Phi Sigma Kappa residing in Salt Lake City and vicinity held one of their quarterly luncheons at the University Club on February 19. Those present at this luncheon included W. M. Ferry, Jr., Omega '23, Bill Goodall, Nu Deuteron '31, Leland W. Mays, Lambda '21, Beverly S. Clendenin, Omega '12, Louis W. Sowles, Gamma '06, Sanford T. Ferry, Omega '23, Robert H. Graham, Eta Deuteron '19, 9th Air Corps, and Howard Candland, Eta Deuteron '18.

Brother Eugene R. Russell, Alpha Deuteron '42, is now working in the design department of Magnaflux Corporation in Chicago on Defense Work.

Phi Sigma Kappa offers you not idle meadows and indolent shores; she offers you hills, and a star—From "Brothers-to-Be," by Brother Frank Prentice Rand, Chi '12.

Phi Sig Graduates from Enid Army Flying School

(Based on Army Public Relations News Release)

Representing Phi Sigma Kappa in the graduating ranks of class 42-E at Enid Army Flying School, Enid, Oklahoma, is Brother Clifford V. Evans, Jr., Epsilon Triton '41.

Also in the lower class, 42-F, at the Enid Army Flying School is another Phi Sig, Brother Samuel T. McIntire, Delta '38.

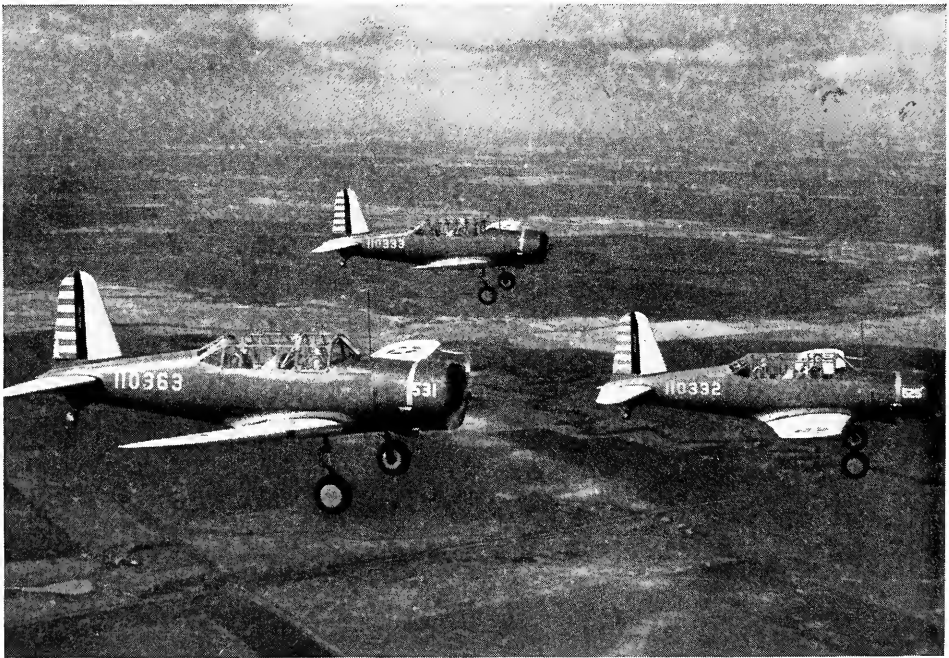
The speeding tempo of the nation's war effort struck this basic flying school with full force in the middle of March as the latest graduating class, 42-E, finished the middle stage of pilot training

one week ahead of schedule. Graduation had been set at March 23.

Basic training time was thus cut from nine to eight weeks by the change, which came in orders from Headquarters of the Gulf Coast Air Corps Training Center at Randolph Field, Tex.

Class 42-E was the second to graduate from this school, which started its first class only last December 20.

While here the fledgling fliers mastered the pilotage of basic training craft and obtained basic knowledge of cross-country navigation, aerial acrobatics,



LESSON FROM THE BIRDS

Like geese with an instinctive sense for formation flight, these Aviation Cadets at the Enid Army Flying School fly in a "V" as they thunder over Oklahoma's quiet plains. Formation flight is an integral part of basic training and the basis of modern aerial warfare tactics. Members of Class 42-E, second class to graduate from this new Army Flying School, the Cadets finished training here a week ahead of schedule and were ordered directly to advanced schools for their last two months of training.

night flying and landing, and instrument technique.

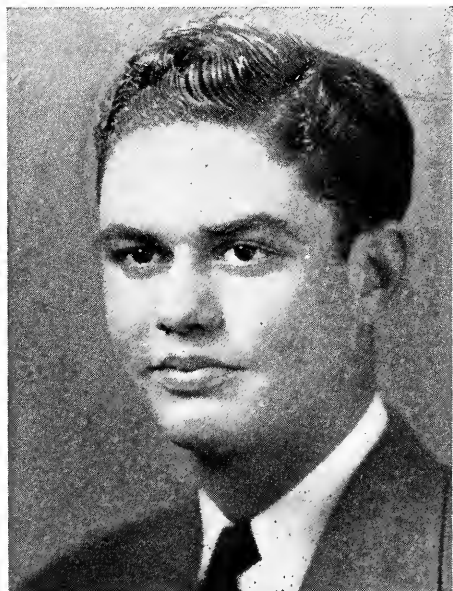
From here they will go to advanced schools for another eight or nine weeks, and then they will be graduated, be rated as "Pilots" and commissioned as 2nd Lieutenants in the U. S. Army Air Corps Reserve.

The flying school itself has set something of a record, advancing from a mere project "on paper" to a fully-functioning military establishment within a period of eight months.

It was just last August that workmen arrived at the field to transform it from an Oklahoma plain to a small city of buildings, airplane hangars, runways and taxiing ramps which could carry on the business of training pilots for Uncle Sam's growing Air Force.

You will want that Phi Sig record for your parties this autumn. Order it now from the National Headquarters. It's only \$1.

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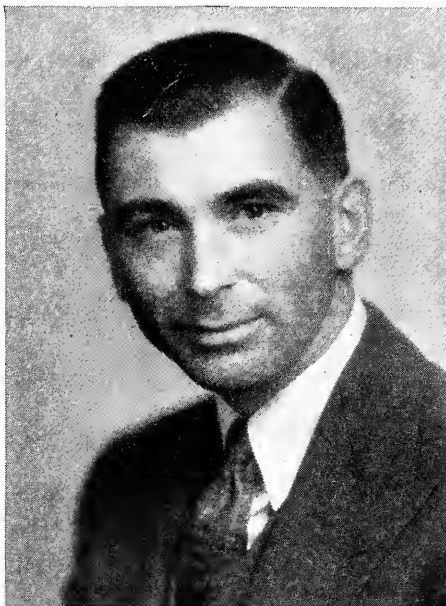


EDWIN H. KLEIN, *Nu*

MILLER WITH ARMY ENGINEERS

Brother C. Marc Miller, Lambda Deuteron '27, Regional Director from Region VI, has been made associate land-appraiser, North Pacific Division, Real Estate Dept., Army Engineers with headquarters in Seattle, Washington.

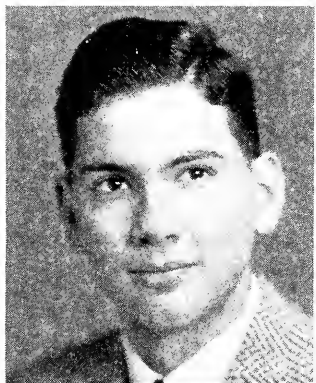
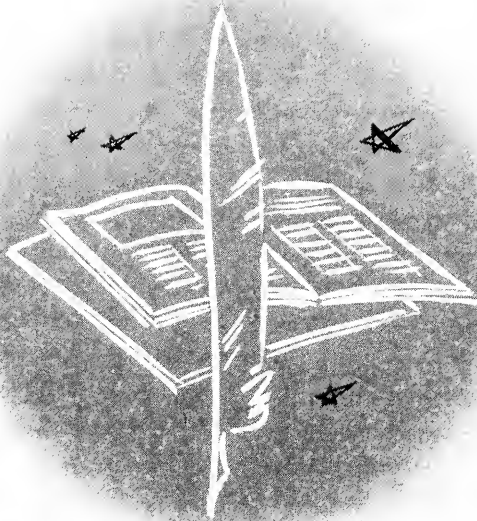
Brother Miller has been active in Phi



C. MARC MILLER

Sigma Kappa for many years. He is a former chapter adviser of Lambda Deuteron Chapter, and a former secretary of the Phi Sigma Kappa Club of Seattle. He was elected to the Council at the 1938 Convention in San Francisco, California. As the first Regional Director of the newly created Region VI, he has most ably and efficiently directed the affairs of the chapters of Phi Sigma Kappa, located in our Northwest.

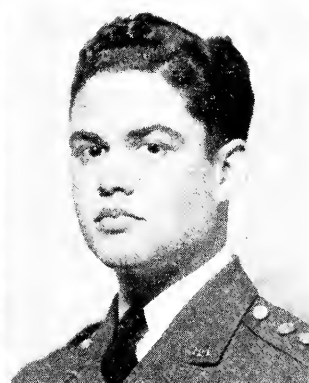
Back Democracy, back your country, back your fraternity brothers! Buy War Bonds and Stamps!



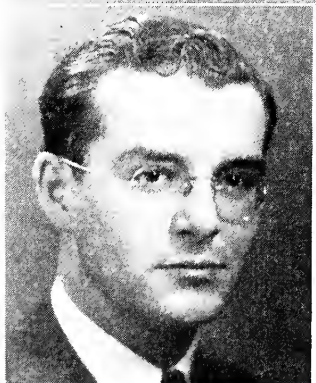
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GEORGE BALESTRI



RAY KILLEN

Alpha Deuteron's Hockey Team

Brother George Balestri, '44, and Pledge Ray Killen, '43½, of Alpha Deuteron, ably represented Phi Sigma Kappa at the Second Annual Ice Hockey banquet held at the Champaign Country Club, Champaign, Ill., March 25, to honor the University of Illinois hockey team, 1941-1942 Western Conference champions.

Illini hockey ace Brother Balestri was awarded his first letter while Killen received his second "I" for his hockey ability. Killen started the season as goalie but after the familiar mid-semester fatalities, Coach Vic Heyliger put Ray on a forward wing for the last half of the season. The Illini won 10, lost four and tied two games in winning the title, which included all of the Big Ten schools in addition to Michigan Tech.

Balestri, who is a native of Springfield, Mass., began his hockey career on the West Springfield high team. He continued to play while attending Kent's Hill academy, Kent's Hill, Maine. Then George came to Illinois and won his freshman numerals last year. With two years left to play, "Batooch" will be back at his old stand for two more seasons.

Pledge Killen, who hails from the north country, (where the lads become

very expert skaters young in life), has been banging a hockey puck around for 16 years. His home is at Lloydminster, Saskatchewan. He made the varsity in all major sports while in high school, and now stands a good chance to being the first four-letterman in Illinois hockey history.

PHI SIG EDITORS AND BUSINESS MANAGERS

Pictured on the opposite page are outstanding Editors and Business Managers who are Phi Sigs.

Among the Editors are: Don Bond, Editor of The Daily Athenaeum of West Virginia University; Edward M. Story, Editor of the Orange and White, semi-weekly paper of the University of Tennessee; and Forrest V. Schumacher, Editor of the Lehigh Bachelor, a monthly magazine of Lehigh University.

The Business Managers pictured are Edwin H. Klein, who manages the Lehigh Bachelor; Robert Reitingger, Business Manager of The Phoenix, Swarthmore's college newspaper; and Craig W. Baker, Business Manager of the "Brown and White", Lehigh's student newspaper.

Outstanding Campus Leaders

All chapters of Phi Sigma Kappa boast of one or more leaders, but outstanding among this group of leaders are Brothers Don Bond, of Delta Chapter, Jackson S. Smith, of Kappa Deuteron Chapter, and Hoyt Sauer, of Beta Triton Chapter.

Bond Is A Journalist

Brother Don Bond is a senior in journalism and at present is the Managing Editor of the *Daily Athenian*. He is also Editor of the *Delta Mountaineer*, the chapter publication.

Don started his exceptionally active college career at the beginning. When he was a freshman, he made the Sphinx Freshman Honor Row. Since then he has held many important offices. He has been: President of Delta Chapter; Vice-President of Delta Chapter; Political representative of Phi Sigma Kappa at the University of West Virginia, and successively News Editor and Sports Editor of the *Daily Athenian*.

At the present time he is President of the Journaliers, a member of the Press Club, LeCircles Francais, the Speech Club, the Debate Team, and the Glee Club. He is also a member of Kappa Tau Alpha, national scholastic journalism honorary society.

Brother Bond has written some excellent material for his chapter in the SIGNET, and he was a most active member of Delta Chapter's 50th anniversary committee. As a member of that committee he contributed two interesting articles which were published in the Dedicatory Section of the May 1941 SIGNET.

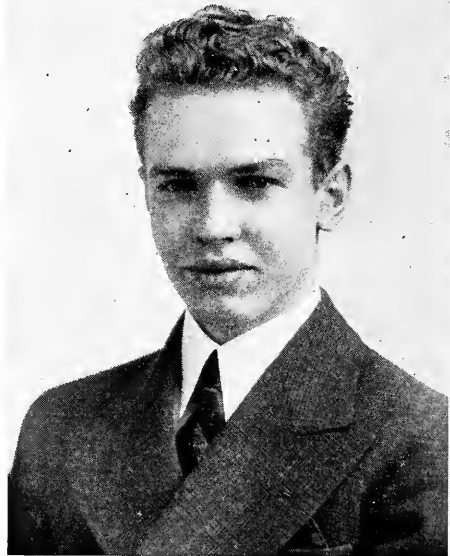
Big Shot is the Word for Smith

Show us the man who can beat our Brother Smith's record of activities, is the challenge the members of Kappa Deuteron chapter throw out to the world!

Here is Brother Smith's record: (1)

President of Kappa Deuteron Chapter; (2) Editor-in-Chief of the *Blue Print*, Georgia Tech Yearbook; (3) Member of the Advisory Board of the Yellow Jacket, humor magazine; (4) Member of the Student Council; (5) Member of the Interfraternity Council; (6) Member of the Georgia Tech Publications Board; (7) Member of the Senior Commencement Committee; (8) Selected for Who's Who Among Students in American Universities and Colleges; (9) Selected for the American Institute of Electrical Engineers; (10) Secretary of Omicron Delta Kappa, campus leadership fraternity; (11) Member of Tau Beta Pi, Engineering Scholastic fraternity; (12) Member of Eta Kappa Nu, Electrical Engineering Honorary; (13) Member of Phi Eta Sigma, Freshman Honorary Scholastic

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HOYT SAUER
Beta Triton

fraternity; (14) Member of the Bulldog Club, local junior honorary; (15) Member of Pi Delta Epsilon, a journalistic honorary.

Brother Smith is also a senior, and it needs not be said that he was one of the outstanding students ever to attend Georgia School of Technology.

Sauer is Student Par Excellence

At the time that Brother Hoyt Sauer graduated from Knox College in January, he received two very high honors.

The first was the announcement that he had been elected to Phi Beta Kappa. This culminated three and a half years of excellent scholarship and outstanding leadership and citizenship.

A little later Hoyt received a scholarship for eight months to the University of Buenos Aires in Argentina. Each year our government with the coöperation of an international education committee offers this scholarship to one student in an American College, so it is obvious that this was a singularly high honor.

In school activities, Brother Sauer was equally successful. He was Secretary and later President of Beta Triton Chapter. In November he was in charge of the Region IV Conclave of Phi Sigma Kappa held at Beta Triton Chapter. He was also a member of the Key Club, an honorary Sophomore men's club; Secretary of Adelphi, a campus literary organization; President of the Spanish Club for two years; member of the Interfraternity Council; member of the German Club; member of the French Club; and an active part of the Knox College Theater.

**ANOTHER RUSHING CHAIRMAN
OMEGA DEUTERON**

Howard Thoreson
4065 S. Normandy
Los Angeles, California

Don't be a Timothy Tacit, send your dollar to the National Headquarters *now* for that song book.

THIS IS WILLIE



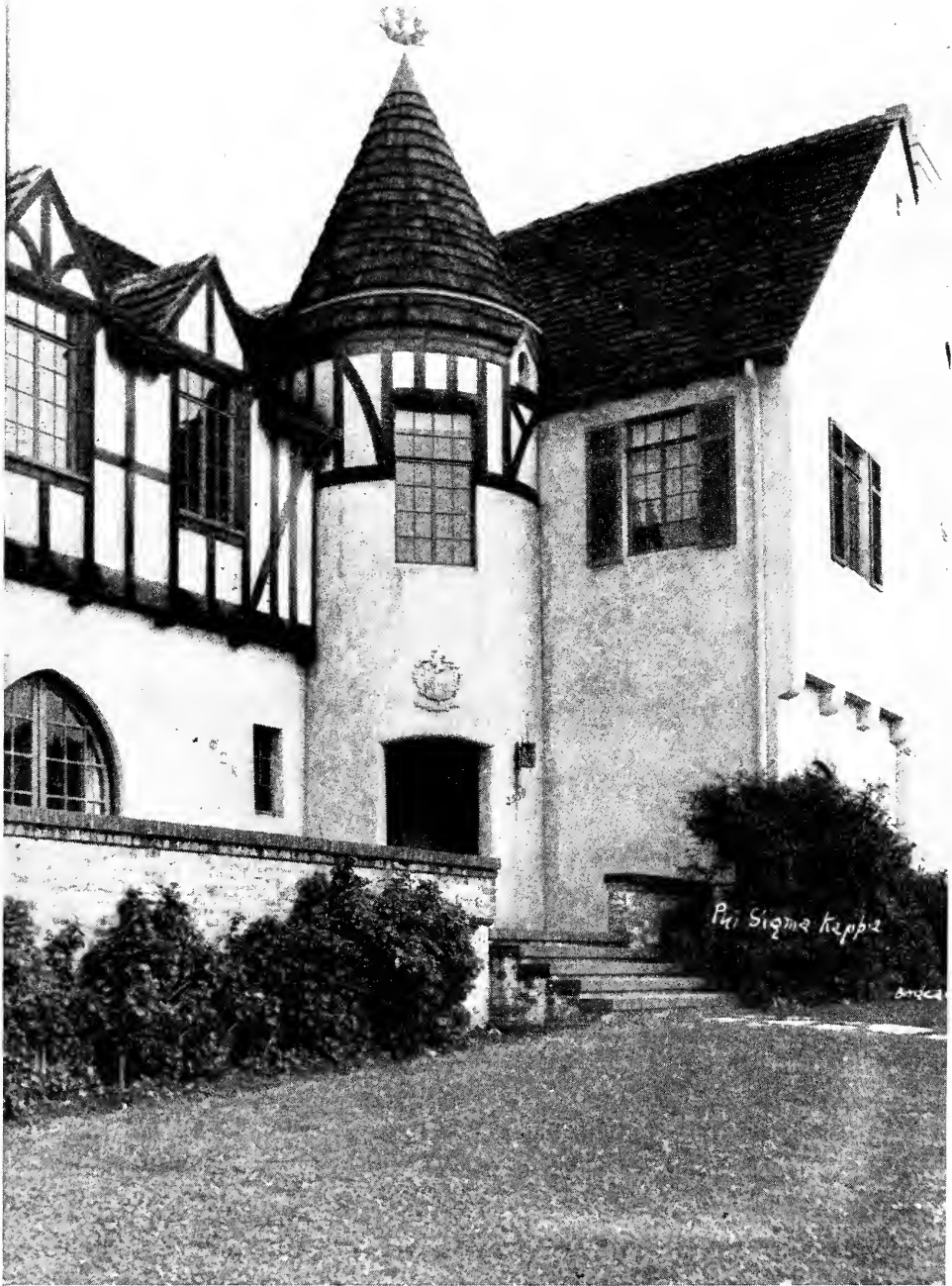
He belongs to Omicron. Somehow he got out of the Omicron section of this SIGNET. He is virtually lost and should be cold. If you haven't read the Omicron section, you ought to look for it together. It is worth your reading time.

**FRATERNITY MEN AID RED
CROSS BLOOD BANK**

Within one year it is expected that every able bodied fraternity man will have given at least one pint of his blood to the American Red Cross blood bank.

Under the direction of the executive committee of the National Interfraternity Conference, the organized blood donation will be made in coöperation with the American Red Cross.

The donation to the blood bank is another way in which the fraternities can make a practical and valuable contribution. Already there has been a very enthusiastic response.



OMEGA

New Home Anniversary Occasion's Retrospection

By WILLARD W. SUMMERS

Omega's most recent achievement was the acquirement of its new \$75,000.00 chapter house last spring in which the members took up residence at the beginning of the school year 1941-1942.

However, the magnitude of this accomplishment cannot be appreciated fully unless we review, briefly, the history of Omega from its inception as the Ridge Road Club to the present day with all of its trials, triumphs, tragedies and victories.

The Ridge Road Club was a local men's organization. The members were popularly known as "The Ridge Road Boys" and they won a place of honor and accomplishment for themselves and the club on the campus of the University of California. This spirit was built into a tradition which has been carried on vigorously to the present day.

February 12, 1909, the Ridge Road Club became the Omega chapter of Phi Sigma Kappa. With 42 charter members the club became the 22nd national social fraternity to be established at the University of California.

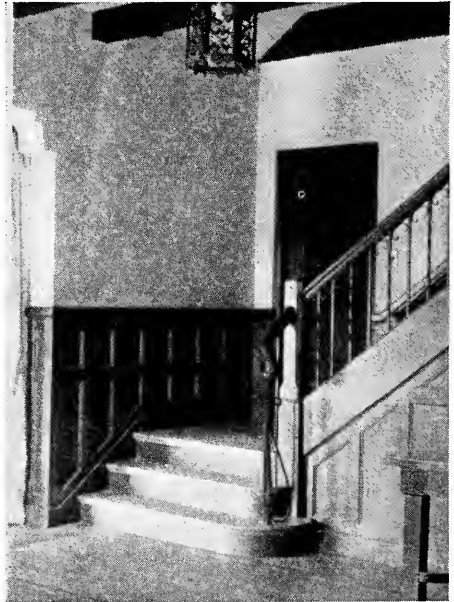
In 1910, Omega, with 29 members, moved to a new chapter house on College and Durant Avenues. This was the former palatial residence of a California governor. At that time Omega was known as the most exclusive and expensively furnished house on the California campus.

Then followed a decade of continued growth and success during which many of Omega's prominent alumni were graduated from the University of California.

In 1920 Omega began to feel the pres-

sure of steady growth in membership, and subsequently obtained a new chapter house on fraternity row. This chapter house was torn down in 1930 and a new \$65,000.00 structure was erected in its place.

However, the luxury of the new home was of short duration for Omegans. The crash of 1929 and 1930 caused such a



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decrease in membership as to make it impossible for the house to meet all payments on the mortgage thereby losing the house in 1932.

Moving to a smaller house off fraternity row there followed more years of trials, disappointments, and misfortunes. Finally, in 1939 because of the large

graduating class Omega was left with only 6 active members.

This was a crisis which few fraternities are able to survive. But thanks to a loyal alumni and an active membership which made up in spirit what it lacked in numbers, Omega survived. Today it is one of the proudest and most powerful houses on the California campus.



THE LIVING ROOM

In August 1940 an energetic rushing campaign was launched which built the membership to 48 by the spring of 1941. It was then that the membership began to feel the need for a larger house and obtained our present location.

Omega began the fall of 1941 with 55 members, largest in its entire history. Today Omega stands in an envious position among the California fraternities. The membership and alumni are firmly united in spirit and are more than well prepared to meet any situation or crisis which may confront them in the future. Today the spirit of "The Ridge Road Boys" is burning as bright as ever.

The Record

CHAPTER INVISIBLE

Donald Bierer

Donald Bierer, Eta '41, of Brooklyn, New York, was killed in action in line of duty. He was a member of the Army Air Corps, at Fort Worth, Texas.

Harry J. Williams

Brother Harry J. Williams, Tau Deuteron '27, passed away March 24th, 1942. He is survived by his wife, Doris Eve Williams, and two sons, Donald and Robert Williams.

Edward B. Allison

Edward B. Allison, Gamma Deuteron '17, passed away on January 7th, 1942.

Brother W. A. Woodruff

Brother W. A. Woodruff, Beta '06, passed away March 2, 1942, at his home in Stillwell, Oklahoma. He is survived by his wife, his son and daughter of the immediate family. His death, which followed a stroke, is greatly mourned by those who knew him.

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BABY GRAMS

William Danshaw, Nu '40, and Mrs. Danshaw are the parents of a son, William Lee, born March 24, 1942.

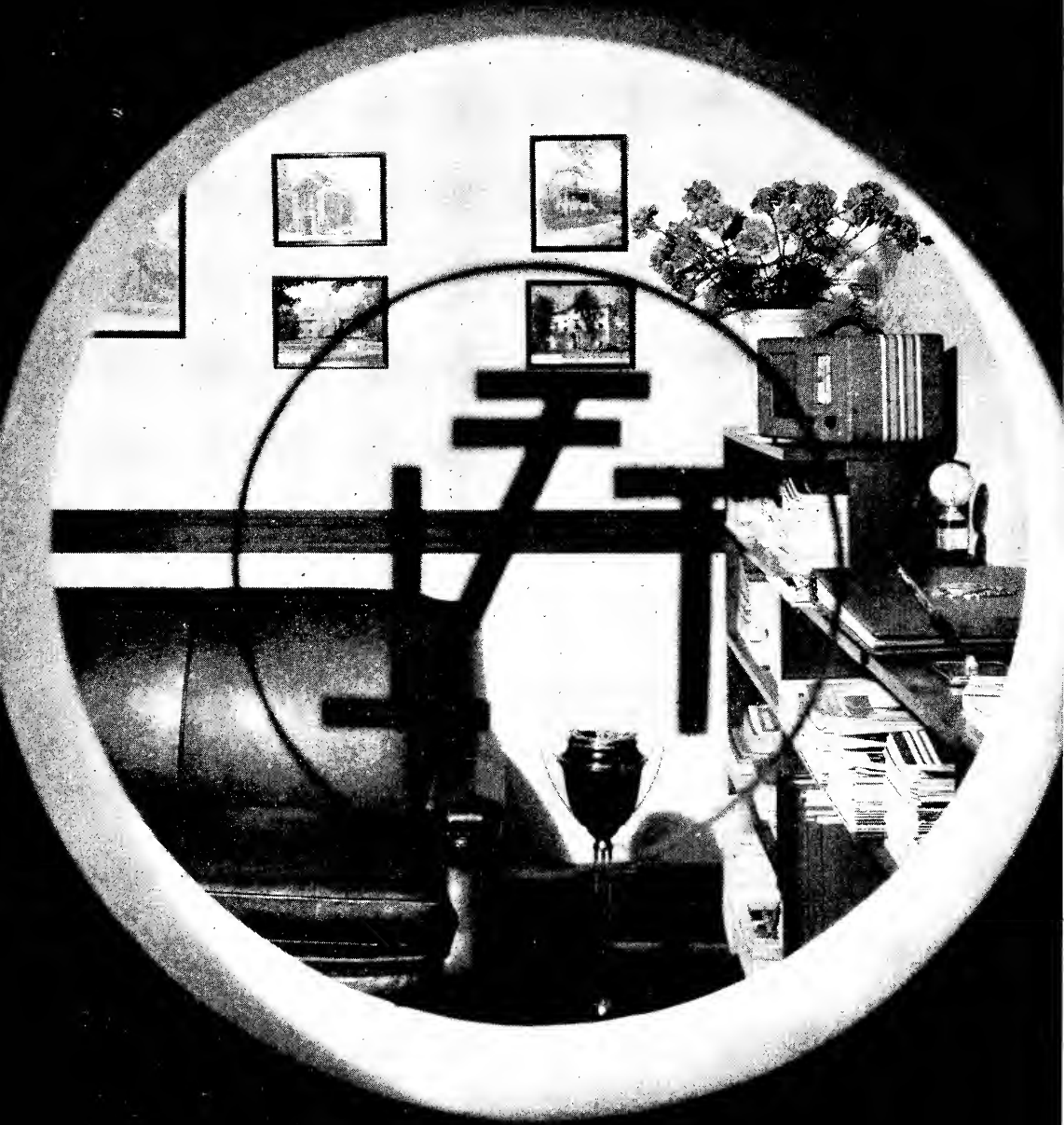
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MARRIAGES

Lionel Eugene Wolff, Lambda Deuteron '37, married Beth Loraine Edwards on March 21, 1942. They are now residing at the Westminster Apartments in Spokane, Washington.

Lt. Philip E. Wainscott, Chi Deuteron '41, U. S. Air Corps, married Jean Schenkowsky, a former W. S. C. girl on January 22. They are now living at 2020 C Street, Bakersfield, California.

A Three T's View of a corner of the Reception Room at the National Headquarters. ➔



Chicago Club Founders' Day Banquet

In the silver and magenta banquet room of the Medinah Club of Chicago, on March 20, nearly fifty Phi Sigs from twelve different chapters gathered together to celebrate Founders' Day.

After the dinner, Brother Dean Bickford, Sigma Deuteron '23, retiring president of the Chicago Club of Phi Sigma Kappa, introduced the Toastmaster, Brother Jesse Kirkpatrick, Alpha Deuteron '22. Brother Kirkpatrick was an excellent toastmaster, because of his experience on station WGN as announcer, and his former connection as vocalist with Earl Burtnette's orchestra.

Brother Kirkpatrick then introduced Brother Milhening, Beta Triton '35, Brother George Amsbary, Field Secretary, Alpha Deuteron '41, and Brother "Spec" Collins, Region IV Director, Gamma Deuteron '17. Brother Amsbary gave a brief account of his findings at the various chapters he has visited since September, and Brother Collins gave a review of the policies of the National Organization.


One of the high spots of the evening followed when Brother Schoening presented the Region IV Scholarship Trophy to Brothers Tod Cyrus, and Al Kahlenburg of Beta Triton. Brother Cyrus, accompanied at the piano by Brother Kahlenburg had, earlier in the evening, entertained the group with an excellent vocal rendition of Phi Sigma Kappa Songs. The Scholarship Trophy, which was presented to Beta Triton this year, indicated that Beta Triton had made the greatest improvement in scholarship of any chapter in Region IV. Brothers Cyrus and Kahlenburg expressed their pride and appreciation for their chapter's receiving of the cup, and a challenge to other chapters in the region just to try

and take it away from them.

The principal speaker of the evening was Dr. S. W. Herman, Rho Deuteron '99, our National Chaplain. His talk struck the heart of every Phi Sig present with timely force. "Does our Phi Sigma Kappa Creed, which was composed when people thought there would be no more war, still have meaning and strength now that the most fearful war of all is upon us?" Such was the subject of his talk, and powerfully he showed to all present that the precepts of the Creed, God, Man, Country, Fraternity, and Alma Mater—are the precepts of Democracy. He showed that the Creed has helped to imbed those precepts more strongly in the hearts of Phi Sigs everywhere, and that, therefore, our Creed does still have strength and meaning—more than ever before, and that if this Creed is again to have meaning in the following peace, we must defeat the forces which now seek to defeat the precepts of our Creed, and our Democracy. Dr. Herman's talk was a very great inspiration to all who attended the banquet, and no man left that banquet but who was better for it.

The Founders' Day Banquet ended with an election of officers. Officers elected were Brother Frank Fernholz, Alpha Deuteron '37, President; Brother Ralph Milhening, Beta Triton '35, Vice President; and Brother D. O. Leighton, Beta Triton, Secretary.

Chapterette Introduction Picture

The Chapterette Introduction picture features, left to right, Albert Kahlenberg and Tod Cyrus of Beta Triton receiving Chicago Club Region IV Scholarship Trophy awarded to Beta Triton at Founders' Day Banquet in Chicago. 



Chaparral

BETA TRITON Knox College

By GLENN B. HENDERSON '45

At a recent chapter meeting, the following officers were elected for the remainder of the school year. They are: Tod Cyrus, President; Al Kahlenberg, Vice-President; Bruce Ellithorpe, Secretary; Bob Bartz, Treasurer; Dave Heller, Sentinel; and Chuck Trenka, Inductor.

The chapter is happy to announce that the following men have been initiated since the last edition of *The Signet*. They are Robert Strauss, Plainfield, New Jersey; John Quidd, Chicago; and William Weber, also of Chicago.

As far as chapter activities are concerned, things have been happening thick and fast at Beta Triton. The first of these activities concern the presentation of the Region IV Scholarship Cup to Beta Triton. It was presented to President Tod Cyrus and Vice-President Al Kahlenberg at the Founders' Day gathering of the Phi Sigma Kappa Club of Chicago. This cup definitely establishes this chapter as a Phi Sig scholarship leader. This is the second time since 1930 that we have had this cup. In addition, Tod Cyrus sang and Al Kahlenberg accompanied him as a part of the evening's entertainment.

The whole chapter is busy redecorating the third floor dormitories. New paint is flying thick and fast. We are also installing new lighting fixtures and various other improvements. When this is accomplished, our chapter house will be 100% modern.

Beta Triton's winter formal was a huge success. "Doc" Lawson and the band played for us. He will be remembered by the Region IV Conclave delegates as the band that played for the Conclave dance. The winter formal was held in the Grand Ballroom of the Hotel Custer. Fifty couples attended.

The chapter celebrated Founders' Day

as the guest of Alpha Deuteron Chapter. Delta Triton Chapter was also there for the celebration. These three chapters attended a basketball and a hockey game, and they also serenaded some of the sorority houses at the University of Illinois.

Other social events that we have had include several Sunday afternoon teas and dances. Several more are to be held in the remainder of this school year. Representatives from the other fraternities on the campus are always invited to the dances. We are the only fraternity of this campus to do this. It provides a pleasant relief to the otherwise uninteresting Sunday.

We are not idle on the athletic side of the campus either. In swimming, we were represented by Al Kahlenberg, Bob Strauss, Bruce Ellithorpe, and Bob Wilkinson are trying out for the track team at the present. Bill Weber and "Mouse" Franzen are out for spring football practice. Dave Heller, although not participating in spring practice will be a member of the squad next fall.

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OMEGA University of California

By WILLARD W. SUMMERS

Omega is beginning to feel the effects of the war. We lost several brothers and some pledges at the end of the fall semester and will lose several more at the end of the current semester. Phi Sigs were particularly saddened to learn that Brother James Thomas, '41, was taken prisoner by the Japanese when Guam was captured last December 7th. Brother Thomas was the energetic and faithful rushing chairman who was largely responsible for pulling the house through the trying days following 1939. At that time Omega was left with only 6 active members as a result of the large graduating class that year.

Ensign Mathew Sellers, '41, Pi Chap-

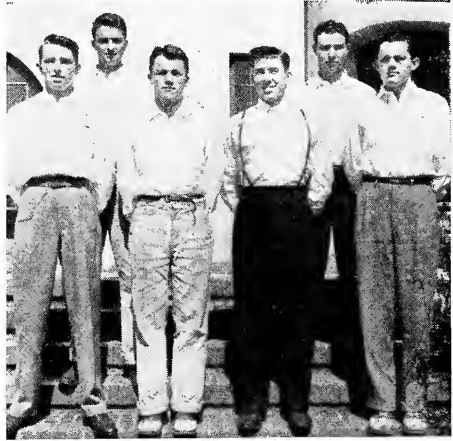
ter, visited Omega in January. He had some very interesting stories to tell us regarding his experiences since joining the United States Navy. He was on the USS Silinas, tanker, when it was torpedoed by an Axis submarine. When the Silinas was torpedoed it was on the North Atlantic patrol looking for the USS Morris, destroyer. After the Silinas was torpedoed Brother Sellers and the rest of the Silinas' crew were rescued and taken to Boston. There they were transferred to a destroyer and then sent to San Francisco. Since his departure from San Francisco we have not heard any news from Brother Sellers. If Pi chapter has any news Omega would appreciate being informed of such.

Omega began the spring semester with 14 pledges, strengthened alumni relationships, and a strong economic structure. Before going further, we want to express publicly our gratitude to the alumni for everything they have done or are doing to make the house as strong as it is. For had it not been for our loyal alumni with their generous cooperation Omega would probably have long since ceased to exist.

The present administration is headed by Brother Hollis G. McLaughlin, Jr. Brother Carl William Reinhard is serving as vice-prexy while Brother Gerald Edward Moore takes care of the secretarial duties. Brothers Douglas William Donnan and Royal Hurlburt Weller serve as sentinel and inductor respectively. Brother Robert Carl Anderson is treasurer and Brother Author Maurice Poulin is rushing chairman. Brothers Julian Ford Taylor and Robert Gordon Hinshaw take care of the social affairs. Brother Royal Hurlburt Weller also has the added duty of house air raid warden.

Six new members were initiated by Omega in February. They were: Brothers Lowell Russell Brosomer, Charles Brunel Christensen, Price Keith Dodson, Alexander Rafelvich Kaplan, Author

Maurice Poulin, and James Richard Woods. This left us with only eight pledges but since then two more have been added to our pledge class bringing the total to ten. When the present rushing campaign is concluded we expect our pledge class to be increased considerably. The administration of the



CHAPTER OFFICERS

Left to right: Robert C. Anderson, treasurer; Royal H. Weller, air raid warden; Hallis G. McLaughlin, Jr., president; C. William Reinhard, vice-president; Douglas W. Donnan, sentinel; Gerald E. Moore, secretary.

pledge class is under the direction of Brother Price Keith Dodson, pledge chairman. Officers of the pledge class are: Pledge Brother Willard Winfield Summers, president; Pledge Brothers Thomas James and Hugh Tomlinson serve as vice-president and secretary-treasurer respectively. Other Pledge Brothers are Julius Brawn, Neil Ferryman, Robert Sheppard, Peter Tayler-son, Jack Hugley, Jack Marquis and Charles Jelavich.

The Berkeley Phi Sigs have had a very eventful spring semester in every aspect of fraternity life. The first social event of the semester was the Nu Deuteron and Omega joint buffet supper dance given at the Stanford Phi Sigma Kappa house in honor of their pledges.

February 20th Omega and Nu Deuteron gave a joint pledge dance at the Berkeley house in honor of Omega's pledges. About 50 couples attended. Dancing was to the music of Murray Petterson's ten piece orchestra. The decorations carried out the theme of a Roman Villa and were high lighted by a huge floral pledge paddle hung over the fireplace done in magenta and silver.

Nu Deuteron's delegation to the dance was headed by Brother Bud Perry, Nu Deuteron president who escorted Miss Gene Cook. Pledge Brother Douglas Janney, Nu Deuteron pledge president, led the Stanford Phi Sig pledges and accompanied Miss Paula Pratt, Mills College. Other Nu Deuteron Pledge Brothers attending were: Herbert Zimmerman, Stel Andrews, Jack Coy, Ben Ryan and Spiro Coumantros.

Brother Hollis Gilbert McLaughlin, Jr., Omega President, attended with Miss Dolly Freolicher, Mills College. Pledge Brother Willard Winfield Summers, Omega pledge president, escorted Miss Margie Savage, Theta Sigma Phi. Other Omega Pledge Brothers attending were: Julius Braun, Neil Ferryman, Thomas James, Robert Sheppard, Peter Tayler-son, Hugh Tomlinson, Jack Hugley, and Jack Marquis.

Other Omegans of note attending were Brother Tom Mason, varsity first string football center, escorting Miss Virginia Gleberman, Delta Delta Delta. Brother Carl William Reinhard, varsity first string left half, accompanied Miss Ruby Smith. Brother Charles Brunel Christensen, varsity first string tackle came with Miss Barbara Don, Alpha Omicron Phi and Brother Calvin George Ellis, varsity first string quarterback escorted Miss Pat Myers.

Brother John Alfred Martin, assistant freshman baseball coach, accompanied Miss Nona Hunt. Also attending were Brothers Harold John Albright, Stanley Ray Sharp, Douglas William Donnan

and Harold Vernon Cates, varsity first string short stop, catcher, pitcher and outfielder, and outfielder respectively. Guests were Brother Robert Richard Reinhard and his wife, Brother and Mrs. Clinton Evans. Brother Evans is the University of California head freshman football and varsity baseball coach. Other guests were Brother Dr. Franklin C. Palm, University of California history professor and director from Region V of Phi Sigma Kappa. Brother Dr. and Mrs. Horner attended. Brother Horner is Omega chapter adviser and alumnus of Omega. Patrons and Patronesses were Brother and Mrs. Don Herget and Brother and Mrs. Clyde Warden. Brothers Herget and Warden alumni of Omega.

February 27th Phi Sigma Kappa, Lambda Chi Alpha, Alpha Tau Omega and Theta Chi gave an exchange dinner and joint radio dance. This was the first time anything of this nature had ever occurred among the fraternities at the University of California. It is Omega's hope that this will be the beginning of a new spirit of cooperation and fellowship among the several Berkeley fraternities in the future.

The exchange dinner and joint radio dance was followed on March 20 with an exchange dinner and beer bust between Phi Sigma Kappa, Kappa Delta Rho, Alpha Tau Omega, Theta Chi and Phi Kappa Sigma fraternities.

At the beginning of March the pledges challenged the actives to a two weeks rushing campaign. The loser was to treat the winner to a beer bust. For some reason the pledges showed more spirit and energy in rushing and won the challenge. Consequently, the actives had to treat the pledges to a beer bust. This event was held the first part of April.

Omega's spring formal will be held April 25th. Jackson Terry's 11 piece orchestra will furnish the music. The

alumni beer bust is scheduled for April 27th.

In addition there have been many exchange dinners with various individual sororities and fraternities on the campus and many more such events are scheduled. Also this spring the Mothers' Club has been very active. They have made the house some generous gifts some of which were a large rug for the living room and shades and curtains for the dining room.

February 4, Omega pledges staged a very successful walk out. Pledges woke the members early in the morning with howls and war whoops as they walked out. In their wake they left alarm clocks ringing, and also swiped fuses, turned off the water and disconnected telephones, scattered members' possessions, cleared out the silverware and just missed telling the cook to take the day off.

Disgruntled, unshaven members with revenge in their hearts decorated the house with pledges clothes in partial retaliation. Pledges returned about midnight. They found themselves locked out and inside the actives were ending a party in which they had been warming up all evening for the kill when the pledges returned. Pledges were put to polishing the silverware, waxing the floors and the following day all pledges showed an unusual tendency to stand instead of sitting.

Omega's membership is very representative both of the campus and the nation. There is a good spirit of cooperation between the members. Fellowship, and the "Strength and beauty of true fraternity" is emphasized strongly. This semester an excellent attitude exists between the pledges and the actives.

The Berkeley Phi Sigs are very active in campus affairs. Brother Harold John Albright, '43, San Diego, California, is a member of the Big "C" Society, and The Winged Helmet Society. He plays varsity first string baseball as shortstop.

He has won two Block "Cs" and a freshman numeral. It is expected that Brother Albright will be grabbed by some major league club when he has finished his college career. That is, if the navy doesn't get him first. He has a V-7 classification and is an apprentice seaman.

Brother Robert Carl Anderson, '43, San Francisco, is a member of the Inter-



PLEDGE WALKOUT

fraternity House Managers' Association, member of Eta Delta Theta, California Interfraternity Honorary Society. He is a member of the ASUC Radio Commission and Junior Chairman of the ASUC Bureau of Public Relations.

Brother Harold Vernon Cates, '43, Stockton, California, is another varsity first string baseball player. He patrols the outfield and has won two Block "Cs" and a freshman numeral. He is a member of the Big "C" Society and the Physical Education Majors Club and recently joined the Marine Corps.

Brother Charles Brunel Christensen, '44, of Likely, California, is varsity first string tackle and a potential All-American in football next fall. He is a member of The Tri-Une Honor Society, and The Big "C" Society. He has won a Block "C" and his frosh numeral in football. Brother Christensen is a pre-legal major in the College of Letters and Science.

Brother Douglas William Donnan, '44,

San Diego, California, is another varsity first string ballhawk. He takes care of the pitching and also plays in the outfield. He is a member of The Tri-Una Society, The Big "C" Society, and The Vigilante committee. He is a Big "C" guard and won a Block "C" and his frosh numeral in baseball.

Brother Price Keith Dodson, '42, Glendale, California, is an Ensign E. V. P., U. S. N. R. and is a member of the California Engineering Society. He is also serving Omega as pledge chairman.

Brother Calvin George Ellis, '43, South Gate, California, is a varsity quarterback. He is a member of the Big "C" Society and has won two Block "Cs" and his frosh numeral. Brother Ellis is in upper division ROTC.

Brother Robert Gordon Hinshaw, '43, Salt Lake City, Utah, serves Omega as Social Chairman and is a member of the University of California Visitations Committee.

Brother Robert Alfred Holtermann, '42, is a member of Eta Delta Theta, The Interfraternity Honorary Society, the managerial staff of the Daily Californian. He is a football manager and a member of the Bureau of Public Relations and the Campus Tours Committee.

Brother Alexander Rafelovich Kaplan, '43, Tientsin, China, is a member of the University of California Slavic Society and is an outstanding linguist, speaking or reading several languages fluently.

Brother John Alfred Martin, '42, Los Angeles, is a member of The Big "C" Society, and the American Society of Civil Engineers. He is now serving as Assistant Freshman baseball coach having completed four years of baseball during which time he won three Block "Cs" and a frosh numeral. He represents Omega in interfraternity football.

Brother David Paul Marin, '44, San Francisco, is the Associated Press correspondent for the University of California Campus.

Brother Tom Mason, '43, Downey, California, is varsity first string center and potential All-American in football next fall. He is a member of The Big "C" Society, The Skull and Keys Society, and The Winged Helmet Society. He played varsity left wing on the rugby team and represents Omega in intramural basketball.

Brother Hollis Gilbert McLaughlin, Jr., '43, Williams Port, Penn., serves as our house president.

Brother Gerald Edward Moore, '42, Eureka, California, is a member of The Bureau of Public Relations and serves Omega as secretary.

Brother Carl William Reinhard, '44, Glendale, California, is varsity first string lefthalf and potential All-American in football next fall. He is a member of The Big "C" Society, The Tri-Una Society and the Rugby Club. He plays fullback on the varsity rugby team and has won Block "Cs" and frosh numerals in football, rugby, and diving. He serves Omega as vice president and represents the house in interfraternity baseball.

Brother Stanley Ray Sharp, '43, San Diego, California, is a member of The Big "C" Society and The Winged Helmet Society. He is varsity first string catcher and has won two Block "Cs" and his frosh numeral. He also serves as Infantry Sergeant in ROTC.

Brother Julian Ford Taylor, '42, Troy Alabama, is a member of The University of California Architectural Association and designs sets for Little Theater. He serves Omega as social chairman and has served as house manager.

Brother James Richard Woods, '45, Pecos, Texas, is a member of the University of California Debate Team. He represents Omega in intramural baseball, track, and swimming. He is a member of the University of California Rifle Team and has placed second by scoring 383 points out of 400.

Brother Forest Arthor Cobb, '43, San

Francisco, is a member of the Honor students society.

Brother Royal Hurlburt Weller, '43, New York, comes to us from Xi chapter. He serves Omega as Air Raid Warden and Inductor. He represents the house in intramural swimming and baseball. He has recently joined the Marine Corps.

Brother Gustav Joseph Braun, Jr., '43, Berkeley, is a member of Pershing Rifles Club, and The Scabbard and Blade Society. He is a Technical Sergeant in the Ordnance Corps of the ROTC.

Brother Vincent Amadee La Barge, '43, Berkeley, represents the fraternity in intramural basketball, baseball and swimming.

Brother Author Maurice Poulin, '44, San Francisco, is varsity first string swim-

mer and water poloist and has won a Block "C" and frosh numerals in both sports. He is a member of The California Life Saving Corps and serves Omega as rushing chairman. He represents Omega in intramural softball and swimming.

Brother James Herbert Allen, Jr., '43, Beverly Hills, California, represents Omega in intramural basketball, baseball, and football.

Our pledge class membership is also very active in campus activities.

Pledge Brother Willard Winfield Summers, Graduate, Artesia, California, serves the pledge class as president. He is the editor of the Chapter newspaper, Signet correspondent and reporter on the Daily Californian.



OMEGA

Left to right, back row: Charles Brunel Christensen; David Paul Marin; Royal Hurlburt Weller, Jr.; Douglas William Donnan; Jack Alfred Martin; James Herbert Allen, Jr. *Middle row:* Alexander Rafelvich Kaplan; Barrett Nelson Coates Jr.; Stanley Ray Sharp; Hollis G. McLaughlin; Vincent Amadee LaBarge, Jr.; Gerald Edward Moore, Author Maurice Poulin. *Front row:* James Richard Woods; Robert Gordon Hinshaw; Peter Taylerson; Robert Alfred Haltermann; Carl William Reinhard; Gustav Joseph Braun, Jr. *In front:* Robert Carl Anderson; Hugh Tomlinson; "Phi Sig," Omega mascot. 17 members were not present when this picture was taken.

Pledge Brother Thomas James, '42, Manteca, California, represents the fraternity in intramural basketball and softball. He plays varsity rugby and is vice president of the pledge class.

Pledge Brother Charles G. Jelavich, '44, Mountain View, California, is president of the University of California Slavic Society and is a member The Tower and Flame Society, freshman and sophomore honorary society. He is a linguist and a Slavic major. He speaks English and Croatian as native tongues and at the present time is taking Russian, Serbian, Croatian, and German.

Pledge Brother Jack Hugley, '45, Richmond, Virginia, is a member of Little Theater, The Newman Club, and The Delta Phi Epsilon.

Pledge Brother Jack Marquis, '43, San Francisco, plays third base on the Varsity baseball team. He won his frosh numeral and represents Omega in intramural baseball. He has V-7 classification in the navy.

Pledge Brother Peter Taylorson, '45, San Francisco, is a member of the California Scholarship Federation.

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GAMMA

Cornell University

By BOB PACE '44

With fourteen new men initiated as brothers of Phi Sigma Kappa last month, the present outlook, as far as Gamma is concerned, appears very encouraging. However, a number of our brothers have chosen to leave school so to make up for their loss, we have started informal rushing. To date we have two new and very promising pledges, Bob Clee and Jack Morgan.

With the coming of spring the "Gas-house Gang of Gammettes" is warming up in preparation for the approaching baseball season. With nearly the same team that went undefeated in regular interfraternity competition last year, on-

ly to be beaten in the semi-finals of the university championship, the "Gammettes" appear to be headed for big game this spring.

Gamma fared very well in the winter sport's program. Our bowling team, made up of Streak Gillfillan, Fred Tydeman, and Sax Tuttle, cleaned up all opposition to win the interfraternity and university championships while our basketball team lost only two games, and those by the narrowest of margins.

In the varsity spring sports, we are again well represented. John Aldworth is commodore of the crew which would undoubtedly be the winners of the Poughkeepsie Regatta, if there were to be a Poughkeepsie Regatta. Fred Schulte is rowing with the junior Varsity, with good chance of soon being with the varsity eight. Big Bill Gillies, fresh off the farm (which is merely stating the obvious) having won his numerals in basketball, is now in the first freshman boat while Larry Dean is rowing with the frosh J. V's. Fred Heisley, working with the 150's, rounds out the crew list.

On the varsity track team, Sterling Gus Godley and D. S. Pace are running the middle distance while Curley Eaton, having cleared 5' 11" so far this season, is number two jumper on the freshman squad.

Gamma is also well represented this spring in a number of National Honorary societies. John Aldworth was elected to Tau Beta Pi, honorary engineering society, Herb Laughlin made Skulls, honorary Pre-medical society, and "Touch" Young, made Phi Kappa Phi, national society of honor students, and Sphinx Head.

With a number of our brothers already having left for service in the armed forces, most of those remaining are making plans and preparations to enter the service in some capacity. Curley Eaton, John Aldworth, Fred Schulte, Bob Pace and George Crofts are taking advanced

drill, Fred Tydeman will receive his commission as an ensign in the Navy upon graduation, and Gus Godley, having received his pilot's license under the C. P. T., is planning to enter the air force.

During the first part of last February the Annual Junior Week House party was held with a reduced budget. The party turned out to be a terrific success, with everybody having at least one date. Corsages for the week-end were ruled out and in their place, each member donated a certain amount to the Red Cross.

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KAPPA DEUTERON Georgia School of Technology

By STANLEY J. HENRY '43

Spring has at last invaded the Tech campus and has conquered the Kappa Deuteron Chapter completely. After many dreary weeks of hard labor and bad weather, we are at last breaking forth from our lethargy like the leaves on the trees.

For the last few weeks, it has been the custom for everyone to gather at the House on Saturday nights after making the rounds, and make pancakes. Chief chef for the occasion being Brother Jack Smith. Socially speaking, we have been having a jam-up time. There have been several dinners and parties given by the chapter in the last few months and we plan to top off the season with a dance to be given at the Biltmore Hotel on April 25.

Our basketball team, composed of Brothers Smith, Burgdorf, Castagnetta, and Pledges Young and Remich, narrowly missed winning the Interfraternity championship, being defeated in the last stages of the final play-off. However, with the softball tournament coming up, we are taking no such chances again. In fact, it's really comical to see some of the decidedly Brothers and Pled-

ges practicing in the lot next door before supper every night.

On March 14, we had our Annual Founders' Day Banquet at the House. Quite a number of our alumni attended, and we enjoyed hearing them tell "of the good old days when we were freshmen."

Our new officers are: E. A. McQuire, President; H. I. Castagnetta, Vice-President; S. J. Henry, Secretary; P. L. Horne, Treasurer; D. R. Peters, Sentinel; C. N. Adams, Inductor.

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ALPHA DEUTERON University of Illinois

By BOB LAHLEIN

Torn between the signs of approaching spring and mid-semester exams, Phi Sigs at Illinois are buckling down in anticipation of balmy days ahead.

John H. Marchmont, national president of Phi Sigma Kappa, visited Alpha Deuteron, February 23 and 24. He was guest of honor at dinner and while speaking informally to actives and pledges said that in these days of conflict it is necessary that the fraternity carry on an aggressive rushing campaign in order to pledge as many men as possible without relaxing our standards.

Perhaps the biggest event of the past month here at the Illinois chapter was our Founders' Day celebration, March 14-15, which was attended by groups from Beta Triton at Knox College and Delta Triton, the Purdue chapter, for the two day meeting that brought thirty-seven visiting brothers to this campus. Brother D. R. "Spec" Collins, Director from Region IV, was the speaker. At the informal business meeting Saturday afternoon, Brother Collins led a discussion of rushing ideas and techniques. Following the banquet in the evening, Collins emphasized the effects of the war and draft on fraternities. Brother Kenneth Brown, president of Alpha Deuter-

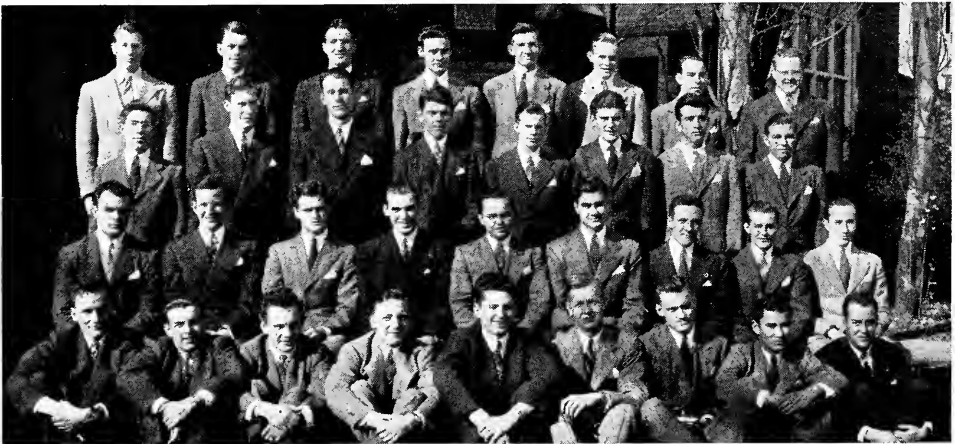
on, acting as toastmaster, introduced other speakers: Brothers C. A. Webber, Alpha Deuteron, '28, bursar of the University of Illinois; O. D. Dillavou, Alpha Deuteron, '22, chapter adviser; H. D. Gotti, Alpha Deuteron, '21; Capt. O. A. Watne, Alpha Deuteron, '33 and J. C. Dallenbach, Mu, '03. The meeting adjourned as the fellows set out for the Michigan-Illinois hockey game which Illinois won to gain the Big Ten championship. After the game, the entire group of Phi Sigs, 100 strong, serenaded campus sororities in a super songfest that brought thank-you notes and gifts of cigarettes to our house.

At the second chapter meeting in March, March 9, we elected officers for the remainder of the spring semester. No changes were made in the major offices: Kenneth Brown, '43, president; Dale Simpson, '43, vice president; Harry Gotti, '44, secretary; John Kjellstrom, '45, treasurer; Fred Bowditch, '44, inductor, and Bob Gates, '43, sentinel. Kjellstrom, who earned his freshman numerals in basketball this semester, is learning the treasurer's duties under the expert in-

struction of Norm Cusick, '42, who has been treasurer for two years. Norm, who is being graduated this May, is anticipating an army commission on the basis of his captaincy in the ROTC.

The chapter hockey team, displaying the spirit and fight that has pushed the house up among the leaders in campus intramurals, was defeated in a sudden death overtime period by an Independent team, 3-2, for the All-University championship. The game was played as the feature attraction of a second in a series of two intramural carnivals held March 26 and 27. Though defeated in the finals, the team holds the fraternity title. Outstanding for Phi Sig were Brother Bill Prentiss, '45, who earned numerals this past season, and Pledge John Mackey, '43, who accounted 9 of the 19 points scored by the team during the campaign. Brother Bill Galbreath, '42½, gave a good account of himself at the goalie position.

Alpha Deuteron now boasts of two varsity puck chasers in Brother George Balestri, '44, and Pledge Ray Killen, '43, who were awarded the orange "I" for



ALPHA DEUTERON

Left to right, front row: Lyddon, Schifeling, Landgraf, E. Broom, O'Neal, Kjellstrom, Strand, Kuchmuk, Schiffman. *Second row:* Cox, proctor; Swanson, Brown, Cusick, Blodgett, Simpson, R. Broom, Grove, Fordyce. *Third row:* Ferry, Gainer, Galbreath, Spengler, Branch, Gotti, Balestri, Gates. *Fourth row:* Brekke, Bowditch, Mackovic, Essington, Prentiss, Larson, Lahlein, Dillavou.

stellar performances at defense and goal respectively.

Balestri proved himself to be a BMOC, as did Brothers Pliny Blodgett, '42, and Bill Brekke, '43, who chairmanned the Sophomore Cotillion held earlier in the year, by receiving bids to the Headliners' Hop annual dance to which all campus leaders are invited.

Rushing is being carried on under the direction of Brother Fred Bowditch, '44. We entertain rushees at dinners on Wednesday evenings and Sunday noons. We also have a policy of informally rushing men by taking them to intramural contests, a rushing technique that is effective in showing rushees the lighter side of fraternity life in Phi Sigma Kappa.

Brothers Harry Gotti, Jr., '44, Bowditch and Pledge Gene Estes, '44, are responsible for musical trills floating around the house these days. All are members of the top ranking Illinois band.

Brother George Amsbary, Alpha Deuteron '41, visited here March 20 and 21 in a farewell visit to his Alma Mater. Field Secretary Amsbary will leave for military service soon.

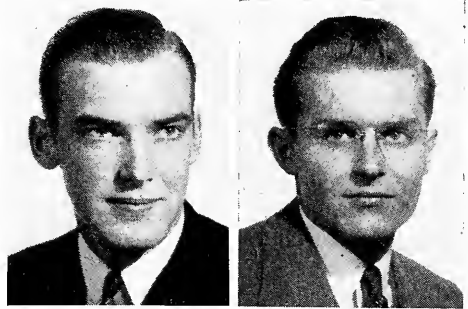
In keeping with the national war effort, Alpha Deuteron has decided to dispense with all decorations at the spring formal dance, April 11. Funds appropriated for the event will be used to buy defense bonds. Arrangements were handled by a committee headed by Brother George Dillavou, '44.

One of the biggest high school athletic events was staged on the Illinois campus March 19, 20 and 21. The event was the state high school basketball tournament, which brought teams from all over the state here. Visitors crowding the campus dismissed all war worries for the three-day eliminations which saw the Centralia high school team crowned champions.

When the spring graduating class of the University of Illinois bids the campus

a last good-bye, May 23, a trio of Phi Sigs will leave Alpha Deuteron. They are Brothers Norm Cusick, Pliny "Doc" Blodgett and Bob Grove. Brothers Cusick and Grove are pictured below.

Brother Cusick has served Alpha Deuteron capably for two years. This commerce major is from Chicago Heights, where he was active in Bloom Township



NORM CUSICK

BOB GROVE

High athletics. In 1937 Norm was voted the most outstanding athlete of the school. Then, here at Illinois, he earned frosh numerals before illness halted his promising career in basketball.

Norm, a captain in the University of Illinois ROTC, is a member of Scabbard and Blade; Band of X, commerce professional organization, and Alpha Kappa Psi, national commerce honorary. He is also a member of Skull and Crescent, an organization composed of sophomore fraternity men. Brother Cusick's latest feat was his marriage to Ruth Buckles, Chi Omega town girl and Phi Beta Kappa.

The mighty mite from Chicago Heights, Brother Blodgett has served Alpha Deuteron as president, house manager and secretary. Pliny is well known in mid-western chapters for his sparkling wit and personality at Region IV conclaves. He was originally a journalist, but now is a confirmed political science major. Blodgett's activities include frosh wrestling, Illio advertising staff and oc-

casional work as news commentator on a local radio station. Brother Blodgett attended De Paul University for one year.

Hailing from Cerro Gordo, Brother Bob Grove, house smoothie, will guide the financial destinies of farmers for years to come as a graduate of the School of Agriculture with a major in ag economics. The high spots of Bob's career on the campus was his winning of the all-university grain judging contest on two successive occasions. He is this chapter's representative in the interfraternity council and a member of Skull and Crescent.

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PSI DEUTERON University of Oregon

Spring term at the University of Oregon finds the chapter house virtually deserted every afternoon as the Phi Sigs take part in the numerous spring activities on the campus.

Track Coach Bill Hayward, starting his 40th year as Webfoot mentor, has six Phi Sigs on his varsity and freshman squads. Brother Ralph Kramer, a transfer from Pasadena Junior College, is a leading hurdle prospect, and Brother Francis Tuckwiler, a quarter miler, is one of the three returning lettermen on the small Oregon squad. Brother Spencer Weills, taking his first crack at varsity competition, is entered in the 880. Brother Louis Felsheim and Pledges Charles Barrows and Dave Smith are the freshman squad candidates.

The varsity baseball team has three Phi Sigs on the roster. Pledge "Lefty" Al Wimer, leading frosh pitcher of last season, is expected to be one of the mainstays of the Oregon pitching staff this year. Pledge Bob Normoyle and Brother Bill Caples are also on the squad. Normoyle is an outfielder and Caples is a first baseman. Pledges John Gitzen and Bill Reed are turning out for the fresh-

man team, Gitzen as a second baseman and Reed as a pitcher.

The Phi Sigs are also represented in campus politics with two class treasurers. Brother Spencer Weills is junior class treasurer and Brother Louis Felsheim holds the same position for the freshman class.

Brother Don O'Neil is the only Phi Sig representative on the football squad now going through spring drill. O'Neil is a center and should see plenty of action for the Webfoots next fall.

Other members in campus activities are Pledge James Magee, manager of the Northern Conference championship swimming team and member of the advertising staff of the Daily Emerald, and Royal Denton, six foot seven inch "tall fir" from Roseburg, who earned his numerals playing on the frosh basketball team. Two Phi Sigs, Brothers Bill Caples and Jim Parsons, were named on the intramural all-star basketball team.

Civilian defense is an important aspect of Western college life at the present and the Phi Sigs are active also in this field of endeavor. Under the direction of Brother Ed Wyatt the fraternity has been taking a Red Cross first aid course and comprises the first aid squad at the campus casualty center which has been organized to assist doctors and hospital staffs in case of air raids or other emergencies.

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TAU Dartmouth College By WARREN VAN DYK

Since the last issue of The Signet, Tau Chapter has held its elections for the summer semester. Geddes Carrington heads the new administration with Ted Woodward vice-prexy, Warren Van Dyk, secretary, and Dick Bugbee, treasurer. Brothers Lindell and Scofield were elected sentinel and inductor respectively.

The inter-fraternity play contest finals have just been held, and the Phi Sigs came out third out of a field of twenty. Woodward, Garvie, Lindsay, Lindell, Kerwin, and MacNamara make up our group of actors, with the latter two receiving honorable mention for individual acting.

Tau Chapter was represented in three winter sports teams this season. Brother Hart, who is now serving his country, earned his "D" in squash this year. Rolsey Scofield '44, top man on the fencing team, exhibited great skill in his lettering. Warren Van Dyk again lettered in speed-skating and was elected co-captain for next season.

Brother Chasoff, our athletic manager, has done a remarkable job in regards to inter-fraternity sports. Due to his efforts, the Phi Sigs have had one of the largest participating groups in "house" sports. At present time he is working out a point system for the house whereby point winners will receive medals for their honorable services to the house.

Although our basketball team had only a fair season, our skiers, Anger, Lynn, Stokes, and Woodward did very well in the ski championships. Out of a field of twenty-two teams, our "riders of the hickories" came in third. The swimming finals are now being held, and Tau's water men, MacNamara, Price, Daniels, Haffenreffer, Perkins, Scofield, Taylor and Kokens are certain to take first place. Our swimmers have been working hard to take the meet for the House.

So far we have had only one man leave for the service. However, many of the brothers have signed up for the various branches of the armed forces. It is expected that many of them will be serving as officers in their respective units by next fall.

The latest from the College Administration is that Dartmouth is going to

have a Green Key week-end after all. When Winter Carnival was cut out, all other social events were cut too. However, student pressure caused this change to come about. Since it was decided upon at the last minute, there will be no big-name bands for this "modified" spring dance. However, newly-elected social chairman, Bob Perkins, will undoubtedly make it another one of those unforgettable week-ends.

We are to have a black-out soon and the job has been left to Brother Smith, our air-raid warden, to see that all is well taken care of.

The rushing committee has been making plans for the next rushing period which will be held in early May. It is expected that another good group will be pledged by the committee headed by Brothers Carrington and Lindsay.

Brother Eddie Chamberlain '36, Assistant Dean of Freshmen, is leaving for the Navy shortly. Eddie was also a backfield coach, being a star backfield man when in college, and also an instructor in Meteorology in the C. P. T. program, which some of the brothers are taking.

Brother Taylor, a pre-medical student, has been pledged to Alpha Kappa Kappa, medical fraternity.

A few of the brothers will not be with us this summer but will attend colleges nearer their homes. However, all will be back with us this fall to complete their college education.

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University of Maryland

Eta Chapter started the second semester with several new faces and a few familiar ones missing.

Brothers Bill Hutchinson and Jack Harrison left school to work until their draft board catches up with them and Brother Dave Batson is now a private in the army, having enlisted, and is now

stationed at Fort Meade, Maryland. Brother Hambleton also left school and is now working.

The new brothers are Wallace Marshall, James Brown, and Charles Beaumont who were initiated just before the Christmas holidays.

In our social life we have been keeping up with our usual traditions and



ORVILLE SHIREY

have had several house dances, the more important of which were, the Christmas Dance, and the annual George Washington's Birthday Ball, which is sponsored by the pledge class. Pledge President Ned Thomas handled the arrangements and did an excellent job of it.

At present we are making plans for the Interfraternity Ball in April and the annual Carnation Ball which is held each year in conjunction with Lambda and Epsilon Triton Chapters. Several other smaller chapter affairs are also being planned.

The Founders' Day Banquet was celebrated at the chapter house on March 21 with many alumni and brothers present.

After the dinner a smoker was thoroughly enjoyed by all.

Athletically we are holding our own. Our basketball team started out like a "house a fire," but when our ace center and high scorer, Brother Bill Hutchinson, left school, the team seemed to go to pieces and we failed to win any high honors. At present our bowling team is burning up the alleys with Brother Neal Dow setting the pace. With spring here, the brothers are planning the softball schedule and we expect to have a strong team to represent us in the league.

The spring initiation was held on March 2, and four new brothers are now wearing the pin of Phi Sig. They are Ned Thomas, Gilbert Gude, Albert Engle, and Paul de Tamble. Also the pledge class has been increased with the addition of Ray O'Kelly and Walter Allen.

The spring elections found the following brothers holding office: Brothers Art Farnham, President; John Watson, Vice-president; Ed Pierce, Secretary; William Myers, Treasurer; James Crammond, Inductor; and Charles Jones, Sentinel. Brother Watson was also elected as Interfraternity Council representative along with President Farnham.

In June, Eta Chapter will send six of its members to the army as second lieutenants. They are Brothers Shirey, Schoenhaar, Dow, Hege, Wannall, and Beaumont. Several others expect to be drafted and some will enlist in the Navy. Brother Jermain is now trying to get in the Marines. These men will help swell the number of Phi Sigs already in the armed forces.

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BETA
Union College

By GRANGER TRIPP '43

Beta's recent elections saw Robert Wilder Davison, '42, of Providence, Rhode Island, rewarded for nearly four

years of intensive effort on behalf of his fraternity. "Scotty", who is one of Union's outstanding senior chemists, has worked conscientiously as vice-president, treasurer, and as a member of the rushing committee.

At the end of his freshman year, Brother Davison was awarded the Beta prize for the freshman living in the house who has the best scholastic average. His straight-A marks gave him a tie for first place among all Union freshmen that year. The next year, he won the Fuller Prize in Chemistry, "awarded to the member of the sophomore class whose work of the first two years as a candidate for the B. S. in chemistry degree has given the greatest promise of success."

Elected at the same time was Richard Frederick Hoffman, '43, as Vice-president. Brother Hoffman is president of the Garnet Key society, honorary junior group, a member of the student council, and a first-string football man. He is an engineering student.

Edward Latting Johnson, '44, Dean's List Social Studies major, was re-elected secretary, and Robert Landis Shepherd, '43, member of Garnet Key, varsity cross-country runner and intra-mural wrestling champion, was renamed treasurer. Warren Louis Candela, '44, musically gifted pre-dental student, was re-elected sentinel, and James Edgar Smith II, '44, straight-A student who was recently made house steward, was selected as inductor.

Union's fraternity initiation week-end, February 20 and 21, brought to Beta chapter a select group of six initiates, and saw a distinguished group of speakers address the chapter at the annual initiation banquet.

National President John Marchmont, President Dixon Ryan Fox of Union, National Secretary Earl Schoening, and George Rupert, regional director, comprised the speakers' panel for the ban-

quet. Chapter Adviser Reuben Head was toastmaster. All four guest speakers lauded Beta chapter for its scholastic achievements of last year, which brought it to third place on the Union campus. Each one expressed his confidence that the energy and fraternity spirit that have characterized Beta in recent years would continue to keep the chapter in its high ranking among the fraternities at Union, and among the chapters of Phi Sigma Kappa.

Brother Rupert added to the interest of his talk by turning the latter portion of his address into a general discussion of national fraternity problems and achievements, in which all present took part.

The banquet was held in the beautiful Hale House dining hall on the college campus.

Initiated at the formal ceremonies Thursday and Friday evenings were six freshmen whose presence in the active chapter promises much for the future of Beta.

Alphabetically speaking, the list is headed by **Frederic Budnik**, of Valley Stream, Long Island. Fred is a B.S. in chemistry who is currently making a name for himself as an announcer for UBS, Union's campus-confined broadcasting system. His quiet, genial personality early earned for him the respect and admiration of every upperclassman, and his achievements have justified that respect.

Next in line is **Carl Burmaster**, of Fort Johnson, New York, who is taking an engineering course. Carl is a hard-working, conscientious fellow whose good sense and industry make him well respected everywhere.

Joseph Harmon, of Albany, New York, keeps alive the Albany tradition which has always been a part of Beta chapter. Joe is active in the choir, the glee club, and is a member of the sports staff of the college newspaper. He has

consistently done his best in all Beta's intra-mural athletic endeavors. He is a social studies major.

Warren Kamm, of Rochester, New York, is another neophyte chemist. "Smokey," as he is known to all, has become a welcome addition to all house social functions, and his marks are welcome additions to the house scholastic attainments. He ran with the freshman cross-country team.

Richard Robsky, of White Plains, New York, gives the house Westchester contingent another powerful voice with which to argue its superiority. Dick is an engineer, a willing worker when house improvements are in order, and an excellent mechanic. He was a member of the freshman football squad and the intra-mural basketball team.

Robert Winne, of Rhinebeck, New York, takes care of the alto sax department of the house salon orchestra. He is a social studies student, a good conversationalist and a fine musician. He is out for intra-mural wrestling, played intra-mural basketball, and will play intra-mural softball.

In a move to effect greater economy and a more just distribution of work, Beta chapter voted recently to abolish the system of commisary management under which the ordinarily busy housekeeper had been given the extra tasks of food-buying and menu-planning.

In its place, the chapter set up a steward system, selecting James Edgar Smith II, '44, of Portville, New York, as its first steward. The new system has been carefully checked during the first months of its operation, and will be surveyed again at the end of this school year. The results so obtained will be used to decide whether or not it will continue.

First reports on the new system indicate that Brother Smith has already effected important economies, while leav-

ing the high standard of food unchanged.

Union College was among the first to decide to accelerate the program of study for the duration of the war, and Beta Chapter was among the first to decide to follow the new philosophy of education in war-time with as complete a program of fraternity work as possible.

The summer term set up by Union is optional for each individual student. This prevents our making any definite statement as to the number of chapter members who will be living in the house this summer.

However, this much we can say. The house will be open during the summer term, and we shall continue to welcome alumni and other guests, as we do in the winter. Alumni of Beta chapter, and undergraduate members and alumni of other chapters are cordially invited to make the chapter house on Seward Place their headquarters while visiting Schenectady this summer.

Brothers are also reminded that a certain proportion of Union's class of 1946 will be entering on June 22 of this year. We will welcome any members of that class who would like to stay at the house for the first week or two of their summer term. Therefore we should like to ask all members of Phi Sigma Kappa who know of freshmen entering Union at this time, first, to send us the names of these men, and second, to recommend the house to them as a good place for them to get established at Union.

The men of Beta climaxed a year of social successes on April 10, when, almost to a man, the chapter attended the annual Junior Prom. Charlie Spivak provided the music for this year's dance, which was judged a complete success by all who attended.

Also included in the program for the week-end was a chapter dance on Saturday night, April 11. Warren Candela, '44, was house chairman of the week-end.

NU
Lehigh University

By EARLE W. WALLICK '44

Certainly from the outlook of things now, Nu Chapter is having one of its finest semesters. Scholastically, the house did exceptionally well last semester, with nearly one-third of the fellows making the coveted Dean's list and the house itself being rated second among the twenty-six gentile fraternities at Lehigh.

Still along the scholarship line, our chapter congratulates Brother Edwin H. Klein, '42, upon his recent election into Phi Beta Kappa national honorary scholarship fraternity. Ed is now business manager of Lehigh's monthly magazine, the Bachelor, and was last year's Editor-in-Chief. He is Regimental Adjutant in the ROTC unit here at Lehigh, is a member of Omicron Delta Kappa, national activities fraternity and many others; but we all feel that his Phi Beta Kappa election was the crowning point of his stay at the University.

In the latter part of March, Nu Chapter held its annual election of officers and the following men were chosen: Philip Scott Guckes, President; Earle Wilbur Wallick, Vice-President; David Rex Whitten, Secretary; Joseph Xavier O'Brien, Steward; George Joseph Schneider, Treasurer, and Joseph Earl Smith, Inductor.

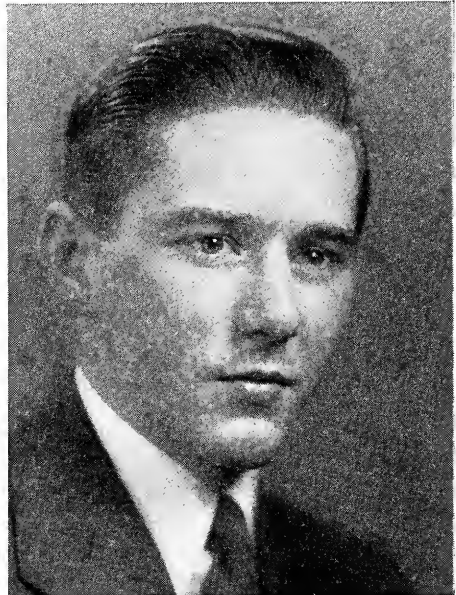
This May will see four of the seniors inducted into the United States Army as second lieutenants in the Reserve Corps, because of their training in the ROTC. Brothers Clark, Forsyth and Klein go into the infantry, Brother Taylor into the army ordnance. Joel Clemmer, '44, and George Schneider, '43, have enlisted in the Marine Corps for training to be officers upon graduation. The Navy obtained Joe Smith, '43, for a similar training upon graduation.

The Nu Chapter Alumni Association held an informal meeting at the Chapter

House on March 29, at which time it was announced that final arrangements for the purchase of our present house have been completed.

The Bachelor recently announced that Earle W. Wallick, '44, and John D. Smith, '44, have been advanced to the positions of Feature Editor and Circulation Manger respectively.

Under the athletic heading, our bowling team is progressing with its usual



ROBERT FORSYTH

smoothness, entering the quarter finals of the interfraternity tournament at the time this article was written. They have polished off their sturdiest opponents already. Pledge Mount, '45, has pulled down the highest individual game score with a 260.

Brother Ferrell, '44, received the honors for the Lehigh swimming team this year having won enough points to procure his varsity letter many times over, and is now playing baseball with the regulars. Bob Cahoon, '44, and Joe Smith, '43, are playing varsity lacrosse this season for the Brown and White

squad. Brothers Johnny Schumacher and Dave Whitten are on the track team and should prove to be consistent winners.

In the middle of February the house celebrated the annual Inter-Fraternity Ball, for which Harry James and Will Bradley played for the large gathering in the new Grace Hall. On April 10, 11 and 12, Lehigh as usual really let her hair down, as did Nu Chapter, for the annual Spring Houseparty. All had a good time over the long, but wonderful week-end.

This summer the chapter house will be open and runing on its usual winter basis, following Lehigh's accelerated schedule which calls for twelve months a year. This necessitates more frequent and better rushing. Since the active members will not be home during the summer to do their bit, we are depending on the alumni more than ever to give their usual support and hope that they will cooperate with us in every way.

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LAMBDA

George Washington University

By JERRY VAN LEEUWEN JR. '45

Phi Sigs at G. W. started the spring quarter by electing as officers: Joe Phillips, President; Nash Castro, Vice-President; Jerry von Leeuwen, Jr., Secretary; Charles Daugherty, Treasurer; Murdaugh Madden, Inductor; Joe Crozier, Sentinel; Carl Bauersfeld, Interfraternity Delegate; and Jack Bradley II, Social Chairman.

We look back with pleasure upon a very successful Founders' Day Banquet. Held at the house this year, it was well supported by alumni and all had a good time.

As spring settles on Washington, G. W. sees its tennis team, under the able leadership of Brother Madden, start what we all hope will be a very successful season.

Phi Sigs are well represented on the Hatchet, G. W.'s weekly, this year. Brother Layne is Business Editor and Brother Daugherty is Sports Editor. Brothers Castro and Philips are also on the staff.

April 11 has been set as the date on which we will hold our annual Favor Dance. Plans are now being perfected



A STUDY ROOM, LAMBDA

for the annual Carnation Ball, a tri-chapter dance held by Eta of Maryland University, Epsilon Triton of American University and Lambda.

In interfraternity competition, Phi Sig came up with a third in ping pong and was tied for second place in bowling. Brother Bauersfeld, our softball manager, is hastily getting his team into shape for the forthcoming battles on the diamond.

Brother Fogarty is leaving early in April to take his commission in Uncle Sam's Artillery.

Brother Frank Witzel is making a good name for himself, taking solos with the National Symphony Orchestra and touring south with the same.

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EPSILON DEUTERON

Worcester Polytechnic Institute

By BOB BROWN AND ERL LAGERHOLM

The close of the first semester found Epsilon Deuteron in the lead for the Interfraternity Grand Athletic Trophy. Placing better than third in every sports event including tennis, relay, basketball, swimming, and bowling, Phi Sig now

maintains a narrow lead over its nearest opponent. Scholarship has dropped off considerably but with the grades of the freshmen added in, the average will take a rise at the end of the school year.

Due mainly to the excellent showing of Captain "Tweet" Berggren and Pledge Bob Fay, the Phi Sig bowling team pulled up with a second place in this year's competition. There was a tight race all season between three fraternities for top spot and the outcome was determined by important breaks at the right time. Bowling with Berggren and Fay were Brothers Fred Moulton, Bert Marsh, Erl Lagerholm and Pledge Marty Flink.

In February, Tech News, the college weekly, held its annual election in which several Brothers received high positions. Earl Page was elected Business Manager succeeding John Ford; Dick Dyer succeeded George Barber as Managing Editor, and Bert Marsh was installed as News Editor. Don Buser was elected Junior Editor and Erl Lagerholm, Assistant Business Manager.

Epsilon Deuteron initiated nine freshmen pledged this year. Hell Week preceded the pledge walk and formal initiation which took place at the end of February. Pete Messer did an excellent job in conducting the brothers-to-be through their initiation and preliminaries, so that at the end of the week the new brothers had been most heartily welcomed. These nine new members brought the total to seventeen new members initiated this school year. The new brothers are: Robert M. Drew, Cranston, R. I.; Leland E. Gray, Jr., Framingham, Mass.; Malcolm H. Hunt, Burlington, Mass.; Owen W. Kennedy, Jr., Boylston, Mass.; William L. Sheldrick, Gardner, Mass.; Philip H. Sheriden, Worcester, Mass.; Warner C. Sturtevant, Springfield, Mass.; Roger L. Taylor, Worcester, Mass., and Martin C. Wilson, Worcester, Mass.

On March 14th, the annual Initiation Dance was held at the chapter house.

A Smorgasbord, prepared by the brothers under the watchful guidance of the several "Swedish" members in the house, preceded an evening of dancing to the music of Bud Boyce and his Ambassadors. The wet weather failed to dampen the spirits of the occasion and the brothers turned out with their dates en masse.

The following day, Sunday, March 15, found the brothers uniting with a goodly number of alumni in commemorating two events—the founding of the fraternity, Phi Sigma Kappa, and the Initiation Banquet for the new members of Epsilon Deuteron Chapter. We had the honor of having present with us on that occasion, President John Marchmont and Past President Don Hamilton, each of whom gave us a few words of encouragement and congratulations. Dr. A. Wilmer Duff, distinguished physicist and brother, gave a brief address following the banquet. And so ended another successful year of pledging and initiation for this chapter.

At the regular chapter election in March, a new set of underclass officers were chosen. Behrends "Pete" Messer was installed as President; Colin Handforth, Vice-President; S. Bailey Norton, Treasurer; Gordie Sherman, Inductor; Don Buser, Secretary; Bob Drew, Sentinel; and Jack Hagstrom, Sergeant-at-Arms.

The final results of interfraternity swimming this past season showed Phi Sig trailing Phi Gam and A. T. O. by four points and one point respectively. The outstanding event from the Phi Sig point of view was the 220 yard freestyle in which Brothers Soup Campbell and Dayt Brown copped first and second places respectively. Jack Hagstrom took a third in the 100 yard dash while Bud Handforth, came away with a second in diving. The relay team consisting of Bud Handforth, Dayt Brown, Ned Platt, and Jack Hagstrom churned up enough water to take a second place. The Phi Sigs

competing in the meet were: Soup Campbell, George Gregory, Dayt Brown, Jack Hagstrom, Charlie Powell, Ned Platt, Jim Donahue, Jack Wholean, and Bud Handforth.

In class elections, Pete Messer was elected Secretary of the Junior Class and Warren Harding was chosen permanent Vice-President of the class of 1942.

The staff of the Peddler, Worcester Tech yearbook, has changed hands for the coming year. Pete Messer has taken the position of Business Manager succeeding Gordie Raymond, and Ted Pierson has taken Elt Sceggel's position of Advertising Manager.

Still talking in the line of elections, the following Phi Sigs were elected to positions in the student chapter of the A. S. M. E.: Ted Pierson, Vice-President; Dick Dyer, Treasurer; and Bert Marsh, Secretary. Frank Holbrook now is Treasurer of the W. P. I. Student Christian Association.

At the last student assembly, Skull, the senior honorary society composed of the leading men on the campus, tapped Pete Messer and Arnold Jones for membership. Also, at this time, Howie Swenson was elected Vice-President of the W. P. I. Athletic Association by the student body.

The coming interfraternity baseball season promises to be one of the hottest for many years, as the top nines of last year have almost their same teams back for this spring's competition. It is very uncertain as to how Phi Sig will stand this year; only two regulars are lost but these were the first string pitcher and catcher. The team will probably consist of the following unless any of them plays varsity: John Ford, Tweet Berggren, Howie Swenson, Newt Burr, Norm Bergstrom, Don Buser, Gordie Sherman, Bert Marsh, Jack Hagstrom, and Erl Lagerholm plus a few freshmen players of unknown caliber.

Our prospects in track this year are not quite as usual. The chapter has lost the services of Bob Grant and Pete Messer who both have earned varsity letters. The loss of Messer leaves a deep hole to be filled for the short dashes. Charlie Powell and Erl Lagerholm can be entered in the short distances. In the middle distance, Gordie Sherman is to bear the brunt of the work while in the long runs Dayt Brown, Dick Dyer, Mal Hunt, and Gordie Sherman will do their utmost. The weights are to be taken care of by a quartet of freshmen huskies, Herb Pettee, Ned Platt, Phil Sheriden, and Marty Wilson. Mal Hunt will be the entry in the high jump while Steve Porter will climb the clouds in the pole vault.

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Swarthmore College

By JAMES G. DEANE

Until May 18, when Swarthmore will recess briefly before its wartime summer session, Phi Chapter's record for the current college year will still be in the making. Rounding it out will be our Spring Formal and the publication of Phi-Lo-So-Phi, the chapter's newspaper. Meanwhile the past two months have been marked by a variety of individual and group activities of interest.

Outstanding event of the period was the annual fraternity banquet April 11, attended by the active chapter and many alumni, including Brother Herbert L. Brown, '16, regional director and former chapter adviser. Toastmaster was Brother Malcolm Petrikin, '28, and entertainment included color motion pictures of the 1941 Swarthmore-Haverford football game.

Highlighting the coed social program was a long T. P. (table party or informal dance) enjoyed by a capacity crowd and notable for the initial appearance

of the chapter's new quartet, which promises both to bolster future entertainment and to expand to a double-quartet (since even more than that many brothers are sufficiently tuneful to sing in the College Glee Club.) Friday-night T. P.'s are a regular custom with the chapter and a universal feature of Swarthmore fraternity life.

The chapter was host after a regular March meeting to Vernon O'Rourke, political science professor of the faculty, who discussed politics and current world events. This was one of frequent faculty-led discussions which we hold on topics of interest. Occasional talks are also presented by undergraduate brothers.

Individual brothers have put Phi Sigma Kappa's cardinal principle of leadership into active practice in campus extra-curricular activities. Brother Bill Erdman was elected a junior-class representative on the new Student Council and was then selected as chairman of the Men's Executive Committee, regulating men's affairs. Appointed members of the committee were sophomores Bob Freifeld and Frank Tarbox. Brother Dave Gale is a member of the College Social Committee.

On the athletics side, the fraternity has been represented in swimming by varsitymen Walt Skallerup and Jack Pixton and by Manager Bob Coleman, all earning letters.

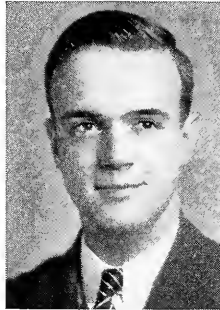
Brother Coleman was recently elected vice-president of Kwink, the managerial society; Brother Walt Jones was elected secretary. Newly-appointed manager of basketball is sophomore Dick Lyman. Brother George Fudakowski, as baseball manager, raises the number of Phi Sig managers active and elected so far this year to seven.

Pitching his last season for the baseball varsity is Bob Van De Mark. Other varsitymen are Brothers Blair Luckie and Walt Skallerup in track, Brother

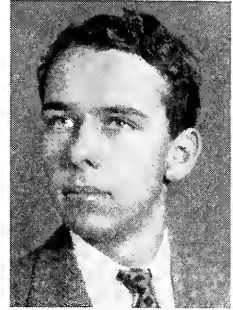
Barc Spence in golf, and Brothers Tom Fudakowski, Dalton McAlister and Dean Freed in fencing.

The new total in the year's pledging is twelve, with the welcome addition of Pledge Brother Frank Ayer, sophomore cross-country letterman and engineering major. Ten of the pledges have been initiated.

In May nine brothers will be graduated. For a record of academic and extra-



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curricular achievement embracing many awards, responsible offices and accomplishments for the College and for the chapter, the fraternity owes them thanks. They are, with their majors: Edward Bower, economics; Thomas Fudakowski, English; Samuel Blair Luckie, engineering; Dalton McAlister, political science; Donald Pelz, psychology; Walter Skallerup, political science; Hewson Swift, zoology; Robert Van De Mark, engineering; and Robert Zipfel, political science. Brother Walt Jones, '43, leaves this summer on a scholarship to Harvard Medical School.

Unpredictable as yet is the additional number of those who will leave for war service. Brother Walt Donahue joined the Army in February; others have registered.

The chapter will continue to function for those brothers who attend Swarthmore's summer session and expects to renew full activities in the fall.

KAPPA**Pennsylvania State College**

By PETER SCOTT '45

You can't keep a good man or a good chapter down, and Kappa Chapter and Kappa men at Penn State are daily proving that well known fact.

A short review of the activities and accomplishment of Phi Sigma Kappa's eighth oldest Chapter, since they were last reported within these pages, seems in order.

In athletics, winning the interfraternity football championship, taking a second in the cross-country run and a third in swimming boomed our boys into a comfortable point leadership in the intense fight for the highly coveted interfraternity all-sports cup—an honor that has not come Kappa's way within the memory of any active brother. During the winter, basketball, handball, ping pong, boxing, wrestling, and volleyball added to our point total; but the other fraternities on the campus were not idle and we are beginning to feel, as the pace quickens, the hot breath of more than one on the back of our necks. But a good front runner is hard to take in the stretch.

In the social whirl, Kappa's gay blades escorted their usual bevy of lovelies to Fall House Party, Senior Ball, and Interfraternity Ball. The latter was especially memorable being highlighted by a smooth and sophisticated dinner dance. In the social department it is also our pleasure to announce that retiring Prexy, Robert F. Wilson, was married to Miss Marguerite Waddell of Lancaster, Pa., on October last.

Nor have we been idle in fraternal matters. Kappa has pledged five fine new boys since last Fall's rushing season. They are: Delmar Schreppe, '43, of Mahanoy City; William Bache, '44, Nanticoke; Robert Logan, '45, Upper Darby; Richard Liddiard, '45, Waverly, N. Y., and George Washko, '45, Edwardsville.

Recently initiated members, now proudly displaying their pearly new pins and casting an eye about for the lucky girls upon whom they might promptly lose them are Daniel Grant Meckley III, Patrick Duncan Harrington, Peter Scott, William Samuel Ramagosa, and James Donald Nickolson. Initiation was held February 18 and 19.

Quarterly elections were held on March 2nd, and the following officers were inducted on March 9th: Robert Roy, President; John Gary, Vice-President; George Roy, Treasurer; Philip Moore, Secretary; Peter Scott, Sentinel; and Ellwood Hendrickson, Inductor.

These officers will undoubtedly be faced with some of the hardest problems and toughest decisions undergraduate fraternity officers have ever been called on to combat. Penn State's accelerated scholastic program, the summer session, rising food and maintenance costs, boys leaving college. All are problems calling for the high type of leadership and cooperation which Kappa feels it has to carry it through the rocky way ahead.

The Chapter has been privileged, during the year, to accommodate several visiting members from other Phi Sig Chapters. If you should be in or near State College this summer or any time in the future please don't forget to try our hospitality.

It is at this time every year that we must bid hale and farewell to our departing seniors. These boys who have labored for four years to hand on to us a finer and stronger fraternity, a greater chapter, are moving on into the main event.

To them, Robert Furlong, Robert Ramsey, Robert Wilson, Lester Weist, James Hitchens, Patrick Gianopoulos, Harry Brown, Kimber Grimm, James Hartman and Walter Mueller we extend congratulations for four years of work well done—Godspeed.

PI

Franklin & Marshall College

On March 28, Pi Chapter held the most successful Founders' Day Reunion and Banquet in many years. Many alumni from Lancaster and the region of New York, New Jersey, and Delaware were present. There were 80 present at the reunion.

The last Green Room Club play of the year, "The Devil's Disciple," saw the final curtain bow of Jack Keelen, departing senior and veteran of the club, also President of Pi Chapter. Jack has been the swimming team's star diver during his entire four years at Franklin & Marshall, and last year managed the Blue Key Honor Fraternity's "Aquadado" taking over where Phi Sig alumnus Jack Miller, previous record breaking swimmer left off. Four other seniors are members of the Blue Key Honor Fraternity: David Lees, Vice-President; James Clark, Secretary-Treasurer; Dutch Hamscher, and "Papa" Greiner.

Brother Lees has been the Green Room Club's Business Manager for the past year; Brother Mills, Patron Manager; Brother "Rocks" Stoneback, Program Manager; and Brother "Sam" Clark, Publicity Manager, who also had a part in the last show along with Brothers Keelen, Killea, and Ripple. The set construction was under the direction and supervision of Brother "Rounder" Lumb.

The Interfraternity Ball, held in March, was the high-light social event of the quarter. After the dance the chapter held a breakfast, the success of which was in great part due to the efforts of "Rocks" Stoneback and Bill Killea, who acted as M. C.'s introducing the entertainers besides putting on their own original acts. The following night a dance was held at the house.

Pi Chapter ranked third on the campus in scholarship for the first semester with a very high average. After graduation a number of seniors will attend

graduate schools. Brother Jim Christie's acceptance to Western Reserve Medical School was announced not long ago. Brother "Sam" Clark, this year's Phi Bete, will go to Columbia.

The defending champions of all-college baseball have started working out in preparation for the first game. Brother Lees is acting as the team's coach. Pi



JOHN P. KEELEN

Chapter captured third place in intramural swimming with Brothers Keelen, Doughty, Bealer, Agnew, taking part.

Brother Dutch Hamscher, captain of the league champion basketball team was awarded a medallion along with the other members of the team at a recent assembly.

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ALPHA

Massachusetts State College

By JACK HULL '42

Now that the winter season has drawn to a close and activities are commencing with an eye to the future, Alpha has a brief breathing spell to review past accomplishments and occurrences, and to glance over the roster of coming events planned for the spring season. The past has given us much to be proud of, as well as many memories that will make

our hearts sing in the future; we all know well how grateful we will be for the opportunity to fall back on just such memories as our fraternity life has given us. But now let us see what Alpha has done in the recent past.

The athletically inclined portion of our group has given us three healthy parts of State's varsity five; Ed Podalack and Gildo Santin, two important defense men who contributed much to the good showing of the basketball team, plus Art Irzyk, a sophomore of extreme talents in handling the ball.

As usual, Alpha supplied the informal varsity hockey squad with the majority of star players. For the past two years the College's hockey team has been made up predominately of Phi Sigs. Miff Atwood and Deke Young were co-holders of the cage position, stopping flying pucks as if their opponents were rolling marbles at them. Defense men were Moe Leland and Rollie Collela, supporting Babe Gourmand and Ace Thayer who were on the first line. The ice on the college pond felt many a tremor as these boys rocketed over the frozen sheet to bring fame and honor to the school and Phi Sig.

Big Benny Freitas and Superman Santin held up the heavy end of the winter track meets, by bringing in the points allotted for the best throws of the shot put. And despite his palpitating heart, our own Stan Hood snapped many tapes in the sprint events, not content with outdoing all comers in the broad jump, a field in which he is indeed proficient.

The recruitment to fill the ranks of this spring's baseball squad brought out six of Alpha's best. "Wedge-head" Gross, who hurled during the summer for Manchester, N. H., in the Northern League, will be on the mound, defending his position from capable Ace Thayer. Southpaw Howie Bangs is also a contender for this position, seeing to it that the varsity squad will be in no lack

of pitchers. Contrary to opinion, Ben Freitas did not lose his power in the Vermont prison camp where he played nursemaid to that state's bad boys; thus, he will be right in there, slugging the pill into the distant blue as he has done before. Two brothers who showed their abilities with the freshman club last year, Art Irzyk and Sam Price, will be out in the sun to shine even more than they have previously.

Proud we are to be able to contribute so strongly to our school's outstanding teams, and prouder still that along with the numbers we contribute such skill and ability.

Graduating this year and being commissioned second lieutenants in the United States Cavalry Reserve unit attached to our college are Miff Atwood, Charles Bishop, Dick Cressy, Babe Gaumond, Ralph Hatch, Bill Kimball, Moe Leland, and Chet Stone. Their four years of training have qualified them to be leaders in the great undertaking that our country is now engrossed with. I know that Phi Sigs everywhere wish them all the luck that their own immediate brothers do. We are proud to be their brothers. Following in their footsteps are two of the junior class, Ed Podalack and Russ McDonald. They will have a difficult target to hit if they mean to follow far.

Enrolled in another branch of the service are Ace Thayer, Stan Hood, Ben Hadley, and Rollie Collela, all waiting for their call to report for training in the United States Marine Officers Training School. "From the halls of Montezuma, etc." is the one refrain heard ringing through the corridors, and "Semper Fidelis" is the password. The lad who swallowed Webster's Unabridged, Casimir Zielinski, is awaiting his call to the United States Army Air Corps, where he is to specialize in meteorology, Brother Fred Shakley's choice.

Contact with the alumni of Alpha has

brought in much information as to the whereabouts of our brothers active in defense. Past-president Dana Kiel, '41, is employed with the Vought-Sikorsky Company of Bridgeport, Conn., doing his part to "keep 'em flying." Ike Vincent, '41, is attending the United States Marine Officers Training School at Quantico, Va. Marigan Krasnecki, '42, is with the meteorological branch of the United States Army Air Corps, Macon, Ga. Joe Arnold, '44, is waiting to be called into the United States Navy Reserve; Brother Arnold recently took upon himself the holy vows of matrimony, sharing them with the former Miss Elizabeth Cronin of Gloucester, Mass. Dick Knight, a product of the military unit here, is a lieutenant with the United States Cavalry at Fort Riley, Kansas. This roster proves that Phi Sigma Kappa breeds no slackers, and future days will see that they have the ability as well as the desire. Look out, you axis partners.

Looking back over the past few months, one finds them crowded with social festivities, enough to warrant the question arising as to what purpose we had in coming to school. As this is irrelevant, however, we will skip on, or rather back, to ascertain what has been functioning. Winter Carnival, held on the longest week-end of the year, (from a Friday up to and including Monday) was an extensive spread of fun and frolic. The formal ball started things jumping, followed the next day by interfraternity competitions in various sporting events, and the judging of the snow sculptures; then a "vic" party at night. The Sabbath was spent in easing the high-pitched feelings of exhilaration, but due to Monday starting at midnight, many set out to recapture the misplaced emotions and continued to revel in the joys of intoxication (didn't I mention that they were psychological ones?).

The Winter Formal, very capably han-

dled by chairman Ben Hadley and his committee, was of a less frenzied pace than the Carnival, but typically a Phi Sig party, and there is a difference. Music was supplied by Don Campbell and his "Hungry Seven."

For many years, now, during the lull after the Winter Formal, Alpha has held a whist party for the members of the faculty and their wives. This practice is ours, alone, and we find it much to our advantage in that we tie a closer bond between ourselves and the teaching staff. The group just mentioned always finds the parties enjoyable, and they faithfully accept the invitations year after year. Other chapters of Phi Sig might find it wise and enjoyable to start just such a movement within their walls.

Just recently we held our Initiatory Banquet, gathering brothers from the house, teaching body, and from off campus, into the confines of the Imperial Room of the Hotel Weldon in Greenfield, Mass. Words of wisdom by Don A. Hamilton, Epsilon Deuteron, '11; George P. Rupert, Omicron, '25; and by Frank Prentice Rand, affectionately known to the students as "Chi '12," followed a steak dinner. This is one of the most looked-forward-to dates on our social calendar, for it really brings out the fellowship we stand for.

On March 15, we celebrated our sixtieth anniversary with the proper festivities and ceremonies. Tribute was paid to our founders by Dr. John Ashburton Cutter, Robert D. Hawley, Dr. John B. Lentz, and by Roland H. Verbeck, retiring-president John Peabody Marsh presiding. Then followed a pilgrimage to the Shrine led by that able crusader, "Chi '12." We listened to the history of the Shrine, sang "Phi Sigma Kappa Fair," and paraded back to the house for refreshments. Impressive, yet lacking the over-powerful solemnity that often dulls such proceedings, our exercises in memory and tribute to Barrett, Brooks,

Campbell, Clay, Clark, and Hague were inspiring to all.

Founders' Day bringing us up to the present, your chronicler will relate the plans concerning the most festive of all spring happenings, the Spring Formal. Annually this event takes place as a costume ball, and this season beholds us employing the succesful theme of the "Swap-off," the male in the guise of the female and vice versa. A ten piece band of local fame is to be acquired to supply a mite of syncopation and also to play the march to which the best looking couple parades to receive congratulations and the prize in the form of a quart of champagne. It promises to be, as it has in the past, an occasion to be long remembered.

Spring being the natural season for new resolutions and for new regimes Alpha welcomes in its new officers. Retiring-president John Marsh relinquishes the gavel to Stewart Bush; vice-president Paul Dwyer gives up his chair to James Ring; secretary Lambert Erikson to Robert Cleary; treasurer Milford Atwood to Ted LeMaire; inductor Edmund Freitas to James Parsons; sentinel Ernest Dunbar to Stan Hood; steward Fred Shackley to Russ McDonald; and house manager Stewart Bush to Bernard Willemaine. Alpha greets these men with confidence and trust, knowing that the standards heretofore set will be strictly adhered to.

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MU DEUTERON

Montana State University

By DICK MERRITT

Spring at Montana State University and the male enrollment continues its downward trend. Brother Bill Reed, last quarter's vice-president, who graduated at the end of that quarter, has enlisted for officer's training in the United



Left to right: Pledges George O'Connell and Jack Nichol and Brothers Barry Glen and Bill Chebul.

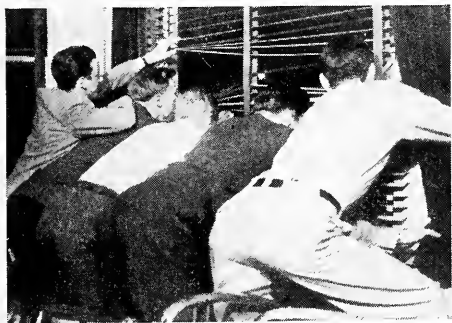
States coast guard. Pledge Steve Holland has withdrawn from school and brother Ray Ryan has entered civilian work for the navy. Brother Dutch Dahmer, chapter president, and pledge Jack Ferris have entered the marine corps reserve and are subject to call.

Our Founders' Day, observed March 29, had as its main speaker, Tom Davis, Mu Deuteron, '16, president of Rotary International.

Officers for this quarter are president, Dutch Dahmer; secretary, Ray Ryan; treasurer-house manager, Art Beattie; sentinel, Louie Stevens; inductor, Dick Merritt. Barry Glen, who did such a fine job as master of ceremonies Coffee Dan at our winter formal dinner dance, is vice-president and social chairman.

Chapter adviser Abe Thompson and faculty adviser Tom Spaulding have been much more than helpful in all things fraternal during the past year. The chapter is deeply indebted to them. Brother Fred Thieme, as in the past, was

generous with his valuable time advising the chapter and directing its financial policy. The Mothers' club headed first by Mrs. Ghirardo and later by Mrs. Solander has been actively engaged in improving the chapter house during 1941-2. Venetian blinds and new smoke stands are evidence of their efforts. Our cook, Mrs. Lila Andersen, was an in-



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dispensable guide and counsellor for the chapter, for which she has worked for seven years.

William Roderick Hanson was initiated in March, and became number 385 on the chapter roll.

Phi Sig at Montana is well represented on the honoraries. Russell Anderson is regent and Art Beattie vice-regent of Kappa Psi, national pharmaceutical honorary. Don Francisco is a pledge of that organization. Art and Bill Reed are members of Phi Sigma, a biological honorary. Les Taylor and pledge Dave Nyquist represent Phi Sigma Kappa in Alpha Kappa Psi, commercial honorary. In advanced ROTC are Cadet Second Lieutenants Leonard Daems and Emory Plummer, and Sergeants Art Beattie, Chuck Rigg, Pete Rigg (identical twins and juniors), Karl Fiske, and Tony Evanko. Numeral-men are Harold Scott, Francis Boyd, and George O'Connell. Lettermen are brother Dutch Dahmer, and pledges Arnold Scott and Karl Fiske. These last three are now out for

varsity track. Phi Sigs in the university glee club are Bill Chebul, Dave Nyquist, Kenny Obrecht, and Harold Scott.

Wedding bells have sounded for brother Emory Plummer and former pledge Morris Owens who have married respectively, Miss Bette Boding and Miss Mariloris Kennedy.

Brother Jim McGrey is now leading the best of the campus orchestras.

The very best of luck to all other chapters for next year. We're all going to need it.

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West Virginia University

By JOHN E. STENGER '43

Maintaining her position as top fraternity on the Mountaineer campus, Delta of Phi Sigma Kappa out-did all other fraternities, past and present, by initiating 28 men, the largest group ever to be initiated by any one fraternity at any one time. The new initiates proved themselves by their good nature during "National Navy Week."

On February 15, these men took the solemn oaths of Phi Sigma Kappa. The ceremony was followed by a banquet, speeches of praise, fraternity and school songs. Charles Kunkle, '45, elected Pledge President following the former president's, Chris Wagner, '45, withdrawal from school, spoke for the new initiates. Robert McFarland, '45, was elected the "Best Pledge," and Pledge Paul Bowles, '45, had the best scholastic average for the pledge class. These two boy's names will be engraved on the fraternity's large cup.

Don Bond, '42, a Journalism major and Managing Editor of the University's daily paper, The Daily Athenaeum, was Delta's president during the winter. Don handled the Chapter in an uplifting way, to maintain the high standards we have cherished throughout our fifty years of existence.

Other officers were: Richard Bayne, '42, vice-president; John Connell, '42, secretary; Charles Green, '42, treasurer; Jack Turner, '44, inductor, and Charles Schrader, '44, sentinel.

Delta's house on the hill is all aglow inside with newly varnished floors and stairs and freshly painted walls. The Chapter House Association installed a new furnace in the house to keep our "tootsies" warm next year.

Mrs. Mabel Brennemen, house mother, has finally come home and everybody was glad to see "mother." Mrs. Brennemen has been confined to the hospital in Pittsburgh since Thanksgiving, returning to Delta on March 14.

March 16, the night the Mountaineers beat Long Island U., Richard Bayne was elected the new president of Delta chapter. Dick was formerly the vice president and pledge master. Robert Carr, Law II, was elected vice-president, E. Roy Lester, '44, sentinel, Don Bond, political representative, Charles Edgar, '43, assistant treasurer, and John Stenger, corresponding secretary. Connell, Green, and Turner were re-elected.

Morgantown was full of spirit and rejoicing on March 25. That was the night that our basketball team became the "Rose Bowl" champs of basketball, by winning the National Invitation Tournament at New York. Defeating L. I. U., Toledo, and Western Kentucky. Speeches, parades, and awards were heaped upon the nine young men of W. V. U. basketball. Brother Ed Siegrist, Law II, LHCP of Fi Batar Cappar, mock honorary, was in charge of the large banquet, March 31, in honor of the team. Brother M. M. Neely, '01, present governor of West Virginia, headed the list of guest speakers.

Fred Siegrist, '43, and Charles "Chug" Schrader, '44, have been elected to Fi Batar Cappar this spring.

Brother William Brooks, '42, has been active on our campus during this school

year. He is president of the American Society of Military Engineers, also one of the founders, 1st Sergeant of Military honorary, Scabbard and Blade, President of the Cadet Hop association, Chairman of the Cadet Hop Committee and Military Ball Committee.

Delta's spring formal was held April 25 in the Hotel Morgan. In the afternoon a tea dance was held at the house, followed by a banquet at 6:30 in the hotel ballroom. At 8:30 the ballroom was cleared for the open dance. Music was furnished by Jack Merlin and his orchestra. Merlin is a college favorite, having played at Pitt, Penn State, Akron, Cincinnati and Western Reserve, to name a few. Don Patterson, '42, was in charge of the formal committee.

With the speeded up program, here at the University, everyone is quite busy. Many men have left the fraternity to enter the army, and each man is doing his bit to help with Civilian Defense.

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XI DEUTERON University of Tennessee

By BERT GRAY

The Phi Sigs of the dear old Volunteer State, Tennessee, have had another banner year. After a very successful rushing season during the fall quarter, the winter quarter moved off very well, high-lighted by the annual Founder's Day banquet and dance, at which time the "Phi Sig Moonlight Girl" was crowned. Our queen for this year was Mary Elizabeth Eddington, Phi Mu freshman, who has since been chosen as one of the candidates for Carnicus Queen. This is one of the outstanding honors for a U. T. coed. Pledge Bill Lawson and his fine band of Commanders furnished the music for not only our formal but likewise for all other sorority, fraternity and student dances. The good-looking maestro, Lawson, was unsuccessful, however, in his race for Presi-

dent of the freshman class, but gave the other candidate a very close race.

The entire active chapter and most of the pledges and several alumni made the trip to Kentucky for the Kentucky-Tennessee football game. The Phi Sigs at Phi Deuteron showed the boys such a good time that the whole chapter, with the exception of three actives occupied in defense work, returned to Lexington on March 7th to put on initiation ceremony.

Our chapter house has been visited by many alumni and national officers. We were very pleased indeed to have Brother Marchmont, our National President, and Brother Schoening, National Secretary-Treasurer, visit us and hope that they can return in the near future for a longer stay.

We are very sorry to have lost our alumni adviser and Deputy Regional Director Thomas N. Johnston to the armed forces of our country. Our loss is certainly the gain of the army in receiving Lt. Johnston. Tommy is stationed at Edgewood Arsenal in the Chemical Warfare Division. Before leaving for the army, he was elected president of the East Tennessee Teachers' Association, whose membership is over 7,000.

Our chapter is well represented in the army and navy. Besides the members who are listed elsewhere in this issue, Pledge Walter E. Burnett is "somewhere in the East Indies;" Pledge C. J. Trent, Naval Air Corps, Chicago, Ill.; and Pledge Jack Dance, Naval Air Corps, Norfolk, Va.

Since formal pledging has been over we have added several new pledges: Dale Henry, Calhoun; Hal Parks, Gleason; Harry Pipkin, Jr., and William Schaad, both of Knoxville. We welcome a new brother to our ranks, Paul A. Crick, Nashville.

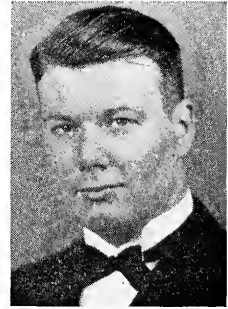
Several of our boys have participated in extra-curricular activities. Brother

Billie Bob Carter is chairman of the Decorations Committee for ACE (American Collegiate Engineer) Day and is also in charge of the exhibits for the Civil Engineers for this day, April 11th.

Brother Sliger has been one of the Tennessee cheerleaders for the past year and will probably be Head Cheerleader



I. T. SLIGER



JOHN T. JENKINS

for the coming school year. He has also been political representative and was instrumental in presenting our "Moonlight Girl," Miss Eddington, as our party's candidate for Carnicus Queen. Our intramural program was also managed by Brother Sliger.

Brother Henry Herbert is eligible for initiation into Delta Sigma Pi, national honorary Business Administration fraternity. He is also our summer rush chairman.

We will furnish the army with some excellent leaders as Brothers Herbert, Sliger and Wallace are taking advanced military. Brothers Herbert and Sliger will receive commissions as lieutenants in the Infantry while Brother Wallace will get his in the Engineering Corps.

Xi Deuteron is cooperating wholeheartedly with the University in using the "Tennessee Plan" of substituting "Greek Week" for "Hell Week." "Greek Week" is a plan promoted by Dean John O. Mosely in which the week prior to initiation into the different Greek letter fraternities is devoted to interfraternity exchange luncheons and

fellowship with the pledges, instead of having a week or hazing.

Since Tennessee has gone on "war-time production" in education, Xi Deuteron will be active the entire year. But we expect to have a big summer quarter inasmuch as we will have several co-ops returning to school and lose only two seniors, Brothers Jenkins and Story. Brother Jenkins is a member of the Fraternity Relations Board, been active in and served on several committees in the American Society of Mechanical Engineers and has been president of this chapter for the past year. Brother Story is at present editor of the Orange and White, U. T. student semi-weekly publication. He is also president of the campus Y. M. C. A., a member of Phi Kappa Phi, Scarabbean Society, Nahheeyali Governing Board and has been listed for two years in "Who's Who in American Colleges and Universities."

Here's wishing all other chapters a banner year and "Keep 'Em Flying."

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BETA DEUTERON University of Minnesota

The winter quarter at the University of Minnesota, which is usually nothing but snow-covered and cold, was in contrast quite mild this year. But, mild as the weather was, happenings at Beta Deuteron were anything but mild!

Beta Deuteron, by the middle of the winter quarter had amassed one of the largest and best pledge classes of all the fraternities at the University of Minnesota—a pledge class of 21 men. During the latter half of the quarter, however, Beta Deuteron donated one of the largest groups of men to the service of our country—19 men left for various branches of the service, or for defense work. So by now, we are just about even.

Despite our liberal acquisitions and donations of men, however, we are carrying on. Brother Dick Gaard, the chap-

ter president, is still fretting about his tough pre-med courses, and is ably running the chapter. Brother "Cy" Navikas, our illustrious treasurer, is still the campus smoothie, giving all the girls a break, and watching house bills like a hawk. Brother Dick Adams, although eligible for the dear old draft, is still carrying on a clever columnistic feud with the less musically-minded staff of the Minnesota Daily, in which he writes a column delightfully entitled, "Platter Patter." Brother Wynn Cronje, from South Africa, is racing against time to obtain his instructor's rating in the C. A. A. before he is called by the R. A. F. for active duty.

Socially, too, the chapter is carrying on. Although social functions on the campus are being cut down because of the war effort of the University, the chapter has continued to have its fun. After the "Klondike Party" last December (a "must" affair on the campus), the chapter had the opportunity of throwing several other parties. Substituting for the annual "Blue Party" which we usually throw during the winter quarter, we got together with the alumni, headed by Brother Mel Cooley, and put on a very entertaining affair culminating in a good old-fashioned Swedish Smorgasbord lunch at midnight. Because of the conflicting dates of our Fraternity's Founders' Day with the vacation from school between Winter quarter and Spring quarter, we are celebrating that affair late this year. Our Founders' Day banquet is to take place the night of April 10, and we have been fortunate in being able to obtain Brother Don Hamilton, past National President, for the principal speaker.

Beta Deuteron has been honored by the visitation of two of its National Officers. Early in the quarter we were visited by Brother George Amsbary, Field Secretary, and in February we were hosts to Brother John Marchmont, our Na-

tional President. We were proud to have been visited by these brothers.

Since our last article in *THE SIGNET*, we have had the pleasure of receiving nine new brothers into the fold. Brothers Robert Bednar, Ed Salk, Omar Vance, Bill Brandt, and Reuben Onsted were initiated last January, and on March 29, Bill Ringdahl, Charles Taylor, Robert Pinney, and Dick Luther were initiated. These boys are the future leaders of Beta Deuteron, and we know they will make good ones.

So, Beta Deuteron has been carrying on in spite of the demands of Uncle Sam on its man-power. We know we shall continue to do so.

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DELTA DEUTERON University of Michigan

By CARSON C. GRUNEWALD

The second term of Michigan's recently adopted tri-mester academic war year opened early in February and enabled Delta Deuteron to hold its initiation the 28th of the month. The new men ushered into our brotherhood with all due solemnity are: Dick Shannon, Bill Hilleg, Marvyn Walsh, Bob Smallman and Joe Egan. The active chapter had barely recovered from the physical and nervous tension of initiation when Brothers Marchmont and Schoening arrived at the house for breakfast Sunday morning. Informal discussion centered on the fraternity and effects of the war conditions upon it. Further specific problems of the chapter were taken up, and in the late afternoon our National President and Secretary departed after a brief but complete survey of the chapter house, its financial status and future prospects.

Founders' Day was celebrated by a banquet in the chapter house, Brother

R. G. Lafean providing the after dinner thought content. After the brothers had been introduced to the gathering of alums apparently yet unaffected by the tire shortage, the Detroit Alumni Club pushed thru a series of rapid and unanimous proposals. Brother Humber was not only presented with the "service cup" for his activity in the Detroit Club, but was also elected as its President for the coming year. Probably the "bluest" man present was Jim Park '37 outfitted in the navy togs of the Great Lakes Naval Training Station.

New officers of Delta Deuteron who were elected March 9 are: Kenneth Huff, President; Wiley Waggoner, vice-president; Carson C. Grunewald, secretary; James McPherson, treasurer; Sedgewick Field, sentinel; Bill Davey, inductor.

With Bill Davey as rushing chairman, rushing has picked up in tempo and Delta Deuteron has picked up two new pledges. They are Paul Gann of Midland, Michigan and Gwyn Thayer from Big Rapids, Michigan.

The spring social season began with a radio dance held March 28, the brothers attending en masse, many with "imports" from nearby Michigan Normal at Ypsilanti. This location, it is rumored, produces the best coeds and best bombers in the country; but their exact location is withheld as a military secret, pending the outcome of the war. The Spring Formal to be held May 2nd this year will follow the dinner-dance pattern so successful in attendance and results a



CARD AND TROPHY ROOM
Corner of Living Room in Background.

year ago. Yet with priorities and rationing so rife these days, we wonder what's going to happen to dates.

Next week after the Big Dance the Delta Deuteron chapter will accept the duty of host in honor of the brothers' mothers who are always invited to the Mothers' Day Banquet at the house. Despite the war conditions, we expect the usual large turnout.

Chapter members also hit the books and help the house in campus activities. Top man scholastically is Don Whitney, Tau Beta Pi, whose near-perfect average drags the entire house average up to 2.7, eighth on campus. Don is also treasurer of the Glee Club, a member of A. S. M. E. and on the Engineering Council. Our "Army man" is Bob Carlson, treasurer of Scabbard and Blade, cadet officer of the R. O. T. C. and impatiently waiting for that commission in June—or is that Jeanne? Bob Cope, his roommate, is president of Alpha Phi Omega, national service fraternity, and treasurer of A. I. M. E.

The musical side of the house—it is said—is of doubtful origin and certainly of undetermined matter. A typical day at Delta Deuteron about 5:30 in the evening will find Sedge Field accomplishing some difficult feat of finger-lip dexterity upon his tone-some trumpet. This musical-master's activities in getting the "right" man elected in the Detroit Musicians Federation promise summer note-reading jobs to a score of the brothers. Next door, about two octaves away, sits Carson Grunewald studying his Kreutzer with a melodious fiddle. Brushing off with a modest blush the well intentioned ridicule of the haply ignorant brothers, he would prefer to point to his outstanding record of academic honors. Unassuming sophomore as he is, he has nevertheless recently been appointed junior editor of the Michiganensian, college year-book. But moving further down the hall, there are those that claim

John Sobesky is really solid on the down beat. University band members include Bob Smallman and Gwyn Thayer while any brother doodling on the piano is immediately recognized by his theme song.

Most promising athlete of the house is Joe Egan. He has just recently won his numerals as a freshman track star, and is expected to run the hurdles for the Michigan varsity next year.

The war has hit Delta Deuteron chapter a little harder since the semester began. Jim MacDonald was forced to prolong his quest of a university degree (and with only 4 hours to go) till the duration, and he is now expecting induction at any moment. But the best side of army life is told by Dillard Gay, '43, who became an aviation cadet last January. He writes us from Kelly Field presenting a glamorous view of his life. Coming from Michigan he is astounded at the numbers and the beauty of the Texas girls. He demands his pin (which he unwittingly left) and promises to put it to good use in the immediate future.

The chapter house will be open this summer, and Delta Deuteron extends its welcome to any of the brothers who can escape the army, work or school long enough to visit us.

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DELTA TRITON Purdue University

Since the last issue of THE SIGNET we've been pretty busy here at Delta Triton. An election of officers, a trip to Illinois for the Founders' Day banquet, house redecoration, and a big rushing campaign.

First of all we would like the other brothers to meet our newly elected officers. As president we have Howard Willhoyte, a junior in the chem school and a part-time resident of the Theta house. Vice-president Allan Buckreus manages to do a good job of running

the house and still spend a minimum of eight hours a day with his pin woman. (P. S. In between all this he goes to school as a Mechanical Engineer.)

Secretary Ernie Grider is a Metallurgical Engineer who uses an inductive method of reasoning. He freely admits that he was wrong once. "Doc," as he is known around the house, is a sophomore baseball manager with his sights set on one of those junior manager positions. Treasurer Ed Karpick is just an ex-gob plugging away at a college education. Since he was appointed associate sports editor of the Purdue Exponent he has become one of the myths about the house. A myth because he isn't around very often.

Sentinel Dale Keister doesn't have very much to say at any time but he manages to get things done. He has just been elected Vice-president in the Student Union here at Purdue. Dale is a sophomore in the school of chemical engineering. Rush Chairman Chuck Wheeler is a mechanical engineering junior who is not entirely certain that he will be with us very long. Chuck has taken an exam for the air corps and will be in school until the army calls. We hope that Chuck stays with us for some time because he certainly has put in a lot of time on the phone calling those all-important rushees.

We had a fine time on our trip to Illinois. In addition to our hosts we had the pleasure of meeting the brothers from Knox. Our reception at Illinois was far more cordial than the Illini gave our Purdue basketball team the Saturday before. Every minute of our stay was pleasant. The meeting with all three chapters discussing their common problems, the banquet with its battle of songs, the speeches after the banquet, the informal entertainment afterward, and the serenade that ended our stay are all pleasant memories.

It is very pleasant to write about our house redecoration as a task completed. We did all of the work ourselves and are rather proud of the place now that it shines under its new coat of paint. Brother Charlie Turner has been the driving force in this work although every one pitched in and helped. Although Charlie is a resident of West Lafayette and therefore does not live in the chapter house, he has as much interest in the appearance of the house and grounds as any of the fellows that make their home here.

Our rushing program has begun to bear fruit. We have pledged four men since the Founders' Day banquet and have several more "hot" prospects. The new pledges are Don McVey, Chris Schenkel, Harold McKee, and Dick Ice. Don McVey was first string center on the freshman basketball team this past winter and is one of the top flight announcers on WBAA, the Purdue radio station. He will probably broadcast all of the football and basketball games next year.

Among the actives Ed Esping had perhaps the biggest week of the entire year. During one week he was initiated into Catalyst, the Chem and Metallurgical Honorary, pledged to Gimlet, the Booster Honorary for fraternity men, and capped off the week by putting his pin on Betty Hutchins, an Alpha Chi. During the past year Ed has been a Student Union vice-president. Bob Hansen, member of the freshman track squad and distinguished student, has been pledged to Skull and Crescent. Claus Nacke is a member of the Zoauves, crack drill group. Ray Smith continues to clean up all the breeding prizes in sight with his prize hogs.

Brother George S. Amsbary, Field Secretary, has enlisted for the Army, and expects to be called sometime in May.

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Thy stars have lit the welkin dome,
And all thy hues were born in heaven.
Forever float that standard sheet!
Where breathes the foe but falls before us,
With Freedom's soil beneath our feet,
And Freedom's banner streaming o'er us?*

—JOSEPH RODMAN DRAKE

Interfraternity Banquet at Bad Nauheim

By STEWART W. HERMAN, JR., *Rho Deuteron '30*

It became the custom at our rather resplendent "Internment Camp," which was set up in the finest hotel at Bad Nauheim near Frankfort on the Main, to pass away our time "thinking up" new ways of congregating at the dining tables during mealtime. This particular form of self-entertainment originated, I think, with the remaining members of the Paris Correspondents' Association who decided to continue their traditional Tuesday luncheons even to the point of inviting guests of honor from the rest of our crowd. It seemed rather bootless to have as guests the same people you sat with every day, but by the time this happened we were all a little "stir-happy" anyway. The only concession which the Paris men made to our "situation" was to change their day to Wednesday because on that day our German hosts served meat. Soon the Russian class had a weekly meal at which only Russian was spoken, then all the ex-Boy Scouts had a

luncheon, and then it was proposed that all left-handed people have supper together. It got pretty bad.

Finally, somebody thought of having an Interfraternity Banquet. An invitation was tacked on the bulletin board in the lobby where we stopped several



STEWART W. HERMAN, JR.

EDITOR'S NOTE: Brother Stewart W. Herman, Jr., *Rho Deuteron '30*, son of Stewart W. Herman, *Rho Deuteron '99*, Chaplain of our fraternity, went to Europe in 1934 to do graduate work. He was awarded a fellowship at the University of Strasbourg and in the following year received a French Baccalaureate from that institution.

The next year he accepted a fellowship at the University of Goettingen in Germany and it was from there that he was called to the pastorate of the interdenominational American Church in Berlin. For six years he served the American colony.

In 1939 he was also employed by the State Department of the United States government as a member of the American Embassy staff in Berlin. Carrying on the pastoral duties of a congregation of about 600 Americans, and a full time Embassy job kept Brother Herman exceedingly busy until December 11th when Germany declared war on the United States.

Brother Herman has had many interesting experiences in Germany. THE SIGNET will publish additional articles by Brother Herman in the forthcoming issues.

times a day to find out if there was as yet any news regarding our repatriation. There invariably wasn't, but the other items posted there made the stop seem worthwhile. Somebody who wanted a couple of safety pins would offer a typewriter ribbon in exchange for the pins and anything else of equivalent value, such as shoe strings. A gentleman of the Press offered to press anybody's trousers for a couple of cigarettes. He

was too proud to go around sniping butts—which were never more than a quarter of an inch long anyway—out of the ashtrays.

By the time everybody signed the Banquet list it was found that we had about thirty men who belonged to national social fraternities. Phi Beta Kappa, of course, didn't count. Some houses were represented as many as three times. If I remember they were the Lambda Chi Alpha and S. A. E. There was one other Phi Sig, Dr. Charles Spicknall of the University of Maryland, who was attached to our Berlin Embassy as Public Health Surgeon. Charlie was one of the three doctors who attended to the many minor complaints which kept cropping up among people who hadn't had enough time in the last couple years for a good bout of illness. The worst ailment was a strange kind of hoof-and-mouth disease which went from person to person without any apparent connecting link, except in the comprehensible case of one AP correspondent who was engaged to an Embassy clerk.

Charlie and I didn't mind being fraternity brothers—at least I didn't mind it—but some of the other men had rude awakenings when they discovered that people they had learned to dislike most heartily in the close confinement of our Grand Hotel were knit to them in bonds of brotherhood. So Charlie and I polished off our pins—mine was on an old vest at the bottom of a trunk which I had hurriedly packed and hoped to unpack only in the U. S. A.—and descended to the feast.

A huge table nicely covered with a white tablecloth had been arranged in the center of the crystal-chandeliered, marble-columned dining room. It was nice to have the linen because we usually ate off oilcloth which had a rather rank odor. The tablecloth was brought out because there wasn't an oilcloth large enough to cover the long board. Our

waiters, in tailcoats as usual, had no trouble handling the three course meal which began with a thin soup and ended with an Ersatz pudding. In between these two courses was a very thin slice of veal and a couple potatoes. We, too, had picked Wednesday for our banquet.

For the first several weeks in Bad Nauheim most of us were just as hungry after meals as before them, but gradually our stomachs became acclimated to the new dietetic order. Up in Berlin we had received diplomatic rations which were three times the normal civilian rations. Of course we didn't live from our rations even then. A country grocery, stocked with thousands of dollars worth of tinned goods, coffee, tobaccos, soap, etc., from the U. S. had been set up in the Embassy. Furthermore we received a special shipment of butter and eggs from Copenhagen each week. Consequently we lived quite well, if expensively, up until the day Hitler told the German people that he had declared war on the United States. A part of our plan was to "undermine the local morale" by inviting Germans in for good meals. I like to think that the scheme really worked.

For three days after the Fuehrer's speech we stayed close to the Embassy wondering where we were going next. Then one noon we were told to report the next morning at 9 o'clock ready to leave for an unannounced destination. There was a lot of plain and fancy packing done in those few hours. German friends, regardless of the risk they ran, called up or came around to say good-by and wish that they could go along too. In the midst of a dreary drizzle our special train pulled out of Berlin and we wondered whether we would ever come back and, if so, to what?

The arrival in Bad Nauheim was to be compared only with the furore which is caused by dropping in to spend the night with friends who an hour ago had just come back from a month's vacation.

The hotel had been closed since the beginning of the war. Some of us had to live in our third-class railway coaches under Gestapo guard for almost a week. When we were at last transferred to our rooms, no rugs had been laid in the dank corridors, no curtains had been hung, and there was a hotel staff of only fifty where one hundred and fifty used to work. The chambermaids were girls from the "Voluntary" Labor Service. Fifty per cent of the bathrooms were out of order. We thought that the heat had not been turned on full but we soon discovered that the elegant hostelry was never intended for winter occupancy. Its windows had never been insulated and the steam pipes which connected us with a central heating plant in the town used up most of their calories melting the snow on the ground along the way. Our Military Attaché's room was, by popular consent, the coldest of all. For several weeks the inside temperature never rose above freezing. The people on the sunny side were luckier.

When we found out that we would not proceed directly home, we tried to salvage some of the vast stores of food which we had sold to the Swiss in Berlin. They sent us some coffee, tinned meats, cigarettes, etc. Then the Military Attaché and I had breakfast in his room. He had rigged up a coffee pot—formerly a cracker tin—and suspended it over the fireplace. Wood was scavenged during our escorted walks twice a week. This sufficed for heating the room a bit and toasting the pasty brown rolls whose soft centers could otherwise be consumed only by the very tough little starlings which had the temerity to stay in Germany instead of going south where they could get something good to eat. The normal breakfast, which was better than average for Germany, consisted of Ersatz coffee with sugar and skimmed milk, two rolls, two fairly good-sized slabs of butter—the only butter we got—

and marmelade. The marmelade was good about half of the time; the other half it was, we suspected, nothing more than mashed pumpkin or turnip flavored with lemon peel.

It was stipulated that we should receive one half again as much food as the normal civilian ration. Our real disadvantage was that we couldn't patronize the black market. Tuesday and Friday were meatless days: we got potatoes and two vegetables, usually carrots and cabbage. Monday and Thursday were "field Kitchen" days: we got a plate of thick soup usually made of potatoes and cabbage with one mouthful of meat perched on top. If you were on good terms with the waiter he might manage to slip you an extra spot of meat in the second helping, or at least a spoonful of gravy. These repasts were solemnly prepared by a French chef from Paris. Once a week we could count on a really good meal of duck or turkey. Our diplomatic status accounted for that boon as well as for the tailcoated waiters. They do not usually come with internment camps.

As a representative of the Embassy I had inspected both civilian and internment and prisoner-of-war camps on behalf of the British and French Governments. That was part of my wartime job which, in addition to my regular pastoral work, filled up my time very nicely. The Germans adhered fairly well to the international agreement governing such camps but that did not make them models of luxury. French and Polish prisoners, for example, slept for many wintery weeks on straw laid on the bare ground. Their only covering was a blanket and a tent. The Russians now enjoy quarters like these. The first interned civilians slept on the floor of the outbuildings of an old castle until the report of our ensuing inspection reached the commandant and he broke out some bunks for the men. It was always neces-

sary to check on the washing and toilet facilities of these camps, as well as the food. The Swiss doctors connected with the International Red Cross are right on their toes in this respect. Now the diet is supplemented by wonderful Red Cross food parcels which render the German menu almost superfluous.

In comparison with the lowly civilians we led a life of luxury. By way of mutual edification we set up a "University" with Deans, Faculty, Librarian, and special lectureships. Everything from Shakespeare to Spanish was offered in thirty different courses. Printed diplomas were given to the students who completed the courses and there was both a Commencement and a Class Day, so that there was every reason in the world to have an Interfraternity Banquet as well.

Sport was under the direction of two Army and Naval officers who hardened up a large group of swivel-chair softies all during the bitter winter weeks. Most of us went out in the cold only so that it would seem warm when we came in again. Spring brought in its train an atavistic urge to play baseball. From friends in Berlin we obtained one bat and a soft ball. Energetic and inventive minds set to work manufacturing other bats out of young trees and other balls out of silk stockings and old neckties wrapped around golf-balls and sewed up in old gloves by means of surgical thread. The results were fairly satisfactory and we set up a league of four teams. Permission was obtained to go to the local athletic field a couple of times a week. A loving cup was fashioned by one of our Vice Consuls out of highly burnished tin cans. It was lovely. But best of all was the pageant of expressions which crossed the faces of our German guards who had never seen such a game and never heard such a racket as the loyal "fans" emitted.

The one Embassy team finally nosed out the Newspapermen for the pennant. The Army-Navy team was completely

defeated. This was revenge for the defeat previously suffered in a public spelling bee. These victories called for special dinners at the popular center table. It was fortunate that we were now due to leave because by this time half the players on every team were laid up with charley-horses, sprained ankles, lumbago or old age. For a long time none of us had had opportunity to acquire bruises except from bumping into furniture while trying to lower the black-out curtains in our Berlin apartments before turning on the lights. The only exercise we got was on the tennis court in the Embassy yard during the luncheon period in Summer.

The air-raids themselves were more of a nuisance than anything else. People were killed and buildings were hit but most of us became immune to the possible danger and stayed right in bed rather than catch cold in the cellars. I got to the point where I could sleep right through a raid unless the biggest of the anti-aircraft guns were fired, but on moonlight nights the bright spectacle of the criss-crossing of searchlights, flares, tracer bullets and fires was worth watching. Although some of the raids lasted for four hours, Berlin was never "blitzed". Its anti-aircraft barrage was very strong and, of course, the distance from England was too great for a payload.

Our last taste of war came in Biarritz in Southern France where we paused on our way to Lisbon to spend the night in a big hotel on the beach. The town was virtually deserted. The beaches were guarded by sentries and commanded by guns. At 4:30 we were almost blown out of our beds by a full-fledged manoeuvre which was evidently intended to show us how well the Atlantic coast is protected. Guns belched their shells into the sea offshore, planes zoomed right over our heads, soldiers had dug into the sand for cover. We rather expected a Commando to appear.

From the windows of our Spanish

train the next day we saw enough misery and hunger to banish the last lingering regrets from the minds of those uprooted Americans who prefer to live abroad. Lisbon was a miracle of bright prosperity and peace. Our chief difficulty lay in not being able to eat the eight course dinners which were offered at all the hotels. Gorging on fresh fruit did not leave much place for fish and steaks. It came to the point where we couldn't even eat the chocolate for which we would have traded our last bar of soap in Bad Nauheim.

The transatlantic crossing was unbelievably dull. Ship's officers said that three submarines were sighted but only the seasick passengers spent any time looking over the rail, mostly straight down. Living on the Drottningholm was just like life would be on a prolonged trolley trip. There was none of the usual entertainment and gaiety, not even the artificial gaiety of the internment camp. The liner was being used only to get ourselves across the water. The incredible was happening: we were really coming home. All of us needed new clothes, an alphabet or two of vitamins, —and a deep draught of fresh American air.

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Brother Francis C. Pray, Alpha '30, former chapter adviser of Alpha Chapter, has been elected Editor of the College Publicity Digest, the official publication of the American College Publicity Association. His election culminates eight years' membership in the A. C. P. A. which included service on sundry committees and the former directorship of the New England District.

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J. Ben Robinson Elected President of the American Dental Association

Brother Dr. J. Ben Robinson, Eta '14, Dean of the Baltimore College of Dental Surgery, Dental School, University of Maryland, since 1924, and President-Elect of the American Dental Association, was born in Harrison County, near Clarksburg, West Virginia. He received his col-

legiate training at Marshall College, from which he graduated in 1908. Following a period of post-graduate study at West Virginia University, he spent six years as a teacher in the public schools of West Virginia, three of them as teacher of science and mathematics at New Martinsville High School. In 1911 he began the study of dentistry at the University of Maryland, graduating in 1914 with Magna Cum Laude honors. Upon graduation he was immediately appointed to a teaching position on the staff of the Dental School, rising to the professorship of Operative Dentistry in 1919. Dr. Robinson served as a member of the Maryland State Board of Dental Examiners from 1922 to 1924; he is a past president of the Maryland State Dental Association, of the American Association of Dental Schools, and of the American College of Dentists. He served in 1935 as a member of the Dental Advisory Committee to the Technical Staff Studying Compulsory Health Insurance. He was Chairman of the Section on Dental History of the Centenary Celebration held in Baltimore in 1940. At present he is serving on the Council on Education, and is a member of the Dental Advisory Committee to Selective Service in Washington.

Dr. Robinson has had conferred on him a number of honors. The Alpha Omega Dental Fraternity awarded him its annual Achievement Medal for distinguished leadership in 1941; the Connecticut State Dental Association conferred upon him, on April 29, 1942, the Alfred C. Fones Medal Award as "one who has made notable contributions to Dentistry, Science or Humanity." He is an honorary member of the Society of Surgeons of Guadalajara, Mexico, and of the National Dental Association of Bolivia, S. A.



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Zacharias With McKenna Metals

Brother Robert M. Zacharias, Pi '07, has left the patent law firm of Church & Church, Washington, D. C., and become associated with McKenna Metals Company, of Latrobe, Pa. Brother Zacharias' experience in Washington will be helpful to it in seeking priorities. On May 16, Brother Zacharias attended the 35th reunion of his class at Franklin and Marshall.

A Day With the World's Largest Syndicate

By GEORGE S. AMSBARY, *Alpha Deuteron* '41

In the center of New York City there is a building—not much different in appearance from the rest—which houses an organization that perhaps gives you the most varied kind of service of any organization in the world. This organization is King Features Syndicate.

King Features is what you might term a “parent.” Its sons and daughters are many. Comics, Fiction serials, International News Service, Women’s Home Features, International News Photos, and The Central Press Service are among its offspring.

Did you ever read “Bringing Up Father,” the comic strip by George McManus? Do you remember reading serial stories in the newspapers, such as “Rich Girl—Poor Girl,” by Faith Baldwin? Have you read Damon Runyon’s column, “The Brighter Side?” How about

EDITOR’S NOTE: Brother Bradley Kelly, Beta '16, is the Vice-president and Associate Editor of King Features Syndicate, the world’s largest newspaper syndicate.

Brother Kelly was born in Waterford, New York in 1894. He is a graduate of the law school of Union College, class of 1916. He followed service in World War I with four years of relief work in Europe with the American Red Cross, the last fourteen months of which he was in charge of Junior Red Cross operations in Albania where he helped found the Albania Vocational School.

He entered newspaper work as assistant to Frank G. Carpenter, world traveler and journalist. 1924 found him a free-lance writer in New York City and in 1925 he was with the North American Newspaper Alliance and the New York *Evening World*. In 1927 he joined King Features.

His first assignment with King Features was ghost writer for Gene Tunney. He has interviewed European royalty and most of the prominent leaders in sports, political and business life in this country.

A world traveler, adventurer, lecturer and newspaper man, Brother Kelly has carved a niche for himself in both this country and in Europe and has had an exciting career.

Bob Considine’s sport column, “On the Line?” In fact, we might simplify the question, and ask—Do you read the newspapers? If you do, you may have noted in modest type underneath the comics, the news stories, the news photos, the stories, or the by-line columns such phrases as “Copyright 1941, King Features Syndicate,” “International News Service,” or in parentheses, “(INS),” or “International News Photo.” These are the services—just a few of them—that the King Features Syndicate offers the American, South American, European, and Asiatic, news-hungry public!

Let us briefly tour the plant. And let us get the HUMAN story behind this world’s largest newspaper syndicate. True, the machines are there to transmit stories and photos to all parts of the world. The machines are there to color the comics you read on Sunday. But the reporter who gets the story is human. So is the photographer who risks his life for his pictures. And so is our genial creator of fun and adventure, the cartoonist, human.

The International News Service

This is not the story of teletypes ticking in thousands of news-rooms and radio stations. It is the story of a particular kind of man—the reporter. The INS reporter has his slogan: “Get it first, but first get it right.” And that slogan is his very life-blood!

The reporter is that man talking quickly, and calmly into the telephone somewhere in Hawaii, glancing quickly out of the window at the bombs and air planes. Over the thousands of miles of water and land goes his voice. What he says is



BRADLEY KELLY (LEFT) AND JAMES MONTGOMERY FLAGG ADMIRE MR. FLAGG'S POSTER

taken down by a re-write man. The re-write man gives his sheaf of notes to the teletypist. The teletypist starts typing, and the message simultaneously is received in the news rooms of thousands of newspaper offices. An editor rushes up, tears the result of this latest furor of ticking off the machine. Quickly he edits it. A headline is written. It goes to the typesetter. The presses roll. Just a few hours after the actual occurrence, and the voice of this reporter, risking his life in the midst of the bombs, and the screaming women and children, is transposed into readable type, to be read by you. Just a few hours.

Or perhaps the reporter is in bed in a town somewhere in the west. Suddenly he is awakened by the telephone. "Big train wreck, Elko, Nevada, or thereabouts. Cover it." Quickly he dons his clothes, grabs a plane and in a few minutes is at the scene of the disaster. And just a few minutes later, teletype machines all over the country are ticking out his story to be read by you shortly thereafter.

The International News Service reporter has to be good. He is not writing for just one paper. He's writing for thousands of newspapers all over the world. His stories may appear in ten different languages. He is the important cog in the wheel!

International News Photos

A photograph sent from New York to San Francisco in nine minutes! Trains do not travel that fast. Airplanes do not travel that fast. But International News Sound Photos do!

Here is the story of Mr. Baldwin G. Sullivan, the engineer of our New York Bureau of the INSP. He has lots of stories, but he claims this to be typical of the adventures of an International News Photo staff.

"It was in 1939. I was in bed, sleeping as soundly as a newspaper man can. At one o'clock in the morning the phone

rang. A streamliner had been wrecked somewhere in Nevada. It was thought to be "The City of San Francisco." So, I grabbed a plane, taking my sound Photo equipment with me, as well as a reporter and a photographer.

"On the way we saw the wreck from the plane, deep in a ravine. It looked like someone had just upset a toy electric train. The only airports near there were the ones at Elko, Nevada, and a practically non-existent town, Beowawe, Nevada. Beowawe was nearer to the scene, so the pilot put the plane down there. But there were no automobiles about.

"Okay, fly to Elko, then. But the pilot refused to take me along. My equipment weighed too much for him to be able to take off. So he left me there with my equipment, taking the reporter and photographer with him to Elko.

"After much argument, I finally got a ride to Elko in an old Model T. How we got there, I don't know, but we did.

"The first thing I hunted for in Elko was a photographer who had an enlarger. Nobody did. Finally I found one in a newspaper office there, but the opposition was using it to develop photos which were to be sent to their office by airplane. I was the only one there with sound photo sending equipment. Well, I decided to let the development business go for a while, and hunt for a telephone sound wire to our receiving outfit in San Francisco. But all the telephone lines were unsatisfactory for sending photos. Then I went to the power station of the telephone company, and found a testing line that would work. Fine. So, I hooked up my equipment, and went back to the newspaper office to see about the development business again. By this time my photographer had come in with some swell photos—but we had to wait for the opposition to get through developing theirs. That was bad. Remember our motto: 'Get it first!'

"So I went down and bought a print

from the young fellow who was developing the photos, rushed to my sound photo sending outfit on the city limits, sent the photo to San Francisco, and within an hour it was on the streets, front page, in New York. A scoop!

"Remember I was called at one o'clock. At ten o'clock I was sending the photo.



JIMMY HATLO DRAWING "THEY'LL DO IT EVERY TIME"

And with all that hard luck. But, that's the way it goes."

Comics

Someone once said that newspaper circulations would drop amazingly if it weren't for the "funny-papers." And that is probably true. The comics are as American as our Constitution or our Declaration of Independence. Every day millions of people—children and grown-ups—turn to the comics. And even though comics are distinctly American, they have been enthusiastically accepted by all the nations of the world. Maggie and Jiggs speak in every language. As a result, it is easy to see that Comics—although you read them in a minute, and forget them—are important influences in the daily life of the world's peoples.

King Features Syndicate handles more comics than any other comic syndicate in the world. Belonging to this vast family of pen and ink, yet human, charac-

ters are such familiar ones as Jiggs, Maggie, Popeye, Olive Oyl, Barney Google, Blondie, Donald Duck, Mickey Mouse, Krazy Kat, Skippy, Tillie the Toiler, Secret Agent X-9, and many others.

How are these familiar, loveable characters born? It would be easy enough to describe the mechanical process of how these comics evolve from the brain of the cartoonist to the "funnies" section of the paper you read, but the story of the comics is as much the story of real human beings, as are the stories of the International News Service, and the International News Sound Photos.

Let us start in the room of the staff-artists right here in this same building in the middle of New York City. These men have a rather inglorious job. They take the cartoon strips which are drawn by such famous men as Walt Disney, George McMannus, and Jimmy Hatlo, and ink in the required lettering, paint the color on them if necessary, fit the drawings as sent in to the requirements of a client newspaper. In other words, they do the clean-up work. But, each of these staff artists has a comic character in mind. His ambition is to learn from the already established comic artists, and to get his particular character and continuity accepted. And some of them do.

These ambitious, but as yet unrecognized men must know the trends. They must know the styles which will appeal to the public. They must know the desire of the public toward "humor" strips, and "adventure" strips. To explain, "humor strips" are those which depend only on gags and comedy for their appeal. "Blondie," by Chic Young, "Bringing up Father" by George McMannus, and Walt Disney's "Mickey Mouse" are examples of the "humor" strip. The adventure strip is one which has a plot, and is much like a continued fiction story in character. "Flash Gordon," by Alex Raymond, "Secret Agent X-9," by Robert Storm, and "The Phantom," by Lee

Falk and Ray Moore are examples of the "Adventure" strip.

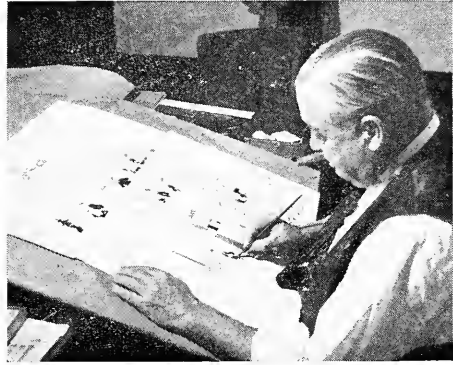
It is a notable fact that there is more demand in these times of world conflict for the "humor" strip, than for the "adventure" strip. People want to find at least one spot in their daily newspaper where Hitler, Japan, or anything pertaining to war is not mentioned, or even hinted at. They want to laugh while they eat their breakfast, or while they ride to work in their subways, streetcars, elevated trains or busses.

These ambitious staff artists must know this.

Also, it is evident that since the comics go to so many nations of this war-torn earth, there must be a kind of censorship. True, there are some comic strips which might rightfully be called "propaganda." There are some comic strips which, by their inferences, might even lead a nation to war. Naturally, since King Features sells its comic strips to so many nations, it could not afford to tolerate any such strips. In fact, it can truthfully be said that the comic strip—just little cartoons of funny people—have done a major job in helping to cement the friendly relations between the United States and South American countries. Buenos Aires, for instance, distributes more of our own American comics in a day, than does the City of New York! So, every comic strip is inspected. One of our favorite stories is how long it took the Chinese people to accept our American-made comic strips. For instance, it is a custom in China that the Father of a family is "Lord and Master." No one dares approach him in any manner save that of respect. Well it can easily be imagined what the reaction was when they saw the cartoon drawings of Maggie chasing Jiggs around the house with a rolling pin! It wasn't until they shrugged their shoulders, and decided that Americans must be crazy, that they accepted the comics in China.

All that just further proves the point that great care must be taken in the editing of these supposedly harmless little drawings. There are many, many people in this world, and just about that many sets of feelings.

And so these staff-artists dream of the day when they will be receiving letters



GEORGE McMANUS WORKS AT "BRINGING UP FATHER"

from children to government officials, containing suggestions for their comics. Once when "Little Orphan Annie" was upset over the disappearance of her dog, "Sandy," Henry Ford sent a telegram to the newspaper. It read, "Please do all you can to help Annie find Sandy. We are all interested." They dream on, hoping to become the important contributors to the world's sense of humor that the great cartoonists are today.

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This has been the HUMAN angle behind the three major services of the largest melting-pot of newspaperdom—The King Features Syndicate, Inc. These three are not the only services of this great organization, of course. There are always the Dress Patterns which appear in the papers. There is the inevitable and essential Crossword puzzle. There are Needlecraft Patterns. There are "Advice to Lovelorn" columns. There are Numerology columns. There are

feature cartoons such as Ripley's "Believe it or Not." And on and on we could go.

Let it suffice to say that King Features provides an important service to newspapers all over this country of ours, and therefore provides a great service to you as the reader of those newspapers. Let us hope that this service, so vital to our doctrine of "Freedom of The Press," shall continue in this country, and some day spread to all nations of the world to the same extent as it now exists in America.

WAR COMMITTEE REPORTS

That college fraternities throughout the United States and Canada need to prepare definitely to meet war conditions is clearly recognized by the National Interfraternity Conference. As a result, its War Committee has just issued a report outlining clearly means for meeting the problems that most chapters will face and presenting a program that suggests methods through which a fraternity chapter may aid war efforts constructively.

In urging students to remain in college until called into service, the War Committee quotes a statement to college students by Brigadier-General Lewis B. Hershey, director of Selective Service, as follows:

"It would appear plain enough that patriotism, real patriotism, sans maudlin sensationalism, demands that you stick with your present job and stick with it hard and work it hard and give it all you have got until such time as your Selective Service Board decides that you can serve your country more effectively in some other pursuit."

The making of fraternity life more purposeful and hence more attractive to prospective members is urged by the War Committee in order to safeguard established chapters. Means suggested for maintaining safe membership levels are: to make rushing an all-year activity where accelerated programs are in opera-

tion; to revise rushing regulations to meet the situations; to shorten the long periods of deferred pledging; to initiate earlier, even modifying scholarship restrictions as a war measure; to survey with the aid of deans unorganized men in order to discover all who would be interested in joining fraternities; and to train pledges thoroughly so that they may appreciate the value of their fraternity-to-be and to serve it as officers and leaders.

The War Committee recommends economies in chapter house management and social programs, and a business-like insistence upon a "pay-as-you-eat-and-sleep" policy, with bills paid promptly and no accounts receivable.

It urges chapters to invite alumni to the houses to discuss current events; to send a cheering word occasionally or regularly to members in uniform; to make students conscious of their responsibility in preparing for the war effort by thoroughgoing academic achievement as long as they are on the campus; to abandon all forms of "Hell Week" activities, as the public will not gaze indulgently on silly pranks when other college men are dying on land and sea for their country; to display the national flag daily; to take an active part in community war service projects; to make chapter house facilities available to service men on leave; and to purchase Defense Bonds and stamps with surpluses in established funds and as a chapter investment.

The War Committee calls upon all chapters that have not done so to organize a wartime alumni council, with members assigned to such specific fields of supervision as house and grounds, debt collections, house corporation, rushing, scholarship, chapter publication, alumni relationships, including compilation of records in service, cooperation with college or university, interfraternity relationships, pledge training, archives, traditions, discipline, and morale.

Julian Bentley Writes Togo

Julian Bentley, Beta Triton, WLS news broadcaster, wrote the following letter to a Japanese, named Togo via *The Prairie Farmer*. Brother Bentley went to college with him at Knox:

Dear Togo:

Well, our countries have been at war for nearly eight months and I'm wondering how you feel about it by now. Unless I'm greatly mistaken you're not very proud of the knife in the back that your country gave us at Pearl Harbor.

I realize that the average Japanese has been told only about the victories on your side. But since you worked for the government, Togo, perhaps you know more about it than the average civilian in Japan who can hear only the government radio.

Chances are you've heard about the smashing defeats your fleet suffered in the Coral Sea and at Midway. You probably know your invasion forces in the western Aleutians have been blasted. And you may even know that the United States Marines landed last week in the Solomon Islands and that Japan was on the defensive for the first time.

You spent several years in this country, Togo, and you have a pretty good idea how big and strong it is. I doubt very much that anyone ever sold you on the idea that democracy is weak and outmoded. When I knew you, you were a professing Christian. I can remember when we were at school and worked for our board in the same restaurant kitchen. You used to spring questions on me in your precise and perfect English. I remember you with your glasses fogged over from the heat of the dish-washing machine and saying: "Well, if I were stranded on a desert island and could take only one book, I would take the Bible. And for the following reasons." Then you would list a dozen reasons

why the Good Book was all anyone needed.

But in your last letter some five years ago you used the phrase "You Christians." And your tone had changed. You referred to the "China Affair" and



JULIAN BENTLEY

you said some other things that made me wonder. I didn't answer your last letter until now. I thought I might get you into trouble if I wrote what I thought.

Harvesting Biggest Crop

In this country we're harvesting one of the biggest crops of all time. The Middle West which you know best is producing such an ocean of food as your half-starved countrymen never dreamed existed. The August first government estimate of the 1942 corn crop was two and three-quarters billions of bushels. They don't raise much corn in Japan but you, Togo, know what this golden crop means to us. It's money and food and fodder and ammunition. We change it into milk and eggs, beef, pork and poultry.

If your newspapers play up squabbles in our Congress, arguments over taxes,

the draft, price control and such like, don't let it fool you. The people are 'way ahead of Congress, have been right from the start. They're prepared for tough times, and just because we take time out to hold an election, well, you studied our history and you saw this country, and you were smart enough to see that that was democracy in action.

Now I suppose you'd like to know about our war production. Well, Togo, it's stupendous. Your government spies would hardly dare report the facts, even if they could get them all, which they can't. Nearly four months ago we were turning out more than 4,000 warplanes every month. And our great factories that used to make automobiles now produce tanks, trucks, jeeps, and a thousand other weapons of war.

Go to School

All over this great country, Togo, thousands of young men (and young women too) are going to school for the Army, Navy or Marines. In Chicago, two of the world's greatest hotels have been taken over to house thousands of young men to learn radio for the Army Signal Corps. Just that one branch alone and in just one city. And did you know that other thousands of young men are learning Japanese and are being taught how to take charge of conquered areas and set up a government administration? You know what that means, don't you?

There's been a lot of talk about Japan's massing troops and equipment on the Siberian frontier. We're told that Japan will attack Russia when it seems certain that she's in grave trouble in the West. Well, if the American offensive in the Solomon's doesn't make your warlords pause for reflection about the Siberian campaign, they're apt to make another bad mistake. First of all, Russia is ready for trouble in the Far East. And the minute you strike her there, American planes will have bases only 600 miles from Tokio.

It looks bad for Russia with Hitler smashing deeper into the Caucasus. But, remember, Hitler is not going to get any oil to speak of. The Soviets are already dynamiting the wells. And this week Hitler confessed his tremendous losses by trying to fill in with Hungarian, Rumanian and French troops. Russia has quantities of oil stored east of the Urals and war factories that have been in production for years. She's not going to be knocked out of the war this year.

AEF Reaches England

Besides, another big AEF reached England last week. Soon the smashing RAF raids on Nazi war industries will be even heavier as the American air forces join in. Then invasion will come. Perhaps you'd better re-examine this Western partner of yours. This Hitler. He's been spending the lives of young men and the resources of western Europe at a tremendous rate. Chances are that somebody may foreclose on him before long. And wouldn't Japan look a little shy all by herself trying to whip the world?

You once wrote, "It is friendship and exchange of letters like ours that will do more to prevent war than all the diplomats of Tokio and Washington. I cannot believe that I shall ever send a bullet through your middle with a Thompson gun." (You were always too precise in your English to be able to call it a Tommy gun.) Well, Togo, thousands of American boys have been killed by Japanese bullets. And thousands of Japanese boys have been killed, too. Many more on both sides will die. But when it is over, it will be up to the democratic elements of Japan like yourself to see to it that it doesn't happen again. Given that assurance, maybe we can work out questions of trade, markets, raw materials, tariffs and the other things that go to make for peace—or for war if they are mishandled.

The President Speaks

When I walked from the convention hall in the Hotel Somerset in Boston after the election of the present Council, it was with many misgivings. Then we were enjoying a troubled peace. Today we are in the midst of a terrible war. As the new Council began its first session it was easy for all to see that an alarming condition might well result on account of the trend of world events. These fears have been realized and we as a fraternity face a serious situation.

This condition has prompted me to invite the Endowment Trustees and a committee from the Court of Honor to convene with the Council and offer their views during its deliberations. My motive in this was not to ask these brothers to share the responsibilities for any legislation which it might enact. Rather, it flowed from an honest desire to bring to bear all possible wisdom from experienced men who would help in carrying our fraternity through an unusual emergency.

Let me set your minds at rest regarding our present state. I am not about to speak of a decaying enterprise. We are far from that. We are a going concern. We intend to continue to be a going concern.

I think all well informed fraternity men will say that the adviser is the key-stone in the arch of college fraternity success. A good adviser will make a poor chapter better. A bad adviser will ultimately wreck a good chapter. To assist the advisers, I have asked the Regional Directors to cause an alumni board to be formed on each campus to serve at least during the period of the war.

In spite of the war the Council will continue the field secretarial work and resident counsellor work to assist our chapters in the management of their

affairs and in the solution of their problems. This service will again be supplemented by inspection travel of our Regional Directors, Secretary-Treasurer and myself.

Since being elected President of our fraternity I have visited 27 chapters. The list is comprised of the entire chapter



JOHN H. MARCHMONT

roll in Regions I, II, III and IV, excepting two chapters in New England. I anticipate calling on these two chapters soon. On December 5th I had purchased a ticket to go to Missoula, Montana. The weather and the unexpected happening two days later prevented my joining the brothers at their conclave in Region VI. I have regretted very keenly my inability to view the problems of our western chapters on their own home grounds. If conditions had been different I should surely have seen them. I am keeping in close touch with Broth-

er Palm, Director from Region V and Brother Miller, Director from Region VI, and the national headquarters with respect to the conditions in these regions.

These essential services will require the receipt of revenues in the same amount to which we have been accustomed in the immediate past. I have the utmost confidence that our alumni will make up whatever deficiency in revenue occurs as a result of the war so that there will be no curtailment of the national fraternity's services necessary to assure the survival of all of our chapters during this most difficult period.

In this connection I should like to quote from a recent editorial in the "Fraternity Month". "A survey among national academic fraternities and sororities to ascertain what their war effort will be, how they plan to meet a decreased budget, shows that more than seventy per cent plan to secure increased funds from their alumni: many are already undertaking such activity. More than sixty five percent plan to increase rather than decrease, their activities along that line."

My brothers, I have enjoyed my job. My great regret is that I have not been able to devote more time and energy to carry out the duties of this all important office. I have received the most kindly and helpful advice from my predecessors in office, and I have had the best of cooperation from them. Our Secretary and his staff have been ever helpful. Never have they failed to aid me in my work.

We have a society of fine idealism and a group founded on lofty principles. We believe in our country. Let us believe in our fraternity. We have a tradition as old as the country itself. May we prove worthy of the responsibilities entrusted to us, preserve that which was given us, and transmit to our successors a fraternity of strength, power and distinction.

ROGERS APPOINTED TO DENVER WPB STAFF

The appointment of H. O. Rogers, Lambda '23, mining economist from Washington, to the Denver regional WPB staff to analyze the Rocky Mountain mining industry for increased vital minerals production was announced September 10, 1942. He also will make other surveys of industrial possibilities in the mountain region.

Leslie A. Miller, Denver regional WPB director, said Rogers will serve as regional statistician.

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CYRUS ON NATIONAL HOOK-UP

Tod Cyrus, Beta Triton '42, is the vocal soloist with Tiny Hill's orchestra, and was on a national coast to coast hook-up throughout the summer while playing at the Trianon Ballroom, Chicago.

Brother Cyrus sings under the name of Tod Howard.

At the Region IV Conclave in November, 1941, he entertained at the conclave dance. He also sang at the Chicago Club Founders' Day banquet last year.

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TOM DAVIS AT RUSH BANQUET

Brother Tom Davis, Mu Deuteron, former president of Rotary International (March 1942 SIGNET, page 121) addressed the Rush Week banquet on September 24, of Mu Deuteron chapter.

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Glen Bowersox, Rho Deuteron, '42, has assumed the position of Teaching Fellow in the department of chemistry at Northeastern University, Boston Massachusetts.

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Bruce C. Bean, Theta Deuteron '22, is now resident officer for the Federal Old Line Life Insurance Company at 4002 Roosevelt Way, Seattle, Washington.

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Phi Sigs' First Twenty-five Years at Nevada

By EDWARD GRUNDEL JR.



IN the third day of May, 1917, Sigma Alpha, a strong local fraternity at the University of Nevada, was inducted as Eta Deuteron chapter of Phi Sigma Kappa. We are proud to say that even before this memorial occasion, the local fraternity was a leader of all fra-

The chapter has always been strong because of its spirit of cooperation and unified action on all matters concerning campus, fraternal, and social activities. One might say that we were war born, and at this time, hold our silver anniversary during the hectic period of a second world war. Our group survived the last great conflict with ever increasing strength; we, at H^A today, are equally determined to do the same.

During a recent discussion between Brother Bill Wood and Brother Franklin Palm concerning the survival of fraternities during this world crisis, it was mentioned that we at Nevada were as strong if not more so than any other fraternity on the coast, but at the same time a fear of apprehension was held as to our loss from the roll call of Region Five. Brother Palm was of the opinion that our men, born and raised as they were here in the great far west and with the love of freedom and our country held above all else, would create a serious loss in membership. We are not sorry to say that the first part of the prophecy has come true. Over half of the active list on the campus have either enlisted or been called into service; however, the remainder of our men hold our fraternity too high to ever let it fall and have grown stronger perhaps not in number but certainly in bond.

Much of our success during the past quarter of a century may be attributed to the fact that it is composed of men who are accustomed to making their own way, who thrive in the spirit of cooperation, but at the same time are certain of their own abilities to remain self confident and independent. To our



EDWARD GRUNDEL

ternities on the hill whether national or local and produced men of the caliber of the present director of the Mackay School of Mines, Professor Jay A. Carpenter. During the days of induction the alumni of the chapter flocked in from all parts of the country to be reunited with their brothers and to join together with the undergraduates as one.

knowledge, there has never been a member or pledge who has not had to make certain sacrifices in order to obtain his college degree. It is because of this fact that in election of officers, we consider first and foremost the treasurer or house manager, and to a certain extent, pride ourself in being able to keep the cost of living down without lowering our standards and at the same time keep our chapter financially well balanced.

It would, indeed, be hard to name and honor all Phi Sigs at the University of Nevada who in the past twenty-five years have lead our student body in campus activities. Since the induction of our chapter, never have there been less than four or five members who have played on our varsity football team. Few of these men have gone unmentioned on all-conference or rival all-opponent teams. H^Δ has produced many of the



SILVER ANNIVERSARY BANQUET GUESTS

(Left to right,) back row: Joe McLeod, new State Commissioner; William F. Wood, Chancellor of Court of Honor; Sgt. Briscoe Root, USMC; Dr. Palm, Director from Region Five. Front row: Irvin Ayer, chapter adviser; George Southworth, Jr., alumni president; Noel Willis, active chapter president.

finest basketball, track, and tennis players at the University and although our school has not an official intercollegiate baseball team, the chapter has won seven interfraternity championships.

An examination of the past records show Phi Sigs in responsible positions



JOE GIOMI

in school activities almost every year from the prosperous days of the early twenties with Brother Harry Frost, student body president and all-conference player and captain of the football team, and Brother Paul Harwood, Editor of the Sagebrush, to the last few years that were lead by Brother Franklin Schumacher, business manager of the annual and Joe Giomi who acted as interfraternity council president for the past year. In our past twenty-five years, we have never failed to participate in any college event and have won our share of the trophies and singular honors.

It was during the same prosperous middle twenties that saw our chapter move into a new home, and at this time,

it still stands as one of the finest on the campus. It was but two years ago that we had our house remodeled throughout, and it has only been during this past year that has seen the end of the trouble of not being able to supply all of our men with living quarters.

True, the last twenty five years have not all been a bed of roses, but regardless of the hardships our chapter may have gone through to achieve success, there is not a member who would be unwilling to do more if called upon. We are proud to say that throughout the last quarter of a century, H^A has held high the principles of Phi Sigma Kappa, and although the thorny path of war continues to lie ahead, we still cannot help but view our future with an eye toward success and future prosperity.

ETA DEUTERON WELL RECOMMENDED

Sigma Alpha had a local history of over twenty years and a total of one hundred fifty-seven members, one of whom was the present governor of the state. Its petition was endorsed by the president of the University, both United States senators from Nevada, the chief justice of the state, an ex-governor, and others. One of its active members was the brother of an Omega pledge. Hugh F. Dormody and Lewis R. Byington had paid it a visit from Berkeley, and some of its athletes had been entertained by Omega. An induction team including Byington, Snell and seven others went over from Berkeley to give the degrees. Thirty-nine men took the final obligation, and Eta Deuteron entertained with an all-University dance one evening, and a banquet at the Golden Grill the other. Other fraternities on the campus presented substantial gifts expressive of their regard and good will.—Phi Sigma Kappa History, Rand.

History of the University of Nevada

By EVO GIORGI, *Eta Deuteron '44*



N order to understand the history of any American college or university, it is necessary first to know something of the geography and history of the state in which it was founded. To a considerable extent, the characteristics of the people of each state show themselves in the state university just as the character of a country is reflected in its school system.

Nevada is a land of mountain and desert. Mountains that began as uplifted stretches of desert, but, by catching the rain and snow on their summits, turn green in season with flowers, grass, aspen trees, and pines. It is a scene, too, of great treeless, sunlit valleys where the waterless ground is covered with the green-grey of sagebrush. A vast extent of country containing all the evidence of the geologic past in its disturbed terrain.

There is scarcely a more interesting story than that of the use which the people have made of this mountain and desert country in Nevada, of the great mines of silver, copper, and gold which they found in the heart of the mountains, of the cities they built and abandoned, of the transformation of great stretches of the desert into productive farms and homes, and of the use of the vast "range land" as grazing ground for millions of sheep and cattle.

It is in part a story of wild excitement and adventure in the search for gold, of men turned rich overnight beyond the wildest fancy, of fierce and crafty struggles for power, of colossal gambling and speculation, of unbelievable happiness, hope, and excitement, a story of drunkenness, license, and prayer, and of utterly

unselfish devotion. It is, too, a story of patience and endurance in the round-up and long drive of starlit nights with the sheep in the summer hills and of grim winter nights down on the desert; of the clearing away of brush and stones and of long years of hard daily work fruiting at last in homes and fields.

It would be very interesting to tell in detail again the story of the early days of Nevada, the difficulties attending the first attempts of settlement; and in contrast with the story of vast distances and meager population, to tell of the beauty and fertility of the regions reclaimed from the desert. Yet, for the purpose, we will be content with this bare outline of land and people and pass on to the story of the University of Nevada.

The month of March, 1942 marked the 69th anniversary of the University of Nevada as a functioning institution.

On March 7, 1873, Governor Lewis R. Bradley made possible the existence of this institution when he signed the legislative act authorizing the establishment of the school at Elko, Nevada. However, it was not until June 1874, that the University officially opened its preparatory department with seven students and a teacher, Mr. D. R. Sessions.

In passing it will be noted that this act was signed only 8 days before the National Fraternity of Phi Sigma Kappa was founded at Amherst, Mass., March 15, 1873.

From the standpoint of instruction of college grade, the Elko period means nothing in the history of the University of Nevada. Covering only two years of school, the courses included subjects required for admission to the freshman class of the college of that day. Its buildings consisted of an outstanding brick



MORRILL HALL

structure as the main building and a frame dormitory large enough to house fifteen or twenty students. No students were graduated during its existence there.

The period in Elko is a story of small beginnings in an unfavorable location. The University was not serving the state as a whole and it gave no promise of development. When this situation became evident to the leaders of the state, the school was moved to Reno where a land grant was obtained.

The first building of the University of Nevada at Reno was Morrill Hall, dedicated to Senator Justin S. Morrill of Vermont, the father of a great system of land grant colleges. Upon the completion of Morrill Hall, the university welcomed students for the first full year as a collegiate institution. It graduated the first normal class in 1889 and awarded the first degrees fifty-one years ago.

Under the leadership of President Leroy D. Brown, the University of Nevada at Reno began to build the foundations on which it exists today. New legislative acts, new buildings, and new courses of instruction came into being as the necessity of having them arose. The greatest increase of equipment, buildings, and facilities came to the University between 1904 and 1914. For it was within this interval that the dreams of the

founders of the state came true. Through the generosity of a wife and son of a pioneer of the old Comstock, the University was able at last to have a school of mines fairly symbolic of the part Nevada played in the mining history of the world. That Comstock pioneer was Mr. John W. Mackay.

It will be well to give a little thought to the life of the man in whose memory the Mackay gifts were given. To the people of Nevada, John W. Mackay stands out as the most distinguished figure in the romance of the Comstock Lode. He was born in Ireland and came to America when still a child. Mackay worked in placer mines of the Sierra Mountains before he joined the rush to the great discovery of silver at Virginia City, Nevada. After working some time at four dollars a day, he obtained stock in ground that carried values. At the same time, he gained experience and knowledge. Within two years, he formed a partnership with three of his friends. A partnership that was able to obtain control of every shaft on the Comstock Lode. It was they who found in the hot depths of Mount Davidson, the greatest deposits of silver and gold the world has ever known. From this vein, known as the Big Bonanza, John W. Mackay increased his fortune to net him 250 million dollars. With this wealth, he obtained the power that he wanted. Having both wealth and power, he built



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great empires in the development of this nation and this state.

Having in view the erection of a suitable memorial to John Mackay, his wife and son donated the Mackay School of Mines, the Mackay Science Hall, and the Mackay Stadium to the University of Nevada.

A statue of John Mackay by the American sculptor, Gutzon Borglum, stands in front of the Mackay School of Mines. One hand rests on a pick and the other is holding a piece of ore. His face looks toward the Virginia Mountains in the distance where his wealth was obtained.

With the Mackay benefactions, the period between 1904 and 1914 was one of remarkable growth and progress in campus and buildings. Now education was more fittingly clothed in architectural beauty, columns here and there, cornices which spoke of harmony and proportion, grounds and growing trees with

broad sweeps of green lawn gave to the classroom and laboratory a new and more distinguished meaning.

Yet, there was also an internal progress made by the University. Through the well-coordinated and fruitful efforts of Regents, Presidents, and Faculty, the university showed remarkable progress toward establishing all possible courses of instruction. It was their work as great leaders that have made the University of Nevada an accredited institution.

So far, much has been said about the advancement of the university. It will be well now to mention something of its enrollment of students. This was, perhaps, a great problem in a state of meager population and of extreme personal freedom. In 1908, the gambling situation in Reno had become notorious all over America. The University had been among the leaders in the fight against gambling, the saloons, and the red-light



ARTEMESIA HALL—WOMEN'S DORMITORY

evil. This air of vicious rumors had to be cleared so that the decreasing enrollment would not mean destruction to its university. Through the work of the university leaders and the city officials of Reno, the evil resorts had to close their doors to the university students and the enrollment once more increased. Today the enrollment is more than a thousand students.

Today the University of Nevada has all courses of instruction, some of which are preparatory courses. Its buildings consist of the Library, Hospital, Morrill Hall, Stewart Hall, Agricultural Building, Electrical Building, Mackay Science Hall, Mackay School of Mines Building, Auditorium, Mechanical Engineering Building, Agricultural Extension Building, Hatch Building, English Building, two women's dormitories, and a men's dormitory. A civil engineering building has just been completed, and a new gymnasium is under construction.

It will be well to mention the present student publications and sports. The

publications consist of the weekly paper "The U. of N. Sagebrush" and a year book, "The Artemisia." The sports are football, basketball, track, and skiing.

In contrast to the athletic view point, the University of Nevada has also five honorary societies including the national society, Phi Kappa Phi. The others are Delta Alpha Epsilon, a dramatic fraternity, Mu Alpha Nu, a mathematics fraternity, Nu Eta Epsilon, an engineering fraternity, Sigma Sigma Kappa, a chemistry honorary, and Coffin and Keys, an upper class fellowship honorary.

Within the last few years, the University of Nevada has gained the support and confidence of the people of Nevada. By the action of the National Association of American Colleges and Universities in 1920, it has also won the recognition of the American College World. Here in "The Biggest Little City in the World," the smallest state university in the United States has become an oasis of learning in a land of mountain and desert.



CHAPTER HOUSE

Eta Deuteron Today

By FRED BATCHELDER '42



ETA Deuteron Chapter started what appeared to be a very successful year in August, 1941. Thirteen members and five pledges returned to school and within a few days fourteen new pledges had been added to the fold.

The boys immediately started out to uphold Phi Sigma Kappa's place in the activities on the Nevada Campus. Pledges Clarence "Red" Slaughter, Bobby Blaine, Warren Dark, and Brother Reuben Boyce won berths on the varsity football squad, while pledges Jack Brace, Robert Wise, and Robert Robinett were regular members of the freshman squad. Pledge Wise was also a member of the freshman basketball squad.

Brother George Ross was appointed sports editor of the campus weekly, the "Sagebrush," where he did a fine job until he left to join the navy in January. Pledge Curtis Baker started his journalistic career by becoming a reporter on the "Sagebrush."

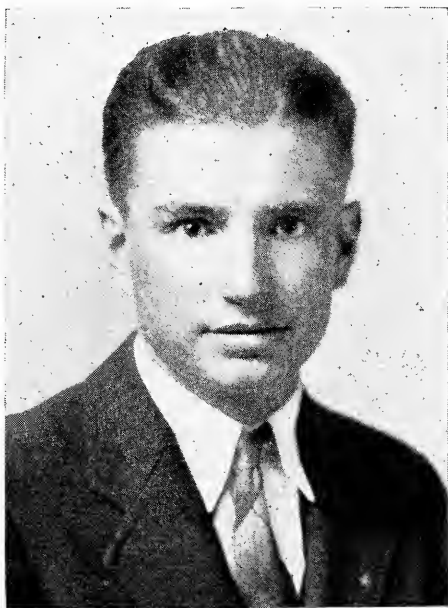
Brothers Ed Grundel and Henry Jones represented the chapter in the Sagers, a campus service organization while Brothers Batchelder, Zerweck, Hedquist and Imus were the Phi Sigs belonging to the "Sundowners," a good-fellowship organization on the campus. Late in the second semester, Brothers Willis and Burke were also chosen into this organization.

Brother Joe Giomi, the Phi Sig representative on the Interfraternity Council, was elected President of that group and served as such for both semesters. Brother Willis represented the chapter in the student Senate for the year.

Brother Wilbur Hedquist was elected into Scabbard and Blade, a national honorary military fraternity.

Pledge Franklin Wilson was the only Phi Sig whose name appeared on the honor roll the first semester although several of the boys came very close.

On November 22 and 23, Eta Deuteron was host to the regional conclave of Region Five. Brother Franklin C. Palm, Regional Director of Region Five, presided and members and chapter advisers



FRED BATCHELDER

ers from Omega, Omega Deuteron, and Nu Deuteron attended. The two day meet was so successful that plans were started for a combined conclave of Regions V and VI to be held at Eta Deuteron as soon as the world conditions will permit.

The success enjoyed by the chapter the first semester did not carry over into the second semester. When the Japanese pulled their sneak attack on Pearl Harbor, they must have aimed directly



ACTIVE CHAPTER

Top row, left to right: R. Wise, W. Hedquist, H. Jones, F. Wilson, V. Hendrix, J. Giomi. Middle row: C. Burke, E. Grundel, J. Marquis, F. Batchelder. Bottom row: Rube Boyce, H. Baker, J. Gamble, E. Giorgi, N. Willis.



*Flying Grid Stars
Bobby Blaine (left) and
Brother Warren Dark*



Thirsty ??



What are you doing up there ??



Lookit the birdie now ---

at the Phi Sig house in Reno because they certainly hit it hard.

At the conclusion of the first semester, Brothers Zerweck and Mustard, and Pledges Brace and Slaughter left school and joined the army. Brother George Ross and Pledge Marvin Trigero left school for the navy and Brothers Imus and Nugent and Pledges Thomas Ross, Al Wisneiwski, Warren Dark, Robert Robinett, and Bobby Blaine left school to enter employment aimed at the war effort.

The loss of these men was a serious blow to the chapter and for a time at the beginning of the second semester it looked as if we might have to close the chap-



HENRY JONES



IT'S DEEP!

Brother Nugent (right) and late Brother Charles Brock stand over the 3,500 ft. combination shaft at Virginia City while Brother Hedquist "takes five."

ter house. However, we made a few changes and have been able to keep it open. Due to the large decrease in enrollment at the University of Nevada, we have been unable to pledge any new men the second semester.

At the present time the future of the chapter doesn't look too bright but plans have already been made to keep the chapter going no matter what happens.

INTRODUCTION PICTURE

The picture introducing the Eta Deuteron Section of this issue of *The Signet* is that of Wilbur Hedquist, Eta Deuteron '43, typifying the miner, and co-ed Jackie Reid typifying the Western cowgirl. The picture was taken in front of the statue of John William Mackay, Nevada pioneer, who built a huge fortune in the Nevada mining industry and whose wife and son have been generous benefactors of the University of Nevada.

Alumni of Eta Deuteron

By EDWIN SEMENZA '30



LURING the twenty-five years that have elapsed since Phi Sigma Kappa was established on the campus of the University of Nevada the alumni of Eta Deuteron Chapter have played a prominent part in the continued growth and prosperity of the entire state. Although the alumni of Eta Deuteron have scattered throughout the entire world the majority have settled in the State of Nevada, and Phi Sigs will be found among the professional and industrial leaders in nearly every community in the state.

Since mining has always been the leading industry of Nevada, many Phi Sigs have naturally chosen this field for a career. The Mackay School of Mines of the University of Nevada is justly famous as one of the leading mining schools in the world. Eta Deuteron is proud that one of its members, Jay Carpenter, has been head of the mining school for the past three years. Prior to his selection to this important post Professor Carpenter served on the faculty of the University of Nevada for many years and was prominent in mining activities throughout the state. (See March 1942 *SIGNET*, page 148).

Another graduate of the Mackay School of Mines who has gone to the top in mining circles is Paul Sirkegion. He was recently named General Superintendent of the Consolidated Copper Corporation, one of the largest mining concerns in the world.

Jerome B. Higgins is also a prominent mining engineer in the state. Fred J. Delongchamps is a graduate who has found time to engage successfully in mining activities at the same time that he has maintained his reputation as one of the state's leading architects. Delong-

champs has designed many of the public buildings in the state.

H. H. Cazier has engaged in ranching in the eastern part of Nevada since graduation. He has taken such a vital part in the financial and industrial affairs of Elko county that he is now mentioned prominently in state political circles.

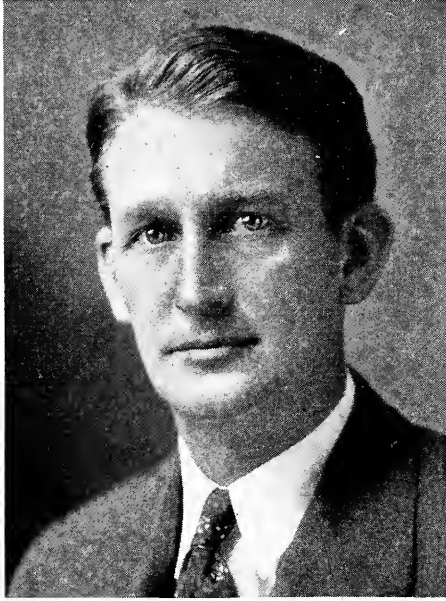


JAY ARNOLD CARPENTER

In the field of politics Eta Deuteron has contributed several outstanding men. The late Emmet D. Boyle, one of the youngest governors of the State of Nevada, was a member of Sigma Alpha and later initiated into Phi Sigma Kappa when the local fraternity became Eta Deuteron chapter. Also a member of Sigma Alpha and later of Phi Sigma Kappa is H. E. Stewart, who is a former mayor of the City of Reno. After serving successfully for several years as United States Attor-

ney for Nevada, Miles N. Pike recently resigned from office to assume the duties of a major in the U. S. Army. (See October 1941 SIGNET, page 272).

Several Phi Sigs have returned to the campus of the University of Nevada after graduation to serve on the teaching faculty. Paul Harwood, a former Rhodes



MILES N. PIKE

Scholar from Nevada, has been professor in the Department of English for a number of years and also Master of Lincoln Hall, the men's dormitory. He is now on leave while serving as a lieutenant in the U. S. Navy.

Keeping close check on the affairs of the student body of the university is Joe T. McDonnell, who has served as Graduate Manager for the past four years.

The Phi Sig Alumni Club of Reno boasts many members who have attained prominence not only in Reno civic life, but also in the entire state. Wayne Hinckley is Chairman of the State Boxing Commission. Harry Frost is president of the Reno Chamber of Commerce, chairman of the Board of Athletic Con-

trol of the University of Nevada, and a member of many other civic committees. Lawrence Semenza is secretary of the State Board of Accountants. Edwin Semenza, Director of the Reno Little Theater, won a fellowship from the National Theater Conference in 1941 and served a season as a staff director at the Pasadena Community Playhouse. Bernard Hartung, who won a national fellowship for his work as Safety Engineer in the Nevada Highway Department, is now Executive Secretary of the Nevada Salvage Board. Harold Cafferata, J. A. Bart Hood, Garner Chism, John Chism, Francis M. Young, Theodore Withers, and Ray Jefferson are all prominent in Reno business and professional circles.

Chris Sheerin is active in state journalistic circles. He has been the editor of the Elko Free Press for a number of years and is a past president of the State Press Association.

There is an ever growing list of Eta Deuteron alumni in the various branches of military service, and it is becoming more difficult to keep a check on the Phi Sigs from the University of Nevada who are serving their country. Twenty-five years ago Phi Sigs from the newly established chapter at the University of Nevada were called upon to serve their country. The twenty-fifth anniversary of the founding of Eta Deuteron finds many of the veterans of the first World War joining with other younger brothers in Phi Sigma Kappa in another united effort.

TWENTY FIVE YEARS AGO

Twenty-five years ago the induction banquet toastmaster was Brother Will Melarkey. Brothers John Herd, Carl Kemper and John I. Cazier spoke for the newly inducted chapter. Dr. Walter H. Conley, Beta '91, national president, on behalf of Phi Sigma Kappa, welcomed Eta Deuteron. The induction team was from Omega.

*Nevada is famous
for its Winter Sports.*

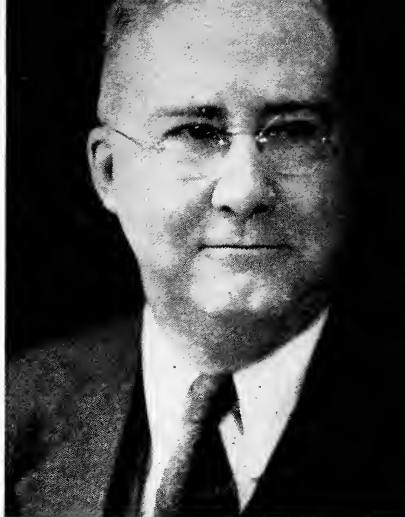


Japan

from the

Inside

A Book Review



By

NELSON ANTRIM CRAWFORD
Iota Deuteron
Editor, The Household Magazine

If you want to know what Japan is like, how the Japanese look at life, you can do no better than to read *Year of the Wild Boar*, by Helen Mears.* Miss Mears is an American journalist who spent years in Japan, traveling with a Japanese girl; talking with fishermen, farmers, shopkeepers, scholars; attending lectures at two colleges. As a result she has produced a book that is an eye-opener to the average American.

The outstanding feature of the volume, from the standpoint of significance is a detailed and lucid explanation of the mind of Japan—a series of stylized concepts based on a curious intermingling of religion, mythology, and politics. To me it is reminiscent of the Baal religious and economic system with which the Old Testament prophets contended two thousand years ago.

According to the mythology which the Japanese call history, there is a multitude of nature gods whose primary function is fruitfulness for land, sea, and mankind. The Japanese Islands themselves are descendants of certain of these deities. The people derive from other gods. The Emperor is the descendant

of the most powerful—the Sun Goddess and a sea god. Thus he is a god, the Son of Heaven. The Japanese people are also gods, but minor ones. But the Emperor is not only a god, but the chief priest of divinity.

How can people believe in such a complex, contradictory, unrealistic system? So far as the common people are concerned, it has been dinned into their ears since birth, and they have encountered nothing to displace it. As for the intellectuals, who have read widely in Western books, they keep doubt out of their minds by an act of will. "I eat time and space," one of them said to Miss Mears. A Japanese can be sent to jail for years for having "dangerous thoughts." So fear is always present. Even apart from the fear, however, Japanese don't want to have dangerous thoughts. However well educated they may be, they want to keep "shukan," custom.

Western machinery, Western railway trains, Western bars, Western words—of which many have been introduced,—everything Western (or "modan," modern) is venerated. Underneath is ancient "shukan."

Miss Mears' book is full of human in-

*Philadelphia: J. B. Lippincott Company. \$2.75.

terest—vivid descriptions of places and people, stimulating accounts of conversations. Through it all we get explanations of why things are so. For example, Japanese flower arrangement, in which perhaps a single flower, a leaf, and a few rocks are put together with the utmost skill. Probably every fashionable florist and every highly paid interior decorator in America have employed it to a greater or less extent. But few Americans ever knew the why of it. Miss Mears points out that this specialized flower arrangement developed in Japan precisely because flowers are scarce there. Land is limited and poor, and weather conditions are often unfavorable. Naturally a minimum of blossoms and leaves had to be used in a bouquet. Thus grew up a cult of flower arrangement, of which there will be as many as two thousand teachers in a Japanese city. The flowers, scanty and frail, are not prized for themselves, but as conventional symbols of literary or moral ideas.

Tea drinking, likewise, is a cult, full of symbolic meanings. The title of Miss Mears' book is symbolic. Poetically, Year of the Wild Boar is to Japanese the end of a cycle of twelve years.

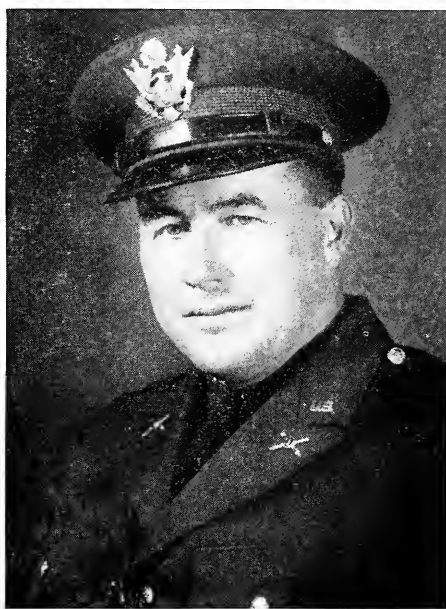
The extent to which the Japanese carry symbolism is illustrated by Miss Mears in the account of a village which abstained from beanjelly candy, a prized delicacy, for six hundred years because back in the Middle Ages the inhabitants had refused it to a hungry fugitive prince.

If one thinks all this over carefully, it will go far toward explaining the truculence of Japan toward other nations, the willingness of this little country to embark on fantastic military adventures which may be successful at first but are certain, in any realistic view, to end in disaster. Japan is a mythological empire, whose thinking is based on symbols and traditional illusions. Any psychoanalyst can tell you how the fears and tensions that necessarily underlie such a

system will eventually bring it to the ground as it comes into conflict with more realistic concepts of the world of mankind.

JONES IN SERVICE

Brother Arnold R. Jones, Iota Deuteron, '27, Director of Finance was commissioned first lieutenant in the Coast Artillery Corps, Barrage Balloon Service. In civilian life Brother Jones is a C. P. A. with an office in Topeka, Kan-



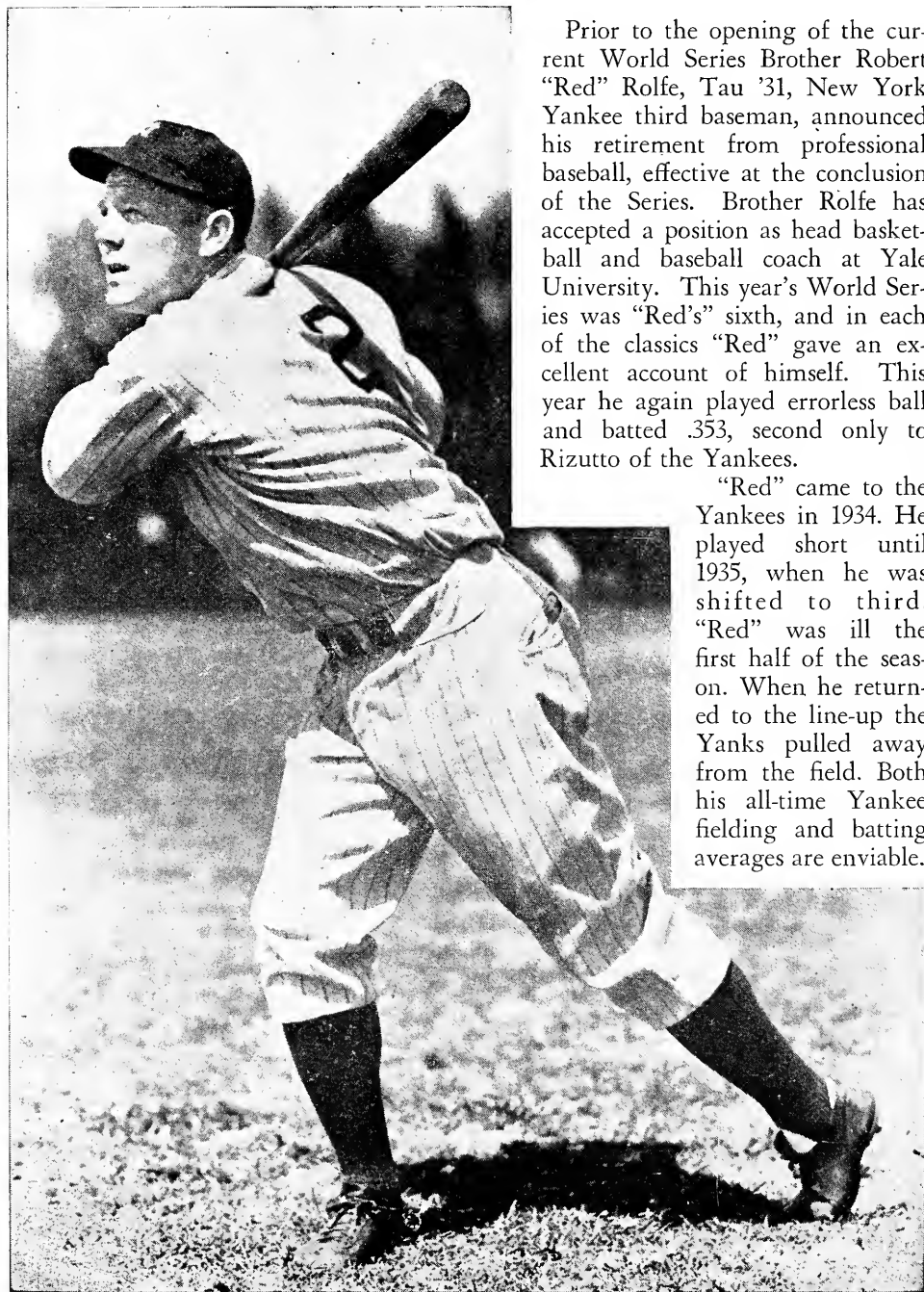
LIEUTENANT ARNOLD R. JONES

sas. The Council regretfully accepted his resignation as Director of Finance tendered to them at their meeting in Chicago, August 9, 1942.

ZETA TRITON INITIATES CHARTER MEMBER

Anker L. Christy, assistant to the vice-president of the Pure Oil Company of Chicago, and an M. S. C. graduate in chemical engineering, was initiated by Zeta Triton chapter on October second. Brother Christy was a founder of Omega Beta chartered as Zeta Triton.

Rolfe in His Final World Series



Prior to the opening of the current World Series Brother Robert "Red" Rolfe, Tau '31, New York Yankee third baseman, announced his retirement from professional baseball, effective at the conclusion of the Series. Brother Rolfe has accepted a position as head basketball and baseball coach at Yale University. This year's World Series was "Red's" sixth, and in each of the classics "Red" gave an excellent account of himself. This year he again played errorless ball and batted .353, second only to Rizutto of the Yankees.

"Red" came to the Yankees in 1934. He played short until 1935, when he was shifted to third. "Red" was ill the first half of the season. When he returned to the line-up the Yanks pulled away from the field. Both his all-time Yankee fielding and batting averages are enviable.

AUKER, BROWN'S LEADING PITCHER

Brother Elden Auker, Iota Deuteron '32, lived up to the May 1942 SIGNET prediction that he was headed for another successful season and should undoubtedly spark the Browns this year. He was not only their leading pitcher in wins but he was the Trojan of the staff, working



ELDEN AUKER

in 34 games. The third place position of the Browns, formerly known as the lowly Browns, is sufficient testimonial to the ability of Brother Auker to spark a team.

Brother Auker resides in Detroit, where he is employed in defense work with the Midwest Abrasive Company.

At the close of the current baseball season he presented the national headquarters with an autographed photograph like the one accompanying this article.

Send your dollar to the National Headquarters for that Phi Sig songbook now.

REINBOTH ELECTED STATISTICAL HEAD

Brother John F. Reinboth, initiated Lambda and affiliated Alpha Deuteron, class of '23, University of Illinois, was elected President of the Chicago Chapter of the American Statistical Association. Brother Reinboth had served as Secretary-Treasurer of the local for the three



JOHN F. REINBOTH

years preceding his recent election. Brother Reinboth is in the statistical department of the Commonwealth Edison Company. He has been in the employ of that company since 1925, going there as Secretary to the President.

Brother Reinboth received his Master's Degree from Northwestern University and has taught economics and money and banking both at the University of Illinois and at Northwestern University, being with the latter for five years. He also taught business economics in the training division classes of the Commonwealth Edison Company. He is now a lecturer in economics for Northwestern University at its McKinlock Campus.

DOROTHY HOLSINGER ELECTED VICE-PRESIDENT OF DELTA GAMMA

Delta Gamma in national convention at the Edgewater Beach Hotel in Chicago last June elected Dorothy Glenn Holsinger, wife of Brother Wallace K. Holsinger, Alpha Deuteron '22, First Vice-President. Mrs. Holsinger is a member of the University of Illinois Chapter of Delta Gamma. As a re-



DOROTHY GLENN HOLSINGER

sponsible member of one committee after another, as an authority on fraternity tradition, and as a former president of the Oak Park Alumni Chapter, she has been one of the leaders of Delta Gamma Sorority. Furthermore, she has been official delegate at two national conventions, first representing Chicago, and later Oak Park, besides serving as secretary and treasurer of the three groups that a few years back comprised all Chicago. During her three years as province secretary, she has had the confidence and affection of the younger girls, and from these contacts has gained an understand-

ing of fraternity problems that will qualify her for her new duties as chairman of the province secretaries.

MRS. HAGUE, WIFE OF FOUNDER PASSES

Mrs. Harriett Davis Hague, widow of the Rev. Henry Hague, one of the six Founders of Phi Sigma Kappa, and mother of the late Robert L. Hague, former vice-president in charge of the marine department of the Standard Oil Company of New Jersey, died in Worcester, Mass., September 7, 1942. She was ninety-two years old.

At the age of eighty-six, Mrs. Hague was the oldest passenger to fly aboard the German dirigible Hindenburg on its initial return trip to Frankfort on the Main from Lakehurst, N. J. A photographer, whose eye was caught by the elderly passenger as she was about to embark, shouted to other travelers to step aside so he could snap the "old lady." Brandishing her cane angrily, Mrs. Hague scolded him for the reference to her age.

Her daughter-in-law, the former Miss Mary Lewis, who once sang with the Metropolitan Opera Company, said that she had flown in planes since she was eighty and was an old hand at aviation. Returning from Europe by ship, Mrs. Hague said that she was bored with the dirigible trip because it was too safe to be much fun.

HUMES AT ILLINOIS

Brother John F. Humes, Mu '23, former Regional Director for Region Two, accepted a position this autumn with the Department of Psychology at the University of Illinois. He was the guest of Alpha Deuteron chapter at the Homecoming Banquet following the Illinois 20-13 victory over Minnesota. Alpha Deuteron hopes to see Brother Humes frequently.

The Secretary Reports

Initiates

Nine hundred and eighty-four men were initiated into Phi Sigma Kappa during this biennium. This is the same number of men that were initiated during the previous biennium. The average number of undergraduate initiates per chapter is 11.5.

Delta and Chi Deuteron Chapters dis-



EARL F. SCHOENING

tinguished themselves in initiating 59 and 46 members respectively. Other chapters to be congratulated on their records of initiates during this period are as follows:

Alpha and Omega	39 each
Tau	37
Lambda	36
Pi	35
Mu and Omega Deuteron	34 each

The Signet

THE SIGNETS published during this biennium have met with even greater

enthusiasm, both with the chapters and the alumni, than those of the prior like period. According to our national President, several members of other fraternities have stated that our magazine is among the finest on their respective campuses.

Some very fine material has been promised THE SIGNET. In order that the standard now recognized for THE SIGNET may be continued, your Editor urges that all members of our fraternity be on the alert at all times for leads to interesting feature stories for THE SIGNET. Given the lead, the Editor will follow it up.

The circulation, number of pages, and gross cost of each of the issues published by this administration are as follows:

	<i>Circulation</i>	<i>Number of pages</i>	<i>Gross cost</i>
October 1940	3,335	72	\$1,138.37
January 1941	3,115	76	1,096.32
March 1941	2,920	68	945.46
May 1941	3,765	76	1,018.47
October 1941	3,210	84	992.40
January 1942	3,200	100	1,507.15
March 1942	2,955	72	1,084.76
May 1942	3,600	92	1,301.21
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Scholarship

In general, it appears that the scholarship of Phi Sigma Kappa chapters has improved. Each year Phi Sigma Kappa has a number of honor students. Those whose names are available to the national headquarters prior to the press dates of the May SIGNETS are publicized in those issues. Following is a list of chapters in first, second or third place scho-

lastically on their respective campuses for the academic year 1941-42:

Rho Deuteron, first.

Xi, first.

Nu, second.

Omicron, second.

Phi, second.

Beta, third.

Anniversaries

The Fortieth Anniversaries of Nu, Xi and Omicron Chapters were recognized by dedicating to them the October 1941, March 1942, and May 1942 SIGNETS respectively. The January 1942 SIGNET honored the Fifteenth Anniversary of Chi Deuteron.

Conclaves

The following Regional Conclaves were held since the last general convention Region I, Boston, Massachusetts, December 14, 1941; Region II, Lancaster Pennsylvania, October 25, 1941; Region III, College Park, Maryland, November 15, 1941; Region IV, Galesburg, Illinois, November 14-15, 1941; Region V, Reno, Nevada, November 22, 1941; Region VI, Missoula, Montana, December 6-7, 1941.

Conclaves for Regions II, IV and V were reported in detail in the January 1942 issue of THE SIGNET, and the conclaves for Regions III and VI were reported in detail in the March 1942 issue.

Conclaves are among the most important meetings held by the fraternity. They should be well planned and publicized. More effort should be made to encourage greater alumni participation.

Council Meetings

The Council held meetings on the following dates: August 10-11, 1940, Amherst, Massachusetts, August 16, 1940, Boston, Massachusetts, August 16-17, 1941, and August 15-16, 1942, Chicago.

In view of the resignation of Brother George Stark, Alpha Deuteron '31, elected to the Council as Director from Region IV, in Boston, the Council at its meeting in Chicago on August 17, 1941, elected Brother D. R. Collins, Gamma

Deuteron '17, to the office of Director from Region IV to succeed Brother Stark. Likewise, because of the resignation of Brother Arthur L. Atchison, on account of military service, the Council at its meeting in Chicago on August 15, 1942, elected Brother W. Barrett Fuchs, Epsilon Triton '32, to the office of Director from Region III to succeed Brother Atchison.

Brother John H. Marchmont, national President invited the Endowment Trustees, Brothers Stradley, Batt and Ruedi, and a committee consisting of Brothers McIntyre, Hamilton and Smith to represent the Court of Honor, to join the Council in its deliberations at Chicago.

Brother Arnold R. Jones who is also in military service was unable to attend this meeting. He sent the Council his resignation as Director of Finance.

Brother Marchmont held separate conferences with each of the Regional Directors the day before the Council meeting. At these conferences, chapter and regional problems were gone into in detail. The more important matters resulting from these conferences were reviewed by the entire Council.

The Council was generous in its praise of the report of Brother Amsbary as Field Secretary, which report was read by the Secretary-Treasurer.

The following chapter adviser appointments were ratified: Brother William H. Armstrong for Alpha, Brother Nathaniel C. Acton for Eta, Brother E. Lewis Gibbs, for Mu, Brother Edward R. Harris for Omicron, Brother Samuel N. Bacon for Chi, Brother Austin Humber for Delta Deuteron, Brother Robert S. Robertson for Nu Deuteron, Brother W. Hoyle Campbell for Xi Deuteron, Brother M. Hume Bedford for Phi Deuteron and Brother Joseph Norwood for Gamma Triton.

The Council authorized the continuance of Field Secretarial and Resident Counsellor work.

The effect of the war on fraternities and the proposals for dealing with the same were discussed under five headings: National supervision, National finances, Aid to chapters, Local chapter management, Alumni organization and care of chapter property.

By vote of the Council, the Regional Director from each Region was directed to appoint in conjunction with the chapter advisers of the chapters in his region, a war-time council to assist the chapter advisers in any manner helpful to the chapters. The Secretary-Treasurer was directed by the Council to inform himself as to the key men in each chapter alumni corporation and keep those men informed of pending emergencies.

The advisability of holding the 30th

general convention in 1942 was discussed at length. It was decided that a decision with respect to that matter should not have to be made until the latest possible date in order to have as late knowledge of war conditions as possible. Accordingly, the Secretary-Treasurer was directed to submit to the chapters for their vote, the proposal that the decision of holding a convention be left to the Council.

The Council recognized that there would probably be a shrinkage in regular fraternity revenues and that there would not be a corresponding diminution of expense for services because in times of stress such as the world is now experiencing, problems of all kinds become more numerous and more compli-



THE COUNCIL MEETS

Left to right: Joseph H. Batt, Endowment Trustee, Leighton P. Stradley, Chairman Endowment Trustees; Frank Smith, Recorder; Court of Honor, Charles H. Ruedi, Endowment Trustee; D. R. Collins, Director Region IV; Herbert L. Brown, Director Region II; Earl F. Schoening, Secretary-Treasurer and Editor; John H. Marchmont, President; Ralph J. Watts, Director at Large; Franklin C. Palm, Director Region V; George P. Rupert, Jr., Director Region I; William H. McIntyre, Court of Honor. Right foreground, left to right: C. Marc Miller, Director Region VI; W. Barrett Fuchs, Director Region III.

cated, all of which results in the necessity for increased attention and more service. Believing therefore that the fraternity revenues must be maintained at their present level, the Council approved the appointment by Brother Marchmont of a War Emergency Fund Raising Committee to solicit the alumni for contributions to the operating account of the fraternity. Brothers Batt, Stradley, Ruedi, Collins, Watts, Brown and Hamilton were appointed to this committee by Brother Marchmont. This committee was to hold a meeting at an early date for the purpose of perfecting its organization including the enlarging of the committee.

The Council voted to grant a charter for a chapter in Phi Sigma Kappa to Alpha Sigma Omicron Fraternity of the University of Akron, Akron, Ohio, and voted that the date for the induction be determined by Brothers Collins and Schoening.

The Council assigned the duties of the Director of Finance to the Secretary-Treasurer.

The Council authorized the printing of a substantial supply of creeds to be used with rushing folders and sent gratuitously to all chapters. It also authorized the printing of alumni rushing recommendation acknowledgment forms and made it mandatory that the chapters use these forms in acknowledging rushing recommendations made by their alumni.

Visitations

During this administration your Secretary-Treasurer has visited Alpha, Beta, Xi, Omicron, Delta Deuteron, Epsilon Deuteron, Kappa Deuteron, Xi Deuteron, Rho Deuteron, Phi Deuteron, Beta Triton, and Delta Triton Chapters.

In addition to these visitations, other members of the Council, and particularly our President, Brother John H. Marchmont, have made frequent visits to chapters. Former national presidents R. G. Lafean, Don A. Hamilton and

William F. Wood have also traveled for the national fraternity as did our Chaplain Brother Stewart W. Herman.

In addition to this personal contact, 100 members of the fraternity have during this biennium, visited the national headquarters one or more times.

Brothers in the Service

Although the war is only ten months' old Phi Sigma Kappa has six hundred and fifteen men known to be in service. This includes undergraduates who have volunteered but whose active service has been deferred to enable them to complete their college work. Phi Sigma Kappa is proud of its generals. Brother Amos W. Woodcock, Eta '03, and Kenneth L. Buchanan, Alpha Deuteron '17. It is also proud of Captain Harry E. Spieth Jr., Theta Deuteron '38, Army Air Corps who was awarded the Distinguished Flying Cross for action in the Coral Sea Battle.

Chapter Invisible

War struck forcibly at Phi Sigma Kappa on its first day. It is with deep regret that your Secretary here records the passing of Ensign Stephens Stockdale, Mu Deuteron '37, who was killed in action at Pearl Harbor, Hawaii, December 7, 1941.

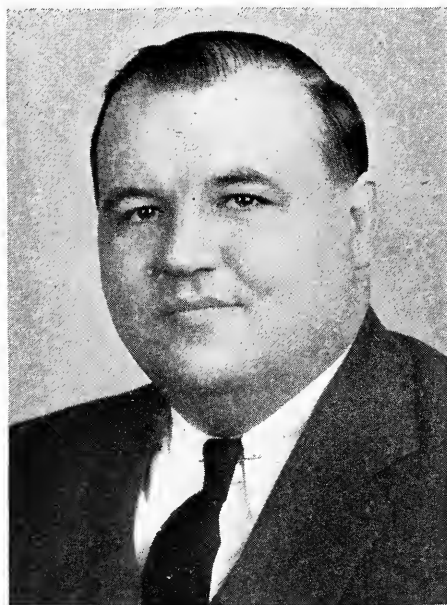
The Council

Tremendous credit is due the present Council for the excellent manner in which it managed the affairs of the fraternity during this biennium. Our national President, Brother John H. Marchmont, gave unselfishly of his time and energy throughout this administration. He traveled more than any president of the past several years, and the personal contacts which he made during these visits have been of immeasurable value to the fraternity. Brother Marchmont was in close touch and constant communication with the national headquarters. He has performed the difficult tasks of the chief executive of our fraternity with distinction.

Regional Director Fuchs

W. Barrett Fuchs, Epsilon Triton '32, was elected Director from Region Three of Phi Sigma Kappa at a meeting of the Council held in Chicago, August 15, 1942.

Brother Fuchs succeeds Brother A. L. Atchison who tendered his resignation, because as captain with the armed forces,



W. BARRETT FUCHS

he could no longer carry on the duties of his office.

Brother Fuchs was born December 4, 1908 and he has always lived in Washington, D. C. He graduated from American University with an A. B. degree in June, 1932. In June, 1933, the University of Chicago conferred the degree of M. S. in Zoology upon Brother Fuchs.

Brother Fuchs was a charter member of Phi Beta Zeta Local at American University which became the Epsilon Triton Chapter of Phi Sigma Kappa in the au-

umn of 1936. He is the first and only adviser that the chapter has had and his election to the Council is in recognition of and in reward for excellent work as chapter adviser.

From the very first he has shown marked interest in the national fraternity. He has attended all conclaves for his region and all conventions of the national fraternity since the induction of his chapter.

Brother Fuchs is a teacher of Biology in the Eastern High School of Washington, D. C. Brother Fuchs is an accomplished tenor soloist. He has been soloist in Washington churches for the past eighteen years. His hobbies are travel and color photography. His travels include Mexico, Alaska, and the entire United States. His film library contains many excellent color motion pictures.

As THE SIGNET goes to press, Brother Fuchs has already completed an inspection tour of the chapters in his region. In Brother Fuchs, Phi Sigma Kappa has an alert and indefatigable member of the Council.

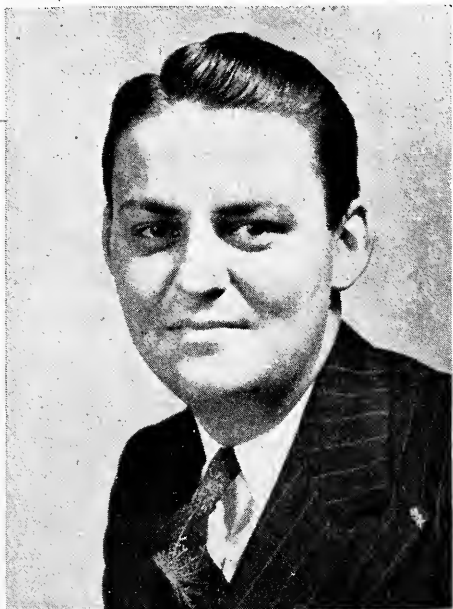
DesJardins Opens Cincinnati Office

Brother Clarence B. DesJardins, Lambda '13, has announced his withdrawal as senior member of the firm of Church & Church, Washington, D. C. On June 10, 1942, he opened his office for the practice of patent and trademark law at 3208-11 Carew Tower, Cincinnati, Ohio. Brother DesJardins also specializes in claims heard by the United States Court of Claims.

M. A. Story, Xi Deuteron, '42, is now a statistician for the Tennessee Eastman Corporation, Holston Ordnance Works, Kingsport, Tennessee.

ACKERMAN APPOINTED FIELD SECRETARY

Brother Walter F. Ackerman, Beta Triton, '42, has recently been appointed Field Secretary for Phi Sigma Kappa. He will be called upon to visit and inspect various chapters throughout the



WALTER F. ACKERMAN

country, counsel with them and report their status to the national headquarters.

At Knox College Brother Ackerman evidenced an active interest in local and national fraternity affairs throughout his four years. His brothers recognized his ability by electing him to every office in the chapter except that of treasurer, and as a junior he was president for the entire year. His experience as rushing chairman and as president will qualify him to give advice and help to local chapters.

During his undergraduate career Walt was letterman on the varsity swimming team; member and officer of Adelphi, campus literary society; member of "K" Council; Spanish Club; Pre-Law Club;

Theater Group; and a Class Representative as a senior. Walt also signed up under the V7 plan of the Navy in January of this year and expects to be called after the first of the year.

At the present time Brother Ackerman is visiting Xi Chapter at St. Lawrence University. After leaving Xi, he will make an extended tour of most of the eastern and all of the southern chapters of the fraternity.

HERO!



BILL BREKKE

Bill Brekke, Alpha Deuteron '43, and chapter president ruptured an ear drum this summer while making a rescue of a drowning victim through 32 feet of water at one of the Chicago beaches. The story of his exploit, with his picture, was carried in several Chicago papers. The chapter is proud of its president.

Purchase a Phi Sig record for your autumn parties: One Dollar.

Council Grants Alpha Sigma Omicron Charter

At its meeting in Chicago on August 16th, 1942, the Council of Phi Sigma Kappa granted a petition for a charter in Phi Sigma Kappa to Alpha Sigma Omicron Fraternity of the University of Akron.

Alpha Sigma Omicron was founded May 4, 1920 by Earl Busenber, Henry Berrodin, Warren Brockett, Maynard Flickinger, Robert Dewey, John Hoelzer and Ross Wilson.

The end of the school year of 1922 found Alpha Sigma Omicron well on its way to success. Its membership had increased to 38 members and two faculty members. It was so situated financially that no serious difficulties threatened the organization with disaster. The social and scholastic footing which it had established at the University placed it among the foremost organizations of the school. Its members were winning honors scholastically, athletically and socially, and its internal organization had been knit more closely together by the adopting of a new constitution and by-laws.

The Alumni Association was founded in the fall of 1925. The Mother's Club was founded in 1929. All the mothers of actives and pledges are invited to attend their meetings. The Mother's Club has its own social functions and acts as an auxiliary to the chapter by assisting in the purchase of equipment for the house.

Alpha Sigma Omicron petitioned Phi Sigma Kappa for a charter in the spring of 1939. Today, Alpha Sigma Omicron has 285 living alumni and an active chapter of 28. Its chapter house is located at 112 Hamilton Avenue, Akron.

The national fraternities who have chapters at the University of Akron are: Phi Delta Theta, Theta Chi, Phi Kappa

Tau, Lambda Chi Alpha and Alpha Epsilon Pi. Lone Star is the other local.

The following national sororities are also located there: Kappa Kappa Gamma, Delta Gamma, Alpha Delta Pi, Zeta Tau Alpha, Theta Phi Alpha, Phi Mu, Alpha Gamma Delta, and Theta Upsilon. Akron University has one local sorority known as Delta Pi Iota.

The University of Akron has an enrollment of 1400 students about equally divided between men and women. In addition, 1600 students are enrolled in the university's evening classes.

Date for the induction is to be set by Brothers Collins and Schoening.

GREENWOOD'S SONG STILL NUMBER ONE

While attending the University of Montana at Missoula in 1903, George H. Greenwood, Tau '08, president of the Pacific National Bank of Seattle, composed a song which has become so popular in Montana that many persons believe it to be the state anthem.

The state does not have an official anthem, but Brother Greenwood's song, "Montana, My Montana," still is the university's most popular song. Regarding the song, the school's alumni News Bulletin says:

"Today it is used at all dignified occasions—Commencement, Charter Day and Singing on the Steps—and still ranks as the No. 1 selection of students."

Brother Greenwood, who plays the piano, wrote the music. A Missoula woman, Mrs. Gertrude A. Knapp, wrote the words.

Brother Greenwood said he composed the song for presentation by the men's glee club, which he had organized.

With the Armed Forces



ABBOTT, James N., Jr., Mu '34, Lt. (j. g.), U. S. N. R.
 ABBOTT, Thomas D., Beta D. '43, Army.
 ADAMS, Harold A., Phi '40, Naval Air Corps.
 ALBRIGHT, Wesley A., Beta '41, Lt., Army Air Corps.
 ALDWORTH, John G., Gamma '42, 2nd Lt., Army.
 ALLEN, William H., Mu '06, Col., Medical Corps.
 ALMDALE, Howard, Delta D. '42, Ensign, U. S. N.
 AMSBARY, George S., Alpha D. '41, Army Air Corps.
 ANDERSON, Bennett, Jr., Chi '45, Naval Air Corps.
 ANDERSON, Bruce H., Omicron '42, 1st Lt., Army Ordnance Corps.
 ANDERSON, Edgar H., Psi D. '39, Navy, Honolulu, T. H.
 ARMSTRONG, Victor S., Beta D. '15, Comdr., U. S. N.
 ARNOLD, Joseph M., Alpha '43, U. S. N. R.
 ASHWAY, Elmer B., Jr., Rho D. '42, 2nd Lt., Q. M. Res., Officers Training School.
 ATCHISON, Arthur L., Phi D. '24, foreign service.
 BAILEY, Kenneth D., Delta '42, Ensign, U. S. N. R.
 BAKER, Ralph H., Jr., Omicron '42, Cadet.
 BALDI, Joseph F. M., 2nd, Mu '16, Capt., Army Air Force, active duty.
 BANNISTER, John H., Jr., Delta '43, Army.
 BARBER, George F., Epsilon D. '42, Ensign, Naval Mine Warfare School.

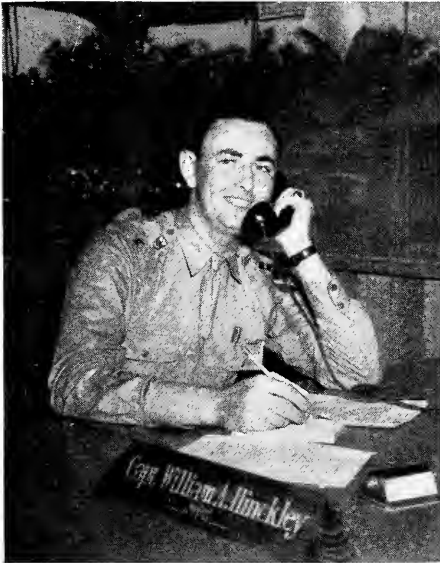
BASTON, Albert P., Beta D. '17, Lt. Col., Army.
 BELLOWS, Robert W., Psi D. '43, Lt., Alaska.
 BERGGREN, John P., Jr., Epsilon D. '41, Ensign, Naval Training School.
 BIESIOT, Peter G., Jr., Lambda D. '42, Naval Air Corps.
 BIRKEMEIER, George R., Theta D. '41, Army, Alaska.



LT. DONALD C. DOUGLASS

BLANKMAN, Edward J., Xi '29, Pvt., Army.
 BLODGETT, Pliny R., Jr., Alpha D. '41, Army.
 BOSCH, Carlos L., Omicron D. '43, Aviation Cadet, Army Flying School.
 BOYD, Raymond, Jr., Upsilon '40, Lt., U. S. N. R.

BROWN, Garry M., Xi '40, Army.
 BUCHANAN, Kenneth, Alpha D. '17,
 Brig. Gen., Army.
 BURNHAM, Warren E., Beta '44, Army
 Air Force Ground Crew.
 BUSH, Kelton G., Xi '43, Army Air
 Force.
 CARLSON, Robert L., Delta D. '42, 2nd
 Lt., Army.
 CASE, William N., Theta D. '43, Naval
 Air Corps.



CAPT. WILLIAM A. HINCKLEY,
 Signal Officer

CAUSEY, George B., Theta D. '41,
 Navy, Pacific.
 CHAMPE, Charles E., Delta '45, Naval
 Air Corps.
 CHIPMAN, Albert D., Delta D. '14,
 Major, Army.
 CHRISMAN, Norman E., Nu D. '29,
 Naval Air Corps, Pacific.
 CHRISTENSEN, Robert K., Psi D. '41,
 Pvt., Army Air Corps.
 CLARK, Joseph W., Zeta '42, Army.
 CLARK, William L., Nu '42, Lt., Army.
 COATES, Robert M., Chi '43, Army.
 COCHRAN, Stanley E., Chi D. '42, Lt.,
 Engineers.

COLE, Charles F., Chi '45, Marines.
 COLEMAN, Nathan W., Psi D. '42, Lt.,
 Army.
 COOPER, John H., Xi '42, 2nd Lt.,
 Army Air Corps.
 COUGILL, J. Glenn, Psi D. '42, Corp.,
 Infantry.
 CROCKER, James B., Psi D. '42, Army.
 CUDNEY, William R., Chi D. '43,
 Army.
 DARGEON, Harold W., Beta '22,
 (Dr.), Lt. Comdr., U. S. N.
 DEJNOZKA, Emanuel, Beta '38, Medi-
 cal Corps.
 DEPUE, James M., Jr., Delta '45, Naval
 Air Corps.
 DICKY, B. Gordon, Chi '44, Volun-
 teer Ambulance Corps, Egypt.
 DONAHUE, Walter R., Phi '44, Army
 Air Corps.
 DOUGLASS, Donald C., Alpha '20, Lt.,
 Asst. Adjutant, Army Flying School.
 DOWNEY, Stephen F., Iota '41, 2nd Lt.,
 Army Air Corps.
 DRAKE, Donald L., Theta D. '41, En-
 sign, Naval Reserve.
 DREW, John W., Omicron D. '43,
 Navy.
 EHLERT, John F., Mu '41, Army.
 ELLERS, William H., Nu '39, Pvt., Air-
 craft Gunnery School.
 EPPLETT, Louis E., Theta D. '39, Field
 Artillery, Australia.
 ESTERLY, Harold D., Jr., Pi '42, Naval
 Air Corps.
 FABER, Robert L., Alpha D. '35, Pvt.,
 Signal Corps.
 FAIRWEATHER, Walter J., Nu D.
 '41, Lt., Army.
 FARNHAM, Arthur C., Eta '43, Navy.
 FERNHOLZ, E. Frank, Alpha D. '37,
 Pvt., Army.
 FORSYTH, Robert H., Nu '42, Lt.,
 Army.
 FREITAS, Arnold B., Alpha '42, Pvt.,
 Army Air Forces.
 FROST, William N., Beta T. '41, 1st Lt.,
 Army Air Corps.

GAY, Dillard F., Jr., Delta D. '42, Aviation Cadet.
 GIBBS, E. Lewis, Mu '19, Coast Guard.
 GLENN, Oliver S., Theta D. '40, Naval Air Corps.
 GRANT, Robert H., Epsilon D. '42, Ensign, Navy.
 GRAY, James F., Pi '45, Royal Canadian Air Force.
 GREVE, Richard, Beta D. '43, Cadet, Naval Air Corps.
 HALLER, Jack R., Delta T. '42, Air Corps.
 HARDING, Warren G., Epsilon D. '42, Ensign, Navy.
 HEDQUIST, Wilbur G., Eta D. '43, Army.
 HENRY, Wilbur E., Jr., Nu '44, Yeoman, Navy.
 HERTZMAN, Irving L., Tau D. '23, Capt., Engineers.
 HILL, Ralph B., Alpha '40, Navy.
 HINCKLEY, William A., Beta T. '37, Capt., Signal Corps, Army Air Force.
 HITCHCOCK, Frank N., Psi D. '39, Navy, Pearl Harbor, T. H.
 HOADLEY, David A., Phi '43, Naval Air Corps.
 HOLMBERG, John S., Iota D. '29, Marine Corps.
 HORTON, Henry C., Beta '41, Officers Training School.
 HOWELL, Jack M., Eta D. '29, Lt., Navy.
 HOY, John W., Jr., Delta '42, 2nd Lt., Army.
 HUFF, Kenneth C., Delta D. '42, Ensign, U. S. N.
 HUFFMAN, George K., Delta T. '42, 2nd Lt., Field Artillery.
 HUFFMAN, John L., Delta T. '42, Naval Officers Training School.
 HURLEBAUS, Harvey W., Nu D. '40, 2nd Lt., Army.
 HUSTED, David S., Psi D. '26, Pvt., Army, finance.
 IRWIN, William S., Jr., Xi '42, Army.
 JOHNSON, Earle, Theta D. '28, Navy.
 JOHNSON, Harold J., Zeta T. '43, U. S. N. R.

JOHNSON, Stanley E., Psi D. '41, Ensign, U. S. N. R., Naval Air Station.
 JONES, Arnold R., Iota D. '27, 1st Lt., Coast Artillery, Barrage Balloon Service.
 KARPICK, Edwin L., Delta T. '44, Electrician's mate.
 KESIER, Glen V., Eta D. '41, Lt., Army.
 KELLER, Leonard F., Iota '31, Army.



LT. D. H. MANFREDI

KENNER, Albert W., Lambda '15, Col., Army Medical Corps.
 KEPHART, William M., Pi '41, Pvt., Army, Psychological Div.
 KINGMAN, Dudley J., Alpha D. '33, Capt., Cavalry.
 KIRWIN, Richard O., Omicron D. '44, Aviation Cadet.
 KLEIN, Edwin H., Nu '42, Lt., Marine Corps.
 KOSKI, Reino O., Theta D. '39, Army.
 LAPOLLA, Robert P., Omicron D. '42, Chief Petty Officer.
 LARSON, Harold C., Zeta D. '28, Pvt., Army, finance.
 LIMA, Elliot R., Eta D. '41, Lt., Marine Corps.
 LOMMORI, Joe P., Eta D. '37, Lt., Army.
 LONG, James W., Xi D. '38, Army.

LUCE, Alvin A., Epsilon D. '41, Ensign, U. S. Naval Torpedo Training Station.
 McCANTS, Elliott L., Gamma T. '41, Army.
 McKINNON, Hollis, Eta D. '38, Lt., Army.
 McLEOD, Robert M., Eta D. '39, Lt., Army.
 McWHINNEY, Frank S., Pi D. '31, Army.
 MacDONALD, James C., Delta D. '40, Pvt., Army.
 MADIGAN, Edward M. T., Beta D. '42, Army.
 MANFREDI, Daniel H., Theta '31, (Dr.) Lt., Navy Medical Corps.
 MATHERS, William E., Lambda D. '43, Navy.
 MAY, James A., Eta D. '31, Capt., Army.
 MAYO, Edward H., Iota D. '42, Aviation Cadet.
 MEIKLE, James B., Nu D. '41, Army Air Corps.
 MILLER, Charles E., Sigma D. '29, Lt., Army Air Force, Gunnery School.
 MILLER, Clifford L., Xi '10, Lt. Col., Army.
 MILLER, G. Adolph, Alpha D. '28, Lt., Army.
 MILLER, Joseph D., Rho D. '39, Ensign, Navy.
 MOFFITT, Robert C., Gamma '18, Maj., Engineers, Army.
 MONTGOMERY Neale W., Xi '40, Sgt., Army.
 MORGAN, Frank B., Nu '34, Lt., Infantry.
 MORRIS, Lyle, Jr., Delta '44, Lt., Army Reserve Corps.
 MORSE, Freeman E., Alpha '42, Pvt., Army.
 MYERS, Frederick R., Gamma '39, Ensign, Navy.
 NAUMANN, Sylvester C., Delta '37, Corp., Field Artillery.
 NICHOLS, Edward C., Gamma '32, active duty.

NIGRO, James P., Kappa D. '41, Naval Air Forces, Pacific.
 NOEL, L. Stephen, Eta '43, Army.
 OAKLEY, Samuel H., Omega '35, Corp., Finance.
 O'CONNOR, Thomas J., Jr., Beta '43, Army.
 OHLSON, Jack, Eta D. '44, Sgt., Army.
 OLDS, David M., Phi '39, Ensign, Navy.
 OSTLIND, Benjamin R., Theta D. '42, Instructor, Army.
 OVERMYER, Irvin A., Delta T. '42, Naval Engineer.



ERNEST S. PARKER

PARKER, Ernest S., Eta '29, Pvt., Army, Finance.
 PARSONS, Thomas L., Beta '42, Army.
 PATTERSON, Pierce E., Zeta T. '42, Naval Air Corps.
 PETERSEN, Kent, Theta D. '42, Army.
 PETERSON, Carl A., Theta D. '39, Ski Troops.
 PIKE, Jack, Eta D. '23, Maj., Army.
 PORTER, E. Dale, Beta T. Fac., Col., Infantry.
 PORTER, William M., Psi D. '40, Army Air Corps.

- POST, Thomas S., Mu '42, 2nd Lt., Army.
- RAFFERTY, William J., Delta '40, Navy.
- REAM, Randall, Zeta '45, Navy.
- REED, Donald B., Psi D., Air Corps.
- REED, Fred T., II, Phi '41, Army.
- REED, William G., Mu D. '42, Coast Guard.
- RENZ, Allan C., Pi '44, Army Air Corps.
- RICE, Charles H., Theta D. '40, Field Artillery, Australia.
- RIEFKOHLE, Rudolf W., Omicron '09, Col., Army.
- RIEGLE, Chester F., Delta T. '42, 2nd Class Seaman.
- RIEMONDY, Augustus A., Nu '41, Army Air Corps, Pacific.
- RISK, Lealand E., Omega D. '42, Ensign, Navy.
- ROBERTSON, William B., Theta D. '41, Medical Corps.
- ROBOHM, John F., Beta D. '42, 2nd Lt., Field Artillery.
- ROTKIS, Walter A., Alpha D. '38, Army.
- RUSSELL, Harold E., Xi '40, 2nd Lt., Medical Corps.
- SANBORN, Charles E., Beta D. '40, Coast Artillery, Anti Air Craft.
- SANDOVAL, Ernest U., Lambda '42, Pvt., Recruiting and Induction Station.
- SANFORD, John A., Beta '31, Lt. (j. g.), U. S. N. R.
- SCHLITTLER, Rudolph F., Nu '39, Sgt., Infantry.
- SELLERS, Matthew B., Nu '41, Navy, Pacific.
- SEYBOLT, Robert S., Iota '42, Ensign, U. S. N. R.
- SHARP, Verner B., Beta '43, Army.
- SHARPSTENE, John A., Xi '42, Army.
- SHERK, Grant R., Jr., Lambda '44, Pvt., Recruiting and Induction Station.
- SHIELDS, William B., Zeta '42, Ensign, U. S. N., Atlantic.
- SIVADE, Elie F., Gamma '40, Air Corps, Advanced Flying School.
- SMITH, Hibbard A., Beta D. '44, Army Air Corps.
- SMITH, John R., Beta D. '42, Pvt., Army.
- SNOW, Robert A., Alpha D. '27, Lt., Ordnance, Army.
- SNYDER, Frank, Lambda D. '42, Navy.
- SOLGER, William H., Alpha D. '35, 1st Lt., Tank Dept., Armored Force School.
- SOOY, Byard E., Jr., Omicron D. '41, 2nd Lt., Marines.
- SPRAGUE, George H., Jr., Epsilon D. '42, Ensign, Navy.
- STOCKTON, Chris B., Eta D. '29, Capt., Army.
- STOCKTON, Donald E., Nu D. '42, 2nd Lt., Army Air Corps.
- STONER, John W., Nu D. '42, Army.
- STRONG, Paul T., Phi '30, (Dr.) Capt., Army Medical Corps, Australia.
- SWARTS, Norman R., Delta T. '41, Naval Officers Training School.
- SWEETLAND, Earle E., Theta D. '40, Infantry.
- SWEETMAN, John G., Iota '33, Army Ordnance.
- TALMADGE, Richard H., Eta '41, Lt., Infantry.
- TAYLOR, Edwin E., Beta D. '41, Army.
- TAYLOR, Robert G., Nu '42, Lt., Army.
- TILTON, Corby H., Zeta T. '42, Pvt., Field Artillery, foreign service.
- UNDERWOOD, Wallace A., Epsilon D. '44, Coxswain, Navy.
- VAN DE WEGHE, Aurele R., Pi '44, Army Air Corps.
- VAN WULVEN, Paul E., Nu '35, Yeoman 1st Class, U. S. N. R., Midshipman's School.
- WALLACE, Albert L., Jr., Theta D. '41, ferrying bombers to Canada.
- WARNER, Daniel T., Jr., Mu '42, Army.
- WELLS, J. Hubert, Gamma T. '39, Army.
- WESTPHAL, Allen L., Chi '42, Army.
- WHEELER, Leslie S., Delta T. '43, Army Air Corps.
- WHITBECK, Henry B., Beta '37, Army.

- WILLIAMSON, Russell B., Delta D. '43, Army.
 WILSON, Winthrop E., Epsilon D. '43, Army Air Corps.
 WIMER, Robert J., Pi '43, Ensign, Naval Reserve.
 WIPER, Thomas, Psi D. '39, Lt., Army.
 WOLFF, Alvin J., Lambda D. '39, Army.
 WYATT, Frederic A., Beta '32, Lt. (j. g.), U. S. N. R.
 YOUNG, Robert A., Jr., Chi '39, Beta '40, Lt., Army Air Corps.
 ZERWECK, William W., Eta D. '42, Corp., Army.
- OAKLEY, Dwain C., Omega D. '43, Army.
 O'NEAL, L. Burke, Delta '41, Army.
 PAUL, Grant Jim, Alpha D. '42, Aviation Cadet.
 PEDERSON, James R., Omega D. '44, Army.
 SHERIDAN, David L., Eta '42, Pvt., Infantry.
 SPENCE, Howard W., Alpha D. '40, Army Air Corps, meteorology.
 STEVENSON, John E., Omega D. '43, Army.
 TURNBULL, Leonard H., Gamma T. '43, Army.

Press Time Additions

- AGNEW, Edwin L., Pi '44, Army Air Corps.
 BEARDEN, James D., Gamma T. '42, Army.
 BRANCH, John M., Alpha D. '44, Marines.
 CODDINGTON, Winsler, Alpha D. '32, 1st Lt., Signal Cirps.
 CONNER, James W., Delta '45, Army.
 CUSICK, Norman W., Alpha D. '41, 2nd Lt., Army.
 DARK, Warren H., Eta D. '44, Army.
 DUGAN, James I., Jr., Omega D. '44, Army.
 ELLIOTT, Joe C., Delta '45, Marines.
 GLENN, James H., Gamma T. '44, Naval Air Corps.
 GREEN, William V., Delta '43, Army.
 HOELSCHER, Wilfred F., Alpha D. '35, 1st Lt., Field Artillery.
 HONEY, Arthur G., Zeta '43, Cadet Officers Training School.
 JONES, Henry W., Eta D. '43, Naval Air Corps.
 KUNERT, Louis S., Omega D. '44, Army.
 LLOYD, Robert W., Alpha D. '34, Army Air Corps.
 LONG, Robert M., Delta '43, Army.
 McCABE, Richard A., Gamma T. '44, Army.

AWARDS ARMY NAVY "E"

Brother Don H. McLean, Lambda '06, former National President of Phi Sigma Kappa (1922-24) representative in Congress from the Elizabeth, New Jersey, Congressional district, presented the Army and Navy "E" to the National Pneumatic Company of Rahway, New Jersey, on September 14, 1942. In presenting the award he told 6,000 persons present that "if those in command withhold information that might be of use to the enemy, we should be prepared to follow blindly. It is not for us to reason why any more than it would be right for a soldier to refuse to obey a command."

PERFECT CIRCLE MAN

Brother Jesse B. Kirkpatrick, Alpha Deuteron '22, is the man whose picture you see in the illustrations advertising Perfect Circle Piston Rings. Brother Kirkpatrick has for many years been a radio announcer with WGN.

STUDENTS HONEST

Brother Edward S. "Beanie" Drake, Pi Deuteron (Fac.) Manager of the Ohio State Union since 1914, in vouching for the honesty of college students states that last year the Ohio Union cashed \$278,000 worth of checks for students without losing a single penny.



Chapterettes

Chapterette Introduction Picture

The picture used to introduce the chapterette section of this SIGNET is of Miss Marjorie Lithander, Sweetheart of Eta chapter, daughter of Baron and Baroness Leuhusen of Sweden. Her escort is Brother John E. Watson, president of Eta chapter. The occasion is the Eta Chapter Dance, in Miss Lithander's honor, September 11, 1942. The photograph was taken by the *Washington Post*, which newspaper used it in its September 13th edition.

ETA

University of Maryland

By WILLIAM H. MYERS

Working under the forced draft of an accelerated school program at the University of Maryland, Eta chapter had a very successful summer semester. Phi Sigs endured the new twist in education with a good week of rushing and two very successful parties, thereby keeping up with the social life on the campus.

Scholastically we were represented on the campus by John Watson, who was initiated into Alpha Chi Sigma and is now treasurer of the A. I. Ch. E., Gilbert Gude, a member of Phi Eta Sigma, and pledge Clifton Currin, who is now on the roster of Tau Beta Pi.

So far during the summer no house men or members have been drafted into the army. However, holding up the military side in Advanced R. O. T. C. are Brothers Charles Jones, Richard Barr, Edward Pierce, Donald Boyd, Giles Chapin, and pledge Clifton Currin. More members and pledges will be in Advanced R. O. T. C. after this semester due to the administration's making military training compulsory for 4 years.

Getting back to the social side, our rush season and subsequent pledging were successful. Decreased student enrollment reduced the total number of boys eligible for pledging. Pledge classes

on the campus were naturally low in number because of this fact, but Phi Sig, having a pledge class of thirteen, was one of those clubs which did well. Shortly after rush week three former members of the pledges' class were initiated. However, these boys were replaced by new pledges, so that the pledge status remained the same.

On August 14, the brothers entertained the members of Delta Delta Delta sorority with a lawn party and buffet supper. Tri-Delts and Phi Sigs offered each other competition in badminton, cards, and naturally dancing. The party was planned, and ably so, to encourage relations between Phi Sigma Kappa and sororities on the "hill." The idea was so successful that another similar party is being planned for early fall soon after rushing, which this year will take two weeks instead of the usual one.

The biggest event of the fraternity's social season, and one of the best bets of the campus, was a formal dance given in honor of Miss Marjory Lithander, daughter of the Baron and Baroness Leuhusen of Sweden. Brother Howard Gossage, one of the new initiates, wrote a letter to Miss Lithander, inviting her to be Sweetheart of Eta Chapter. She accepted, and after the shuttling back and forth of several letters between us and the Baroness, her mother, plans for the affair were finally concluded. On the night of the dance, September 11, with the usual fanfare from the orchestra, Marjory was presented with a Phi Sig sweetheart pin. She was all that could be hoped for, as any Eta Phi Sig will attest. America is relatively new to the entire family since they came to this country from Sweden but three years ago in 1939. Before coming to America they spent time in Alaska, Mexico, and Africa.

The weekend of September 25, the big event of the University of Maryland, the Autumn Carnival, was presented.

On Friday the 25th, a float parade, a pep rally, and a rotary dance were held. Saturday, Maryland played Connecticut in football, and that evening a Corn-Huskers Ball was held.

New brothers initiated since the beginning of the semester are: Howard Gossage, Walter Allen, Donald Deitrick, Giles Chapin, and E. Milton Smith.

Officers now include John E. Watson, president; Charles Jones, vice-president; William Myers, secretary; Henry Price, treasurer; Edward Pierce, sentinel; and Richard Barr, inductor.

More will be heard from Eta Chapter when fall rushing and pledging have been completed.

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CHI Williams College

By LYMAN KINGSBURY, '45

For the first time in its 36 year history the Chi Chapter House remained opened throughout the summer, twenty-six brothers and nine pledges attending the Williams Summer session as part of the war acceleration program.

Under the direction of Rushing Chairman Richard Van Santvoord, Chi rushed the members of the incoming freshman class from June 27-July 3 and pledged the following men from the class of 1946: Philip B. Cady, St. Louis, Mo.; Andrea T. Campoli, Pittsfield, Mass.; Irving V. Clarke, Hinsdale, Ill.; John P. Davis, Pittsburgh, Pa.; Edward P. Didier, Torrington, Conn.; John J. Egan, Trenton, N. J.; James G. Gray, Pelham, N. Y.; James M. Smith, Minneapolis, Minn.; and John W. Townsend, Jr., Washington, D. C. These nine men were initiated on September 3.

Elections for the summer semester were held at the first meeting in July. Renwick Case was re-elected President, Brother William Witherell is the new Vice-President, and Brother David Moore, Secretary. Brothers Robert

Wright and John Largey continue as Co-Treasurers, and Brothers Robert Newton and William Eyre continued in their respective offices of Sentinel and Inductor.

Brother Dick Emery held down the key-stone sack on the Williams summer baseball nine, the only team which played any inter-collegiate contests this summer. Fall sports are just getting under-way, and Chi has more representatives on



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varsity and J. V. squads than they have had for several years. Jack Largey is on the Varsity football squad, Bob Newton, Bob Rader, Phil Deal, Don Hammond and Ren Case, the football B squad, and Bill Eyre, Beany Kingsbury, Dave Moore and Dave Traylor are battling for positions on the soccer team.

The intra-mural softball team, composed almost entirely of sophomores, fared rather badly during most of the season but finally came to life at the end of the campaign. The golfers did much better, reaching the semi-finals of the college elimination tourney, in which

they bowed to the Delta Phis 1 up on the nineteenth.

Highlighting social activities on campus for the summer were the House-parties which were held over the week-end of August 7-8. The big dance came Friday night in the gymnasium and featured the music of Claude Thornhill, who stopped in Williamstown en route to Hollywood where he is currently being featured in a motion picture. On Saturday the brothers and dates attended the Williams-Amherst baseball game in a group, and on Saturday evening we were joined by the Delta Phis for our house dance. Although war-time price ceilings on bands for house-parties imposed by the Undergraduate Council limited to some extent the field of bands to choose from, the dance was a great success. Following the dance two hay-racks were hired for a moonlight ride, which, needless to say, was one of the big hits of the week-end.

So far the number of brothers leaving college for the armed services has been rather small, and although several others are expecting to be called in the very near future, over fifty percent of the members of the House are in the Army, Navy, or Army Air Corps Reserve and hope to complete their college courses.

Brother Thomas Wood, X-'32 and a member of the Williams faculty was elected this month to replace Brother Samuel Bacon '14 as chapter adviser.

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PI

Franklin and Marshall College

By HAROLD C. TODD JR.

Having just completed a very successful summer season, Pi Chapter has just opened for the fall semester with the outlook very bright.

The summer session saw quite a bit of activity in the Chapter even though a number of the brothers did not attend. Three very fine dances were held at the

house along with an excellent hay ride party. Then too, there was the all-important Inter-Fraternity Ball.

The summer production of the Green Room Club, "The Weak Link" by Allen Wood found a number of Phi Sigs participating. Brother Killea held a leading role, Brother Mills was Business Manager; Brother Hopf, Patron Manager; Brother Lumb, Production Manager; Brother Ripple, Program Manager and Brothers Perry, George, Gray, Flotte and Pledge Schmidt assistants. All in all the summer was an excellent one, however we feel greatly the loss of our President Bob Wimer. Bob graduates and will take up his duties as an Ensign in the Naval Reserve. We will also miss Brothers Steff, Barr, and Meyers who leave by graduation. Brother Gray, being a British subject, left us to join the R. C. A. F.

The Chapter active list has increased greatly with the return of several of the brothers to the fall session. Brothers Snyder and Pearson will see regular action with the football team as they did last year. Pledge Webster also shows promise of becoming a topnotch ball player at F. & M.

At the last regular meeting of the Chapter the following new officers were elected: Joe Doughty, President; Bruce Wimer, vice-president; Cam Todd, Secretary; Jack Lobdell, Treasurer; Howard Shultz, Sentinel; Bill Zinzow, Inductor.

The Chapter is looking forward to rush week which is coming up soon and expecting to be as successful, if not even more so, as in previous years.

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BETA

Union College

By G. T. and R. L. S.

Summer Term

As Union college experienced its first summer term, Beta enjoyed its second successful summer as a rooming house

for chapter men in the vicinity and men from other colleges who were working for Schenectady's defense industries. The chapter house was kept in good order by our efficient secretary, Brother Edward Johnson, '44. Although the profits were not as extensive as at the end of our first summer, enough money was realized to pay for considerable repair work about the chapter house.

"Grab A Paint Brush"

The unusual spectacle of an entire fraternity chapter busily engaged with ladders and paint brushes was afforded the neighbors of Beta chapter during the week before the opening of school. As the result of amateur, but earnest effort, a good portion of the house was repainted and re-decorated. The stock greeting for the week was "Grab a paint brush!"

Pledges

As this article is being written, we are just in the midst of our rushing season. We have pledged five good men and expect several more in the very near future.

Two more Baltimore men were added to the ranks this year. Pledge brothers Jack Trenner and John Seymour are both graduates of the Baltimore Polytechnic Institute and both have elected Electrical Engineering as their field. Jack is interested in Y. M. C. A. work and Lacrosse, having been player-manager of Poly's team. Smiling Jack Trenner is cooperative, friendly, and weighs 220 lbs.

John Seymour was secretary of the W. R. King chapter of the National Honor Society and also won the Gold Seal, non athletic award, for his work in the Senate Club. John also looks like a good candidate for the house wrestling team.

Jerry O'Neill, Saratoga brother of Bernie O'Neill '42, helps to keep the balance of Science vs. Arts. He is enrolled in the Division of Literature and shows journalistic tendencies. In addition Jerry, finalist in the district Golden Gloves

tournament, should prove a valuable member of our Boxing squad.

Fred Carleton, another Electrical Engineer, hails from Oneida Castle, N. Y. Fred was active in intramural sports and enjoyed a good scholastic record. Fred is rather quiet, but his unassuming manner has won him the friendship of all the brothers.

Randall Conkling, '44 is a transfer student from Green Mountain Junior College. Randy is another Arts student and is majoring in Mathematics. He is an excellent trombonist as well as a good pianist. We expect Randy to make a valuable contribution to the social life of the chapter as well as the scholastic standing.

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OMICRON

Massachusetts Institute of Technology

With several of Omicron's sons in the services, the war is coming closer to home. There seems to be a certain tension reaching into our studies and activities as we try to back up all men as well as Phi Sigs in this great cause.

First to leave was Brother Bruce Anderson, a captain in the R. O. T. C., now a first lieutenant in the Army Ordnance Corps. He gave the chapter a pleasant surprise by marrying a very lovely lady two days before graduating in April. We wish them the best of luck.

Brother Dave 'Cat' Hoadley, our authority on Muggsey Spanier, left in May to join the Naval Air Service. Dave came to Omicron from Phi bearing a good recommendation, a heavy Boogie Beat, and a big smile. He did much for Omicron and for Tech.

At the time of writing, Omicron has prepared for the largest freshman class in Tech. history. The 'portals grey' have been duly flung wide in welcome. It has been much debated as to whether the day shift or the 'swing' shift has ac-

completed more towards readying the house. Brother Ritterhoff's demolition crew has set a new record in cleaning (?) up impossible situations, and is to be congratulated. It is still a problem in many a mind just how Brother Horn managed to climb out on the flag pole to ready it for painting. Any theories on the matter should be mailed directly to the chapter house.

We expect to have a very successful rush week and certainly wish the very best of luck to all the other chapters.

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ALPHA DEUTERON

University of Illinois

By GEORGE DILLAVOU

Alpha Deuteron is off to the best start it has ever enjoyed. It all started last Spring when the University of Illinois decided to institute a summer semester



SUMMER SOFTBALL TEAM

giving a full semester's credit for twelve weeks' work. About half of Alpha Deuteron's active body decided to stay, and we kept the house open, running as a fraternity. We pledged several good

men and began to grow to full strength. As the summer wore on, other fraternities took in roomers to pay their bills, but Phi Sigma Kappa continued to operate as a fraternity, and eventually became the only house on campus operating as a fraternity. The University continued its activities on campus, its Intramural program, and open rushing program. Alpha Deuteron was fully able to take advantage of these and began to take top honors on campus. We pledged ten men, more than any other house. We walked away with activity honors, and most important of all, we won all the Intramural honors to be had. Our softball team went through the summer undefeated. We had an unbeatable combination in that team, and we received a great deal of publicity about it. At the end of the summer, an all-star team was picked from all the other houses, Greek and independent, to play our team. They did beat us, 3-2, but it took an all-star team to do it.

When the rest of us came back to rush week this Fall, we found the house in better shape to go into the throes of that week than it had ever been. We had nine pledges left over from the preceding year and from summer school, and we needed only eight men to fill the house, so we could afford to take our pick of men. Well, to make a long story short, we wound up with thirteen new pledges, the best of the rush week crop. The house is full to overflowing, and we have three men living out of the house. We realize, however, that a great many of us will be leaving for the Army along about February, and we are continuing to rush and pledge good men to take the place of those who will leave. Our new pledges are: Joe Ives, Dan Schifeling, Clarence Hinderer, Eugene Barta, Dick Bakkom, Stan Yost, Garland Price, Eugene Nusser, Don Omohundro, Eugene Estes, Jack Maher, Gus Anderson, Renso Balestri, Gaylord Tate, Ted

Kontos, Leland Argenbright, Dick Meir, Frank Bauman, Charles Mottier, Kenneth Rehorst, James Gongaware, and Bill Nicholas. They are really a good bunch, and will someday make good Phi Sigs.

School has really got under way now, and things are settling down to normal after rush week and registration. Campus politics are the issue at the moment, and Phi Sig is well represented in all the class parties. Some of our pledges organized and are running the only freshman party this year, the sophomores are ably represented, the strong Junior party is a product of Phi Sig work, and the big man in the strong Senior party is Bill Brekke, our president. We'll not be left out this year or any year to come. Bob Lahlein, Phi Sig Senior, is editor of the Scout Column, dirt column in the Daily Illini, as well as being Editor-in-Chief of Satyr, a campus dirt sheet, so we need not worry about the publicity angle. We are planning several social activities for this Fall, but more of that will appear in the next SIGNET. The big point is, however, that we are one of the top houses on campus at the beginning of the year, and we will keep working up until there is none better. Best of luck to all the other chapters, and may you have as successful a start as we have had.

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Swarthmore College

By JOHN S. THOMSON

For the first time in the history of Phi Chapter the summer semester has been a period of active fraternity life. Out of a possible 33 brothers who might have been here for the summer, twenty were back with about nine more returning in October.

The semester has been unique in many ways. First, deferred rushing has been instituted for a two semester trial with

the obvious result of a smaller membership temporarily. Activities, likewise have been on a smaller scale with the emphasis being placed first upon brotherhood. The other phases have followed along naturally on an informal scale. We have held regular meetings every week with our social life consisting of bridge, movies, and serenading. Our serenading, by the way has been considered the best on the campus.

With all this our summer term has not been without its highlights. Brother Bill Erdman, '43, who has been head of the Men's Executive Committee for two terms, is now also president of the Interfraternity Council. After a sojourn elsewhere of four years the editorship of the College paper has once again returned to Phi Chapter. Brother Jim Deane '44, faces the fall semester as its head with Brother Dick Lyman in the competition to succeed him in February. Since 1939 when Brother Bill Camp, '40 turned the paper over to his successor, there have been Phi men on the staff though none has headed the publication. Brother Cahall, '41, served as feature editor while Brother Pelz, '42, was managing editor. In the same line we have brother Goodman on the senior staff of the News Bureau and Brother Gale acting as the editor in chief of the College Year book. Brother Gale's activities are worthy of note as, in addition to this major position, he is a member of the social committee of the college, a member of the managerial society and the manager of the soccer team. Brother Thomson is the head of the Men's Affairs Committee of the Men's Executive Committee and Brother Morris is co-captain of Lacrosse.

It might be well to mention the carry-over honors from last semester which were not printed in the last SIGNET. The graduating Phi-Men listed this year are two Phi Betes—Brothers Pelz, a Psychology major, and Swift, a zoologist. Brother Erdman again garnered the

honors when he was elected to Book and Key, the Senior Honorary society.

As the fall semester draws near the interest of the Phi-men has to the field of sports again. Brothers Erdman and Pixton represent us on the Football field while Brothers Dean and Ayer run cross country and Brothers Thomson, Tarbox, Spence, and Gale are striving for the varsity soccer team.

The war situation has brought changes to Phi Chapter and Swarthmore as it has everywhere. While our losses to the draft have so far been very small,—only two taken from the chapter so far,—the army, navy and coast guard have their fingers on several of the brothers at present. The Army Enlisted Reserve accounts for Brothers Erdman, Temple, Goodman and Morris, while the Navy V-7 program accounts for Brother Thomson and the Coast Guard for Brother Coleman. Brother Reitingner '43, is now in a C. P. S. Camp in Maryland while Brothers Jones and Sanford, both '43 have transferred to medical school. Brother Graves, '45, has left Phi Chapter to return to Carnegie Tech for a final stab at dramatics before he is called by the army. To take his place, however, we have pledge brother Bob Gilkey,—our only new member of the summer semester. Brother Gilkey, '45, is an actor of considerable note here at Swarthmore and does much to strengthen the fraternity.

The fall semester opens under new leadership on the eighth of October with the following officers in command. Pete Morris, '43, President, George Fudakowski, '43, vice-president, Bob Coleman, '43, secretary, Barc Spence '44, treasurer, Dean Freed, '44, rush chairman, and Jack Pixton, '44, social chairman. Plans are all rather vague still as no one knows how long he will be here. Our rushing prospects look excellent though very much limited by a small summer freshman class of 48 men.

XI

St. Lawrence University

By DICK SPOONER

The exigencies of the country took its toll of men, ten from the active ranks of our chapter during the summer months, but our aspirations for the coming year have not and will not be shattered. Twelve men also enlisted during the summer months in the Air Corps and the Army Reserve.

Many of the fellows came back a week early to finish our new pine panelled chapter room, paint the halls, and rejuvenate their rooms. Also new to us are the officers, whom we are basing our hopes on to carry us through this troubled year. Brother Dick Spooner as prexy, Brother El Booth in the vice-presidency, Brother Dick Stitt as archives keeper, Brother Bob Maier will see that the safe is always gilded, Brother John Walsh as inductor, and Brother Jim Wilson as sentinel, are so far doing a grand job.

The Rushing Committee is nobly headed by Bob Wagner, man about campus and a nemesis to any frosh who may be lurking about the campus. Bob has just been appointed Editor of the *Laur-entian*, Campus monthly, admitted to Kixioc, men's honorary fraternity, elected president of the War Council, and still manages to keep his name high on the Dean's list. Dick Spooner has been appointed Editor of the *News Bureau*, college publicizing bureau and will be assisted by Brother Charles Hall and Dick Stitt as Sports Manager and Managing Editor respectively.

Again our chapter leads the list in scholastic averages on the Hill and we top the list with nine men on the Dean's list. It is our endeavor to even better this mark, and with half the members in the Army Reserve, they will be required to do so.

We were indeed honored and surprised to have as our guest for a week,

Brother Walter F. Ackerman, National Field Secretary, Beta Triton '42. Brother Ackerman we feel is doing a mighty fine job and we trust that he will again enter the portals of the Xi Chapter for a more extended visit.

Isolation in the North Country does not mean that we are not abreast of the foreign situation, and everyone at St. Lawrence is doing his part to further the War effort. All fraternities and sororities are abandoning orchestras at the College Hops and Dances as well as house parties, and the money that is defrayed is used to buy war stamps and bonds. These are then turned over to the new Library Fund. Volunteers work on farms every week-end and this also includes the finer sex, who help with the house work while the wives of the farmers are free to help harvest the crops.

Brother Rex Wright just couldn't stand being single any longer, so up he goes and marries Ruth Dennison, a graduate of the State School of Agriculture.

Flash!!! Bob Maier has been chosen as student interpreter of the foreign news and is broadcasting daily over station WCAD, Ogdensburg, N. Y.

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DELTA

West Virginia University

By JOHN E. STENGER, '43

As Delta begins its 52nd year of service to men of West Virginia University, another large pledge class is expected, but not as large as last years class of 43 pledges.

At the opening meeting on September 14, besides the discussion of rush plans, Brother William Gott, '44, was elected to head the Chapter this quarter. Bill is succeeding John "Mickey" Bannister, ex-'43, who is serving in the armed forces. Great things are expected of Bill and the Chapter knows he will carry them out. As other officers: Jack Turner, '44, was elected vice-president; Paul

Bowles, '45, secretary; William Williams, '45, inductor; and Wells Eakin, '43, sentinel. Charles Edgar, '43, and John Stenger, '43, were asked to remain in their present offices as Treasurer and Corresponding Secretary, respectively.

Many of Delta's men are leading or playing a very active part in the extra-curricular activities on the Mountain campus. Ed Siegrist is Summit of the Mountain, highest position of the most important honorary on the campus. Ed is also the head waiter of the new women's dorm, Terrace Hall. Charles Edgar is the president of the Journaliers, Journalism honorary, succeeding Brother Don Bond, '42. Wm. Gott was made vice-president of the Interfraternity Council and will be the "Mountaineer," representing our University's nickname at all football games. Since Bill is 6 foot 7, he will make an ideal "Mountaineer." Wm. Graham was elected to Sphinx, senior men's honorary. Jack Turner, Paul Bowles, and Fred Thomas have been taken into Delta Nu Tau, pre-law honorary. Wm. Brooks will coach the University's Rifle team, Captain of Scabbard and Blade, and Vice-President of the North Central Conference of the American Society of Civil Engineers. John Stenger is the Inductor of Alpha Psi Omega, National Dramatic Honorary. Ed Siegrist, John Ashcraft, and Pledge David Orhood are serving on the Freshman Mix and Dance Committee. Charles Schrader will again serve as varsity full-back and Pledges "Footsie" Palmer, and Fred Moorecraft are reserve back and lineman of the University's big football team. Pledges Jim Mendenhal and Jess Dahly are candidates for the varsity wrestling team, having done some brilliant work as freshman wrestlers last year. E. Roy Lester was the only Phi Sig to play varsity baseball last spring. "Jeeter" plays second base for the University nine. Ed. Ellis is the head track manager for this year and Jack Turner will

serve in the same capacity for the boxing team. William Winfrey was Superintendent of the 6th annual Mountaineer, Chick and Egg Show last spring. Many of the eggs and chicks judged by Bill were sent to the campus from all over the United States. He was also a member of the Livestock Judging Team which won the Championship of the Eastern Division of the International Livestock Exposition. Bill is a *big* brother to all of us, since he weighs 255 pounds and is 6 foot 3 inches tall.

Delta is expecting a banner year, even with many of our members gone to serve in the armed forces. The house is full and many were turned away. Seven of our men are advanced military students and many have enlisted in the three branches of the reserve corps.

Delta wishes the best of luck to all Chapters of Phi Sigma Kappa for the coming year.

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DELTA DEUTERON University of Michigan

With the tri-semester academic year an accepted fact at the University of Michigan, enough students returned to school this year to enable the chapter to remain open during the summer. Of all our activities the most vital to the chapter was the initiation held in August. At this time five new men were ushered into the brotherhood. The new brothers are: Paul Gann, Dick Lapidis, Dick Northrop, Gwyn Thayer, and Henry Vinkemulder. This left us without any pledges due to the fact that no pledging was permitted this summer. It was a hard blow to the inductor, and he hasn't fully recovered yet.

Elections for the fall term were also held in August, and the following men were elected and installed: Russ Williamson, president; Al Grunewald, vice-president; Al Engel, secretary; Joe Egan, inductor; Paul Gann, sentinel; and

Chuck Lauzon remained in control of treasurer's job.

Russ had a very short term in office, however, as he received his orders for induction into the army on Sept. 21st. All of which brings up a major problem now facing the fraternal world in general, namely that of maintaining a balanced chapter in spite of the depredations made on our ranks by the long arm of Uncle Sam. Involved in this problem is Brother Grunewald who joined the Army Reserve to stay in school and is now faced with the possibility of having to leave us any day now. Likewise caught in the web is Brother Vinkemulder who has received his first papers and is waiting patiently.

The sugar shortage is proving quite a headache for Henry Vinkemulder, newly appointed steward, especially in view of the fact that with rushing so near at hand there is a need for a large excess to take care of the rushees.

Two informal record changes were held at the house during the summer and were well attended by the brothers and their girls, who were also rationed at Michigan this summer. It seems that the ratio of men to women increased to the phenomenal ratio of six to one, and this interesting ratio has really put the pressure on the boys as far as social engagements go.

Right now the biggest problem facing us is that of our rushing program. Brother Grunewald, the rushing chairman, is exerting every effort to whip the program into a shape of perfection before the formal rushing period commences October 6. Brother Ackerman, Beta Triton, our new field secretary, stopped by for a short inspection early in September and we want to thank him for his suggestions and say that we enjoyed his visit.

Send your dollar to the national headquarters for that Phi Sig record now.

THETA DEUTERON

Oregon State College

By HAD REEVES

Although the war is steadily taking men away from school, Theta Deuteron is expecting to do big things on the campus again this year.

Brother Don Hall is to be the President of Oregon State's Memorial Union for the coming year, besides being a member of Blue Key, national honorary for senior men. Also on the political front we have Bill Baker, who is in charge of campus rushing, Wally Brockley and Les Jensen, an officer in Thanos, a service honorary.

Eyes of the athletic world are turned toward Oregon State this year, with fans all wondering whether the Beavers can repeat their last season's feats and represent the Pacific Coast in the Rose Bowl. One of the most outstanding men in State's victory over Duke last January in the "transplanted" Rose Bowl was Brother Joe Day, who will be back this year to do more than his share of work for the Orange gridiron machine. Other Phi Sigs on the team include Lloyd Wickett, who made quite a name for himself in the Rose Bowl game; Bob Dungan, sophomore lineman, and several freshmen. Norm Newman, varsity guard, is now doing his workouts at Camp Roberts, California.

The Phi Sigs hope to do well for themselves in intermurals this year, with many men returning, plus many fine rook prospects. Last year in both football and speedball we lost out in the finals.

House officers for the coming year are: President, Bill Baker; Vice-President, Les Jensen; Secretary, Jack Swartz; Manager, Marvin Prestwood; Sentinel, Bob Harvey; Inductor, Keith Millhollen.

Last spring saw rook numerals go to Rudy DeLateur, golf, and Johnny Fonass, track. Both are expected to do

their share for the varsity during the coming year.

Serenading proved extremely popular last year, with the girls who were serenaded, as well as the boys in the house. Work will begin soon on fall serenades, with Had Reeves leading and Vern Satter lending his much-needed help.

Fall social schedules expect to be heavy on the State campus this year, which means that the Phi Sig social chairman will be kept very busy. As yet, no dates for firesides or house dances have been set.

Seniors who graduated last spring include Jim McAlister, last year's president, who is now a Second Lieutenant at Fort Sill, Oklahoma; Paul McWherter, now in Indiana, working for McCormick-Deering; Mickey Lang, with the Navy; Ray Palmer, U. S. Army. Bill Runckel received his Master's degree in Chemistry last spring and is now working in Chemical Warfare work in New Orleans, La.; Don Drake, who graduated winter term, is an Ensign in the Navy. Claire Fehler, a '41 Winter term grad, is also with the armed forces.

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EPSILON DEUTERON

Worcester Polytechnic Institute

Epsilon Deuteron created something of a precedent this past summer by foregoing a vacation period in favor of the defense program at Worcester Tech. Although the schedule remained unchanged for the underclasses, the senior class started its studies on July 20th. after a three week vacation. In addition the regular summer school was in operation, starting the first of July. Due to the fact that the house could not be kept open and have meals served for the House seniors alone it was decided to band together with four other fraternities. A suitable arrangement was worked out with the fellows from the other houses

to eat at Epsilon Deuteron, and the plan seems to have been quite successful.

Although the seniors and summer school students had a good deal of studying to do, they nevertheless found time to assist greatly in the construction of an addition to the dining room. The Brothers dug the cellar hole, and painted the exterior of the addition as well as refinishing the old dining room floor. When the underclassmen returned in September, the entire hallway to the third floor and the dining room were repapered. These improvements in the Chapter House are counted upon to add considerably to the appearance of the House.

When the results of the Interfraternity Sports competition was announced early last summer, the Brothers were highly pleased, because for the second year in a row the Phi Sig teams had garnered the highest total score. Therefore the Grand Trophy was awarded for the second time to Phi Sig. We now have only to win it one more year to gain permanent possession, and as no other fraternity has more than one leg on it our chances seem good. In addition to the Grand Trophy, the House teams in Relay, Tennis, and Baseball were awarded cups for holding first place in their respective sports. Something else occurred which certainly merits praise for these teams and their members for all three of these teams went through their schedule undefeated. The baseball team was one of the most powerful in many years, as it scored one shut-out, on one occasion rolled the score up to thirty points, and in two other games Phi Sigs crossed the home plate fifteen or more times. This slugging ability coupled with the excellent pitching of Norm Bergstrom '42 and Don Buser '44 accounts for the good record.

Phi Sigs are again quite active in the fall varsity sports program this year. Brother Bob Bierweiler is turning in good performances as center on the foot-

ball team, while Pete Lindsay as varsity manager, and Ted Pierson as jayvee manager are taking care of the team's welfare.

Soccer has always had a strong appeal for Phi Sigs, and this year is no exception. Brothers Howie Swenson, Fred Moulton, Newt Burr, and Arnold Jones, all lettermen, are giving the opponents plenty to worry about in every game. Erl Lagerholm, Jack Hagstrom, and Owen Kennedy, Bud Handforth, and Soup Campbell are co-managers of the team.

Three veterans of last season's campaign are jogging over the cross-country course. They are Gordie Sherman, Dayt Brown, and Dick Dyer. Mel Hunt who showed promise on the Frosh team last year has moved up to a berth on the regular team this year.

Several of the Brothers are doing a great deal of frost-bite sailing in the afternoons and on weekends. Among them are Steve Porter and Jack Wholean who walked off with the first place trophy at the sailing races sponsored by one of the Worcester newspapers.

At the Chapter elections in May the following officers were elected for the summer term: President, Berhends Messer; Vice-President, Richard F. Dyer; Secretary, Colin Handforth; Treasurer, S. Bailey Norton; Inductor, Gordon L. Sherman; Sentinel, Robert A. Bierweiler.

In closing, Epsilon Deuteron extends a sincere invitation to any Phi Sigs who are in the services and may be passing through Worcester to drop in and visit the chapter.

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TAU

Dartmouth College

By BUD STEDMAN '43

With the beginning of the summer term at Dartmouth, Tau Chapter did exceedingly well in the rushing. Twelve men were pledged from the class of '45: Terry Haldridge, a member of the staff

of The Dartmouth who has since left for West Point; Bill Rockwell who left at the end of the term to join the Army Air Corps; Bill Woods, Doc Brynes, Bob Fairbanks, George Rice, Fred Byers, Bob Allen, Jim Houghton, Harry O'Connor, George French, and Dick Johnson.

Under the managership of Ed Price '44 the baseball team started out by winning the first four games with pitcher Don Oakes doing a great job on the mound but we slowed down a little to end up in 4th place. We had two brothers on the Varsity Tennis team—Dick Bugbee '43 and Bill Woods '45. Don Oakes is manager of the varsity basketball team for this winter and Rolly Robbins takes over the managership for lacrosse. Jim Houghton is standing well in the DCAC comp and Dick Johnson is leading the competition for the Council on Student Organization.

The Administration broke down and let us have summer houseparties—sponsored again by Green Key—and this great occasion took place the week-end of August 7, 8, 9. Bill Davies did a swell job as social chairman.

At this writing the fall rushing period has just been completed with the aid of Rushing Chairman Bob Lindsay. Eight members of the class of '45 who were not at Dartmouth for the summer semester were pledged September 20th. They are: Tom Lantzas, Warren Gillespie who is the star player on the soccer team; Carl Loewenson a member of the lacrosse team; John Van Buren, Craig Cain, Jim Kehoe, Bob O'Connor, and Walt Taylor.

New officers were elected with the exception of the President for which position Geddes Carrington was re-elected. Ralsey B. Scofield is the new vice-president. Bud Stedman secretary, Bill Hiron appointed by the executive council as assistant Treasurer, Bill Woods as sentinel and Bob Fairbanks inductor.

With the arrival of a thousand naval

students at Hanover the tension has increased and many of the fellows are joining the various reserves. We have two in the Army Enlisted Reserve, one in the Marine Reserve, three in the Naval Reserve and seven in the Army Air Corps Reserve. A great many of the naval students are young men just out of college, several of them Phi Sigs, and they have been to the house during their infrequent hours of leisure.

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KAPPA

Pennsylvania State College

By PETER SCOTT '45

Having successfully weathered the first regular summer semester in Penn State history, Kappa Chapter faces the uncertain future in its strongest position in years. Fifty-six men fill the house and adjacent annex to overflowing.

With the graduation of nine seniors last spring and the decision by ten underclassmen to work rather than attempt the so-called "third semester," the numerical strength of the house was somewhat weakened. Pledging of 11 fine boys brought the house up to 35, however, and this group sailed through a very successful summer.

Only 600 male students entered Penn State in June, 1942, a number not far from the annual total that is usually pledged by the 47 Penn State fraternities. A highly competitive situation was the natural result, with some houses failing to pledge a single man. Phi Sigs hit well above the College average, without relaxing standards, in pledging 11.

They are: Robert Meagher Arnold, Houtzdale; James Andrew Bard, Eggertsville, New York; Sanford Smith Bowlus, Franklin; David Cloud, Kennett Square; Edward Floyd Hitchens, McKeesport; Edward Robert Hyde, sophomore, Wilmington, Delaware; Jack Thomas Jacob, sophomore, Nanticoke;



SPRING PLEDGE CLASS

Back row: Mumma, Washko, Mitchell, Hyde, Speaker, Logan, Bard, Hitchens. Front row: Jacob, Bowlus, Neish, Cloud, Arnold.

Henry Lewis Mitchell, sophomore, Forty-Fort; Harry Fisher Mumma, McKeesport; Frank Edward Neish, McKeesport; Stanley Marsden Speaker, Sharon Hill.

Summering in State College was found by the 35 to be a not too unpleasant experience, what with the summer moon, eleven o'clock permissions for the coeds, etc. General impression of the standard of scholarship was that a general let-up had taken place. Mid-semester below-grades were as common as gold braid at an Admirals' conference, but according to Prexy Hetzel in a term-end statement, things were just about average. Summer semester averages have not yet been released, but Kappa Chapter began the term in sixth place among the social fraternities after a big jump from thirty-fifth.

Brother Dick Stevens led the Nittany golf team to another successful season as co-captain, while Brother Golembeski and Pledge Weber, fresh up from the frosh squad, earned places on the summer varsity baseball team.

Honors garnered by the members in the field of scholarship include—Brother

Reagan, Sigma Gamma Epsilon, MI honorary; Brother Robert Roy, president of Alpha Epsilon Delta, pre-med honorary; Brother Hendrickson, Sigma Tau, Chi Epsilon, and Tau Beta Pi; Brothers George Roy and Dick Stevens, Parmi Nous; Brother Smyser, Blue Key, and Pledge Bard, eligibility for Phi Eta Sigma, freshman honorary.

In the intramural field, the Phi Sigs boasted a team that took fourth place among all the fraternities in softball competition. The local ten successfully captured their league title but when bracketed with an all-championship group could only win a fourth place.

Social high spot of the summer was a tremendous Victory weekend, an all-out social, athletic, and patriotic two day event that garnered \$5000 for Army Relief. Kappa Chapter supported the program 100%, attending all events almost en masse and preparing a war-significant and striking lawn display. Goodman played, students frolicked, Uncle Sam benefited.

But the time for frolic is not now. Underclass Brothers Hunt, Bowen, Cassell, and Moore have recently entered the service. Others face induction in the near future, while the list of Kappa alumni serving their country in uniform grows daily. The students are beginning to realize that so long as the country remains in danger the future of the College remains unsure.

Fall rushing season brought on the second installment of the "class of forty-blank," approaching 2000 strong. Thirteen men were pledged, more than filling the house and recently rented annex.

Star of the fall pledge class is Vicci. Vicci is the most intelligent, obedient and well mannered member of the whole group. It is with utmost sorrow and misgivings for the future of the house, however, that we must report that Vicci can never become president of the Chapter, for Vicci is a three year old Boxer, pug-

nosed property of Brother Germain and pal of the whole house.

Other members of the pledge class: Roy Kenneth Ashbaugh, McKeesport; Arthur Ellis Brown, Jr., sophomore, Harrisburg; John David Davies, Kenmore, New York; Alfred James Duff, Brentwood; Dale Frederick Eyster, York; Donald George Hamme, York; George Franklin Hedrick, York; George Robert Jacobs, Jr., Harrisburg; Raymond Jansen, Snyder, New York; Charles Henry Ness, York; William Herbert Parsons, Nanticoke; Teofil Joseph Pienkowsky, East Plymouth; William Samuels Thomas, Nanticoke.

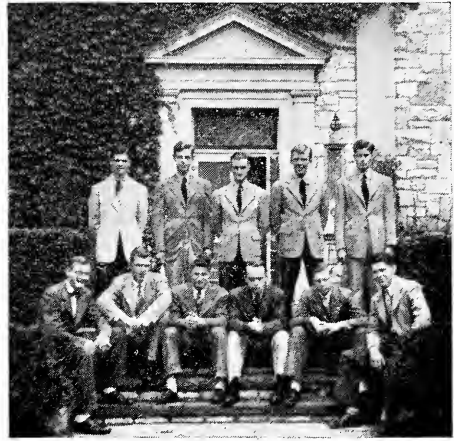
The Chapter library, pet project of the Parents' Club, continues to grow in leaps and bounds. The Chapter has joined a national book club which keeps a rather steady flow of new and good reading coming into the house library. The grip of The Spirit and Thrilling Sports is, we must report, unweakened.

Other improvements include a large, pledge-cleared storage cellar, furniture repairs, new library table and various minor, internal and external additions and repairs.

At the time of this writing, Interfraternity Ball is the big social event looming on the horizon at which time we shall have perhaps our last dinner-dance with our own George Washko making with the music. Alumni and Homecoming weekends are also prominent in our "futures" book.

A new venture of the Chapter is a mimeographed, monthly letter taking the place of the old, and now too expensive, Kappa News. Aimed largely at the boys in the service, the letter is written in light, informative style, with news of the Chapter, its boys and alumni, contained therein. The plan has turned out very satisfactorily.

Athletically, the Phi Sigs are pointing toward defense of their hard won intramural football title. The boys are on the



FALL PLEDGE CLASS

Back row: Hedrick, Jacobs, Ashbaugh, Ness, Brown. Front row: Hamme, Duff, Jansen, Parsons, Pienkowsky, Eyster.

back lawn nightly, perfecting offensive and defensive tactics for the forthcoming season. The Cross Country and Swimming squads are also beginning training.

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NU Lehigh University

By EARLE W. WALLICK, JR., '44

Nu Chapter, running on a full war time basis, just completed its first summer session with great success—operating with a full complement of members as during the winter months. In May the first war class was graduated and and six of our best men left Lehigh University. Three, Brothers Clark, Forsyth, and Taylor, are now on active duty in the Army as lieutenants, another, Brother Klein, as a lieutenant in the Marine Corps, Brother Grub in engineering work, and Brother Schumacher in medical school. We are all proud that our boys are now serving their country to the best of their ability.

In August two good men were initiated into the brotherhood. Alphabetically speaking, the first is Robert Lloyd Mount,

Bus. '45, who is in the band and is active on Lehigh's monthly magazine staff. The other is George Bruce Staples, Jr., ME '45, who has had roles in three major stage productions around campus and was out for Lehigh's champion ice hockey team.

The fall rushing campaign was just successfully completed and Phi Sigma Kappa has just pledged six fine men:

First is Richard Billiar of Syracuse, New York. Dick spent his first two years in high school in Lewistown where he was on the swimming team, and the Tennis squad. He then transferred to Abington High where he was active on the chess club, Swimming team, tennis team, and in class night.

Next we have John Glenn of Gettysburg, Pa. Jack graduated second in his class and had numerous activities, including track, newspaper work, debating team, Mask and Wig, Quill & Scroll, Junior and Senior Play, and was chosen for two consecutive years for the Pennsylvania All-State Chorus.

Third, is James Jackson of Pittsburg, whose brother is a Phi Sig, Tommy Jackson from Penn. Jimmy was stage manager of his senior play, co-captain of the cheerleaders and in the motion picture club and the year book staff.

Then there is Robert Schmidt of Cranford, N. J. Bob was in the camera club, the Latin club, on the honor roll, was a member of the best drilled Company at NYMA, won the medal for neatness and order and won letters in intramural basketball.

John Shearer, also of Pittsburg, was Vice president of the stage crew, editor of the school film, had lead in the Senior play, was co-captain of the cheerleaders, was in the motion picture club and on the year book staff.

Lastly we have Jesse Taylor III, whose brother just graduated from Lehigh. Jay was president of his class at Abington for four years, was the Soccer man-

ger for two years and played for one. He won seven civic attitude awards and was on the Oracle and year book staff. He was the commencement speaker, was Art Club president, Homeroom President, was on the athletic council, and was general manager of his Senior Play.

Changing the subject abruptly—the scholarship rating of all Lehigh Fraternities was just released for the spring, 1942, season and Nu Chapter still remains well up in the upper ten percent of the twenty-six gentile fraternities. We are expecting even better things from the summer session averages, as nearly half the boys in the house made the coveted Dean's list for exceptional scholarship.

At an emergency election in July, John David Smith was elected treasurer to Nu Chapter of Phi Sigma Kappa.

We are indeed fortunate in having with us this semester a transfer from Rho Deuteron, Sam Snyder. Sam played basketball and soccer at Gettysburg and plans to continue his activities here at Lehigh.

Our activities have had their usual variance over the summer months, as we have men high in nearly every major field.

Blaine D. Ferrell, Ch E '44, was elected secretary-treasurer of his class at the recent elections held annually to choose the best men around our campus for class officers.

The new Editor-in-chief of the Lehigh Bachelor, monthly magazine, is Earle W. Wallick, EE '44, succeeding a continuous line of Phi Sigs from that position. E. A. Stockbower, '45, is the new fiction editor and John D. Smith, Bus '44, is still the circulation manager. On the contributing staff we have P. Scott Guches, '43, R. L. Cahoon, '44, J. F. O'Brien, '44, and R. L. Mount, '45.

The spring and summer varsity baseball team was represented this year by

Brother Ferrell, who played regular outfield on a team that beat such opponents as Princeton and Swarthmore. Ferrell, now that baseball is over and the swimming season has not begun, is playing football for the regulars. Lehigh's football prospects look the brightest in years as the coaching staff has been completely reorganized. Brother George Hoban, Nu 15, has been selected as our new head coach and we are all looking forward to Lehigh's greatest season in a decade.

Brothers Whitten, '45, and Schumacher, '45, were active on Lehigh's spring and summer track team, each winning their share of the laurels.

Cyanide, Junior honorary society, and Pi Mu Epsilon, math honorary, recently elected Blaine Ferrell into their organizations, which is in keeping with his past record at Lehigh.

Of the four students chosen by the faculty to hold important positions on the Lehigh Council for National Defense, Brothers Guches and Wallick were honored and are actively engaged in ironing out the many problems arising from a college in a nation at war.

Nu Chapter's bowling team won the interfraternity championship when they beat the SPE's in a close match for the title. Our crack baseball team was again victorious by winning the interfraternity championship when they trounced the Theta Xi's by the impressive score of 29-6.

When the advanced military lists for those selected to become officers through the ROTC was posted we were all pleased to find so many Phi Sigs on it. They are John D. Smith, Blaine Ferrell, Joseph O'Brien, E. A. Stockbower, J. S. Halde- man, and J. E. Schumacher. We are certain that the army is getting the best Lehigh has to offer.

In spite of the fact that all Lehigh fraternities were without freshmen for the summer, we proved conclusively that

brothers can work. Our boys completely painted and 'over-hauled' four rooms in the chapter house, which of course adds to the beauty of our home.

Our summer social life was up to its usual winter par. Aside from the numerous dances and 'parties' the house was active in the two big school dances. We closed the summer with a great pledge party in the traditional Phi Sig fashion.

Johnson, Nu '07, Elected General Motors Vice President

General Motors Corporation announced today that E. F. Johnson, Nu '07, had been elected a vice president and placed in charge of the eastern divisions of the company in Dayton, Ohio.

Johnson, who served with government agencies the last two years, formerly was with General Motors as assistant to the vice-president in charge of the parts and accessory divisions.

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DELTA TRITON Purdue University

By BOB SMELTZER

This fall term in the Delta Triton finds everything running in high gear. Pledging activity has been extremely commendable with all the men in the house making this a home of friendly repute. Everyone has been working hard to redecorate the house and to really enhance the beauty of the Phi Sig roost. The second floor study rooms are undergoing a transformation to make them the ideal place in which to "crack the books."

Graduating this December, we have four seniors unique in regard to the status quo of the feminine ratio, for which Purdue is renowned. The ratio at the present time is five eds to every coed. In theory, this leaves a large number of frustrated men, but the girls are making heroic efforts to give all the males an ethereal whirl. Coming back from our wandering, all of our gradu-

ating seniors have their pins on some girl. This may not appear to be an astounding fact at first mention, but when we realize that this leaves a total of sixteen fellows out in the cold, we wonder if they wouldn't be more at home on the screen than in the engineering field.

Among these seniors, Howard Wilhoyte is still functioning in the president's berth. Concluding his stay at Purdue this December, he is in doubt as to what position he will accept but the idea of entering the ordnance branch of the Navy has been whirling in his brain. Howard has been active in the Catalyst Club, a chemical engineering honorary, but his heart, that which is left after romance has taken its toll, is here at Phi Sig. As ever, vice-president Allan Buckreus has his house manager's duties well under control and has much to contribute to the smooth operation of the house affairs. "Bucky's" destination after graduation is unknown, but with his executive ability, we feel sure that he will be on top.

Rush chairman Eddie Esping is really suited for his job by virtue of his psychological approach. Ed is one of the most active men in the house, belonging to the Catalyst Club and the Gimlet organization, the booster honorary for fraternity men. Although he is a Metallurgical student, he has his eye on meteorology and in the Army. Our last and most potent specimen of manhood who will graduate at the end of this semester, potent by reason of he being the first probable one to be married, is Harry Weber, an Electrical Engineer. Incidentally, the fortunate girl is the very beautiful Patricia White of Indianapolis. Harry is scholastically distinguished, for which he receives upper rating in the Debris and a tuition return. He was on the varsity wrestling squad in the past and is now an active member of Sigma

Delta Psi, national athletic honorary fraternity.

One thing that we believe all our brothers will be glad to know and to share our pride in is the probability of our house being the highest scholastically among the fraternities on the campus. This is for the summer term, which at Purdue is now as equally important as the other two. We were rated sixth during the spring term and occupied the fourteenth berth the previous fall. We feel justly proud of our rapid rise and are going to do our best to be as successful this fall.

In the realm of athletics, we are going to do our best to break out on top in the interfraternity bowling tourney. The keglers have bowled themselves close to second place in the last two seasons. This team is still intact, whereas the other fraternities have lost some men. Our ten-pinners are Harry Weber (Captain), Allan Buckerus, Hobart Johnson, Dick Morgan and Ed Esping, with Bob Hansen and Don McVey still gunning for one of the berths.

Before the final draft of this article, we had three tankers, but the navy air corps has seen fit to call Vernon Hansel. Vern, a pledge, held the freshmen free style record which is also the school record in his event. It was rather shocking to lose him so unexpectedly. Another record holder of the same category is Roy Heidke, a breast stroker. Bob Barnard is also a breast stroker, and with the advent of the swimming season, we hope to see these two pledges peg some nice records behind them.

In regard to our Brothers Dick Morgan and Clarence Fauber, we are in doubt as to how to accept their perspective of life. You see, both have that highly sophisticated and wordly attitude about life, or women (a distinction would be irrelevant as you probably know), that is one we desire but cannot seem to

attain. This manly attitude of theirs' is the result of working in the Delta Gamma and Pi Beta Phi sororities respectively. They have seen the girls in their customary lack of morning beauty and have heard all of their feminine chatter. They really have the fellows around the house in a dither of doubt by their daily reports. Our fear is not quite so intense though, when we can see that Fauber's new pin is anxious to be worn other than on his own person.

One of the most meticulous and important activities on the campus is the Student Union. Functioning in the activity are Dale Kiester, Claus Nacke, and Pledge Jim Comelle. Dale is one of the Vice-Presidents of the Union in which all important social affairs are held, transient guests are housed, and activity offices are centered. Being the secretive type, he is also our ideal Sentinel and has been made a member of the Gimlet. Beside his duties at the Union, Claus is also a member of the Zouaves, crack drill team. His pin, like Fauber's is becoming jumpy.

Another of our distinguished men, who is also a member of the Skull and Crescent is Bob Hansen. Bob will probably hold the singular distinction of being at the top in scholastic ability for the summer term. He has held, up to the present, the honor of being distinguished for three semesters. His running form in track is superb and he utilizes it in chasing down information for his position as Secretary. We think it would also be fitting to add that he is distinguished for his large appetite. The one remaining house officer is the old "Doc." Mr. Grider, treasurer, is getting that pleasant sensation that only those who have shekels to count can feel. The school baseball team also functions smoothly under his capable managerial abilities.

Two of our actives are not living in the house, but are men that we are glad to have affiliated with Phi Sig. They are

Charles Turner and Don McVey. Don takes an active part in basketball and track. Charlie is one of the main springs in keeping the house running without a flaw and is always with us in all our activities.

Having their headquarters in the "Ag Study Hall" are Dave Shook, Harold McKee, John Underwood and Bill Picket. These stalwart students are continuously discussing farm parity prices and can never agree in accord with them. It seems that we are about to lose Bill, our latest initiate, to the army. Harold is a member of the Ag Ed Society, an agriculture social. All four of these men are taking care of their studies in fine manner and we might add, their home interests also.

Now that we have mentioned the army, we would like to introduce another new and army minded initiate, Hobart Johnson. "Hobo," holding the rank of Cadet Lieutenant Colonel in advanced military training, is also, by requirement, in the Army Enlisted Reserve, and a member of the Scabbard and Blade. Being a new active, we feel that his shining pin will soon repose in Highland Park, Ill., as soon as possible. We were also pleased to find out that Chris Schinkel would be returning at the writing of this article. Chris is a sports announcer on the Purdue broadcasting station, WBAA.

Up to the present time the only social activities that the house has sponsored have been rush dinners. In the future we expect to have some very much looked-forward-to trade dinners with the sororities. Other dates scheduled are the house dances. These dates are the particular functions that the womanless pledges are trying to rush, so we might assume that all others have no proper importance.

Our pledge class has highly potential material and we would like to present them to all our brothers. This gathering of new blood constitutes the largest group of pledges that the Triton has had.

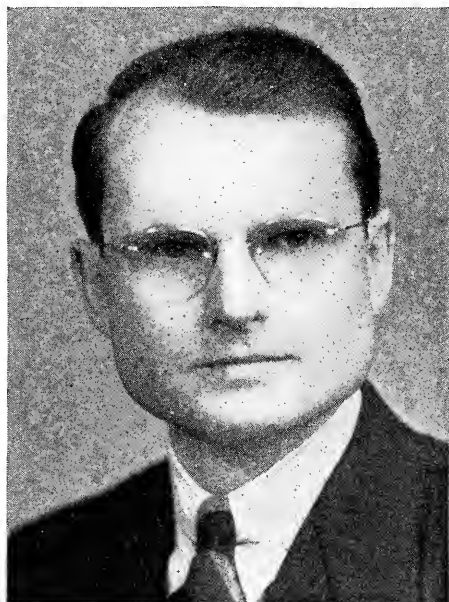
Among those not already mentioned are Joe Longa, Dave Boliker, Bob Kelsey, Jack Miner, Chuck Foster, and Orville Long. Also Joe Whistler, Art Singleton, Duke Durfee,—the Duke being promising on the gridiron, and Bob Smeltzer.

In closing, and in complete spirit with the traditions of the Phi Sigma Kappa, may we extend a friendly invitation to any and all of our brothers that would care to drop in to meet the honorable Delta Tritons.

Chapter Hymeneal

Ed Blankman Married

Brother Edward Blankman, Xi '29, former Chapter Adviser of Xi Chapter



EDWARD J. BLANKMAN '29

until his enlistment was married to Miss Ruth Kosta of Scarsdale, New York on June 10th, 1942.

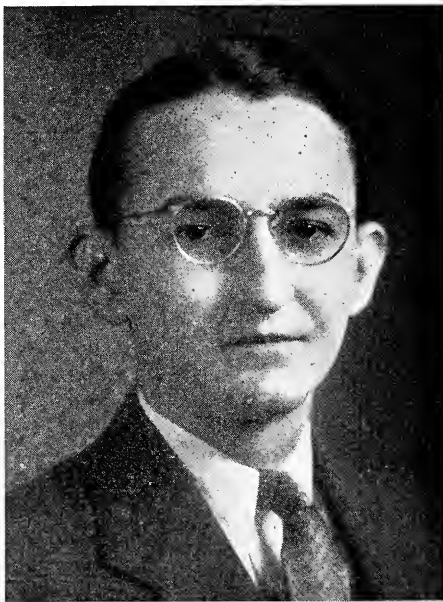
Miss Kosta was a former student of Brother Blankman's at St. Lawrence College. She is an accomplished pianist, organist and figure skater.

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Garry Brown, Xi '40, now in the army was married to Iris Scruton, SLU '43, in Canton in February.

Tommy Johnston Married

Brother Thomas N. Johnston, Xi Deuteron '26, former chapter adviser of Xi



THOMAS N. JOHNSTON

Deuteron and Deputy Regional Director from Region Three last year, was married to Miss Wanda Louise Wheeler at Knoxville, Tennessee, on July 15, 1942.

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Lt. Robert Caemmerer, Nu '40, was married to Eleanor Hemerly, in New York, in July.

Ensign Fred N. Potter, Gamma '41, married Katharine H. Cushman of Montclair, N. J., on April 4.

The Mighty Mites of Alabama

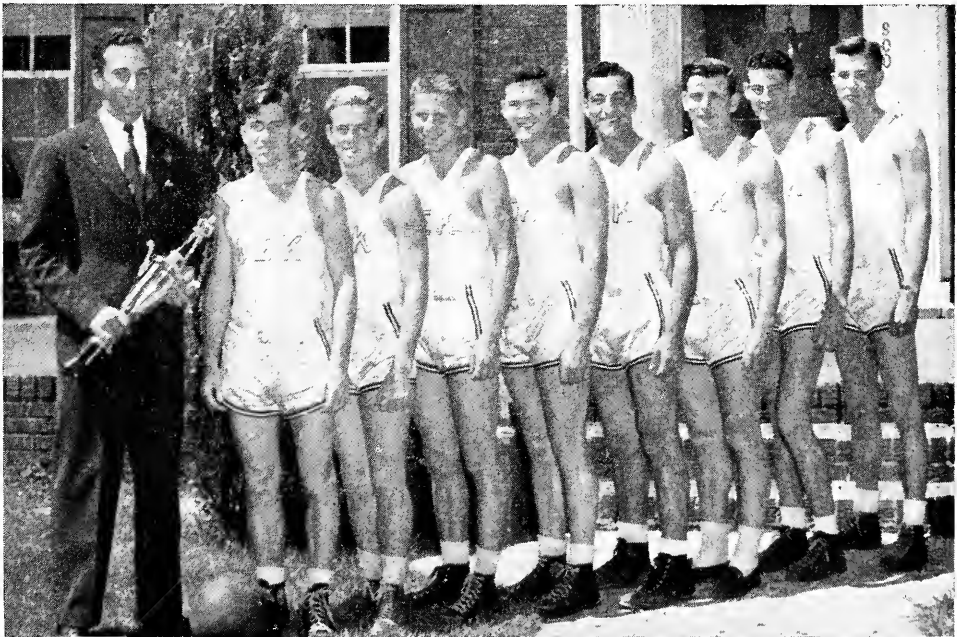
During the season the basketball team of Omicron Deuteron, known as the "Mighty Mites" campus intramural champions, playing all comers, won ten games and lost one. They were undefeated in campus competition and won from Theta Chi in the finals 41-13. Cigarettes for soldiers were the admissions paid by 1,000 fans attending.

Greensboro High School was the first to feel the prowess of the silver and magenta. They went down to defeat to the tune of 38-20. Greensboro went on to win the title in their League. The campus season started with the S A E's falling, 35-20. Then came a let down against the Phi Gam's, 27-11. Two days later the Delta Chi's felt the results of the let down, when Garafola and Kirwin went on a rampage to lead the boys to a 58-9 victory.

Several days later they travelled to Columbus, Miss., and put the skids under the 424th Observation Squadron 37-31, winner of 16 straight games. In the next game, Sigma Chi lost to our reserves, 32-1.

One night, just before initiation, and without the services of Ross Price, the Phi Sig's were defeated by the winners of the Tuscaloosa semi-pro league, Allen and Jemison, 35-33. The Craig Field Flyers from Selma, travelled 90 miles to lose their first game, 39-27. This aggregation boasted several Far Western college stars. In the semi-finals the "Mighty Mites" defeated Pi K A, 27-14.

Much credit must be given Bob LaPola who worked daily with the team. The chapter voted the boys gold basketballs for their work.



Left to right: Chief Petty Officer Robert LaPolla, Bob "Red" Garafola; Aviation Cadet Richard Kirwin; Lt. Byard Sooy, USMC; John Drew (captain of team) Navy V-7; Al Alois, Advanced R. O. T. C.; Elmer Cooley, Ross Price, Irwin Hershner USMC Reserve.

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John H. Marchmont	New York, N. Y.	Theta '10	Columbia	Feb. 12, 1942
Thos. N. Johnston	Knoxville, Tenn.	Xi Deuteron '26	Tennessee	Feb. 18, 1942
John H. Marchmont	New York, N. Y.	Theta '10	Columbia	Feb. 23, 1942
Charles "Tod" Cyrus	Galesburg, Ill.	Beta Triton '42	Knox	Mar. 20, 1942
Al Kahlenberg	Galesburg, Ill.	Beta Triton '44	Knox	Mar. 20, 1942
Stewart W. Herman, D. D.	Harrisburg, Penn.	Rho Deuteron '99	Gettysburg	Mar. 20, 1942
Jim MacDonald	Highland Pk., Mich.	Delta Deuteron '42	Michigan	Mar. 28, 1942
Don A. Hamilton	Worcester, Mass.	Epsilon Deuteron '11	Worcester Tech.	Apr. 10, 1942
Ralph J. Watts	Appleton, Wis.	Alpha '07	Mass. State	Apr. 10, 1942
Charles O. Morgan	Anchorage, Alaska	Delta Deuteron '36	Michigan	Apr. 23, 1942
Mrs. Florence Morgan	Anchorage, Alaska			
Davy Crooks	Kenilworth, Ill.	Beta Triton '27	Knox	Apr. 27, 1942
Woody Baker	Western Springs, Ill.	Beta Triton '34	Knox	Apr. 27, 1942
Chuck Eaton	Chicago, Ill.	Beta Triton '35	Knox	Apr. 27, 1942
Irving L. Hertzman	Camp Claiborne, La.	Tau Deuteron '23	Carnegie	May 11, 1942
Pierce Vandercook	Flossmoor, Ill.	Alpha Deuteron '14	Illinois	May 16, 1942
A. V. Essington	Rockford, Ill.	Alpha Deuteron '14	Illinois	May 16, 1942
Richard S. Novak	Riverside, Ill.	Beta Triton '43	Knox	May 18, 1942
John A. Kjellstrom	Hebron, Ill.	Alpha Deuteron '45	Illinois	May 25, 1942
Theodore H. Lassagne	Oakland, Calif.	Alpha Deuteron '26	Illinois	June 1, 1942
John F. Robohm, III	Ft. Bragg, N. C.	Beta Deuteron '42	Minnesota	June 2, 1942
C. W. Waggoner	Chicago, Ill.	Delta Deuteron '43	Michigan	June 9, 1942
Walter F. Ackerman	Chicago, Ill.	Beta Triton '42	Knox	June 9, 1942
W. F. Wood	San Francisco, Calif.	Xi '10	St. Lawrence	June 27, 1942
James J. Dolan	Los Angeles, Calif.	Omega Deuteron '43	U. S. C.	July 8, 1942
John F. Humes	Scranton, Pa.	Mu '23	Pennsylvania	July 10, 1942
William W. Zerweck	Reno, Nevada	Eta Deuteron '42	Nevada	July 29, 1942
"Tod Howard" Cyrus	Chicago, Ill.	Beta Triton '42	Knox	July 13, 1942
Al Kahlenberg	Oak Park, Ill.	Beta Triton '44	Knox	July 13, 1942
G. H. "Woody" Baker	Western Springs, Ill.	Beta Triton '34	Knox	July 13, 1942
Chas. M. Eaton	Chicago, Ill.	Beta Triton '35	Knox	July 13, 1942

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W. F. Ackerman	Chicago, Ill.	Beta Triton '42	Knox	July 13, 1942
D. Crooks	Kenilworth, Ill.	Beta Triton '27	Knox	July 13, 1942
Betty Humes	Dalton, Pa.			July 23, 1942
Johnny-Mac Humes	Dalton, Pa.			July 23, 1942
W. F. Ackerman	Chicago, Ill.	Beta Triton '42	Knox	July 29, 1942
Charles H. Ruedi	Decatur, Ill.	Alpha Deuteron '17	Illinois	Aug. 1, 1942
John Reinboth	Glencoc, Ill.	Lambda '23	Geo. Washington	Aug. 3, 1942
Lealand E. Risk	Pasadena, Calif.	Omega Deuteron '42	So. California	Aug. 13, 1942
William B. Campbell	Pomona, Calif.	Kappa Theta Epsilon '41	Pomona College	Aug. 13, 1942
Herbert L. Brown	Drexel Hill, Pa.	Phi '16	Swarthmore	Aug. 14, 1942
John H. Marchmont	New York, New York	Theta '10	Columbia	Aug. 14, 1942
W. Barrett Fuchs	Washington, D. C.	Epsilon Triton '36	American Univ.	Aug. 17, 1942
Leighton P. Stradley	Philadelphia, Pa.	Mu '05	Pennsylvania	Aug. 17, 1942
W. A. McInyre	Philadelphia, Pa.	Mu '04	Pennsylvania	Aug. 17, 1942
Joseph H. Batt	Washington, D. C.	Lambda '14	Geo. Washington	Aug. 17, 1942
C. Marc Miller	Seattle, Wash.	Lambda Deuteron '27	Washington	Aug. 17, 1942
Mildred F. Hamilton	Worcester, Mass.			Aug. 22, 1942
Barbara H. Putnam	Worcester, Mass.			Aug. 22, 1942
Herbert W. Weigand II	Chicago, Ill.	Beta Triton '44	Knox	Aug. 26, 1942
R. H. Kelsner	Kalamazoo, Mich.	Beta Triton '45	Knox	Aug. 26, 1942
William W. Galbreath Jr.	Alliance, Ohio	Alpha Deuteron '42½	Illinois	Aug. 29, 1942
George F. Ferry Jr.	Champaign, Ill.	Alpha Deuteron '43½	Illinois	Aug. 29, 1942
Charles C. Taylor, II	Marion, Ky.	Beta Deuteron '45	Minnesota	Aug. 29, 1942
Dorothy J. Iwig	Peoria, Ill.	Alpha Omicron Pi '18	Illinois	Aug. 29, 1942
Dick Adams	Chicago, Ill.	Beta Deuteron '42	Minnesota	Sept. 9, 1942
Walter F. Ackerman	Chicago, Ill.	Beta Triton '42	Knox	Sept. 10, 1942
John B. Whitted, Jr.	Evanston, Ill.		Knox '45	Sept. 10, 1942
Douglas S. Crooks	Kenilworth, Ill.	Beta Triton '27	Knox	Sept. 10, 1942
William N. Frost	Kellogg Field, Mich.	Beta Triton '41	Knox	Sept. 10, 1942
W. F. Ackerman	Chicago, Ill.	Beta Triton '42	Knox	Sept. 10, 1942
Ernest W. Milburn	Chicago, Ill.	Nu Deuteron '41	Knox	Sept. 11, 1942
Barbara H. Putnam	Worcester, Mass.			Sept. 12, 1942
E. F. Putnam	Worcester, Mass.	Alpha Tau Omega '39	W. P. I.	Sept. 12, 1942

Chapter Invisible

Daniel Willard

Daniel Willard, Alpha '82, Chairman of the Board of Directors of the Baltimore & Ohio R. R. and President of that railroad until 1941, passed away in Baltimore on July 6, 1942, after a brief illness at the age of 81. Brother Willard was President of the Baltimore & Ohio R. R. for 31 years. Each year after his 70th birthday, he tendered his resignation as President, to the Board of Directors, and each year it was refused. In 1941, when he insisted that the President of the road should be a younger man, his resignation was accepted but he was made President of the Board which office he held until his death.

Only a few years after his becoming President of the Baltimore & Ohio R. R., Brother Willard was recognized as the America's outstanding railroad executive, which recognition was accorded him throughout all the years of his long tenure as President of the B. & O. This recognition came from railroad men, business and political leaders alike. Although Brother Willard was a staunch Republican, President Wilson so highly regarded him as a railroad executive that he called upon him to mobilize the railroad efficiency of the country when the United States entered World War I. He was commissioned Colonel of Engineers in the U. S. Army at the request of General Pershing and had received his sailing orders for France for duty in the transportation section of the Engineering Corps at the time of the armistice.

Again when it appeared that the railroads might soon again be called upon to handle the business of an even greater war, seemingly bound to come, President Roosevelt in 1939, called upon Brother Willard to advise him on the ability of the railroads to handle the

increase in business expected by the national defense program.

Brother Willard was born in North Hartland, Vt., January 28, 1861. As a boy Brother Willard worked hard on his father's 250-acre farm whenever he was not in school. At 16 and 17 he



DANIEL C. WILLARD

taught the district school at Hartland, attending school in nearby Windsor as well. He graduated from there at the age of 17. Brother Willard entered Massachusetts Agricultural College in Amherst in September, 1878. He worked his way. Because of an astigmatism for which correction was unknown in those days, he was compelled to give up college. Thus on April 8, 1879, Brother Willard began his railroad career, one which was to continue without interruption for 63 years. His first job was that of track laborer on the Vermont Central, at 90

cents for a 10-hour day. Ambitious to become a locomotive engineer which then seemed to be the ultimate in a railroad career, he applied for a job as fireman on the Connecticut & Passumpsic Rivers Railroad. After a short career as fireman he became an engineer. Learning of the higher wages paid by the western roads, Brother Willard sought and obtained a job on the Lake Shore & Michigan Southern. However, in the spring of 1884 he was furloughed because of a business depression, but in July he found other employment as a brakeman on a construction train of the Minneapolis, St. Paul & Sault St. Marie (Soo Line) then just starting to build its Wisconsin line.

During the 15 years that worked for the Soo Line he obtained invaluable all-round experience in railroad building and operation. He held the positions of conductor, operator, agent, fireman, engineer, engine house foreman, train master, assistant superintendent and superintendent. The Soo Line's General Manager, Fred D. Underwood, took a liking to Brother Willard and in Mr. Underwood, Brother Willard found a staunch friend and able adviser. When Mr. Underwood left the Soo Line to become Vice-President and General Manager of the Baltimore & Ohio in 1899, he took Brother Willard with him as Assistant General Manager. When in 1901 Mr. Underwood was elected President of the Erie R. R., he took Brother Willard with him. In the same year Brother Willard became first Vice-President and General Manager of the Erie.

When James J. Hill, who controlled the Great Northern and the Northern Pacific systems, and who had a substantial interest in the Erie by reason of which he knew Brother Willard, offered Brother Willard the Presidency of the Chicago, Burlington & Quincy, it was Mr. Underwood who urged Brother Willard to take the position.

Six years later, Brother Willard was made President of the Baltimore & Ohio R. R. He invested more than 400 millions improving the Baltimore & Ohio during the first 20 years of his presidency. He made it clear to all employees up and down the line that they could organize, join the labor organizations of their respective crafts and select their own representatives. He was the originator of collective bargaining practices in railroad operation.

Brother Willard is credited with preventing the nation-wide railroad strike ordered for March 17, 1917. He was the friend of the operators and laborers alike. In January, 1932, his plan of a 10% deduction from wages was accepted by the labor unions and operators alike over the plan of a 20% reduction of wages suggested by the operators.

Brother Willard was a member of the Board of Directors of the Johns Hopkins University and President of the Board from 1926 until his resignation in 1941. He was honored with degrees by 13 colleges and universities.

Brother Willard is survived by Mrs. Willard, a daughter-in-law, Mrs. Daniel Willard Jr., and four grand children. Both of Brother Willard's children preceded him in death.

President and Mrs. Roosevelt sent the following telegram to Mrs. Willard:

"My heart goes out to you in the great sorrow which has come to you in the passing of your devoted husband, who was my faithful friend and counselor through many, many years. Daniel Willard was one of the great figures in modern railroading, sagacious, farseeing, just and humane, he was faithful alike to the public interest and to the interest of the great transportation system whose destinies he guided. Please accept for yourself and for all who mourn with you this assurance of deepest sympathy, in which Mrs. Roosevelt joins."

The Senate paid tribute to Mr. Willard

two days after his death. Senator James J. Davis of Pennsylvania in a speech on the floor of the U. S. Senate, among other things said:

"All during his long career Daniel Willard exemplified the fundamental principles of the Golden Rule, and brought the radiance of his enlightened outlook and personality to the solution of everyday problems. His memory will continue as a perpetual benediction among those who seek constantly to foster good will among those who work and those who direct and manage industry." Senator Davis' speech was published in the Congressional Record of July ninth.

The Baltimore & Ohio magazine of August, 1942, a 79-page issue, is entirely devoted to Brother Willard. In it are reprinted innumerable excerpts from the editorials of more than 100 newspapers.

Services for Brother Willard were held in the First Unitarian church of Baltimore, and as a silent tribute to him the Baltimore & Ohio System suspended all operations for one minute as the services began. Interment was in the family lot in the church yard of the Federated Church in Hartland, Vermont.

Dr. Thomas Fell

Dr. Thomas Fell, Eta, Hon., passed away April 13, 1942 at the age of 91 years.

Brother Fell known to all as "Tommy" was president of St. Johns College from 1886 to 1923, the longest term ever served by a president of that institution.

Brother Fell undertook the presidency of St. Johns just two years after his arrival in the United States. He was then 36 years old and the college was little known except in the state of Maryland, and was fighting to survive against debt and a \$30,000 mortgage.

During the 37 years of his presidency, the college became debt free and much better known. In retirement Brother Fell

served as president emeritus of St. Johns. He was provost of the University of Maryland for 9 years from 1913 to 1922.

Brother Fell was born in Liverpool on July 15, 1850. His father had been a surgeon in the British Army and was killed in the Crimean War. Brother Fell graduated from King's College in 1876 and attended the University of London until 1879. He served with the British Army as a second lieutenant from 1880 to 1882. He had traveled extensively in India and China. Brother Fell came to the United States in 1884.

In commenting editorially about Brother Fell, the *Baltimore Evening Sun* concluded, "Dr. Fell reaped to the full the reward of the teacher and educator, which was to be beloved by the thousands of young men who came under his influence in their most impressionable years and who, in later life, felt the better for having known him."

Brother Fell is survived by a son, Lieutenant Col. Edgar T. Fell, U. S. A., Eta, '13, former successful director of scholarship and director from Region 3 of Phi Sigma Kappa.

Dr. Shirley Wilmott Wynne

Dr. Shirley Wilmott Wynne, Theta '04, Health Commissioner of New York City from 1928 to 1934, died April 19, 1942 in New York City. He was fifty-nine years old.

Brother Wynne began his career of twenty-seven years in the Department of Health of New York City as a Medical Inspector. Later he became Assistant Registrar and in 1920 was appointed Assistant Commissioner of Health.

Under his direction as Commissioner of Health, the death rate declined greatly. He was particularly successful in combating diphtheria.

After leaving the Health Department of New York City, Brother Wynne became the president of the Greater New York and New Jersey Milk Institute.

Dr. J. L. McDowall

Dr. J. L. McDowall, Rho, '03, charter member of that chapter passed away suddenly July 21, 1942, from a heart attack, at Perth Amboy, New Jersey. Brother McDowall was born August 29, 1877 at Demarestville, Ontario, Canada, of American parents who trace their lineage to Mary Chilton, said to be the first woman to step from the Mayflower. He graduated from Queens University, Kingston, Ontario, in 1900 with an A. B. degree and from the same university in medicine in 1903. He played on both the champion hockey and football teams there.

Brother McDowall practiced surgery at Perth Amboy from 1905 to the date of his death. He was a pathologist at the Perth Amboy City Hospital. He was a retired lieutenant surgeon attached to the United States Naval Reserve. Brother McDowall rescued several passengers from the burning ship, Morro Castle, which burned opposite his summer home on the New Jersey coast.

Dr. William A. Ellingwood

Dr. William A. Ellingwood, Eta '08, passed away on August 30th, 1941. Dr. Ellingwood specialized in eye, ear, nose and throat work. He is survived by his wife and three sons.

Charles Fisher Brock

Ensign Charles Fisher Brock, Eta Deuteron '43, age 24 years, died May 1, 1942, in the service of his country.

He was a native of Berkeley, California, and studied civil engineering at the University of Nevada in 1940 to 1941. He left school at the end of the 1941 school year and entered the United States Naval Air Corps. He graduated from the Naval Flying Academy and was commissioned Ensign in last April. His plane crashed off the coast of Florida and memorial services were held at the

Naval Air Station, Miami, Florida, on May 3rd.

Curby Van Zandt

Lt. Curby Van Zandt, Beta '42, was killed on June 28, 1942, near Dayton, Ohio, when the bomber he was piloting crashed.

Harry J. Williams

Brother Harry J. Williams, Tau Deut. '27, passed away on March 24, 1942.

Brother Williams leaves in surviving his wife, Doris Eva Williams and two sons, Donald and Robert Williams.

Oscar Worm

Just after copy for this issue of THE SIGNET was delivered to the printer, THE SIGNET received word of the death of Brother Oscar Worm, Zeta '98.

Brother Worm was national president of Phi Sigma Kappa from 1902 to 1904.

The story of Brother Worm's career will appear in the January, 1943, SIGNET.

Dr. J. F. S. Marshall

Dr. J. F. S. Marshall, charter member of Mu Deuteron and of the Western Montana alumni club, leading physician and outstanding obstetrician of the northwest, president of the Western Montana clinic, one of three directors of Montana State University, and an excellent supporter of the fraternity, died in June.

BABYGRAM

Brother W. L. Quinlan, Jr., Kappa Deuteron '30 and Mrs. Quinlan announce the arrival of Ann Clark Quinlan.

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