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Our New Editor

T is with much hope for the future of The Crescent, and its influence on our sorority, that we announce the appointment of Lindsey Barbee, Theta, as Editor-in-Chief.

Peculiarly fitted by ability, temperament and training, with no little literary experience, she comes into her place on the staff of THE CRESCENT with a zest and enthusiasm that means much for the future.

We can confidently trust the responsibilities of the position to her, in full knowledge that the task will be conscientiously, capably and successfully undertaken.

In reluctance, we part from the Editor who has served us well; in hope, we acclaim the other as a worthy successor.

To her, the love and loyalty of all Gamma Phi Beta is pledged.

MABEL E. STONE,

President of Gamma Phi Beta.

A FTER this number of THE CRESCENT Miss Lindsey Barbee takes up her work as the editor-in-chief of the quarterly. Miss Barbee is a member of Theta and Denver Alumna chapter, and because of her varied experiences in all sorts of college and sorority work she has a peculiar fitness for this new task for the sorority, and begins her CRESCENT work already with energy and enthusiasm. One of her friends writes:

"Her initiation into sorority life began as a Freshman, in 1896, when she became a member of Alpha Iota, a local society, at Denver University. Her enthusiastic devotion to the interests of Alpha Iota was marked, and it was in great part due to her admirable and unceasing work that the cherished circle in Alpha Iota became, in 1898, Theta chapter of Gamma Phi Beta.

"In the broader life of the national organization she has done much to make Gamma Phi Beta widely and well known. She was once a delegate to the annual convention held with Epsilon chapter, and when convention was held in Denver she was at the fore in all the affairs of the convention.

"Then, as now, her knowledge of sorority conditions was comprehensive, and with a far vision she worked for the broad, progressive welfare of Gamma Phi Beta.

"During her student days Miss Barbee was for several semesters editor of the college paper; in her Junior year she was one of the assistant editors of the 'Kynewisbok,' and to the readers of The Crescent she is not unknown because of her many alumnæ letters.

"As a song writer she has a reputation to be envied. Every Gamma Phi knows what rollicking songs have come from her pen—what beautiful, inspiring strains! During her college days and since she has been the source to which have gone not only her sorority sisters, but members of the fraternities and societies of Denver University, whenever a special song was wanted. A short time ago, when the convention of a large national fraternity was in session, the officers of that organization told Miss Barbee that a song she had previously written for them was the

finest in their possession, and in honor of her work presented her with a handsomely jewelled fraternity pin. For the alumni dinner of Denver University, for the enthusiastic athletic rallies when her Alma Mater had been victorious, hers were often the songs that gave spice and life. Her own Theta chapter knows full well how often her football stories have been used in college stunts, and how often her toasts in rhyme have brought merriment to a jolly spread or to a more formal banquet.

"Perhaps her most pretentious efforts have been the plays which for six successive years she has written and which the members of Theta have presented to large Denver audiences. The ever-increasing enthusiasm in these performances, the growing attendance and the keen interest which each year sees are eloquent of her success along this line. Each year her play has netted the chapter several hundred dollars, and for this work not a penny has she received, counting it due reward that she has added another flower to Gamma Phi Beta's wreath.

"From her home in Denver, where she is a busy teacher, Miss Barbee takes up the editorship of THE CRESCENT with the hesitancy born of modesty, but with the hope that springs from her desire to see Gamma Phi Beta grow ever grander and greater."

THE sorority's Christmas gift to the editor last December was the appointment of Miss Bertha White as her assistant and Miss White's acceptance of the duties of alumna editor, in charge of the alumnæ personals and all the chapter letters. She has already rendered valuable assistance in issuing the January and March numbers of the quarterly, so she is not altogether unknown to the readers of THE CRESCENT.

Miss White also comes from the West, having made her home in Nebraska for many years. She graduated from the University of Nebraska in 1902, but she took only her Senior work there. It was while she was at Northwestern, where she spent the first three years of her college life, that she was initiated into Gamma Phi Beta and became a member of Epsilon chapter. Not a member, however, that on leaving her chapter home forgets in a short time the majority of her sisters, her old aims and ideals and the claims of her sorority upon her. Quite the opposite, Miss White has always been keenly interested in every concern of Gamma Phi Beta, though she has not been in close touch with members of her sorority since she left college except through correspondence. But she would frequently cheer the heart of the editor during the past years by sending her letters full of sympathy and appreciation and always include several items of news for the quarterly. It merely showed her alert interest and did the editor as much good as a new subscription.

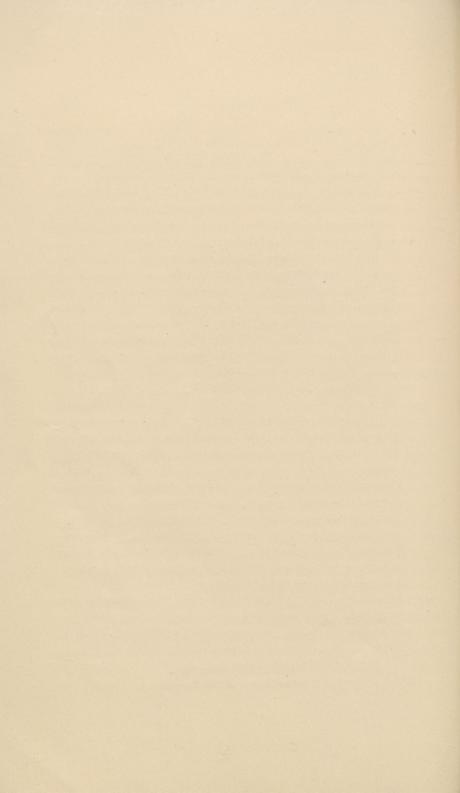
During her college career at Northwestern she was actively engaged in all branches of the college life, being chosen for a leading part in the Junior play and serving on the board that edits the college annual, The Syllabus.

Her loyalty to Gamma Phi Beta while in college did not mean to her that her life could hold only Gamma Phi friendships, for she numbered as some of her best friends members of other sororities. She is not unknown to some of the active chapters that she has visited during her travels since leaving college, and they all know her name as the efficient chairman of the committee to reorganize the executive board and revise the constitution of the sorority to meet the requirements of this reorganization.

Miss White has already taken up her work for The Crescent full of enthusiasm, interest and eager activity in everything that points to a larger growth and field of influence for Gamma Phi Beta.



LINDSEY BARBEE, Theta Editor-in-Chief of The Crescent



Our Opportunities

By Rachel Araoman Colby, (Lta)

"HELPFULNESS" should be the watchword of our Alumnæ chapters. In activity alone is true growth, true happiness. Each chapter must choose her own lines of work, taking care that she exhibits unselfishness in her choice. For some time San Francisco Alumnæ has felt that she could best further the true ideals of Gamma Phi by helping the active chapter which seemed to need us. Alumni have given much time and money to the "house," and because of their work we have our lot (a deposit at least has been made), and August 15, 1910, should see Eta installed in her own home. In other ways we are helping. The details of the banquet arrangements have been turned over to our Alumnæ. Alumnæ are actively helping in the solution of California's Pan-Hellenic difficulties.

When this stage of local usefulness lies behind us, the next step will be toward national usefulness. Why cannot the Alumnæ chapters join in an American or European scholarship, somewhat along the lines of the European scholarship offered by the General Federation of Women's Clubs? Or let individual chapters offer a scholarship in the active chapter in which they are most interested. Still better, let the Alumnæ offer prizes or honors of some sort for high scholarship in the active chapter. An easy way surely to meet the stock objection of "The fraternity standard of work is below the average."

But whatever you do, don't live for your own social pleasure. Find what the nearest active need is or the greatest national need and proceed to meet it. Your growth, your happiness, will increase 100 per cent when you have this true excuse for being, "usefulness."

Theta's Annual Play

THE Theta girls have given another successful play, the product of Miss Barbee's pen and their own skill in acting. This is the sixth (or is it the seventh?) successive year that Miss Barbee has written a clever college play for our Denver University Gamma Phis, and they have all been presented before large and enthusiastic audiences in the Denver Woman's Club Building. The money gathered in this way has been used for the fund that the University is raising for a scholarship for needy students, and for Theta's own house fund.

"THE FIFTEENTH OF JANUARY"

A three-act comedy written by

MISS LINDSEY BARBEE

and presented by

THE GAMMA PHI BETA SORORITY.

(of Denver University)

Friday evening, February 18, 1910, Woman's Club Building,

THE CAST

Mrs. Meredith (sister of Dr. Barton)	Edith Hoop
Doris Meredith (an heiress)	Lucy S. Moore
Barbara Barton—"Bobbie"	Helen H. Barbee
(whose specialty is Billy)	
Ruth Thurston (a trifle unsophisticated)	Ethel Clark
Tabitha Tattler (a college gossip)	Edith Hoop
Sally Sue Stevens (from next door)	Eunice G. Robinson
Elyse Smythe (of Butte, Mont.)	Harriet Brown
Dolly Dinsmore Polly Preston (Freshmen)	
Maggie (the Barton's maid)	Anita Hostetter
Dr. Henry Eliot Barton, M. A., Ph. D (head of the department of Phil	Joseph Weiner losophy)
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(Assistant in the department of Social Science)
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Dick" Sherman (Peter the attendant)......Vere S. Richards Billy BartonArchie B. Brusse (Quarterback on the Varsity team)

Count Casavetti (after an heiress)......Lloyd King Tom Harrison (a lively undergraduate)......Joseph Weiner "Don" Townsend (a new student)......Frank Henry Frank Barton (the college mascot)... Master Frank Lee Bishop

SYNOPSIS

Act I.—Living room in the Barton home (early in the college year).

Act II.—On the college campus (afternoon of the big game). Act III.—Living room in the Barton home ("Bobbie's partyevening of the day after).

Play staged and directed by Miss Edna M. Sprague.

Managers: Miss Eda Burkhalter and Miss Eleanor Reynolds.

Blassam Dap

Bo Ennice Crap (Camma)

B LOSSOM time in Santa Clara Valley! How I wish I could describe the tender beauty and sweetness of this season! In all the opulent calendar of a California year there is no time so appealing and inspiring as this, for we have the awakening of spring in California just as truly as we do in Massachusetts or Oregon or Wisconsin. Nature works along exactly the same lines in San José as she does in Boston. At a certain time she begins her construction work, the sap turns, and the great upbuilding of bud and blossom, flower and fruit, commences.

We do not have the contrast in our Santa Clara Valley spring, between snowbank and crocus, frozen ground and green grassbut the new growth as it awakens from its winter sleep is just

as tender and vivid and fragrant. The winter's rains feed the streams, and with the first warm sunshine the ferns and vines and grasses embroider the creek banks and meadows, and the trees are hung with delicate tassels and fringes. It is a wonderful and silent change, but the year's work has begun. Thousands of fruit trees, which have stood silent and gray like a mighty army through the length of the valley, burst into fairy bloom, the sunlight gleams on their white petals and the air is radiant with light and fragrance. It is the season of promise, for in the golden days of summer the fairy blooms will turn into apples of gold, ruby cherries, peaches and pears and prunes, which are gold in the pockets of the husbandmen.

So it has become a custom in our valley to celebrate Blossom Day. We keep the festival each year with a joy and abandon which only spring and new life can give. The date is usually early in April, and the festivities center around Saratoga, a beautiful little foothill village which looks out over the valley and its fruitful acres. Saratoga has for years held Blossom Day sacred to beauty and rest and thanksgiving. It has had many devotees, but its patron saint is Rev. Edwin Sidney Williams, who has recently brought as his bride to his beautiful home on the crest of one of the highest hills one of our own dear Gamma Phi sisters, Helen Fallons.

This year as they stood together under the spreading oaks leading the hymns and conducting the simple exercises which are a part of the festival, it seemed most fitting and beautiful that our emblem should be worn at this spring thanksgiving day and that our ideals should be personified in this gracious woman.

It brings us all nearer together to know that the work of aspiration and endeavor begun in our college class-room and in our chapter houses finds its field for growth and fruitfulness out under the open sky of California on festival days just as surely as it does in the daily life of town and city.

We were building for life as we went through the routine of the college days, and it brings to every loyal Gamma Phi a sense of fine pride and satisfaction when she sees a home that is "founded on a rock."

From Japan

A VERY interesting copy of the *Japan Magazine has reached the editor, sent from Tokyo by Miss Zoë Kincaid, one of our Lambda girls. She has been in Japan for several years developing this English magazine and bringing it to its present efficiency in spite of the tremendous odds attendant upon the publication of any paper in a country where the compositors know

very little, if any, English.

This April number is called the Cherry Number and contains a number of poems to the praise of the cherry blossoms and exquisite decorations in drawings and photographs of scenes in Japan at cherry blossom time. In addition to these are articles both by Japanese and others on such subjects as "Makers of Modern Japan," "Japanese Ceramics," "Two Famous Court Ladies," "The Steel Bible of Bushido," "The Seaweed Harvest," "Eastern and Western Ideals," "Men I Shall Never Forget," "The Anglo-Japanese Exhibition," etc.

At the end, after a number of advertising pages, printed in English, like the rest of the preceding eighty odd, are ten pages of closely typed Japanese characters. They may be translations into Japanese of the foregoing articles. Knowing nothing of Japanese characters, we are unable to state. They are followed by two unnumbered pages that look like advertisements, or could

they be poems? We'll not venture to guess.

The entire make-up and appearance of the magazine is very good, and judging by one number the editors are fulfilling the mission of the paper, which announces itself as "A Representa-

tive Monthly of Things Japanese."

It is particularly interesting to a Gamma Phi, seeing that the editor, Miss Kincaid, is one of our own sisterhood and had associated with her for awhile Miss Perry, also from our Lambda chapter. We can be justly proud of their achievements.

^{*}The Japan Magazine Co., Advertiser Building, Tokyo, \$3 per year.

The Ideal Camma Phi Beta* By Alice Aileen Higgins, (Epsilon)

THE ideal Gamma Phi Beta gets a strong hold of specific ideas and works them out in her life. She does not drift. She creates. She stands for something definite. She allows one bit of philosophy to dominate her life—"the only ideal spectator of conduct is the ideal self." She cares more about standing unashamed before her ideal self than before the world. She would rather be at peace with herself and know she is right than seem to be what she is not and stand in a favorable light in the eyes of other people. She does not bow to the god of her neighbor's opinion. She has well defined ideas of her own and quietly stands for them in her life.

She has a thoroughly cosmopolitan air. She is at home anywhere and everywhere. She begins to acquire this in college by the coming in touch with other circles than that of her own sorority.

She has a refined gentleness, which is evident in her every movement. She is exquisitely careful of her person. She recognizes the fitness of things in dress, manner and conversation.

She finds the special gift with which nature has endowed her and cultivates that gift. She realizes the obligation of giving which is placed upon each member of a social group, and her presence is at once a delight and a benefit.

In her attitude toward men she shows she will not cheapen her sweet womanliness by intimate association with those of mediocre type. The so called popularity gained by clever scheming so prevalent in college circles she passes over as not worth her while.

She is sensible of her own weaknesses and conquers them by constant effort. She "walks amidst the universe its friend, at home with life, acquaint with death, facing her stretch of day, her night, her end—learning new wonders with each rising breath."

Is it not worth our while to grow nearer her image?

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THE end of the present editor's active work for The Crescent comes regretfully to her with this issue of the quarterly. It is not the end of her active interest in the magazine, however, for it would be impossible, should she wish it, to fail to follow its future success and growth with anything but keenest eagerness, since it has been her constant concern for almost seven years.

Although at times the work has been so heavy and discouraging that it seemed as though one had come to the proverbial stone wall, and the burden of correspondence and details of business were too much to crowd into an already busy life, yet the work has been interesting, and whatever success has attended the quarterly through the loyal assistance of the Gamma Phi Betas who had faith in The Crescent has more than repaid us for all the dark places and the hard work. Just now the other duties—the bread and butter variety—are increasing to such an extent that, with the steady growth of the sorority and the contingent growth and demands of the magazine, the editor realizes that she cannot do justice to both and so must give up her work on The Crescent.

We are looking forward with hope and confidence that the future will reveal a stronger, broader and more helpful Crescent, as it surely will, given the new touch and fresh impetus of the new and particularly capable editors. We ask for them the same loyal interest and the same willing response that has made the work possible during the past seven years. We are perfectly

confident that they will receive it in like measure. More could hardly be asked.

Many warm appreciations have come to your editor from time to time, and we want to thank most cordially all our good friends in Gamma Phi Beta who have the interests of the sorority and the quarterly so near their hearts. What would we have done without them?

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N looking over the first Crescent that was issued after Zeta chapter had been given charge of the quarterly, dated January, 1904, we find a number of interesting things that bring pleasant memories of that beginning.

It lacks illustrations which were a costly extravagance in those days, but the matter is not half bad. Some of the things are worth repeating. On another page we have reprinted Miss Higgins' "Ideals for Gamma Phi Betas," that might have appeared in each successive number with profit to many of us.

Here is the first page of contents:

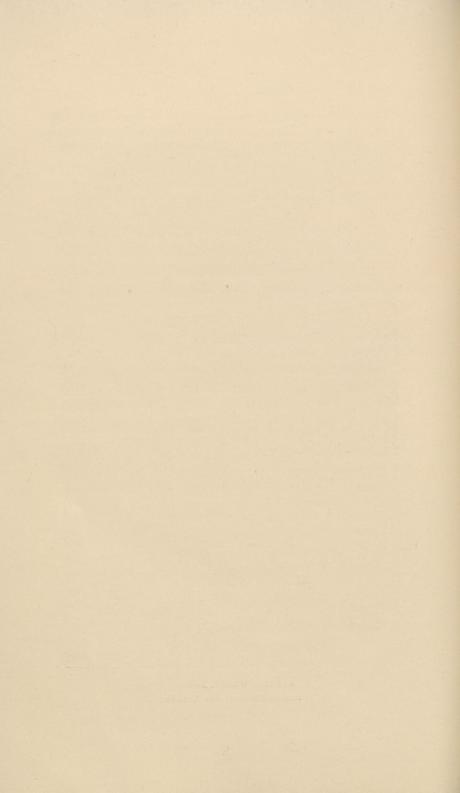
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Not many pages, and those few not over-full. There were good margins and more or less padding, but in spite of all its deficiencies we were mighty proud of that effort. A cursory glance reveals that Katherine Whiting, the present correspondent from Boston chapter, sent that first letter from Boston. Aileen Higgins, too, whose lovely bits of verse have appeared in The CRESCENT from time to time since, was the correspondent from



BERTHA WHITE, Epsilon

Alumnae Editor of The Crescent



Epsilon chapter. Una A. Winterburn's name appears after Iota chapter's letter, and now her name is on everybody's lips as Mrs. O. Y. Harsen, our well known and beloved treasurer.

This infant CRESCENT number appeared just after the Convention that was entertained by Denver and Theta. (It must have been the very one with which Miss Barbee had so much to do.) Lambda was the baby chapter then and had not had its charter for very long.

There are any number of pleasant reminiscences brought to mind by this old Crescent in our hands, but they would have no meaning to many of you, and we refrain.

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SOME of us are possessed with ambitions and high hopes of fine things to come from Gamma Phi Beta. We are only beginning to feel the possibilities of its power, not only in broadening and strengthening our own lives, but increasing the power and scope of other lives we touch through our own broadened sympathies and helpfulness. It is the same spirit of service that is growing more and more universal.

There is a world of influence still latent in our alumnæ chapters that we are expecting to see opened up and actively working in the next few years. We are working on too indefinite plans; our program, if we have any, is altogether too general. We do

not get anywhere.

This is not alone true of the alumnæ, but their's is the broader field, their opportunities are numerous. But our sorority is essentially a college girl's sorority, and the alumnæ can only give their sanction to the efforts of the undergraduates and direct and cheer them in all they do.

We would like to see the time when each college chapter can close its books at the end of the year with satisfaction in the thought that it has used all its influence, grown its full measure in everything moral, social and intellectual that made for the good of the chapter and the college during that year.

But this is not all. Each chapter is not a single unit respon-

sible only to itself. Every college chapter is intended to be only a perfect part of an ideal whole. Some of us lose at times that relation to the sorority as a whole, and it is a sure sign of weakness in that particular chapter, and it is our hope that as we grow in numbers our spirit of nationalism will also grow as it should and our touch with our sister chapters be so keen and responsive that our influence in every good thing will be felt as the formidable strength of many and not the scattered efforts of the few.

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THE news from our alumnæ is often lamentably lacking in our personals. Our chapter correspondents can generally be relied upon to send one or two items of news relating to girls in college or those out of college but one or two years before—girls with whom they keep in touch by correspondence. But little or no apparent effort is given to getting news of some of the older girls who are not personally acquainted with the correspondent.

It would be an excellent plan if the associate editor of each college chapter would send occasional return post cards to the member of each class who invariably knows some news of her classmates. There is always one girl who can give such information. Cards could be sent out, a few at a time, to these reporters, and during the year each class could be heard from through The Crescent once in the case of the older and larger chapters and more times in the case of the later chapters.

We should like to see a trial made of these return post card requests for news on the part of our chapter reporters.

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W E have frequently asked the chapters to tell us what numbers of The Crescent, if any, are wanting to complete the chapter file.

Some of the chapter correspondents do not seem to understand that the chapter library is supposed to include a complete file of THE CRESCENT, and for this purpose an extra copy of each number is always sent to the chapter in care of the correspondent.

In reply to our annual inquiry as to the numbers lacking to complete each chapter's file we have *one* reply (one more than usual!). There are possibly alumnæ who are not desirous of keeping a full file of The Crescent who can supply the back numbers that Eta needs. Send them as soon as possible to Miss Elizabeth M. Derge, 2514 Etna, Berkeley, Cal.

Wanted—All numbers of Vols. I, II, III, IV, January, March and June, 1905.

We take it for granted that all the other chapters who have not replied are fully supplied with an entire file of The Crescent, and we hope they are neatly bound for future preservation.

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IT is to be regretted that six of our chapters are not heard from in this issue. The record this year up to this point has been so good that the "slump" in this last number is especially disappointing. The date given in each number on the first page of reading matter and the first page of the chapter letters is the date when chapter letters and personals must be at the editor's office. In spite of the fact that three weeks have elapsed since special notice was sent to each correspondent asking her to be particularly careful to be prompt for this issue, there remains six not heard from, and still more have sent no changes and additions for the directory. By the merest chance we have been able to insert five of the six tardy letters at the thirteenth hour.

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PLEASE inform the Editor at once whenever, within a reasonable time after the date of publication, The Crescent does not reach you. Give always your name, full address and chapter.



MISS BERTHA WHITE, Alumnae Editor, 1010 Park Ave., Omaha, Neb. Send all Chapter Letters and Personals to Miss White. Next letter must be in her hands Sept. 13.

ALPHA (Syracuse University)

DEAR Sisters in Gamma Phi Beta: This lovely spring weather is so very tempting for long walks, outdoor games and so many attractions that it is very hard to see the final exam list posted and know that one must study.

Not long after our last letter, in March, we entertained over five hundred people at an afternoon tea and evening reception. The color scheme was pink, and the flowers and refreshments were carried out in that color. In the afternoon we invited the college women, and during the evening the members of the faculty and city friends called.

This spring has been such a cool one that we cannot realize that Commencement time is drawing near. We will lose nine girls through graduation this June, and we shall miss them very much.

This year a May pole dance will be given during Commencement week for the first time.

Our baseball season has just opened, and we have so far met with success. Some very big games are scheduled for May, most of them being played in our Stadium. Besides the baseball games, we will have several large track meets, one of which will be with Michigan in several weeks.

On April 21 a typical circus was given for the first time by the

men for the benefit of the University band, and it was a great success. It was preceded, as usual, by a parade all through the city. The many fake sideshows were, of course, in evidence, representing all the freaks of the world, and then a three-ring circus was given, which was followed by a very clever minstrel show. This will probably be made an annual affair.

On April 25 the Daily Orange, our University paper, was given over to the management of the women, and it was a very interesting issue.

We are most happy to say that one of our Freshmen, Lucile Peirson, of Newark, N. Y., who has been critically ill at the hospital here, is now on the road to recovery.

The individual rushing has proved very successful this winter and spring, and we are still continuing it, as, on account of Pan-Hellenic rules, there can be no pledging before Matriculation Day.

Our alumnæ have sent the active girls an invitation to an informal supper party on April 29 at one of their homes, and we are looking forward to it with the greatest of pleasure, for we always enjoy their parties.

The Silver Bay Club of the University is to have, on the Teachers' College grounds, a May breakfast, which, as usual, will prove to be very successful.

Alpha sends greeting to all her sister chapters and best wishes for a most pleasant summer.

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BETA (University of Michigan)

DEAR SISTERS: Last Monday, April 24, we had initiation and Beta wishes to introduce her two initiates, Marion Pellow and Edna Morris. We were very happy to have with us at this time Mrs. Marion Moulton Campbell, of Connecticut.

Added to our other pledges are three more, Hermina Haller, Bessie Smurthwaite and Betty Bostwick, the latter being the niece of Helen Hunt Heaton, of Detroit, a Beta girl.

We have had an exceptionally gay time this spring. First

came our fancy dress party given on Washington's birthday. Then came several teas, Mrs. E. D. Kinne giving one for rushing, and Sarah Hardy giving one for the Beta girls who were here for Schoolmasters' Club; and we have had several at our house, one for the alumnæ, one for rushing, and our regular monthly ones.

The girls are all looking forward to spring banquet, which is to be held the last of June so that all the Beta girls possible may be here. We have already heard from many of them, and we expect to have a delightful reunion.

Our seniors are dreading commencement, for it means the end of so many pleasures, but we hope they will be able to visit us often next year.

Beta wishes for you all the happiest of vacations.

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GAMMA (University of Wisconsin (No letter.)

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DELTA (Boston University)

DEAR Sisters All: If you were to come in upon us at about the time this last letter of the year is being sent off—that is, the last week in April—you would most likely find us trying bravely to decide on all of a dozen or more different spots at once for the house party and finally coming to no period, but that a dozen or so more points should be looked up and reported on. You would at least be aware that we were coming to the close of the year, and that in a twinkling of time final examinations would be upon us and "the last scene of all that ends this strange, eventful history" for at least six of our girls. We may philosophize after Jaques that we all have our exits and our entrances.

The mention of Jaques leads me to speak of Junior dramatics. Jacob Sleeper Hall was filled to the doors on April 22, mostly with high school scholars, because the afternoon production of the Junior play, "As You Like It," was especially given for them.

It was repeated in the evening to another audience. The Junior musicale, "prom" and picnic are yet ahead. This is the week when the Juniors are "it."

On Friday, April 29, will come the farewell reception of President and Mrs. Huntington. And as we speak of Dr. Huntington, we may mention that other great loss, in which we must surely have the sympathy of our Western sisters wherever Dr. Bowne's name was known. It was on Monday morning, April 4, that we entered college to find the halls unlighted and notices announcing the suspension of exercises out of respect to Professor Bowne. We feel that Boston University is under a peculiar strain and that it needs our most loyal support.

The Young Women's Christian Association has just made its annual change of officers. Esther Lurvey is on the new cabinet as chairman of the meetings committee. Some of us Gamma Phis gave "The House That Jack Built" at the Y. W. C. A. circus for Silver Bay.

Without question, our chief intersorority interest is Sophomore pledging. The general sentiment is for a change from the three weeks of rushing, which have begun ten days after Registration day and which have forced fraternities so much into the foreground as to discountenance college and college work for a half year, unless the Freshmen were clever enough to recover sooner. But as to whether second semester or second year pledging is better, we have almost talked red green to agree upon. An open Pan-Hellenic was held one evening, at which many alumnæ of all our sororities poured out their saner advice into younger ears. The discussion was very entertaining.

Our very special good time this semester was the spring luncheon on May 9. There was first an initiation, at Rachael Rice's home in Newton, of Mrs. Elsie Heilman, of Iowa, to whom we introduce you all. From the initiation we went directly to the Delft Tea Rooms, and enjoyed many delightful little tête-à-tete's with the alumnæ, four at a table. The gathering was especially favored with having a grand officer and two charter members

present. The toasts were splendid, and after them, Mrs. Reynolds, '87, one of the chapter members, paid a tribute to Professor Bowne.

Two of our seniors have been supplying in schools near Boston

-Helen Byrne and Olive Marshall.

Delta has tried to give you a last glimpse of herself for this college year, and now she wishes all her sisters a summer of thorough enjoyment.

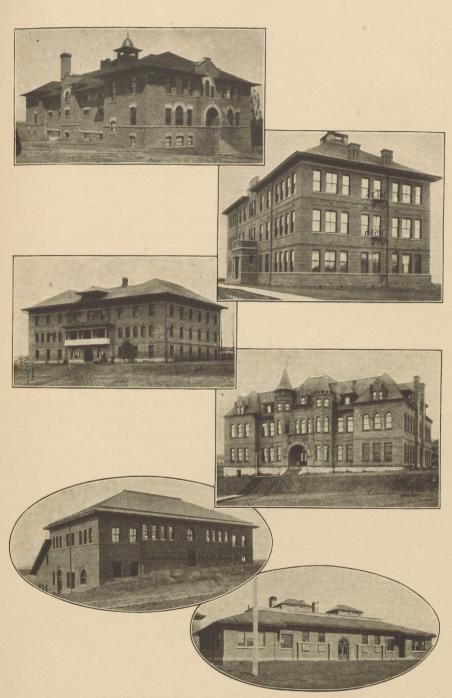
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EPSILON (Northwestern University)

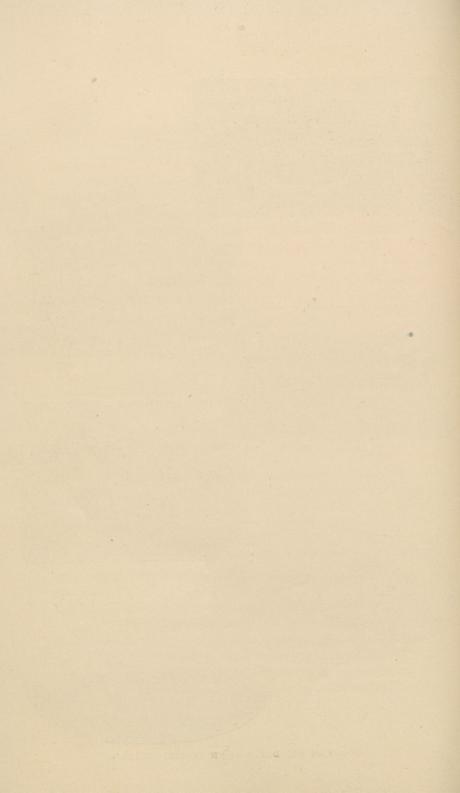
DEAR Sisters in Gamma Phi Beta: The news from Epsilon Chapter to The Crescent this month is chiefly of weddings—one past and another to come. Adele Goble, Epsilon, ex-'10, was married to Mr. F. A. Collman, Phi Kappa Psi, Illinois, on April 7th. Seven Gamma Phis from Northwestern went down to Earlville, Illinois, to attend the wedding; while three more were bridesmaids—Frances Fischer, Bertha Gray and Persis Rollins. The guests went in a body the day before, and returned the morning after the wedding. Mrs. Collman will be at home in Evanston after May 15th in the Roycroft apartments.

By the time this CRESCENT appears, Laura McCarty, Epsilon, '08, will have been married to Mr. J. S. Vance, of Columbus, Ohio. The wedding will occur on May 26, at Tuscola, Illinois. Carolyn McCarty and Agnes Bassett, both Gamma Phis from this chapter, will be in the wedding party. Several prenuptial affairs have already been given for the bride. Elizabeth Davidson Barber entertained a company of Gamma Phis at a bridge party on the 22d of April. Agnes Bassett gave a luncheon; Agnes and Grace MacDonnell, a card party, and Janet Childs, a tea. After a short trip to Europe, Mr. and Mrs. Vance will live in Columbus, Ohio.

Another important event in our Epsilon circle was the initiation of Edna Hawke, of Pueblo, Colorado, on Tuesday, the 26th of April. The initiation was held in the fraternity rooms, and



GROUP OF BUILDINGS AT UNIVERSITY OF IDAHO



afterwards the usual banquet was given in honor of the new initiate.

Epsilon has already begun the rushing season. A supper and informal musical was given at the home of Mrs. J. A. James several weeks ago, and also a luncheon at Dorothy Winchell's in Roger's Park. As the proposed rushing rules were not adopted by the local Pan-Hellenic, the season is opening early, and we have already made our plans for next fall.

Northwestern closes the 8th of June. We shall lose two seniors—Louise Stolp and Alice Jenks. Aside from these we expect a large number of the girls to be with us next year to work for Gamma Phi and make 1910 and 1911 the best years for Epsilon at Northwestern.

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ZETA (Goucher College)

DEAR Sisters in Gamma Phi Beta: Since our last letter many things have happened to Zeta. First, we wish to present our new initiate, Dorothy Wetherald, '12, of Sandy Springs, Md. The elections for next year were also of importance to us. Elizabeth Barnes, '11, is the new business manager of Kalends (our monthly magazine); Margaret Handy, '11, is the Y. W. C. A. president; Anna Blanton, '11, one of the vice-presidents of the students' organization, and Dorothy Wetherald, '12, is also on the executive board of the organization.

On the thirtieth of April, the chapter gave a luncheon at the Rennert for Ethel Shriner, whose engagement was announced several months ago.

College closes later than usual this year, the last day being June the 8th.

Four girls leave us this June—Mary McCurley, '10; Jessie Hurley, '10; Ruth Porter, '10, and Grace McDonough, '12, but as they have promised to visit us next year we try to dwell upon that consolation.

A number of alumnæ will return for commencement, and they will be here for the banquet and the house party, too, we hope.

This year we are going to Ocean City, Md., a few hours from Baltimore. The town is small and is right on the ocean, so those of us who do not live near the coast are especially anxious to go there. Already we have begun to talk of the good times we are to have, and are making a collection of good jokes to play (on others). We are trusting that the weather will not be as rainy as last June, but even in spite of the weather we are determined to have a glorious house party. And now, in the last letter of the year, Zeta sends to each Gamma Phi her best wishes for a happy, restful summer.

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ETA (University of California)

DEAR Sisters in Gamma Phi Beta: While we have been doing many things in the way of having good times since our last letter, there is something more important to speak of first. Eta, under the guidance of Rachael Colby, '95, has introduced a plan, accepted by Pan-riellenic, which we feel is going far toward alleviating the evils of rushing which have been weighing us down in past years. The eleven sororities in Pan-Hellenic meetings have established a strong sentiment as to what is absolutely sane and dignified rushing and by this we are resolved to abide. We are going to bid freshmen whenever it seems best after registration, but by abolishing all stunts, expense and entertainment for freshmen we are no longer going to put ourselves through our paces till we assume the roll of suppliants. By having them to dinner, lunch and tea we expect to get acquainted with them and at the same time preserve the dignity of our orders.

During the general movement for the establishment of an honor system in California, Eta has recommended that Pan-Hellenic pass a resolution discountenancing cheating, and has precedented this by taking a pledge in her active chapter to neither give nor receive aid in examinations.

To return to our good times, we would especially like to tell you, if we had more space, all about the dance the underclassmen gave, the alumnæ tea given us by Carmel Riley, '07, and Cecil

Harrold, '07, and the informal birthday parties we have been enjoying. During California Jubilee week, beside the scheduled events, we are planning our spring banquet, a picnic to Mill Vallev, and a house party at the sorority house when all the girls who live at home will stay there for several nights.

THETA (Denver University)

DEAR Sisters in Gamma Phi Beta: Has an entire college year gone by since we sent you our September letter, full to overflowing with rhapsodies on the prospective freshmen? And now the freshmen are almost sophomores, and the seniors are almost across the bridge of commencement! Truly it is "Hail and Farewell!"

Although the play is now a thing of the past, the temptation to tell you just a little of its great success cannot be resisted. Outsiders pronounced "The Fifteenth of January" Lindsey Barbee's best effort, and we certainly thought so. The house was crowded. the audience enthusiastic, and there was nothing to mar the even ing, so, even if "we do say it as shouldn't," Gamma Phi is a little proud of herself. The expenses were much greater this year than heretofore, but we reserved \$100 for our beloved building fund.

We are very proud to introduce to you two new Gamma Phi pledges, Irene Seltzer, '10, and Jean Mentzer, '13.

On March 10 we active girls entertained our mothers, the women of the faculty, and the patronesses of the play at a very enjoyable afternoon party at the home of Bertha Webb. St. Patrick's day was approaching, so we reveled in all the dear delightful things associated with the Emerald Isle.

A short time ago we were given by our alumnæ chapter, of which, by the way, we are very proud, a dozen beautiful salad forks and a dozen coffee spoons. We are so pleased with our new possessions that we take every opportunity to display our gift, and are giving a series of "functions" at the "Lodge." For rushing, even at this early date, has begun, and our first affair was a very informal luncheon to which some of the prospectives of next year were invited. We had a jolly time, and ended with a "sing."

In honor of the men of our play we gave a "beefsteak fry" and a dance, at a so-called haunted house, about a mile from University Park. The house was strung with lanterns, and, according to the amount of food consumed, the guests had a thoroughly enjoyable time.

Our annual spring banquet will take place on the 28th of May. This is always a great event with us, and we are all looking forward to having many of the alumnæ with us. It is almost the only time that all the old and the new girls can be together.

Next Friday evening, April 29, is the annual reception given by the college students and faculty to the high school seniors. Before this reception we intend to have a few new girls over to the "Lodge" to supper. This is almost an annual "stunt" with us, and has proved very popular.

So the college year is drawing to a close. We have worked and played, and been happy together; we have no regrets for the past, and only bright prospects for the future. So it's

"Cheer for our royal Theta,
Brown and mode is our ensign bright,
A health to Gamma Phi Beta
As we sing of her here tonight."

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IOTA (Barnard College)

DEAR Sisters in Gamma Phi Beta: Since our last letter we have been a very busy chapter indeed. For we have gotten our apartment into good running order, and have tried the "entertaining stunt." According to Pan-Hellenic rules we might not be "at home" to freshmen, so we have had to direct our hospitable impulses into the channel of inviting the other Barnard sororities to afternoon tea. We have taken them one at a time, and enjoyed our little parties immensely.

April 8 the class of 1911 held its junior ball at the Waldorf Astoria. This was the social event of the college year, and was

a great success. Since then we have been living in a turmoil of drama. On April 15 and 16 the Undergraduate Association presented "Much Ado About Nothing," and on April 28, 29 and 30, "If I Were King." This play was first put on the Barnard stage in 1907, when the class of 1909 gave it as their junior show. Now the same class is repeating it, for the benefit of the building fund, to which all the proceeds will go. The cast is practically as it was in 1909, except that many "supes" have been recruited from the present junior class. Among these supes six Gamma Phis are to play the thrilling roles of king's guard, pikemen, and plain mob.

May 6 we are to have our last dance of the season, and May 7 our annual spring banquet. We expect to combine as usual with the New York alumnæ, and we know we will have such a good time as to leave pleasant memories during the whole vacation.

For it is actually time to begin to think of vacation. And—worse luck!—of exams.

Iota trusts you will all be most successful in them! And with lots of love—especially to her new little sisters in Xi—she sends best wishes for a happy summer.

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KAPPA (University of Minnesota)

DEAR Sisters: There have been so many happenings of late that it is a puzzle to know what to tell. In the first place allow me to present our newest freshman, Bertha Ames, a true Gamma Phi.

There have been elections, manifold and exciting, at Minnesota, in which Gamma Phi has been much interested. As a result of them, Margaret Nachtrieb is president of Epsilon Phi, a freshman inter-sorority club, and secretary of the Y. W. C. A. cabinet; Anne Hull is president of the Student Government Association, and of the Women's Student Council—the "honor system" has just been introduced here; Helen Fitzsimmons is on the Gopher

Board, and is secretary of Sedarmoc, the sophomore inter-sorority club.

On the 27th of April we gave a tea for the "mothers," many of whom were present, and we feel—as they expressed themselves—that it was a great success.

A much-talked-of event of college life this month has been the production of "The Prof and the Princess" by the Men's Union. We never knew before what nice girls the men could be.

Five of our girls went to Madison for Gamma's formal party and came back with such glowing reports of the good times that the rest of us were green with envy. From the nature of the remarks after their return, we want to warn Gamma that, unless she can accommodate a regiment, it will not be safe to extend an invitation to us another year.

We are looking forward eagerly to our own "formal," to be given May 10 at Glen Morris, and to our banquet, but I am anticipating—they must wait until next fall.

Even the house-party seems near and we are awaiting it with great impatience. We close our eyes and imagine that we hear the dip of the paddle in the cool green water—and then open them to the scattered sheets of that overdue thesis. Oh, cruel fate, why will you mock us so?

But really it will not last; and Kappa says goodby with a light heart, and wishes you all a happy, restful vacation.

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LAMBDA (University of Washington)

DEAR Sisters in Gamma Phi: Lambda has nine freshmen to introduce to her sister chapters. They are: Mary Barrell, Helen Steele, Verna Pendleton, Phoebe Prosch, Anna and Gertrude Young, Ina Lamonte, Lelah Brisbon and Lavina Wilson; also two pledges, Bernice Sully, of Seattle, and Pearl Hoover, of Everett.

Easter eve, March 26, Lambda and the "Druids," a local fraternity, entertained in the university auditorium with the presentation of a miracle play, "The Way of the Cross," written by Vincent Gowen, a "Druid," and a sophomore in college. The play consists of scenes from the Bible, Peter and Mary Magdalene being the principle characters. Helen Urquhart, '10, played the part of Mary Magdalene, Therese Preston, second woman, and Sylvia Wold, Pilate's wife.

After the play a reception was held at the home of President and Mrs. Kane, to which the faculty and friends of the university were invited.

In dramatics Lambda is well represented. Alice Courtney, in the role of "Pitti Sing," in the "Mikado," a musical comedy given by the university, April 27, covered herself with honor, and swelled the hearts of her sisters with pride.

Sylvia Wold, '11, takes the role of Mrs. Bargros, in Augustin Daly's comedy, "7-20-8," which is to be presented by the junior class May 7.

In the university orchestra we are represented by Kathy Hadley. Grace King, '10, was chairman of the "Country Fair" committee, a stunt given each year by the Women's League.

Bess Henehan, '06, Pauline Ederer, ex-'10, and Florence Lewis, ex-'12, will spend the summer traveling in Europe.

Lambda extends to her sisters an invitation to her banquet to be held June 9, and hopes that you may all have a happy summer.

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MU (Leland Stanford, Jr., University)

DEAR SISTERS: If everybody is as hot while they are reading this as we are while we write, we hope they have a good big glass of ice cold grape juice at their elbows, to drink whenever they feel like it! (We haven't any!)

Not a great deal has been happening in our little community lately that would be of especial interest to the outside world. The work of our college seems to become harder each month, and if it keeps on, we bid fair to become pelicans or to leave college

without our degrees. Of course, we have chosen the former, and are all working hard.

Not many weeks ago the annual intercollegiate track meet between Stanford and California Universities was held on our oval, and we came out with flying colors. This made us extremely happy, as we have also won the baseball series, and both crew races this spring. Several of our sisters from over the bay came down to the meet, and we were very glad to welcome them.

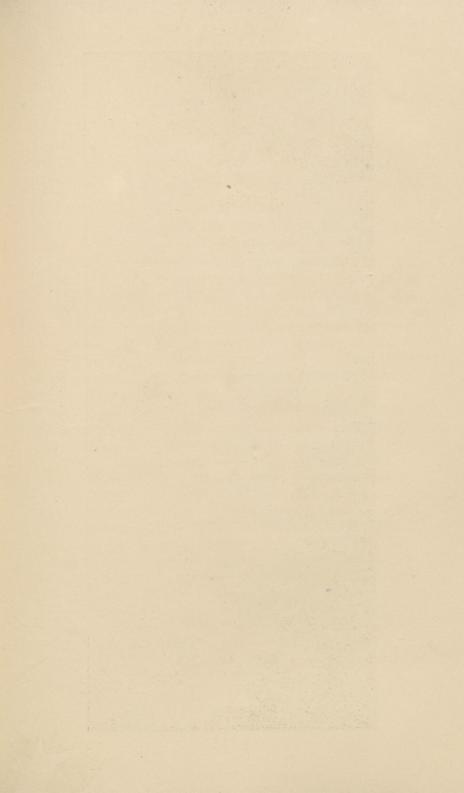
Everyone who is at all interested in Stanford women knows that one of the aims and ideals of the whole five hundred is to build a women's club house here, and to this end we are working with zealous interest this spring. Cap and Gown, the women's honorary society, gave a vaudeville evening on the night of the track meet, the proceeds of which went to help swell the growing fund. We were very glad to see one of our juniors, Jennie Heartt, make a pronounced hit in the second part of the farce given.

We are glad to tell the sisters that this same junior, Jennie Heartt, is to have an important part in the senior farce this year. As no "tryouts" are conducted and all participants are chosen by the coach and committee, it is an especial honor to her, and speaks for itself concerning her ability.

Mildred Hayes, another junior, has just been made associate editor of the college daily.

All of the girls have not made definite plans for the summer, but we are sure that we will have a good houseful of enthusiastic girls when we come back in the fall to take up our work again. Gertrude Brainerd, '10, will return, but the other seniors will not.

We hope that everyone wearing a Gamma Phi Beta pin will have a happy and successful summer, and that all who return to college in the fall will feel that vacation has meant all that it should.



DELTA CHAPTER

NU (University of Oregon)

DEAR Sisters in Gamma Phi Beta: Since our last letter to The Crescent, Nu has been living very quietly. We have given a few informal dinners, but that about ends our social activities until we reach the week of spring vacation when nearly all the girls were in Portland.

Nu chapter entertained its friends at the home of Bertha Masters, on April 20, with a dancing party. The programs were in light brown and bore a tiny gold monogram in one corner.

On April 21, Ada Kendall entertained her sisters with a most delightful luncheon. The place cards bore hand-painted chrysanthemums and a verse appropriate to each girl. Oregon's yellow and green furnished the motif for the color scheme. The favors were crystal candlesticks tied with green tulle and bearing a yellow candle.

On April 22, Caroline Benson entertained the active chapter and alumnæ with a card party at her pretty home. The first prize was won by Ada Kendall.

"Capt. Letterblair," the senior play, was produced April 9 and met with great success. Ruth Duniway, who played the ingenue part, received hearty applause for her work. There were many out-of-town guests at the chapter house for the occasion.

And now as to future activities. Invitations are out for a formal reception to the university to be given on May 6, also for an afternoon reception to the ladies of the town.

Junior week end is approaching and Ruth Hansen is to figure prominently on the luncheon committee for the university. Pearl Wilbur is chairman of the refreshment committee for the prom. At that time the Dramatic Club will put on "The Professor's Love Story," and Ruth Duniway is to play the leading part.

The annual frolic of the co-eds, the April frolic, is to be given on April 30, and Ruth Hansen is the chairman of the executive committee.

Plans are being made for summer rushing which may include a house party or two. Our prospects for next year are very bright.

When the June Crescent reaches you, some of you will be home from college, and others will be in the midst of commencement-to one and all Nu sends greetings and wishes all Gamma Phi sisters a pleasant vacation.

XI (University of Idaho)

DEAR Sisters in Gamma Phi Beta: Xi feels justly proud to have the opportunity of writing this, her first letter, to THE CRESCENT. Each day we realize more what Gamma Phi will ultimately mean to us, and feel our love and loyalty increasing.

To Edith Prosch, Lambda; Helen Riheldaffer, Kappa; Rosella Mohr, and Helen McDonald-Sander, Lambda, the girls who installed us, we feel greatly indebted for their assistance in helping us adapt ourselves to our new life. We deeply regret that more Gamma Phis could not have been with us at installation.

Perhaps our new sisters will be interested in hearing what our girls are doing. Veronica Foley, '11, is secretary of the Student Body; Elizabeth Dunn, '11, is literary editor of this year's Annual: Mary Belle Meldrum, '10, is society editor of the college paper.

Recently a carnival was given for the benefit of the girls' rest room. A committee, consisting of two members from each class, had it in charge. Four Gamma Phi Betas were on this committee, Mary Belle Meldrum, '10, being chairman. The other girls were Veronica Foley, '11; Marie Ketterbach, '12, and Jessie Sours, '13. The carnival was the first thing of its kind to be given here, and we were glad to have our girls take so prominent a part.

Linda Rae, '12, is a member of the Y. W. C. A. cabinet. We are happy to say that our freshmen also are not without honors. Margaret Stolle has been chosen university reader. Kathryn Smith and Jessie Sours are soon to give piano recitals, which are usually not given until the junior year.

A number of the girls have acted on class dance committees. At present we are working on a play which we expect to give about the middle of May. The proceeds are to go to the university library.

We wish to introduce to you our latest initiates, Helen Noyes and Constance Henderson, former Alpha Delta Pis, and Adele Sharkey, a freshman.

In the near future we hope to have with us Rosella Mohr and Adelaide Allmond of Lambda, and Xi chapter wants to extend an invitation to all Gamma Phi Betas who ever come near Idaho to come and see her.

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CHICAGO

DEAR Sisters in Gamma Phi Beta: There is one of our members without whom the Chicago Alumnæ Chapter would not seem itself. For she has been with the chapter and active in it ever since its founding, and each year finds one of our best meetings at her home. This member is Mrs. Alice Hosmer Preble, and it was at her delightful home that the March meeting was held. It was an extremely interesting meeting with a good attendance of members and two guests. The April meeting was held down town at Field's tea room and, although there was a good deal of business to transact, little was done owing to the public place of meeting.

We are all taking much interest in the approaching marriage of Vena Brunk, one of our local officers. She is to be married in June, and while the wedding itself will be a quiet one, still the Gamma Phi sisters here in Chicago are planning several entertainments for her. We have no regrets connected with the wedding, for it will not take her from the chapter as she is to live in Riverside, a suburb of Chicago.

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SYRACUSE

DEAR Sisters in Gamma Phi Beta. The regular March meeting of the Syracuse alumnæ was held with Milicent Hinckley, with a full attendance. Business of importance was disposed

of and a pleasant afternoon was enjoyed, as is always the case when we meet with Milicent.

The alumnæ entertained the active chapter Friday evening, April 28, at the home of Sarah Avery on Park street. Miss Avery's home is a dignified old-time brick mansion, with great rooms and an hospitable air, an ideal place to entertain seventy-five people. An old-fashioned supper was served, after which a little levity was introduced in the shape of a combination circus and minstrel show. The following artistes took part: Nellie Morgan Wells and her two untrained fox terriers, Ina Mercer Rice, Kate Miller Cobb, Marion Heffron, Christine McLennan and Olive Hunt.

Modesty compels us to leave to the editor of the active chapter to tell how very successful the occasion was, but if the young girls enjoyed the "old girls" half as much as the old girls did the young girls, we shall indeed be perfectly content.

The evening was made unusually pleasant by the presence of Anna Loomis Humphrey, Ina Mercer Rice, Kate Smith Reynolds, Nellie Morgan Darr, Helen Wardwell Hawkins and others, who by force of circumstances can seldom be with us.

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BOSTON

DEAR Sister Chapters: Arachne, you remember, was fear fully punished for much spinning—fearfully because she was condemned to go on spinning forever. Such is the fate that threatens any chapter secretary who after the March issue of The Crescent is told to stand and deliver a chapter letter by the first of May.

To spin a readable thread out of one meeting is to court Arachne's fate (which, I take it, would condemn me to secretary-ship for life), and to refuse to spin at all is to be branded with that truly horrible "Boston Chapter—no letter."

Therefore, since no whisper of birth, engagement, marriage or otherwise distinguishing doings has reached the editor's eagerly uplifted ears, will the chapters please be content to hear that Boston Chapter, at her April meeting, tried her humble best to widen the borders of our sorority, and had no cake to reward her, as temporary aberration had smitten the official provider of that dainty.

In conclusion, Boston would wish all her alumnæ sisters a safe emergence from spring cleaning and kindred evils, would extend to her active sisters a hope for a happy issue from finals, and to all a glorious vacation.

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NEW YORK

DEAR Sisters in Gamma Phi: New York Alumnæ sends greeting to her sister chapters and only wishes she had some interesting bit of news to tell you. We've had two most enjoyable luncheons since March, the first with Mrs. Laura Latime. Graham. The "bride" knew just "how," and everything was lovely—both the "eats" and the visit after the meeting. The assistant hostesses were Miss White, Miss Russum, Miss Leete and Miss Seibert. Our last hostess was Mrs. McKelvey, who entertained us royally at her home in Spuyten Duyvil. I think the girls were all glad she lives so far from both stations, for she very kindly met them in her big automobile as they came in in stallments. Of course we had a delightful time from beginning to end. Her assistants were Mrs. Harsen, Miss Rome, Miss Newbold and Miss Stitt.

We're looking forward now to our banquet, which takes place May 7 at the St. Denis. At that function the Iota girls always join us, and a general good time is the result. Then all will be quiet till fall.

Next year I'm sure all you readers will have more interesting letters to read from New York Alumnæ. So, until that time, here's wishing you one and all a jolly good summer vacation.

MILWAUKEE

DEAR Sisters in Gamma Phi Beta: Milwaukee Alumnæ Chapter must confess to having been very late in taking up her work for the year, but for many reasons it was impossible to begin earlier.

An informal meeting with Mary Laflin Jones started things going. Our regular business meeting was held March 19, with Bernice Hunter Hoffman, and the attendance was very good. Hazel Milnerstead, Gamma '08, was a guest. There were a great many things of importance to discuss and decide upon. A motion was carried to hold business meetings every other month and a luncheon at Espenhaen's the third Saturday of the alternate month. It is hoped that by making this a custom the out-of-town girls will find it convenient to arrange their visits to Milwaukee to include this.

Our April luncheon was held on the 16th and proved to be quite a success. Mabel Walker, of Racine, was with us and gave us a most cordial invitation to hold our May meeting at her home in Racine. This was accepted most enthusiastically, and it was planned for us to go by machine and make an all day picnic out of it, our last meeting of the year.

The Haresfoot Club, of Wisconsin University, was in town on the night of our luncheon and gave a performance of its successful comic opera, "Alpsburg." All of the alumnæ turned out faithfully and renewed their loyalty in applauding the university fellows in their choice production.

This year our membership is enlarged to include Grace Steeney, Margaret Ryan and Allison More Kieckhefer, and we are already making plans for next year's meetings, with a general line of work to follow up in order to make them count for something.

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SAN FRANCISCO

SINCE the last issue of THE CRESCENT San Francisco Alumnæ Chapter has had but one meeting. This was held at the home of Rachel Voorman Colby and was very interesting and enjoyable.

We have had two of our charming alumnæ teas, one at Carmel Riley's in Berkeley, and the April tea at Cecil Harrold's in Fruitvale. Both were well attended and were voted most delightful affairs. Fruitvale is noted for its beautiful gardens, and Mrs. Harrold's grounds were especially lovely, the lilac and the cherry trees being in bloom.

DENVER

THESE beautiful spring days, with their almost fulfilled promise of summer, are swiftly passing, and soon the dear old college days will be memories to so many of our Gamma Phi girls. Our thoughts are with them everywhere. There comes back again the echo of that old song we used to hear from the college steps, "Where, oh, where, are the dear old Seniors? They've gone out to the cold, cold world." Although the old song was beautifully sad to us as we sang it and we used to indulge in quiet little weeps at the thought of the "cold, cold world," our viewpoint has changed since those days, and most of us probably have found that this new "Life College," despite its somewhat prosaic equipment, offers high degrees of purpose and attainment for us all.

We held our annual Pan-Hellenic luncheon at the Brown Palace Hotel on April 17. It was the last social meeting of the association for this year. The seven sororities who belong to the association were all well represented, and membership was also extended to Sigma Kappa. In the business meeting, which followed the luncheon, it was decided to retain one member of the board of control another year so that the work of the board members might be facilitated during the coming year. Lindsey Barbee, from Gamma Pni, who has held the office of vice-president during the past year, was chosen president of the organization for the coming year. Miss Fitch, of Delta Delta Delta, who has in charge the installation of their new chapter at the State University, was the guest of the association.

We look forward each year to meeting our Senior oirls in a

social way, either at an afternoon party, at luncheon, or in some other way becoming better acquainted with our prospective members. This year we will have a luncheon for them. It is to be on May 21.

We wish a happy summer to all of you.

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MINNESOTA

DEAR Sisters in Gamma Phi Beta: Our March meeting was held at the home of Margaret Lees, ex-'10, and we met in April with Ethel Cosgrove, '09. A special meeting convened at the chapter house later in the month. Yes, that's all there is to say about them. They were good meetings. We deliberated weighty matters according to Roberts' Rules of Order and enjoyed each other—but they don't write up well.

Our May meeting, to be held at the home of Alice Redfield, ex-'06, will consist of a 1 o'clock luncheon, followed by a business meeting, and a one-act play, which we shall present for our own delectation.

For next year we are making brave plans to follow a program, which will be sent to all alumnæ early in the fall. It will state the time, place and character of the eight meetings. Four of these will be purely social, a fall function for the Freshmen, our traditional Christmas party, where we have a wee visit with our schoolteachers, at home for the holidays and with many of our out-of-town married girls; some sort of an affair for our mothers and perhaps our fathers; and our spring banquet, which the alumnæ have superintended for several years past, in our busy active chapter's stead.

Moreover, we mean to elect next year's officers at our last spring meeting in order that fall work may begin promptly.

Meanwhile, it is comforting, is it not, that that strenuous next fall is a whole long, lazy summer ahead of us? Of course, you'll all enjoy it. Summer is irresistible.

Personals

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Bernice Peck, Alpha, ex-'11, visited at the chapter house during Senior week in February.

The alumnae have invited the active girls to a supper party on April 29 at the home of Sarah Avery, Alpha, '98.

Gladys King, Alpha, ex-'10, has been recently visiting Katherine Parkhurst Wilbin, Alpha, ex-'09, in Wilkesbarre, Pa., and stopped at the chapter house on her return.

Marian Beecher, Alpha, '10, Mildred Fulmer, Alpha, '10, and Ruth King, Alpha, '12, attended Gladys King's announcement party at her home in Ilion, N. Y., on Saturday, April 16.

Beta

Madge Miller, of Muskegon, spent Sunday with us.

Lillian Boynton, of Saginaw, is visiting us this week.

Nellie Connor, '10, who has been very ill, is much better.

Margaret Birdsal, of Three Rivers, Mich., has been spending the week with us.

Helen Wells is expected in a couple of weeks and will stay until after Commencement.

Elsa Stanley, who has been very ill, is beginning to show a slight improvement.

Kathleen Cutting, who has been on a trip to the Holy Land with her parents, returned April 25.

Edna Thuner has been absent from college for several weeks on account of the illness and death of her father.

Mrs. E. H. Guppy, mother of Ruth and Estella Guppy, Beta, passed away March 18, at her home, San José, Cal.

Mr. and Mrs. George Beach (nee Alice Benson), Eta, are most pleasantly situated in Portland, Ore. Mr. Beach is a Sigma Chi from Illinois and Lehigh Universities, a civil engineer and a memer of the firm of Doyle & Patterson.

Delta

Among the visitors whom the Easter vacations brought back to college we welcomed Mildred Thorndike, '09, and Fanny Rexford, '09.

Mary Beiler, '09, has been to Ohio. Her grandfather passed away in March, and it was to inter his body in the family lot at Lima that she went.

Mildred Thorndike, '09, set sail from New York April 16 on the steamer Kaiserin Augusta Victoria for Europe. Mildred goes as tutor to the children of a wealthy family, having resigned her position in the Plymouth High School, Plymouth, N. H., for this splendid offer.

Mrs. Goodsell, widow of the Bishop and mother of our beloved Anne (ex-'08), has closed the family residence in St. Nicholas Place, New York City, and after a few weeks in the Berkshires with her daughters will make a permanent home at Maple Hill, New Britain, Conn.

Mary Poor, '08, was enthusiastically urged by the Senior class in the Merrimac High School, where she taught last year, to be their chaperone to Washington this spring. The trip was taken during the Easter vacation. At Washington she met Hannah Litchfield, '07, with another party of high school scholars.

Epsilon

Sue Moore will spend this summer in Europe.

The Gamma Phi spring banquet will occur on June 1.

Ruth Hall, Kappa, visited her sister Laura for several weeks at Easter time.

Vicci Gazzola Dapples and two children will leave about the middle of June for their summer home at Lake Delavan.

Miss Vittum and Miss Ostrander, Beta, were Epsilon's guests at a fraternity supper on May 1. Miss Vittum is directress of the Northwestern Settlement Association, and Miss Ostrander is one of her assistants.

Zeta

Myra Mainfold, '11, visited at college in April.

Grace McDonough, '12, spent the week end at Old Point Comfort.

Mary Howard, Mu, spent the week end of May 1 at Goucher College, visiting the chapter.

Mary Thomas McCurley, '10, will sail on June 11 for Porto Rico, where she will spend the summer.

Margaret Handy, '11, Anna Blanton, '11, Isabel Kline, '12, Mathilda Omwake, '12, and Marie Ohle, '13, expect to be at Silver Bay this summer.

Marie Connor Hayes, '00, Myra Manifold, '05, Ethel Carr, '05, Helen Brown, '05, Bess McCaine, ex-'05, Mary Sawyers, ex-'07, Caroline Smith, ex-'07, Jean Thoburn, '09, and Sarah Turne, '09, will be back for Commencement and their various class reunions.

Eta

Lorraine Andrews, '12, will spend the summer in New York.

Tallulah Le Conte, '04, and Cecil Harrold, '07, will this summer study physical culture and folk dancing at Columbia Summer School, and Tallulah will then go abroad for the winter to continue her study.

Cheta

Ethel Clark, '13, did not return to college this term.

Eleanor Reynolds, '11, is visiting in Kansas.

Eunice Robinson, '12, expects to spend the summer in Canada.

Tota

Marguerite Reynar, '11, has left college.

Iota was very glad to have Miss Lee, of Alpha, attend one of its chapter meetings.

Helen Savitz, '10, has made arrangements to teach next year in Rahway, N. J.

Rosalind Case, '12, had charge of all the music for the undergraduate show, "Much Ado About Nothing."

Helen Brown, '11, has been elected president of the Y. W. C. A. for the year 1910-11. This year Miss Brown has been vice-president of the Dormitory Self-Government Association.

Alice O'Gorman, '11, has been elected president of the Craigie Club of Barnard, and Mary Mulqueen, '12, is to be vice-president. The Craigie Club is the Catholic organization of the college.

Mabel Barrett and Katherine Fancher, both of '12, will go abroad this summer. Miss Barrett plans to stay until next February, but Miss Fancher intends to return to college in the fall.

Lambda

Pauline Ederer, ex-'10, left on Sunday, April 30, for Chicago, where she is visiting her sister before leaving for Europe.

Florence Lewis, ex-'12, will leave May 5 for Iowa and Minnesota, where she will visit before sailing for Europe in June.

Mrs. Arthur Haggett, Beta, leaves early in May for California, where she will spend some time. Later she will go to Maine.

Miss Paxton, Kappa Kappa Gamma, was entertained at dinner Sunday at Lambda's chapter house. Miss Paxton is secretary of the Students' Y. W. C. A.

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Gladys Farrar, '09, and Mary Gray, '05, visited us at the time of the Senior play.

Caroline Benson has affiliated with Nu, and we are most proud to announce the fact. She also visited us at the time of the play.

Louise Hardiman, of Mu, visited the chapter for a few days on her way east. She is a charming little lady, and we are all hoping she will come this way again.

Chicago

A shower will be given for Vena Brunk by Mrs. Alice Smalley McKinney on May 11.

Jean Williams, Gamma, '08, spent two weeks with Vena Brunk, also of Gamma, and several social affairs were given for her.

Mrs. Alice Smalley McKinney, Gamma, '07, spent a week last month with her sister, Honta Smalley Bredin, Beta, at Madison. While there, she visited the chapter and was delighted with the girls and with the many improvements in the house.

Syracuse

Olive Morehead Beckwith is visiting her mother.

Helen Gowing is spending some weeks in Oberlin, Ohio.

Blanche Knapp recently spent a week in Washington, D. C.

Kate Gardiner Cooke has been visiting friends near Skaneatles.

Florence Trowbridge is visiting her sister, Mrs. Mary Walkins, in Gilbertsville, N. Y.

Mrs. Lewis Robinson, '98, with her husband, soon leaves for Florida to make her future home.

Florence Farnum Osgood is visiting at the home of Dean Brooks.

Florence Palmer Baker (Mrs. Seth D.) has recently moved into her beautiful new home on Walnut Park. Her åddress is 801 Walnut avenue.

Sarah Avery has recently resigned her position in the Syracuse High School to accept that of the head of the English department in the Colonial School for Girls, in Washington, D. C.

new York

Sara Rome, Iota, '09, has been elected associate editor for the coming year.

Mrs. Beakes and Mrs. Smith are both recovering from their long illnesses, and we hope to have them back among us next year.

Louise Ware, Alpha and New York Alumnæ, expect to travel through Europe this summer. She will leave the last of June and return early in September.

Clara H. Whitmore, of Delta and New York Alumnæ, is the author of a book entitled "Woman's Work in English Fiction," which has recently been published by Putnam.

Several of the New York Alumnæ Chapter attended the Syracuse alumni banquet held March 25, at the Savoy. Among them were Mrs. J. Wallace Slawson, Mrs. C. J. Beakes and Mrs. E. J. Palmer.

Denver

Beulah Hood will be in the East this summer.

Edith Wallace is contemplating a trip abroad this summer.

Winifred Willard is spending a few months in New Jersey.

Lindsey Barbee spent the Easter vacation with Mary Moore in Brush, Colo.

Edith Rees Veatch is leaving very soon for New York. She will return in three months.

Grace Sater Rogers is recuperating in Denver. She expects to return to Telluride in a few weeks.

Ruth Wallace, who has been teaching in New York the past two years, will spend her vacation in Denver. We shall be glad to have her with us again.

Margaret Carman, Katharyn Allen, Mary Woy and Eva Daviswill soon be home for vacation, and we will be very glad to have them with us again for the summer meetings.

Minnesota

Florence Wright, ex-'10, visited friends in St. Louis during March.

Florence Millspaugh, ex-'07, of Little Falls, Minn., visited in Minneapolis for a week during April.

Kappa extends sincerest sympathy to Mildred Hunter, '06, and Grace Hunter Jones, ex-'10, who lost their mother late in February.

Marie Moreland, '06, moved to her summer home on White

Bear lake early in May. Ruth Tallant, '09, and Margaret Lees, ex-'10, moved to theirs, on Minnetonka, a couple of weeks later.

Sara Preston, '07, will start west early in June to join Helen Riheldaffer, '09, who has been acting as Y. W. C. A. secretary in Washington State College, Pullman, Wash. They will visit several Western cities and return to Minneapolis about August 1.

Mildred Hunter has given up her position as science teacher in a Los Angeles (Cal.) high school and is keeping house for her father. Grace Hunter Jones has returned to her home in Denver. Colo., after a two months visit with her father and sister in Tracy, Minn.

Two members of Minnesota Alumnæ Chapter of Gamma Phi, Ethel Works, Northwestern, '07, and Lora Gooding, Wellesley, '08, took respectively the leading man's part and a prominent woman's part in a play given by the local chapter of the Association of Collegiate Alumnæ.

Rewey Belle Inglis, '08, sails with her father and mother from Quebec for England July 1, to be gone about five months. She will travel through the British Islands, France, Switzerland, Italy and Germany, and will see the Oberammergau Passion Play on September 8. The return trip will be made by way of the Mediterranean.

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Births

To Linda Savitz Thomson, Iota, '08, a son, in April.

To Edna Elmer Smith, Kappa, '07, a daughter, Elizabeth Lane, April 23.

To Jessie Page Heroy, Alpha, '08, a son, John Newman, on March 17.

To Margaret Higgins Stokes, Mu, ex-'05, in Astoria, Ore., on March 11, a son.

To Olive Gordon Sherwood, Alpha, ex-'11, a daughter, Elizabeth, on March 20.

To Vicci Gazzola Dapples, Epsilon, '02, a daughter, Marie Camilla, on October 11 last.

To Winifred Higgins Park, Mu, ex-'10, in Washington, D. C., on March 4, a son, James William.

To Georgia Campbell Keith, Kappa, '06, of Princeton, Minn., a son, Clarence Campbell, February 17.

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Engagements

The engagement of Marguerite Reynar, Iota, ex-'11, to Mr. Clarence Osmun, of Boonton, N. J., is announced.

The engagement of Winifred Harris, Epsilon, '98, to Mr. Robert Burr Glenn, of Beardstown, Ill., has been announced, the marriage to take place in June.

The engagement of Mae Webster, Alpha, ex-'12, to Mr. William Collins Buell, Jr., of Providence, R. I., has been announced, the marriage to take place in June.

The engagement of Gladys King, Alpha, ex-'10, to Mr. M. Beal Banks, Phi Gamma Delta, of Syracuse, has been announced They will be married during the summer.

Announcement has been made of the engagement of Olive Pierce, Alpha, '10, to Mr. John Kilpatrick, of Jamestown, New York. Mr. Kilpatrick is a Phi Delta of Svracuse.

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Marriages

Idah Bierer, Epsilon, ex-'09, was married to Mr. Clarence Adkins Neal, of Kansas City.

Mary Skoning, Epsilon, ex-'11, was married to Mr. Henry White Brenner, at Chicago.

Grace Wilson, Eta, '05, was married in April to Mr. R. C. Hutchinson, of Santa Barbara.

Adele Goble, Epsilon, ex-'10, was married to Mr. F. A. Collman, Phi Kappa Psi, of Illinois, on April 7.

Ruth Anne Palmer, Epsilon, ex-'10, was married to Mr. Brownie F. Shepherd, Sigma Chi, Northwestern, on April 20, at Savannah, Ill.

Bernice Peck, Alpha, ex-'08, will be married to Mr. Adelbert G. Green, Delta Upsilon, of Syracuse, on May 24 at Grand Rapids. Mr. and Mrs. Green will reside at Erie, Pa.

Mildred Foster Webb, Alpha, and Mr. Le Roy Eldridge Dale will be married June 9 at noon at the home of the bride's parents, 902 James street, Syracuse. Only the family and immediate friends will be present.

The marriage of Christine Reed, Alpha, and Mr. William Wallace Townsend took place in March at the home of one of her sisters in Newark, N. J. The wedding was very quiet, owing to the illness of Mrs. Reed.

The marriage of Vena Clifford Brunk, Gamma, '09, to Mr. Sumner Barnes Rogers, Beta Theta Pi, '08, formerly of Milwaukee, will take place on the evening of June 2. The wedding will be a quiet home affair, and they will be at home after July 1 in Riverside.

A very pretty Easter wedding took place at the Church of the Ascension, New York City, on March 28, when Miss Ellen Katharine O'Gorman, Iota, '08, and Mr. William L. Duffy were united in marriage. They are spending their honeymoon at Hot Springs, Va.

The marriage of Christine Reed, Alpha, ex-'09, to Mr. William Wallace Townsend, Delta Upsilon, of Syracuse, took place on April 12 at the home of Mrs. W. L. Morgan, sister of the bride, at Newark, N. J. Mr. and Mrs. Townsend will be at home after June 1 at 1015 Harrison street, Syracuse.

Pearl Weston, Kappa, ex-'09, was married in Minneapolis on February 26 to Roy W. Hall, Kappa Sigma. About 1000 people witnessed the church wedding, which was followed by a smaller reception at the home. Two of the four bridesmaids were Gamma

Phis-Florence Wright, ex-'10, and Lora Gooding, Wellesley, '08. Since their return from a wedding trip in California, Mr. and Mrs. Hall have been at home at 1924 Aldrich avenue, South, Minneapolis.

Deaths

Mrs. Iram C. Reed died at the home of her daughter, May Reed Murray, Alpha, in Newark, N. J., Thursday, April 27, after an illness of six weeks. The funeral was held in Syracuse, Sunday, May 1, at the family home on Walnut Park. Mrs. Reed will be deeply mourned by a large circle of friends. All Syracuse Gamma Phis will remember her unfailing kindness and hospitality and will feel keenly the loss of her friendship.

The death of Mr. Powell, the well-known and much-beloved attorney of Wilkesbarre, Pa., calls forth our readiest and sincerest

sympathies for his wife and daughters in their bereavement. Nellie Powell is a charter member of Zeta, and Edith (Mrs. F. D. Pringle), and Louise (Mrs. B. Johns) were later members of Zeta Chapter also.

Our Contemporaries in Black and White

FXCHANGES will please note the change in the list of addresses substituting Miss Barbee's for Miss Dimmick's name and address.

Miss Mabel E. Stone, 410 University avenue, Syracuse, N. Y. Miss Laura B. Hutchins, Sheldon, Ill.

Miss Lindsey Barbee, 1575 Lafayette street, Denver, Colo.

We wish to acknowledge the receipt of the following magazines:

For November-

To Dragma of Alpha Omicron Pi.

For February—

Alpha Xi Delta, Key of Kappa Kappa Gamma, Caduceus of Kappa Sigma, Themis of Zeta Tau Alpha, Phi Gamma Delta. Beta Theta Pi, Shield and Diamond, Centaur of Alpha Kappa Kappa, Delta Chi Quarterly.

For March-

Record of Sigma Alpha Epsilon, Rainbow of Delta Tau Delta, Alpha Tau Omega Palm, Delta Upsilon Quarterly, Shield of Phi Kappa Psi, Kappa Alpha Theta, Scroll of Phi Delta Theta, Caduceus of Kappa Sigma, Phi Gamma Delta, The Adelphean.

For April—

Shield of Phi Kappa Psi, Sigma Kappa Triangle, Phi Chi Quarterly, Phi Gamma Delta, Anchora of Delta Gamma.

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In recognition of the long and noble services on the part of Dr. John Franklin Goucher and his wife, Mary Fisher Goucher, the trustees of the Woman's College of Baltimore have changed the name to Goucher College. Dr. Goucher was president for seventeen years and was also the founder of the college.

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We fear that some of our alumni chapters are very deeply asleep, even if they are not entirely dead. It will probably be the duty of the Arch Chapter at an early date to investigate this matter and revoke the charters of those chapters which are practically defunct. * * * There is no reason why we should carry on our roll chapters who are doing absolutely nothing for the fraternity.—Rainbow of Delta Tau Delta.

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Mr. Baird is after facts about rushing, and to obtain them first-hand sent circular letters to each chapter of Beta Theta Pi asking the following questions (information to be used at next interfraternity conference):

When you next send in a letter to the magazine, or sooner if you can do so, please let me know concerning the circumstances of "rushing" at your college, as follows:

I. What evils are connected with or grow out of the system of rushing at your college? Do the chapters often get the wrong man? Are good men habitually left out? Are

men afterwards lifted from one fraternity to another? Is there a good feeling between the different chapters?

- 2. Have you any system at all in the matter, or is it one wild scramble for men at the beginning of each year? If there are any regulations by custom, agreement or faculty decree concerning the matter, what are they and how do they work?
- 3. What do you think as a chapter might be done to improve the situation at your college or anywhere else?

The replies take the place of the regular chapter letters and are full of facts and in many cases excellent suggestions. We are sorry that our space does not permit reprinting some of them, but we hope our chapters who are particularly interested in Pan-Hellenic rules will read some of those given in the April Beta Theta Pi.

After giving a resumé of the work of the Women's National Pan-Hellenic Association, the editor of *Beta Theta Pi* draws the following conclusions for the benefit of the men's newly organized Conference of Fraternities:

On the whole, it does not seem as though the organization had accomplished much. The difficulty seems to lie in the fact that everything proposed has to be referred back to the several fraternities for action. The conference cannot legislate. It can only recommend, and consequently it is a rather

spiritless organization.

We believe that if the men are to succeed better they will have to give legislative power to their delegates and that the conference will have to be governed by less than a unanimous vote. An organization of this kind must have the power to punish. Many local Pan-Hellenic organizations have been formed and have made admirable rushing rules. One of these rules always is and ought to be that pledging shall not take place before a prescribed date. The rule possibly works well for a year or two, and then one fraternity disregards it and unfairly takes advantage of those who keep it. One fraternity has so often been the transgressor in this respect that the inference is strong that its actions are pursuant to a settled policy to treat as negligible promises made

to other fraternities. If the fraternities under such circumstance could invoke the aid of the college authorities and prohibit a chapter breaking a rule of that kind from initiating any man pledged in such an unfair manner, it would accomplish much. And the fraternities themselves could expel such a chapter or expel it from the local Pan-Hellenic organization.

Another difficulty to be met with is the ratio of representation. Shall a fraternity with ten chapters have the same vote as one with seventy? It ought not to. The voting power ought to be based on some multiple of a minimum number of chapters necessary to admission. If five is taken as such a number, each fraternity might have one vote for each five of its chapters.

These are only a few of the matters to be considered. The women have had more experience than the men, and from what they have accomplished we make the deduction that it is going to be difficult to accomplish anything. But let us try with all our might.

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Kappa Alpha Theta is not an organization of college girls alone, but covers a broader field in that it is an organization of college women both active and alumnæ. There are alumnæ chapters as well as active chapters. The officers of the fraternity are all college graduates not actively connected with any college chapter. The very make-up shows that graduation from college does not mean graduation from the fraternity, but merely the passing on from the undergraduate days of Thetahood to the graduate days, whether one be fortunate enough to be located near an alumnæ chapter or not. * * * Theta will make more rapid strides when the alumnæ do their part. When that time comes, the fraternity will not lose strength when girls leave college either as graduates or as underclassmen, and the alumnæ will gain that which she now feels that she is losing. Few have either the time or the money to do a great deal, but if each one would do her part, little though it be, her life would be the richer and the fraternity would be the better. It depends not so much upon the college chapter as upon the alumnæ herself whether she will be a help or hindrance.—Kappa Alpha Theta.

Kappa Alpha Theta is undertaking the raising of a Scholarship Fund of \$15,000, to be used to support both graduate and undergraduate scholarships. The work is being done by the alumnæ chapters, and more than half the amount already raised is due to the work of one alumnæ chapter.

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No chapter office should be given a man merely because his brothers like him and he is a good fellow. The duties of these offices require too much hard work, too much unselfishness and too much devotion to be given as premiums for an engaging personality. Then, too, the internal success of the chapter and its representation to its sister chapters, as well as its reputation with the Arch Chapter, rests almost entirely in the hands of its officers. A negligent secretary can create in the minds of the officers of the fraternity and in the eyes of the fraternity at large the worst kind of reputation for a chapter that is really in good shape. A negligent treasurer can in a few months seriously cripple a chapter and in a very short time bring its life into serious jeopardy. It also follows that where a mistake has been made and the wrong man has been put in office he should be removed as quickly as possible.—Rainbow of Delta Tau Delta.

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It seems impossible to reconcile the two statements contained in the one article clipped from The Adelphean of Alpha Delta Phi:

In five years this society has become a national sorority. It has held three national conventions, with delegates from all points. It has been recognized in the Sorority Handbook. It now numbers six live active chapters in A rank colleges. And to crown the whole, on the nineteenth day of January, 1910, Alpha Delta Phi was notified of its admission into the National Pan-Hellenic Conference, a well deserved recognition and honor. * *

Alpha Delta Phi occupies an unique position in the fraternity world, having the distinction of being first and emanating from the oldest woman's college, an enviable birthright which she will not yield to any other.

In an article found in *The Sigma Kappa Triangle* is found a number of helpful suggestions for alumnæ activities gathered from various sources. We quote a few of them:

From the Syracuse Alumnæ of Delta Gamma comes a sug-

gestion for inspiring a high standard of scholarship:

"At the first meeting it was decided that a silver loving cup should be presented to the active chapter. During the summer this cup was procured and suitably engraved. Each year it is to be inscribed with the name of the Freshman girl who has the highest scholarship."

The Omega Alumnæ of the same sorority offers a plan for

fostering the habit of reading:

"This year they have placed in the lodge the nucleus of a fine library, consulting with an authority on the best editions and making careful selections. The shelves show some 200

volumes on history, essay, poetry and fiction.

Their policy is to be praised in this respect, that instead of using the fund available for a few sets, they have chosen a half dozen volumes from many authors, planning to fill these sets out another time. In so doing each person has been able to have her favorite author on the shelves.

To look into the cosy library, with its comfortable chairs, big library table, soft lights and general air of home, there would remain little doubt of the praise to be given the present

chapter."

How practical is the program planned by Theta Alumnæ of Kappa Alpha Theta and how much real solid value must

be derived from it:

"At the October meeting, the first of the season, we decided to devote the greater part of each meeting to the study of fraternity affairs, always reserving a half hour or so at the end for tea, crackers and sociability. The program committee drew up the following plan: November, fraternity songs and history; December, report on organization submitted to 1909 Convention by Mary W. Lippincott; January, review of convention proceedings; February, petition procedure; March, methods of chapter inspection; April, fraternity examination; May, alumnæ extension methods.

We also appoint at each meeting a committee of three to visit the active chapter at Swarthmore and to report to us the

following month. This 'visit' is not one of censorship, but of a purely social nature; its object is to keep the alumnæ in touch with the active chapter for the sake of both, and to assure the college girls of our readiness to help them whenever possible."

Another suggestion is offered from Iota Alumnæ of this same fraternity:

"With each year our interest in the Scholarship Fund increases, and the united effort put forth in this line is serving to give more definite purpose and usefulness to our existence as an alumnæ chapter. We are glad to know that this interest is no longer confined to Iota Alumnæ, and in this wider interest we have reason to believe the success of the Scholarship fund is assured."

From the Lexington alumnæ of Chi Omega comes a hint of work outside of fraternity boundaries:

"We have all been very busy in Kentucky, this fall, keeping up our regular work. Several of our girls are teaching. Many of our girls are busy with their own homes and their babies. So that frequently our work at the West End School has been a little burdensome, perhaps. Enthusiasm in this Irish town district, however, is continuing and, indeed, increasing, for our library has grown and several new bookcases have been added, besides a portfolio of good pictures. The children seem to be getting acquainted with us now and look forward very eagerly to the Friday morning story hour. Recently we assisted in organizing a Mothers' Club in the district, to meet at the schoolhouse on Wednesday afternoons. The women bring their sewing and enjoy a social hour, while we girls furnish music or some kind of entertainment and serve very light refreshments.

On Christmas eve the actives and alumnæ together had a beautiful Christmas tree for the children in the West End. How we did work, dressing dolls, decorating the tree, filling with candies and nuts the brightly colored little bags! We gave the older children books and the younger ones dolls and toys. But I presume the correspondent from Chi will decorate the beauty water in the interior.

scribe the happy party in detail.

The Civic League at Lexington asked our A. H. to make a report of the West End work before their annual open meet-

ing last month, and the audience of prominent Lexington people seemed very appreciative of our efforts."

Now, sister alumnæ chapters of Sigma Kappa, no one of these may be adaptable to your environments, but surely, if they have given the slightest incentive for true value, this humble article has fulfilled its mission.

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The Key of Kappa Kappa Gamma includes an article by David Kinley, Dean of the Graduate School, University of Illinois, on "Advantages of Sorority Membership." We quote the summing

up:

To sum up, the balance of advantage is very greatly on the side of the sorority. The graduate of a college or university who has spent two or three years of her life in such an association is much better fitted to assume her duties as a member of society after her graduation. She has had wider opportunities for the exchange of views on important matters. She has had the benefit of the experience of many friends intimate enough to talk confidentially with her; she has been kept up steadily to some kind of standards of conduct and study, and she has, as said before, learned in some degree habits of obedience and regularity. A girl subjected to these influences goes out a better balanced woman, with finer and truer instincts, with a better perspective of life, and with a keener sense of the seriousness of life's problems. It is by no means true, of course, that many non-sorority girls do not go out from the universities and colleges with all the advantages just urged for the sorority woman. The point is, however, that the non-member who gets this training gets it less easily and with less help than if she were associated with a group of other girls with common purposes and ideals. sorority girl, therefore, has the advantage. More should reasonably be expected of her, and her failure to be all that her standards call for should merit severer condemnation.

If there is one thing more than another that is lacking in the life of the American people, it is standards in every relation of life—better moral standards, in the ordinary affairs of everyday life, better standards of business, better standards of study, and so on. The sororities have a peculiar advantage in helping on the work of establishing standards among the young people who are their members. We claim to be a very practical people, but no people, and no individual, can live without ideals. The establishment and inculcation of high ideals in all the duties of life is a duty to which the sororities, and, indeed, the fraternities, of the colleges of the country should more seriously set themselves, and for the carrying out of which they have a peculiar advantage. It would be rash to say that the sorority graduate is the best type of college graduate. We may say, however, with entire truth, that she ought to be. In so far as she is not, the sororities are not filling their sphere and realizing their ideals.—

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The Alpha Phi Fraternity announces the establishment of Omicron Chapter at the University of Missouri, Columbia, Mo, Friday, March 4, 1910.

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Delta Delta Delta announces the establishment of Theta Beta Chapter at the University of Colorado, Boulder, Colo., April 18, 1910, and Theta Gamma Chapter at the University of Oklahoma, Norman, Okla., April 25, 1910.

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Following are excerpts from a paper read before the recent meeting of the Minnesota State Teachers' Association by Prof. J. B. Miner of the University of Minnesota:

"Men are more likely than women to fail in college. Fifteen per cent of graduates of private schools are on the laggard list of the University of Minnesota while only 8.1 per cent of the graduates of public schools were unsuccessful. The handicap of wealth is indicated not only by a larger percentage from the wealthiest district in the city, but by the relatively large number from private schools. The best group of students is from the public schools outside the Twin Cities. The men who are in fraternities stand about twice the chance of flunking as do those who are not members of fraternities. On the other hand, the women

who are outside of the sorority stand nearly twice the chance of reaching the flunk list as those who are members of sororities. The four most frequently mentioned environmental causes of failure were: Too much society, 30 cases; fraternity life, $18\frac{1}{2}$ cases; living conditions unfavorable for study, 14 cases; insufficient personal help by university faculty, 14 cases.

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