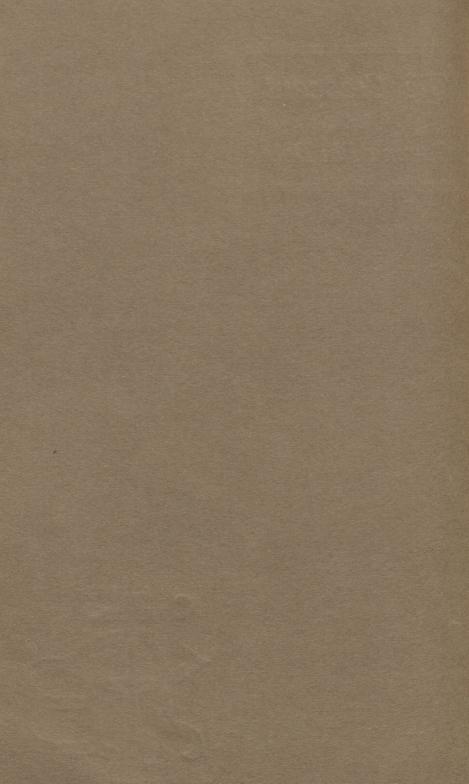
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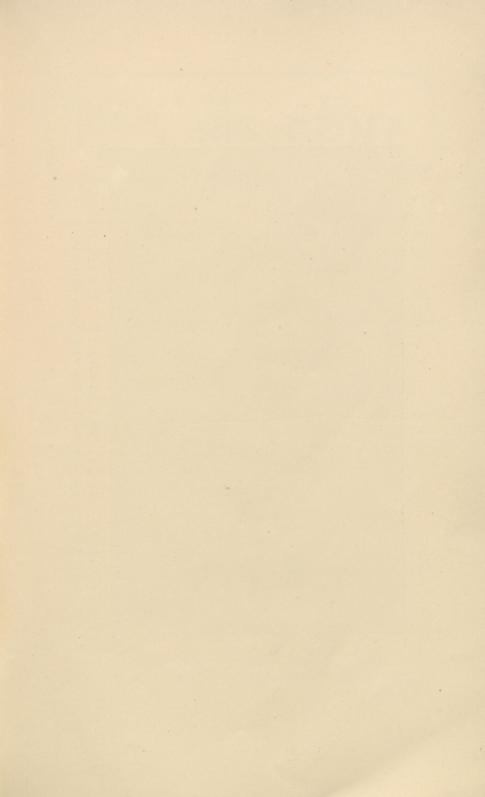
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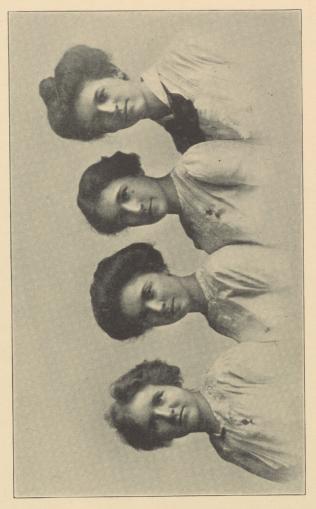
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OLIVE C. BEAVER

Iota Alpha Mu (junior society). Eta Pi Epsilon (senior society).

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Vice-president, Y. W. C. A., 1910-11.

Chairman of membership committee, Y. W. C. A.

Vice-president, senior class, 1911.

Vice-president, English club, 1911.

Secretary of Semitic or Biblical club, 1911.

Member of Woman's League Board, 11911.

Assistant leader of Student Volunteer Band, 1910-11.

Iota Tau (sophomore society), 1909.

Iota Alpha Mu (junior society), 1910.

Eta Pi Upsilon (senior society), 1911.

Delegate to Silver Bay Summer Conference, 1910.

Delegate to Central New York Y. W. C. A. conference at Utica, 1908, at Rochester, 1909.

Delegate to National Student Volunteer Convention at Rochester, 1910.

Delegate to New York Student Volunteer Convention at Schenectady,
1911.

BLANCHE HITCHCOCK Transfer from University of Minnesota.

BETA

CLARA ELY LORA HALL FRIEDA HALLER GLADYS LEWIS

GAMMA

NORA BUELL Domestic Science Course. Red Domino. Wy.

ELIZABETH FARRELL Letters and Science. Mortar Board. Teaching scholarship of English department.

HAZEL HOUSER Letters and Science.

MARION DEMING Letters and Science. Black Bat.

LOUISE PERKINS Letters and Science. Mystic Circle.

EVA WHITE Letters and Science.

MATTIE RINGLING Music School.

GENEVIEVE McCRORY Entered senior year from St. Mary's College.

BELLE FLICK Entered junior year from Milwaukee Downer College.



GAMMA CHAPTER

Top Row, left to right-Belle Flick, Mattie Ringling, Louise Perkins.

Bottom Row, left to right-Elizabeth Farrell, Marion Deming, Genevieve McCrory, Hazel Hauser, Eva White, Nora Buell,



DELTA CHAPTER

DELTA

BELLE DALTON

Freshman-Vice-president of class.

Sophomore-Silver Bay delegate.

Junior-President of class.

Secretary of Gamma Delta (a society for all the girls in college).

Senior-Senior play committee.

Throughout course-Member of historical club. President in senior year.

MARGARETA SPRAGUE HASTINGS

Freshman-President of class.

Junior-Treasurer of class.

Senior-Chairman of Gamma Delta play committee.

Senior Prophet.

AGNES FARWELL HAYWARD

Sophomore-Member of the executive board of Gamma Delta.

Treasurer of class.

Junior-Secretary of Y. W. C. A.

Throughout the course, a member of the Historical club, to which three girls from each class are elected.

MAUD DELEIGH HODGES

Sophomore-Secretary of the Y. W. C. A.

Delegate to Silver Bay.

Junior-Junior Proctor of the girls.

Senior-Senior Proctor of the girls.

ESTHER BRYANT LURVEY

Junior-Editor-in-chief of the college annual.

Senior—Chairman of the religious meetings committee of Y. W. C. A.

Secretary and Treasurer of the Pan-Hellenic Association.

Class Historian.

ZETA

ELIZABETH BARNES

Business Manager of the Goucher Kalends, 1913.

ANNA BLANTON

Member of the Executive Board of the Students Organization, 1909.

Art Editor of "Donny brook Fair," 1910.

President of Fensal Hall and Assistant Stage Manager of Senior Dramatics in 1911.

IRENE BLANK

Member of the Y. W. C. A. cabinet in 1911. Manager of the 1911 basket ball team in 1910.

FAYE MYERS

MARGARET HANDY

Member of Executive Board, 1908. Sophomore Treasurer, 1909. Member of Y. W. C. A. cabinet, 1910. President of Y. W. C. A., 1911.

MINNA TREIDE

President of Southern club, 1911.

As June and commencement draw near the seniors naturally take the center of the stage and this year this will be truly the case, for the seniors are to present Mid-Summer Night's Dream at that time. Heretofore, dramatics have been at Christmas or in February, but 1911 has chosen the first week in June, so that the play may be given out of doors and be enjoyed by the great number of alumnae who return for commencement. Five of Zeta's six seniors are in the caste. Irene Blank is Quince, Margaret Handy, Theseus, Minna Treide, Phidastrate, Elizabeth Barnes, Cobweb and Faye Myers, a Courtier. The other senior Anna Blanton, is assistant stage manager.

Our minds however are not entirely centered in dramatics, but are often occupied with thoughts of "after college, what?" Some of us have definite plans for the next few years. Irene Blank expects to teach science and later study medicine; Anna Blanton will study art; Faye Myers will take up social work; Elizabeth Barnes expects to teach in York, Pa.; and Minna Treide will be at home in Baltimore; Margaret Handy will spend a year at home and then study medicine at Johns-Hopkins University.

THETA

EDA BURKHALTER

Vice-president of class '09-'10. Associate Editor of "Kynewisbok," 1911. Assistant Manager of Gamma Phi Beta play, 1910. Manager of Gamma Phi Beta play, 1911.

BLANCHE CHAMPLIN

EDITH HOOP

Secretary of class '07-'08. Y. W. C. A. Cabinet, '08-'09.



ZETA CHAPTER

Top Row, left to right—Wilhemina Triede, Faye Myers, Irene Blank. Bottom Row—Margaret Handy, Anna Blanton, Elizabeth Barnes.



E. MARIE DERGE, ETA

Delegate to Y. W. C. A. Convention at Fort Collins, '08-'09. May Queen, '09. Joke Editor of "Kynewisbok," 1911. Junior Play.

GENEVIEVE KNIGHT

Y. W. C. A. Cabinet, '07-'08. Art Editor of "Kynewisbok," 1911. "Clarion" Staff, '10-'11.

ELIZABETH STEPHENSON

Secretary of class '07-'08.
Freshman Class Play.
Sophomore Class Play.
Senior Class Play.
Gamma Phi Beta Play—Freshman, Sophomore and Senior year.
Y. W. C. A. Cabinet, '07-'08.
Y. W. C. A. Treasurer, '08-'09.
Social Committee Y. W. C. A., '09-'10.
Vice-president Y. W. C. A., '10-'11.

IOTA

MARGARET HART

Temporary Chairman of Class.
Vice-president of Class.
Recording Secretary of Y. W. C. A.
Editor of Mortarboard.
Editor of Bear.
Class Day Committee.
Ivy Oration.
Member of Y. W. C. A.
Member of English Club.
Member of Philosophy Club.

General Honors: Harsheim Prize for English Composition; Student Assistant in Experimental Psychology.

HELEN BROWN

President of Y. W. C. A.
Chairman of Chapel Committee.
Class Secretary in Freshman year.
Class Day Committee.
Member of Classical Club.
Vice-president of Brooks Hall Organization.

GRACE GILLEANDEAU

Tennis Champion.
Manager of Tennis Tournament.
Member of Craigie Club.
Committee for Class Jewelry.
Member of French Society.

RUTH HAKES

Member of Y. W. C. A.
On Blue Book Committee.
In Junior Show.
Corresponding Secretary in Junior year.
Luncheon Committee Sophomore year.
Secretary D. A. D.
Senior Dance Committee.

LAURA BENNETT

In Freshman Show.

Member of Y. W. C. A.

In Sophomore year.

Corresponding Secretary of Y. W. C. A.

Member of Classical Club.

On Mysteries Committee.

Vice-president of Brooks Hall Intercollegiate Committee.

In "If I were King."

In "Midyear Finale."

RUTH CARROLL

Member of Y. W. C. A.
Member of Athletic Association.
In "If I were King."
On Blue Book Committee.
Junior Luncheon Committee.
Chapel Committee.
Class Hockey team.

HELEN WILKES

Member of Y. W. C. A.
Member of Athletic Association.
In Freshman Show.
Won third place for two years in baseball throw contest.
Greek Chorus.
On Junior Luncheon Committee.
Senior Banquet Committee.



THETA CHAPTER



IOTA CHAPTER

MARION PRATT

Treasurer French Society 1909- 1910.

On Sophomore Class Luncheon Committee.

Chairman of Entertainment Committee of French Society 1910-1911.

AURILL BISHOP

Freshman year-Member of Y. W. C. A.

Member of Athletic Association.

On Missionary Committee.

Class Basketball Team.

Field Day-on relay team.

Freshman Show.

Elected to the Bulletin.

Sophomore year-Y. W. C. A. Recording Secretary.

Member of Athletic Association.

Bulletin.

Class Basketball Team.

Class member of Field Day Committee.

Super in Sophomore Play.

Baseball Team.

Classical Club.

Junior year-Y. W. C. A.

Intercollegiate Committee.

Class Hockey Team.

Class Basketball Team.

Baseball Team.

Bulletin.

Classical Club.

Super in"If I were King."

Super in "Much Ado about Nothing."

Senior year-Class Hockey Team.

Class Basketball Team.

'Varsity Basketball Squad.

Winner of the B.

Senior Tea Committee Member.

President of the Classical Club.

Y. W. C. A. Extension Committee Chairman.

On Ivy Day Committee.

ALICE O'GORMAN

Entertainment Committee of Société Française.

French Play, 1908.

Sophomore Dance Committee.

Chairman of Entertainment Committee of Craigie Club, 1910. Vice-president of Société Française. French Play, 1910. Junior Ball Committee. President of Craigie Club, 1911. Senior Play Committee.

KAPPA

From the Anabasis of the Seniors

And in the last year of the college life of our four seniors, an account was rendered of the things which they had done in the following way:



KAPPA CHAPTER

From left to right-Mary Haupt, Ruth Fagundus, Julia Bell, Anne Hull.

In the freshman year it is recorded that Ruth Fagundus was elected vice-president of her class and that Anne Hull became a member of the Daily staff. Also in truth, they joined Theta Epsilon, a literary society. From thence they advanced into the Sophomore Class, after nine months of hard work.

And accordingly, in the sophomore year, it is reported that these, together with Mary Haupt and Julia Bell, worked diligently in all things and from thence they advanced into the Junior Class, the country of gaiety and honor.

Now in this year Mary Haupt was elected treasurer and secretary of



LAMBDA CHAPTER
From left to right—Elizabeth Clark, Salle Hill, Emma Dalquist, Sylvia Wold.



MU CHAPTER

Tom O'Shanter which, I say to you, is an organization of all girls of the junior class, and indeed, in this year did Ruth Fagundus contract a habit which bids fair to last until the end of all things. She crocheted from dawn 'till dawn, even as the Parisian women during the French Revolution. And to Anne Hull came honors many: vice-president of the Woman's League, Album Editor of the Gopher Board, and there was membership in Brush and Pencil, and in Quill which latter is composed of editors, being women, of the publications of the college. From thence they marched into the land of the Seniors, after three short months of rest.

Thereupon did these become our reverend seniors. And now indeed the record states that Mary Haupt was appointed a member of the Cap and Gown committee, Ruth Fagundus, a member of the social committee, Julia Bell, a member of the program committee, and Anne Hull, a member of the critic committee of the class play. Also, to Julia Bell and to Anne Hull came election to Sigma Tau which is an organization of thirty girls of the senior class. And now, therefore, accordingly in truth, Anne Hull was elected president of Theta Epsilon, president of the Student Council, and president of Student Government Association. From thence they have not yet marched. Even so the record reads.

And now the rest of the acts of the seniors and all that they did, of their helpfulness, and of their mirth, and of their kindness, and of their charm, are they not written in the hearts of the members of Kappa Chapter?

LAMBDA

ELIZABETH CLARK
Member Senior Day Committee.

EMMA DALQUIST
President Home Economics Club.
'Varsity Booth Committee.
County Fair Committee.

Sallie Hill Y. M. C. A. Cabinet. Treasurer Women's League.

Sylvia Wold, '11
Board of Control.
Associate Editor "Daily."
Sophomore Glee Committee.
"Much Ado About Nothing" Cast.
Amateur Night Committee.
Tyee Staff.

Junior Day Committee.

'Varsity Ball Committee.

Secretary Associated Students.

Vice-president, Y. W. C. A.

Junior Play Cast.

"Minna von Barnhelm Cast.

Chairman, Women's League Vaudeville.

Vice-president, Deutscher Verein.

Tolo Club (Women's Senior Honor Society).

Girls' Crew.

MU

JENNIE ALICE HEARTL

Member Sophomore Cotillion Cimmittee.

Member 1911 Junior Opera Committee.

Cast of "Hop o' my Thumb."

Cast of 1910 Senior Play.

Member 1911 Senior Play Committee.

HAZEL JEANNETTE GILBERT

Member Shubert Club. (Secretary one year).

Member Chorus of three operas.

A principal part in the opera "The Uvernian Princess."

MILDRED MARY HAYES

Member of the Daily Palo Alto Staff.

Associate Editor of the Daily Palo Alto in third and fourth years.

President "Cap and Gown." (Women's Honor Society).

Member of 1911 Quad Board.

Member of the executive board of Women's League.

Senior Ball Committee.

Senior Undergraduate Day Committee.

NU

EDITH WOODCOCK
HELEN BEACH
SOPHIE CATLIN
BEULAH BRIDGE
PEARL WILBUR
GERTRUDE HOLMES



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XI CHAPTER

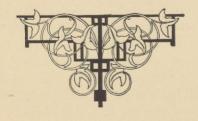
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ELIZABETH AMERICA DUNN
Secretary Senior Class
Y. M. C. A. Cabinet.
Literary Editor of 1911 Gem of Mountains.
Junior Prom Committee.

Frances Veronica Foley
Secretary A. S. U. I., for 1909-1910 and 1910-1911.
Junior Prom Committee.
Class Secretary in 1910.

SADIE ALICE STOCKTON B. M. in 1908. Senior Play.

Gretchen Kathryn Zumhof, B. A.
Senior Play.
Junior Prom Committee
Society Editor of 1911 Gem of the Mountains.



A WELCOME TO BOSTON

Delta hopes that many are planning to come to Boston next November. It is with heartiest pleasure that we look forward to the coming convention, for although we cannot promise you a campus and a home of our own, we feel sure that Boston itself has much of pleasure and profit to offer you.

Boston University is located near Copley Square one of the most beautiful squares in the world. We are near neighbors to the Boston Public Library, to Trinity church and it is but a short walk to the Commons and the Public Gardens. In addition to the regular convention plans, we shall take you to some of those historic landmarks which are dear to all Americans; we shall go with you through the streets which still hold the memory of that golden age when Boston was the home of a remarkable group of literary men and women.

You will, of course, desire to visit Cambridge the seat of Harvard University and the home of Longfellow and Lowell. You will surely want to go to Concord which, in essence, is little changed since the days of Emerson, Hawthorne, Fuller, Thoreau and the Alcotts; you will pay tribute at that literary shrine which is probably the most famous in America. You will crave a glimpse of the old Manse and the Orchard House, and will be eager to follow the road along which the British marched until they came to the bridge where the Minute Men made the Red Coats turn.

Perhaps we have said enough to make you eager to come to Boston, but we must make one last and strong appeal—we promise you one of those suppers for which New England is famous—baked beans, brown bread and all kinds of pie! So come to Boston in November! There is a hearty welcome for all and we hope to have the delight of seeing and knowing many of our sisters in Gamma Phi.

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By Helen Thoburn (Mu)

"In the heart of New York City, 'mid its noisy, crowded ways," stands a school which has its like nowhere in the country, or in the world, a school of which most Gamma Phis never heard but which has always had one or more Gamma Phi representatives and where there have already, in the two years of its existence, been many Gamma Phi reunions. Josephine Stone, Zeta, could tell you all about its first year if you looked her up in the Los Angeles Young Women's Christian Association; Mary Beiler, Delta, and Helen Salisbury, Mu, will have much to say of the 1910 class as they travel far and wide; and for the first two years at least there was a Gamma Phi on the staff.

Next time you're in New York, hunt up quaint old Gramercy Park, tucked in between 20th and 21st Streets, in the shadow of the Metropolitan Tower, and if you dared give the frat whistle in front of the dignified step of number three, I think there's almost always someone, provided it's school time, to come back at you with "Yes, my dear, I am here." Whoever this is will take you to a room that flaunts the familiar brown and mode pennant, but will assure you that it's not a New York chapter house, but—and here she will take a long breath—"the National Training School of the National Board of the Young Women's Christian Associations." Then of course you're no wiser than you were before, so I shall have to explain it all, and it may be technical but please read it anyway, especially if you're a senior and wondering what's going to happen to you after June, 1911.

Doctors, lawyers, and I suppose even Indian chiefs, are all taking from an extra year to four years of study after college to prepare for their work. Why not Young Women's Christian Association secretaries? The day when people stumbled into this and similar work because they weren't equipped for teaching and "just loved girls" is over. So very much worth while has the association secretaryship become, so seriously does it demand expert training and

knowledge, that the national board, at its headquarters in New York, conceived the plan of a training system which shall recruit the star girls from our colleges and after a three months' preliminary course in a training center, and more or less time spent for its application in a local association, turn them toward the year's course in a national training school equipped and financed by the national organization. From the four corners of the country they have come,



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even from Great Britain, Bulgaria, Mexico and India, about fifteen girls each of the first two years and thirty this third year, to find among other things that the college graduate doesn't necessarily know anything at all, and that the dearest kind of fun and fellowship doesn't necessarily stop with one's Commencement Day. Like the pillar of the country town who said, "All that there is I am, what I am not, ain't," there is quite literally, nothing which the association secretary may not study to advantage! Though they

don't smatter, at the N. T. S., Helen Salisbury gives an idea of what they do learn in one of her class songs,

"We have learned of 'current movements' and of everything that's new,

We have learned to tell a story, we have learned the 'point of view.'"

It's downright exciting to be in the office and watch the schedule in the process of making, watch letters go out to the picked and chosen of the country, so many of whom are accessible in New York itself, and the replies come with a hearty assent, so interested are the thinkers and doers of the day in this newest development of social work. The kind of speakers for whom they excuse all classes and hold university assemblies once in three or four weeks, at college. figures daily on the program of this little school; and in Bible work, economics (much of which, incidentally, is done by affiliation at Columbia), public speaking, association method, hygiene, and especially that all-star course in current movements, this handful of girls is met by the specialists of the country.

"Visitation day," which comes about once in two weeks, may mean a trip to the Franco-American Factory in New Jersey, where the girls are met and conducted by a social secretary, are given a luncheon composed entirely of the products of the company, from consommé to plum-pudding, and are shown a plant which is model in equipment and wholesome working conditions. It may mean a few hours spent in the Colgate factory, where the management has given up an entire floor high up above the Hudson, for the caféteria, rest and recreation rooms of the hundreds of girls it employs, under the direction of a full-time secretary from the neighboring Young Women's Christian Association. It may mean a day at the State Reformatory at Bedford, up the river, a day of never-forgotten contact with girlhood rescued at its most pitiful depths and put into sane and educative channels for a year or more, until the wrecks of lives return to their normal possibilities. These are vivid experiences, that come back with illuminating force when one is out on the field working at definite problems. They help to make pos-



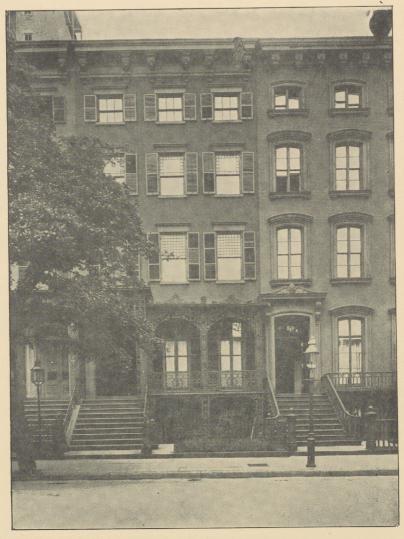


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sible the co-operation every secretary hopes to establish with the other welfare agencies of the town in which she takes up her work.

Then there are the distracting and never-ending possibilities opened up by just being in New York, aside from the course in itself. The symphony concert series, opera at a dollar in the seats "up where the really interesting people are," the plays that are worth while,—anyone who has ever been in New York knows how bewildering it is to get it all in. And there are the odd and unexpected things to do—the brass-shops down on the east side, the little teashops around 34th Street, the gray quiet of the great Catholic cathedral to slip into, just off the hum of Fifth Avenue's "passing show," a Staten Island ferry-ride by moonlight, when the wharves are covered with snow.

The serene way in which last year's class appropriated New York's facilities at commencement time, in lieu of the ordinary campus local color, was amusing. "Field day" meant a riotous trip to Coney Island, en masse; the next day being Baccalaureate Sunday, the class went in a body to a church of which they were particularly fond, where a block of seats was especially reserved for them. And on class night, just before the loving cup service (which in itself was so beautiful that I wish it might be used in Gamma Phi chapters) the inhabitants of the park threw up their windows and the passers in the street crowded against the iron bars of the park fence, to watch a circle of white-gowned girls form near the fountain deep in the recesses of the park, and to the singing of a chant written to the wonderful music of "Hail, Stanford, Hail," pass in grave procession toward the gate and the house, each bearing a lighted candle. To these outsiders it was doubtless an impressive puzzle; to those inside the gates it was a ceremony never to be forgotten, and in the coming years the "Alma Mater, we thy children, bear thy light afar," will stand to those girls for a year of close and beautiful comradeship, a year of unexcelled opportunity for development of the more abundant life, and above all, a year which imposed on each one of them a responsibility to bear "the light of the world" to all girlhood.



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A LETTER FROM FLORENCE

Villa Matenotti, 1 Piazza Bellosguardo Firenze, Italia. Dear Sisters in Gamma Phi Beta.

A letter with the request for something from "la bella città" in the way of an article or a letter concerning musical study abroad lies before me; I shall confine myself to "local conditions," though in some respects conditions are the same everywhere. As I know better whereof I speak concerning Italy and Florence in particular. I do not presume to have either a full knowledge of this interesting—for me all absorbing-subject nor do I claim the literary gift; but I shall try to comply with the request—and thanks be, it gives me some latitude!

As the June issue is to be "Senior Number" and will speak of vocations that the "sweet girl graduate" may pursue, it may not be out of place to say right now that brains are at a premium in this as in every profession, and I am more than ever convinced of the value of a good education, the broader, the better—a college education—to start with! In this age of specialties the better the mind (the trained mind) brought to bear on a subject, the faster and more intelligent will be the progress—and the more finished the product. Too many instances are there of good voices merely—without a grain of sense or a suspicion of education—and the chances are very slim for success!

Florence of course has been noted more for being an art center than a musical one—but witness the renowned Lombardi (maestro of Caruso and noted opera coach) and Vannini (my beloved maestro) noted for being a builder and repairer of voices in the vocal world and Buonanuci (maestro di pianoforte)—all names that command respect. Of course the cheapness of living in Florence is proverbial—but alas! It is a thing of the past; the extravagant American tourist (I grieve to state it) and the conditions of living have made Florence anything but cheap. However, in comparison with other foreign cities (our own goes without saying) living is

moderate. There are any number of nice Italian pensions for five or six francs a day (\$1.00 or \$1.20 in our money) and I would advise any student to go to one of these. Learning the Italian language is no mere pastime I can testify and the more one's ear becomes accustomed to the sound of any foreign tongue the easier it is to master it.

The climate of Florence is, I regret to say—"brutto." However no one ever seems to pay any more attention to it than the Scotch do to their "Scotch mists" and are as "allegro" as when the sun shines! One may think that I have digressed, but to most vocal students, climate is an important thing.

The opportunities for hearing good concerts and operas are many, though of course they do not compare with those in Paris and Berlin; however, the life is more simple—unless one wishes to become involved in the "social world" which entertains in the easiest way with the everlasting "afternoon tea"—at which one is quite apt to hear good, bad and indifferent music.

As in all musical centers, there are hundreds of students and scores of teachers-and one must have some idea of what she wishes before she comes here, (though it is surprising how few do!) in order not to waste time and money. To the student, the opportunity to hear a fair rendering (rending, sometimes!) of an opera one is studying, for 20 cents or 40 cents is not to be "sneezed at," of course, one can pay more—but I am free to confess that the 2 lire (40 cents) seats are my choice right over the royal box-where one can hear and see perfectly. One gets "local color"—and local odors too in the top gallery at 1 lire or 20 cents. Still, it too is an "experience." The Italian audience is merciless in criticism or ridicule and equally unsparing in its applause. May I be pardoned the "personal note" when I say it is exhilarating to win the plaudits of a typical Italian audience, as I did a few days ago in concertand after a Mozart aria-which shows the musical taste of the average Italian. I fear the same aria before a similar audience in America would have elicited a vawn! But we must not condemn our own people because they have not had the same musical opportunities; where, besides Italy and Germany will you hear hucksters and delivery boys singing the arias and choruses of grand opera? But they take their music as they do their red wine and black bread—as a necessity.

I have said nothing about the competition in this as in every other profession—but I am an optimist and realize that worth will always be recognized sooner or later. "Patienza" is a good word for impatient Americans. Of course it takes some money or influence to get a start—but it is no harder than in any other profession; I have not found "professional jealously" to be true. Nowhere do you find a people more ready to admit trueworth—nor more really kindly nor more generously disposed. Some teachers may take the student's money and raise false hopes but not the best ones; some of the great ones have been known to give lessons to a promising pupil and to keep discreetly silent about it.

As in America (the United States rather— one meets so many South Americans that she must be exact) one may give a concert any time, any place—provided she pays for her salon, but it depends upon her prestige musically and socially, whether it will be a success or not; but for opera, unless one has an unusually fine voice, fine presence and ability as an actress, one must pay for her début. That price varies of course. Again if one has money or influence, it is not a hard matter—though it does not spare one the honest verdict of the top gallery!

One cannot say how long it will take to prepare for concert or opera, or to master a "method" in order to return to the United States and cajole the dollars out of the honest well-guarded pockets, for it depends so much upon the individual; the "personal equation" as in everything else has so much to do with it—natural ability, and again the capacity for hard work and right preparation for it. If one knows how to study anything it is a blessing not easily overestimated. I do not think that age has much to do with the question—for though one hears of the "success" at a tender age, rarely is it true—and the singer is not developed mentally, musically or physically until well over thirty—and rarely dramatically then!

Florence, of course, is a fascinating city from my standpoint—and very stimulating as one meets artists, authors and musicians of world fame and sees them often in their "off hours" or on their holidays—thus gaining impressions not to be had in any other way. It is encouraging too; for one sees, "other things being equal," that there is always a chance for success, if one has patience and perseverance—with same natural endownment of course.

I do not know that I have said anything that has not been said many times before—but it is interesting to know that one is speaking to the "glorious company" of dear earnest Gamma Phi's— and that it will be read with charity. Now with cordial greetings to all my sisters.

ETHEL VIRGIN O'NEIL, Gamma.

THE LIBRARY PROFESSION

By Katharine Dame, Delta, '94.

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If an examination be made of the careers of the men and women who are now holding positions of distinction in the library world, it will be noticed that many of them have turned to librarianship from other and very diverse professions. They have been clergymen, teachers, engineers, lawyers, journalists, printers, physicians, bankers and business men. This fact suggests two interesting suggestions; first, librarianship must offer some special attraction, aside from a financial one, to induce persons to abandon in its favor professions that have the reputation of being more lucrative; second, the success of these persons in their present positions would apparently indicate that the library can utilize qualities that have been developed through practice at the bar, through the management of a newspaper office, through the instruction of youth, through, in fact, the dozens of pursuits of men and women prior to their entrance upon the career of the librarian.

It is the purpose of this paper to present some of the less obvious species of library work that call for other qualities than the mere bookishness that has traditionally been regarded as the open sesame to the library profession but is so regarded no more. The field is, indeed, wide. The varieties of work within it are many. Year by year persons of initiative are discovering new avenues by which the book may reach the reader, new methods by which an interest in the printed page may be stimulated. As our libraries grow to more colossal proportions, there comes an increasing division of labor, a demand for more specialized equipment on the part of the workman.

To begin with the administrative side, the conducting of a great library has features in common with the management of any large business house. It calls for many of the same qualities,—knowledge of how to direct subordinates, how to deal with outside business

concerns, how to expend money wisely, how to inaugurate general policies, how to meet sudden emergencies. With the detailed treatment of the books themselves such an official has little to do. Because of the preponderance of executive qualities demanded by such a position, it sometimes happens that the librarianship of a large institution is given, not to a man who has risen from the ranks, but to one who has been successful in business or in other kinds of administrative work and thus enters the library field at the top.

But not to men alone is the executive side of library practice entrusted. Many women have been placed at the head of every good sized libraries or in charge of branches, not so much because of their knowledge of books as because of their administrative ability. They find there scope for their talent for management, for initiating, for making advantageous experiments. A head librarian may be far outstripped in learning and technical skill by subordinate members of the staff, whereas the latter may be wholly lacking in the business sagacity necessary for running the institution as a whole. To choose one's staff with discretion is, it is needless to say, an important duty of the librarian in charge.

A widely different side of the library field is that occupied by the library commissions that have been established by many of our states. Their work is in line with the sociological enterprises that are so familiar to us of the twentieth century. The executive agent, usually a woman, sent out by the commission, must be a person of the readiest adaptability. She must be prepared to meet the stolidity of the conservative farmer, the ignorance of fishermen, the uncouthness of miners, the petty jealousies of small villages. She must be inured to sleeping on hard beds, to eating ill-cooked food, to traveling in uncomfortable conveyances. On the other hand, she has the opportunity of meeting primitive human nature face to face, of doing the work of a pioneer in uplifting an unlettered community, of satisfying a love for adventure and for sociological observation. More specifically, her work is to introduce popular libraries among country livers such as Charles Egbert Craddock or Bret Harte or Stewart Edward White has depicted in fiction. Usually, this is done through the traveling library, sent out from the state capital, or the community may be stimulated to start a little library of its own, requiring the aid of the agent in directing the purchasing, cataloguing and charging of the books. The fascination of this work is perhaps second to none in the library profession to one whose tastes lie in the direction of carrying "sweetness and light" to those most lacking in educational opportunity.

Another phase of library work is that connected with the children of our large cities, the most assiduous borrowers from many of the branch libraries. An illustration of the capacity of the library to utilize apparently irrelevant talents is shown in the case of a young woman who had been on the stage and left it to enter a library school. This she did contrary to the advice of those who knew her well and thought that her lack of patience with detail and her artistic temperament unfitted her for a library career. It so fell out, however, that, after completing the course in the school, she was appointed professional story teller to children in connection with the branches of a large city library. To this work she gives her entire time and she tells stories delightfully. The dramatic instincts that drew her to the stage find expression in her story telling and have won for her a dignified place in the library profession. Such positions as hers are rare ones, indeed, but the story hour is an institution growing in favor and the ability to conduct one serves as a useful addition to other qualifications of children's librarians.

The high school library is a somewhat new factor in the educational agencies of the country. Not so very many years ago the average high school either had no books of its own or it turned over such collections as it had to some one of the teachers, to be looked after by her as a side issue. Usually this teacher had no technical knowledge of book buying, cataloguing or reference work and her duties as librarian were very crudely fulfilled. Of late, however, trained librarians, giving their whole time to the work, are put in charge of high school libraries or the teachers who conduct them are seeking at least a minimum of professional training

to render them adequate to their task. This will, incidentally, ease the labors of reference librarians in college libraries, for the student, formerly entering college in the densest ignorance of the use of the card catalogue and of reference books, is to be instructed in those matters in the preparatory school, as soon as the latter is properly equipped with a library and a trained librarian. It is likely that an increasing demand for people to fill these positions will arise as school officials come to realize the importance of providing the public schools with the materials for reference work.

If the average public library demands a broad rather than a specialized intellectual training on the part of its staff, not so the special libraries, which have become so much a feature of the times as already to have a periodical devoted entirely to their interests. To conduct such a library an expert is required, one who knows his own subject thoroughly as well as the principles of library science. The library of an engineering society, one devoted to chemistry, one of medical books, a law library, all of them present difficulties with which the librarian of a general education only can scarcely cope. It has been found preferable often to put such libraries under the charge of an engineer, a chemist, a physician, a lawyer, without library experience, rather than to employ a professional librarian without expert knowledge. The large public libraries are now providing separate reference collections in certain technical subjects, thus creating a demand for specialist librarians. Herein lies an opening for persons mentioned earlier in this paper, who wish to change from a professional career of another character to that of the librarian.

The recent burning of the New York State Library has revealed the utility of one kind of library expert that some of us, at least, did not know existed, namely, one skilled in the rescuing and restoration of injured manuscripts. To take these precious documents, charred and water soaked, threatened with mildew and mold as they were, and give them a new lease of life may appear comparatively simple. The majority of librarians, however, are, happily, inexperienced in such an undertaking. The employment of an ex-

pert in a contingency like that of the burning of the New York State manuscripts may prevent much blundering on the part of those unskilled in this very unusual form of library work.

Thus there is abundance of opportunity in the library world for the excersise of very varied talents and for satisfying very diverse tastes. The scholar, the man or woman with missionary instincts, the lover of children, the born manager of enterprises, the nice penman, the technical expert, the dramatic reader, all these may find a common ground in the modern library, working each in his or her own niche towards the same end, that of disseminating knowledge and of guiding mankind into the possession of the truth, through which alone the freedom of humanity can come to pass.

WOMEN IN APPLIED ARTS

By SARA ROME, Iota, '09

I have been asked to tell what little I have gleaned in the year and a half that I have been studying, concerning work in design for women; and I am ready to acknowledge that it is very little, for my opportunities to meet the women who have succeeded are few and far between. The preparation so far has been an elementary course in drawing and water color, leading up to special work in architectural design and interior decorating. A similar training in drawing and painting may be followed by work in wall paper or fabric design, book cover work, or in general design, including rugs, lace, jewelry, stained glass, et cetera.

After finishing any course of training, one faces the problem of getting employment, and on this point I cannot speak from experience, nor does it seem as if I should be able to do so for a long, long time; for a successful architect recently told me that he studied twelve years before he became a paying proposition. But from hearsay I gather that "pull" is a girl's largest asset in getting placed. Free lance work pays well only when your designs are exceptional and your self-confidence unquenchable; green young women are apt not to receive a warm welcome from the people who buy. But if you survive your first few years of trial and do good work, your profits increase with your ability to be useful.

Some successful women dispose of all their work to regular customers, so to speak; they are known in their line and can sell most of their output. Sometimes, several take a studio together, each doing a special thing, so that all demands may be met and no opportunity turned away. Again, there is continued employment to design for a particular purpose; this last is of course excellent training for independent work later, the best obtainable really. The goal of one's ambition is naturally to be one's own boss at one's own sort of work, but if people won't redecorate their domiciles just now and won't build them bungalows, we can make a book plate or do silly stocking designs to provide our last penny with a companion,

A LETTER FROM KOREA

HAIJU, KOREA, JANUARY, 1911.

DEAR GIRLS OF BOSTON CHAPTER.

I want to write to a number of friends about my trip here to Korea, so I hope you won't mind this way of doing it.

On November 2, five of us select missionaries left Boston and picked up three more before leaving Chicago. Of course we had a great trip across Michigan, Nebraska, Wyoming, Utah Nevada and California. All that western breadth of lands, wonderful mountain scenery, and the southern foliage of California were very interesting to me. On November 8, we sailed through the Golden Gate toward the East. The "Korea" had a fine company aboardabout forty Christian workers, with three Episcopal bishops; Roots and Graves of China, who conducted our religious services; many Philippine military men and tourists. After the first few days of non-interest, we joined in the deck sports, and had a fine time. November 14 we spent six hours touring, in an auto that veritable dreamland, Honolulu. Ten days more on sea and then we landed in Yokohama. My! how picturesque the square rigged fishing sampans looked in the morning sun, also the green mountains, tilled half way up, the minute poddy fields, and the harbor crowded with ships of all descriptions.

As mother had given me a Christmas gift of good size I decided to spend two weeks in Japan. So I visited over Sunday in our girls' school in Tokio; I became fascinated with the courteous, happy school-girls, and was glad of the opportunity to speak twice to the older ones. In Tokio I did not visit many sights but was immensely interested in the Buddhist temple, a very dilapidated and dingy building, with grounds full of small shrines to different deities. It was especially interesting to see its popularity with the people, for many of all ages were worshipping.

From Tokio I went to Nikko, one of the places in Japan famous both for the beautiful natural scenery and the gorgeous temples. The country was exceedingly pretty, with numerous shinto shrines in clumps of trees, mountains and valleys with rich brown autumn foliage in contrast to the pine and cypress. From there I went to the magnificent mausolea of Teysee and Tyematsu, ancient shogunate. They are situated in groves of great cryptomeria trees, in high wall enclosures, which contain many small shrines and warehouses. The main buildings are decorated with most beautiful wood carvings of animals, and the interior wall screens and coffered ceilings are very fine.

From Nikko I had a great ride of five miles by rikshaw through great cryptomeria trees; then back to Yokohama where I saw an interesting mothers' meeting in one of our schools. Saturday, having done some shopping in the fascinating shops of Yokohama, I went on to Nagoya, passing around the base of the sacred FuSiyama. Snow-peaked, and with clouds across it, it indeed appeared grand enough for great adoration. I was entertained at our girls' school here by Miss Lee, our chaperon. Nagoya is one of the most pro-Japanese and Buddhistic towns in the realm, and the missionaries' efforts are greatly hampered by the periodic priestly protests. The churches I visited Sunday have all fallen because of the recent protest.—So Japan is still in need of greater missionary forces, for the native church is only in its infantile period.

Tuesday we went to Nara, passing through most beautiful mountainous country, terraced part way up into rice poddies. In this place we saw the prettiest park full of herds of sacred deer which were most tame. A unique feature of the temples here is the bamboo slip on which the worshipper's name is printed and which is then deposited in a box.

Tuesday afternoon we went to Kyoto, the ancient capital and put up at a Japanese inn for my benefit. Our room of 12 ft. by 12 ft. was furnished with a charcoal burner, three cushions, and a clothes rack. We had our meals which consisted of varieties of fish courses brought in on minute tables. The temples here are most elaborate in style and proportions, and the revival of Buddhism is shown by the extensive repairing and building of new temples, which is being done not only here, but in other places. We saw priests in two

temples performing a ceremony, monotonously chanting to the accompaniment of twanging instruments.

Thursday afternoon I went to Kobe and from there took a sleeper to Shinmoseke, reaching my destination on Saturday. The cars are much smaller than ours and the seats run lengthwise, divided every six feet by elbow rests. The Japanese all carry heavy blankets or rugs, spread them out, slip out of their shoes, rise up full height on their seats, and squat in whatever direction they want to face.

Saturday night I took the boat across the straits to Fusan. I spent Sunday at the Presbyterian mission and was much interested in their day school and church service. Monday I came up to Seviel where I was cordially greeted and taken to "Ewa Haktang," the girls' school of highest rank in Korea. I soon found out I had been appointed to Haiju to do the evangalistic work with Miss Suavely of Philadelphia. She came for me on Thursday and we went to Chemulpo for several days at the home there. Then we came up here by steamer, which lands us three miles from the town; we are fifty miles from the nearest railway station, too. Miss Suavely has a horse on which she does her itinerating; but I've sent for a bicycle as it is less care and the roads on our district are very fair. We are living in a modified Korean house, with thatch roof and mud walls which are papered white inside, until our new home is completed this summer. There are some 232,000 people in our district, and we have only one physician and family, and a new evangalistic worker and family to help us. Miss Suavely is the only one who can speak the language. Foreigners have been living here only two years, though the district has been worked by itinerary workers a great many years. Out of 20,000 Koreans here in town they claim 500 christians and adherents.

Write me and I shall tell you next time about the people and my impressions of Korea.

Most cordially.

MARY BEILER, Delta.

THE DRAMA LEAGUE OF AMERICA

EDITED FROM MATERIAL ON THE SUBJECT BY LAURA CASE SHERRY,
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The power of the theatre for good or for evil; the condition of the drama in America, which is far worse than in other countries; the willingness of managers to help in this movement for the betterment of conditions; the success of such work in Eastern clubs—these are some of the questions in which all lovers of the drama are interested. Discussion of these topics led the local "Drama Club" of Evanston to call a meeting of a "Preliminary Committee" for March 22, 1910—at which meeting temporary officers were elected and plans for organizing a drama league considered.

The plan of such an association was to be "a large central organization with a chapter in every city and town in the country, for the study of drama; for encouragement of the production of good drama; for discouragement of the bad by non-support; for the formation of study clubs to gain a better knowledge of what good drama really is; for the influence of its many thousand members on the box office; for encouragement of the publication of good plays and good translations."

Thus the "Drama League" was organized on April 25, 1910 at a meeting held in the Art Institute of Chicago; and was launched on May 14, 1910, at the Lyric Theatre in Chicago.

As set forth in its constitution, the object of the league is:

First. To stimulate an interest in the best drama, and to awaken the public to the importance of the theatre as a social force, and to its great educative value if maintained on a high level of art and morals.

Second. To harmonize and unite forces already existing for making this movement nation-wide.

Third. To co-ordinate the work of all associations and individuals interested in educating the public to appreciate and demand the best drama.

The present plan of the league is to organize the country, with a central executive body in Chicago. Its design is to promote an interest in good drama through reading circles and study clubs, through lecture courses, through the patronage of the best plays at the theatre, and through the public reading of good plays. It expects to respond to future needs and developments in the dramatic world, and in this way to broaden its policy, to increase its activity and to continue to be a power for good in drama.

The league will be glad for club and individual memberships from all who are desirous of assisting this very much needed work and is prepared to send to its members courses for study of the drama, bulletins of the best current plays, and many notifications of interest to patrons of the drama.

Following is a list of officers and directors of the club who will gladly respond to any communications sent to them.

President—Mrs. A. Starr Best, 1936 Orrington Ave., Evanston, Ill.

First Vice-President—Mrs. Henry L. Frank, Chicago.

Second Vice-President—Dr. Richard Burton, University of Minnesota.

Third Vice-President—Mrs. E. P. Sherry, Milwaukee, Wis.

Fourth Vice-President—Dr. William Norman Guthrie, Sewanee, Tenn.

Fifth Vice-President—Dr. Louis K. Anspacher, New York City. Sixth Vice-President—Mrs. Otis Skinner, Bryn Mawr, Pa.

Secretary-Mrs. Harry P. Jones.

Treasurer—Mr. W. T. Abbott, Vice-President Central Trust Company, Chicago, Ill.

Directors—(for two years) (1910 to 1912)—Mr. Raymond M. Alden, Dr. L. K. Anspacher, Miss Florence Beckett, Mrs. A. Starr Best, Mr. Frank C. Brown, Dr. Richard Burton, Mrs. Henry L. Frank, Dr. William N. Guthrie, Miss Alice M. Houston, Mrs. J. W. Meaker, Jr., Mr. J. E. Williams, Miss E. Wallace.

(For 1911 to 1913)—Mr. W. T. Abbott, Mrs. W. F. Blackford, Mrs. J. H. Buckingham, Mr. Charles H. Caffin, Mrs. G. B. Car-

penter, Mr. Hobart C. Chatfield-Taylor, Miss Lucy M. Johnston, Mrs. Harry P. Jones, Mrs. Ira Nelson Morris, Mr. J. C. Shaffer, Mrs. E. P. Sherry, Mrs. Otis Skinner.

Chairman of the Educational Committee—Mrs. J. W. Meaker, Jr., 2431 Pioneer Road, Evanston, Ill.

Chairman of the Playgoing Committee—Miss Alice Houston, 1426 Forest Avenue, Evanston, Ill.

ALPHA'S PROPOSED NEW HOME

Gamma Phi Beta sorority of the university is to have a new chapter house to cost \$16,000 and, according to plans, to be painted inside and out, in the colors of the society, light and dark brown. Gamma Phi's new home will be situated in the 100 block of Euclid avenue, near the corner of College place. The sorority is one of the oldest in the city, but has never owned its own home. Charles D. Wilsey is the architect.

The trustees of the sorority, Mrs. Seth D. Baker, Mrs. Ernest I. Edgcomb, Mrs. Gordon Hoyt, Mrs. William J. Fredericks and Mrs. A. Fish, who represent the alumnae, are financing the construction of the building.

The plans call for a building, 39 by 69 feet. The first story will be built of cement plaster on expanded metal lath from the base line, and the second and third stories will be of shingles. The plaster up to the second floor will be stained in light brown and the shingles in a darker shade of the same color. The porch will cover the entire front of the house and will be two stories in height.

The entrance will be on the west side through a vestibule, which opens into a staircase hall. On the first floor there will be a living room which extends across the entire front, 25 by 32 feet, and contains a large open fire-place in the east end with seats on either side.

Opening off of the living room will be the music room on the east and the dining room on the west. The living room, dining room and hall are to be finished in chestnut of a laquer stain and the music room in curly birch. The remainder of the house will be finished in cypress. The doors opening between the living room, hall, dining room and music room will be eleven feet wide, so that the rooms may be opened up for an entertainment or dance.

Between the dining room and kitchen there will be a butler's pantry and store pantry. Off of the kitchen there will be a tin pantry and a large refrigerator room.

The second floor will contain six large bedrooms with closets.

The lavatory, toilet and bath rooms will be in separate compartments. On the third floor there will be five rooms besides a lavatory and an assembly room to be situated across the front of the third story. It will be 17 by 31 feet. The cellar will contain a laundry, heating plant, store rooms and trunk room.

Work will be started on the new building just as soon as the contracts can be let, and it is expected that it will be ready for occupancy in the fall. The chapter house is now located at No. 201 Euclid avenue. The building committee for the new house is composed of the following: Mrs. William J. Fredericks, chairman; Miss Marion Beecher, Miss Olive Beaver, Mrs. W. W. Townsend and Mrs. Seth D. Baker.—From Syracuse Herald.



O NCE upon a time the good fairies clustered about the cradle of a wee baby and bestowed upon her all the blessings that make life bright and beautiful. Today, each chapter of Gamma Phi Beta is sending its seniors forth into the world, and we wish that we, like the elves of old might wave the mystic wand of good fortune and endow each black-gowned maiden with the gift she most needs and most desires. We should grant the boon of wisdom and of patience in the solving of all life's problems; we should pray that the beautiful illusions of youth might always remain; we should ask that the aims, the ideals and the happiness of college life might be symbolized in the life to follow.

Yet-senior maid-you are the master of your own fate; it lies with you what part you are to play on the broad stage of life; for these four years of training have been fitting you for the years to follow. This is the age of the trained mind, and in any line of work that she may choose to follow, the college woman has the advantage over her competitors. Drama, science, art, letters-whatever be the call,—progress will be surer, success will be nearer, because you have been permitted to spend four years within the college walls. Your alma mater has trained you for the greater university of the world; your sorority gives you the true Gamma Phi spirit to carry forth into the newer, larger life—the spirit of Browning's little silkwinder, Pippa, who so unconsciously and beautifully influenced all those with whom she came in contact. Gamma Phi does not ask that you glorify her name by great achievement—for although the laurel is much to be desired, only a few of us may attain it; but she does expect that the beauty of her teachings and the truths of her symbol may be exemplified in the sweet womanliness that you will show to those whose lives are touched by yours.

Therefore, we bid you god-speed, oh class of 1911—and as you pass over the bridge of commencement into the unknown land, let Gamma Phi Beta be pictured in highest relief against the brilliant background of your vanishing youth!

DELTA'S gracious invitation to convention should make our hearts beat faster with enthusiasm and anticipation, should inspire us with the desire to be a part of this November meeting. For the first time in her history, Gamma Phi has put two years between conventions; more than ever the gathering at Boston should be alive with interest and practical help, should make us more loyal to our order, more determined to bend our energies toward her glory and advancement.

The freshman, bubbling over with loyalty, buoyant in the newness of it all, can find no greater inspiration than convention; it shows her that her own chapter is a strong and vital part of the wonderful whole; more than anything else it reveals the greatness of the organization to which she has pledged her faith; it brings her the glad realization that "from Alpha to Xi," the wearers of the crescent are just the girls to make her glad once over again that she is a Gamma Phi. The undergraduate will profit from the hints of her sister chapters; she will find, perhaps, the very remedy for the weakness in her own circle; she will quicken her enthusiasm, strengthen her loyalty and double her usefulness. The alumna once more will feel the glad, sweet freedom of her college days; she will understand the work, the aims and the growth of the sorority as she could in no other fashion; she will come away with the resolution to be more than passive in the sorority life, to give her aid, her interest and her energy to the common cause.

So let us save our pennies and—if the fates permit— turn our faces toward the land of baked beans and brown bread, eager to share in the profit and pleasure of the few days in which we all

may be together. Delta has given us the most cordial of greetings and has promised us the most attractive of programs; we are eager to accept the one and to share the other; and more than this, we desire to know the eastern sisters whose loyalty, enthusiasm and brains have ever been a source of help and gratification to Gamma Phi Beta.

Our slogan, then—to Boston in November!

Apropos of convention—may we make several suggestions to the chapters?

First. Select your delegate with care and discretion. See that she has executive ability; be sure that she can grasp details; give her some power of her own, in addition to your instructions; impress her with the importance of representing her chapter; and if possible let the honor and pleasure go to a member who has worked hard for her chapter, who has been true and responsive to its slightest need.

Second. Discuss thoroughly in meeting the vital matters to be brought up in convention; argue from both sides; try not to be influenced by narrow, personal opinions but to regard the matter from a broader standpoint as it may affect the greater life of the sorority.

Third. Be lenient in regard to expansion if the college and the petitioners are worthy. If you are fortunate enough to have the word and assurance of a wise alumna—the recommendation of one high in authority— yield to it with the consciousness that those who have helped to build the mighty structure of the sorority known best and are actuated by the truest and highest motives. Often unworthy objections, foolish prejudices blind us to real good; the true Gamma Phi Beta chapter will not give up its individuality but in some cases be graciously willing to trust the will of the majority.

Fourth. Give your support to any measure that will strengthen the financial condition of the sorority. Gamma Phi's progress has been sure and steady; as she expands and grows, her demands are correspondingly numerous and a well-defined policy is all the more necessary. A fuller treasury will mean a more powerful organiza-

tion, a more centralized government and—here speaks the heart of the editor—a more worthy magazine!

Fifth. Try to infuse a little of the national life into your own chapter. Send a camera along with your delegate so that you may see for yourselves the representatives of the various sections of the country. Instruct her to bring back the latest chapter songs, the different chapter ideas and the many details that help to make this biennial gathering of Gamma Phi's memorable, invigorating and inspiring.

It is with regret that we note the resignation of our national secretary, Miss Marion Dean, who has recently accepted an appointment in the Normal School at Honolulu. Her work on the board has been so systematic and conscientious, her interest in everything that pertains to the sorority has been so vital and practical, that we shall miss her advice and assistance. However, Boston alumnae chapter has given us a worthy successor in Miss Elizabeth Putnam whom we most heartily welcome. Miss Putnam is a former president and member of the board and her experience in our national affairs will prove a great advantage in the administration of sorority work.

A happy and restful vacation to all—and a joyful reunion in the fall!

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Send all contributions, chapter letters and personals to the editor by September 15, 1911.

Will each chapter be *sure* to send the name of her correspondent for next year to Miss White? Carelessness in this matter causes delay and inconvenience in the publication of the magazine.

"A word to the wise is sufficient"—Therefore, we need only remind the seniors that, as alumnae, they should be loyal supporters of their magazine. Send in your subscriptions immediately and strengthen the tie that binds you to your chapter and to your sorority.

A great many subscriptions still remain unpaid—and we make this last plea. The busy editors have no time to remind you separately—how much better that you save them the trouble and at the same time cancel your indebtedness to the magazine. If you have not sent your dollar at the time of this reading, will you not do so by the next mail?

There have been many requests for copies of the October Crescent, which issue has unfortunately been exhausted. Accordingly if any subscriber can send us this number so that we may supply some of the demands the favor will be greatly appreciated.

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Many of you will soon be enjoying your summer trips. Are you to be in the "enchanted land beyond the seas?" Is your path to lead to some interesting spot of our own land? Are you to be one of a rollicking camp party? Remember the Crescent and write an account of your good times. Or is your chapter to enjoy a gay house party during the summer months? Did you have an unusual spring banquet? Were there any clever toasts? Remember the Crescent and help to make the October number an interesting one.



MISS BERTHA WHITE, Alumnae Editor, 1010 Park Avenue, Omaha, Neb.

Send all Chapter Letters and Personals to Miss White.

Next letter must be in her hands Sept. 15.

ALPHA (SYRACUSE UNIVERSITY)

ACTIVE MEMBERS

Marion Beecher Olive C. Beaver Winifred Draper Blanche Hitchcock Genevieve F. Joy Anna Janet Morrison Ruth M. King Edna M. Brand Emily Price Ella Brooks Helen Hitchcock Florence Shaw Clarissa P. Corbett Mary Gardner Marion Draper
Marguerite Cooke
Ruby Beckley
Hazel Ruby Peck
Mildred Fish
Mae Loveland
Isabel Brown
Lydia Austin Rhodes
Helen Stevens
Henrietta Bidwell
Esther Potter
Gertrude Shaver
Laura Beecher
Marion Weaver

SORORITIES REPRESENTED IN COLLEGE

Gamma Phi Beta Alpha Phi Kappa Alpha Theta Kappa Kappa Gamma Delta Gamma Pi Beta Phi Sigma Kappa Alpha Xi Delta Alpha Chi Omega Delta Delta Delta Rho Beta Upsilon Alpha Gamma Delta Mu Phi Epsilon Pi Lambda Sigma (local library)

CHAPTER HONORS

Vice-President, Senior Class
Vice-President, Junior ClassRuth King
Art Editor of 1911 Onondagan
Manager of Women's Mandolin Club Anna J. Morrison
Representative at large, Athletic Board Anna J. Morrison
Tennis Representative, Athletic Board

Vice-President, Y. W. C. A	Winifred Draper
Member of Executive Board, Junior Class	Genevieve F. Joy
Member of Executive Board, Call	Claus D Combatt
Member of Executive Board, Sophomore Class	Clara F. Corbett
Member of Executive Board, Freshman Class	Gertrude Shaver
Michigan of Line City	Winifred Draner
Vice-President, English Club	willifed Draper
Secretary, Fine Arts French Club	Ruth M. King
Secretary, Semitics Club	Winifred Draner
Secretary, Semitics Club	William Braper
Member of Woman's League Board	Winifred Draper
Member of Woman's Beagae	Duth Vina
Member of Woman's League Board	

Dear Sisters: It seems as though it were only yesterday that we struggled through our January exams., and yet now we have to face the thought that the June finals are only three weeks away. All the ghosts of the things we have left undone are rising up to trouble us now. Alas for all the good resolutions we made after those last exams! Those firm resolutions to study our lessons every day were broken all to pieces as soon as it began to be warm and spring-like out of doors. Who but a grind could stay inside and study when it's spring, anyway? Well, our fate is now before us, and it's up to us to face it.

You will be glad to hear that Alpha is to build a new chapter house. The first ground was broken May 2, at 7:30 a.m. There was a hard snowstorm, but that didn't hinder us from going to see

Mrs. Baker shovel the first earth for our new house.

The house is to be on the same street where we are located now, but nearer the campus. We cannot tell you very much about the way it will look except that it is to be in the Gamma Phi colors inside and out. The entrance is to be on the east side through a vestibule, which opens into a staircase hall. The living room extends across the entire front of the building and contains a large open fireplace at the east end with seats at either side; a bay window, with French windows at either side is situated in the front room; opening off the living room and hall is the library on the east and the dining room on the west. There will be eleven sleeping rooms, six on the second story, and five on the third.

Just before Easter the sophomore delegation gave a very successful donation party for the new house. The program consisted of an opening chorus, followed by a series of tableaux representing well known advertisements. Then there was a short farce, and the theatrical reception given by the three twins, in which they introduced many telling hits on the upperclassmen. The party was voted

to be one of the most successful of any in recent years.

By the time another letter is written to the Crescent we will be

in our new house, next fall. Alpha sends her good wishes to everyone for a long and happy vacation.

BETA (UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN)

ACTIVE MEMBERS

Lillian Brown Erna George Clara Ely Osce Jewell Lora Hall Maleta Moore Gladys Lewis Elizabeth Bostwick Freda Haller Pauline Kleinstuck Marion Pellow Wanda Seeman Ethel Smurthwaite Hermena Haller Ruth Burdsal Marguerite Melvin Edna Thuner Edith Benson Louise Wieber Rose Bjork

Bessie Smurthwaite

SORORITIES AT MICHIGAN

Gamma Phi Beta Kappa Kappa Gamma
Alpha Phi Pi Beta Phi
Alpha Chi Omega Omega Upsilon
Chi Omega Alpha Epsilon Iota
Delta Gamma Kappa Alpha Theta

Collegiate Sorosis

Honors

Two seniors are in Mortar Board, a senior girls' honorary organization, one junior is in Wyvern, the junior girls' honorary organization, and one of the sophomores is pledged to Wyvern.

Dear Sisters in Gamma Phi Beta: It was with a great deal of pleasure that we received our last number of the Crescent, and became acquainted with all our sister freshmen and read of their

high ideals and ambitions.

Beta chapter has been very busy this spring, entertaining rushing guests and alumnae members. A short time ago we had a weekend rushing house party, and during that time we entertained five girls at our chapter house. Every minute of the time while they were here was filled with entertainments for them, and each girl at her departure claimed that she had had the best time of her life. One evening the freshmen gave a dance and had several odd and unique favor dances which were very artistic and beautiful. We feel that our house party was a great success for we now have three new pledges, two, Dorothy Garrett and Margaret Hoyt (a cousin of Pauline Kleinstück, a Beta freshman) from Kalamazoo, and Marie Brookes from Detroit. To this list of three we are extremely pleased to add the name of Rose Bjork from Crystal Falls, Michi-

gan. Now Beta chapter can boast of seven pledges for the ensuing year, most of whom are planning on coming to the university.

Many of Beta's alumnae returned to attend the women's banquet held in Ann Arbor recently. This banquet was held in Barbour gymnasium for all of the women in college and for all of the women graduates. Some very prominent speakers were present, and many were the happy greetings expressed by her old friends and acquaintances meeting together for the first time in several years.

In speaking of alumnae,—our chapter was more than pleased to meet and entertain one of our western sisters, Adelaide Allemond of Lambda chapter. Miss Allemond was returning to her home after enjoying an extended eastern trip with her sister, and stopped in Ann Arbor to visit her cousin, and other relatives. Since our acquaintance with our Lambda sister we feel that our western girls are much nearer and better known to us.

Beta chapter has also given two bridge parties this semester; one was the evening party and the other was an afternoon affair for our college girl friends. We called up all of the sorority houses in Ann Arbor and asked them to send four girls who could play bridge. Everyone seemed to think this was such a novel idea and such an improvement over the ordinary run of receptions and teas.

With the coming of spring the campus seems to bud out with people and interesting sights as well as with the beautiful flowering trees which adorn it. Soon the seniors have their "swing out," when they all march in caps and gowns over the campus; the freshmen and sophomores have their tug of war over the Huron river, and their push ball contest, while the freshmen have their famous cap night, the night when in a huge blazing bonfire they throw their freshmen caps and don those of the sophomore class. Besides all of these contests there are tennis tournaments, baseball games, canoeing, and many other sports in which the students participate.

In six short weeks we will all be off to our respective homes and until next fall we wish all of our sisters in Gamma Phi Beta the very happiest and pleasurable of vacations.

Gamma (University of Wisconsin) Active Members

Bess Farrell
Hazel Houser
Louise Perkins
Genevieve McCrory
Nora Buell
Belle Fleek
Eva White

Irene Wilson Edith Winslow Abby Higgins Ruth Cotton Lina Duffy Coryl Shaffer Ethel Anderson Mattie Ringling Elizabeth Perry Edna Howard Helen Scofield Gladys Hayden Marian Deming Florence Gosslin Harriet Hunt Nell Bundy Dorothy Vorse Cora Ellis
Florence Sayle
Marie Chamberlain
Dorothy Barnes
Beatrice Barnes
Helen Harrison
Florence Scofield
Loreen Pollock
Marian Spencer
Delia Linewell

Sororities in College

Gamma Phi Beta Kappa Kappa Gamma Delta Gamma Kappa Alpha Theta Alpha Phi Pi Beta Phi Delta Delta Delta Alpha Chi Omega Chi Omega Alpha Xi Delta

Alpha Gamma Delta

CHAPTER HONORS

Two members of Mortar Board—senior honorary society—one teaching fellowship (only two of these given from each department).—Four members of Red Domino, girls' dramatic society—one member of Woman's Journalistic Society—awarded on basis of work in journalism.

Dear Sisters in Gamma Phi Beta: With the idea of a senior number comes the realization that college is nearly over, and that it is almost time to write "finis" to another college year. Some how that thought is not a very pleasant one, and in this case we do not care to look forward. Our seniors have very few traditions or customs peculiar to their class, but each year they are entertained at dinners by two of our town alumnae, Mrs. Brittingham and Mrs. Jackman. Of course we've only heard, but from all reports they are the very best kind of times.

At present we are all busy planning for our formal party which is to be held the twenty-eighth of April. It is to be a dinner dance with the dinner at the house and dance at Lathrop hall. Nina Miller, Verona Pratt, Edith Brook, and Elizabeth Newell are back for the formal and will remain for some time.

The first part of May comes our house party for the other chapters. Then the last week in May we are going to entertain with a mother's house party. This is surely an innovation with us, and we are looking forward to it with a great deal of pleasure. The Black Friars dramatic club from the University of Chicago will be here at that time, and our annual May dance occurs that weekend also. This is one of the prettiest events of the year. It takes place on the campus just before sundown and is participated in by almost three hundred girls.

Gamma has surely seen quite a little of the footlights this winter, and April particularly was of interest in this line. Four girls from the chapter took part in the French play given each year by the Romance Language club. Mrs. Sherry, an alumna of this chapter took the leading part in the "Master Builder" which was presented here by the new dramatic club.

This year we have started a new custom in the chapter. Every Wednesday afternoon two of the girls are appointed as hostesses and serve afternoon tea for the rest of the chapter. Everyone brings her sewing and we have just the best time imaginable. It is a most agreeable custom and affords a very pleasant little breathing

spell in the rush of college life.

By the time this letter is printed it will be almost banquet time and we are hoping most sincerely to see very many of our girls back for this. To the seniors and to all her sisters in Gamma Phi, Gamma says good bye for a little while—next time there will perhaps be new Gamma Phis to write of, but they will not quickly fill the places of those whom we have known so long.

Delta (Boston University)

MEMBERS

Belle Dalton
Margreta S. Hastings
Agnes Hayward
Maud Hodges
Esther B. Lurvey
Celia Marshall
Elizabeth K. McClelland
Helen B. McNeil
Alice Moulton
Mabel Page
Eda B. Tarbox
Florence White
Susan Williams

Ruth Bartlett
Marguerite W. Brant
Ruth Hatch
Ruth Paul
Ruth Norton
Rachel C. Rice
Helen Clark
Jeanette Collins
Constance Flanders
Lucy Ford
Milicent Harrison
Elsie C. Jordan
Margaret Osgood

Edna Simmons

CHAPTER HONORS

Elizabeth McClelland is associate editor of the "Beacon," the college monthly and also the "Hub" the college annual, published by the junior class, Mabel Page was chairman of the junior play committee, and Celia Marshall is chairman of the Silver Bay committee of Y. W. C. A. and editor of the "Society Notes" of the "Beacon." Rachel Rice was president of her class the first semester.

Dear Sisters: With this number of the Crescent we are able to introduce to you our freshmen, of whom we are very proud. They are now all loyal Gamma Phis,—Helen L. Clark, Jeannette M.

Collins, Lucy D. Ford, Constance Flanders, Milicent A. Harrison, Elsie C. Jordan, Margaret Osgood, Edna W. Simmons. We pledged Leah Wood, also. We were so glad to get all these nice freshmen for ours, and to show them what Gamma Phi had meant to us.

Shortly after pledge day we gave them a party at the home of Marguerite W. Brant in Newtonville. It was interesting to see how the colors of Gamma Phi were carried out in the different courses of the spread. A week later came our initiation at Rachel Rice's home. At that time we initiated our eight freshmen and Elizabeth K. Mc-Clelland, '12. The banquet was held at Hotel Vendome in the evening.

On April 8 we held a dance in Curry Hall, Boston. It was an informal affair, with about sixteen couples present, and all did have

such a good time.

We had a good deal of fun after fraternity meeting on April 13 when we surprised Leona Chandler, '08, with a linen shower. She was married April 19 to Elmer C. Raymond. Four Gamma Phis acted as ushers. She had the flower of the sorority,—carnation for decoration.

The chapter gave a tea to parents and friends April 12, at the

sorority room.

Now we are back from our Easter vacation which came April 13-19, and are into our studies again. We will have to begin to think of examinations before long. Then will come our house party which we expect to have at Point Allerton this year. We look forward to the house party so much. We wish all a very pleasant vacation.

Epsilon (Northwestern University)

MEMBERS

Beulah Truett
Freda Recher
Ruth Warrington
Jessie Vawter
Helen Paddock
Irene Dimmick
Klea Cozzens
Gladys Whitham
Florence Hildebrand
Ruth Huntling
Marguerite Robinson

L. Louise Wheeler Frances Jenks Ellen Pollock Mary Richardson Dorothy Winchell Mildred Ross Ardis Ade Ruth Eastman Carolyn McCarty Laura Hall Zita Murphy

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Edna Luke

SORORITIES AT NORTHWESTERN

Gamma Phi Beta Alpha Phi Delta Gamma Chi Omega Kappa Delta Alpha Omicron Pi Kappa Kappa Gamma Kappa Alpha Theta Pi Beta Phi Delta Delta Delta Alpha Chi Omega Sigma Alpha Iota Zeta Phi Eta Omega Upsilon

Dear Sisters in Gamma Phi Beta: The last letter—and it seems only yesterday that we described the rushing stunts of September

and our plans for the coming year.

We were all so pleased with the freshmen number of the Crescent. It helps so much to get the ideas of the new girls on sorority matters. The older girls get the freshman point of view which after their first year they are very likely to lose. The pictures and accounts of "doings" of chapter houses made us just a little—well, not envious but sorrowful to think we cannot be together all the time, as we would if we had a house. But this is a dreadful way to write in a letter which will be the last until next fall.

All are looking forward with great anticipation to the week-end at Madison which the girls there have planned for the second week-end in May. It will be such a fine opportunity for Beta, Gamma, Kappa, and Epsilon to get more than merely acquainted.

Our annual banquet will be held at the La Salle Hotel this spring. We are hoping that every alumna will be "on hand" June ninth.

It seems a long time just now until vacation, but it's the last chance Epsilon will have to wish every Gamma Phi the very best kind of a time.

ZETA (GOUCHER COLLEGE)

ACTIVE MEMBERS

Elizabeth Barnes
Anna Blanton
Irene Blank
Margaret Handy
Faye Myers
Minna Treide
Isabel Kline
Mathilda Omwake
Dorothy Wetherald

Marie Ohle Charlotte Romberger Adeline Snapp Margaretta Williamson Aleda Hier Marian Jones Margaret Martsolf Margery Sawyer

Lillias House

Grace Atkinson

SORORITIES IN COLLEGE

Gamma Phi Beta Delta Gamma Alpha Phi Tau Kappa Pi Kappa Alpha Theta Pi Beta Phi Delta Delta Delta Alpha Gamma Delta

Honors

Margaretta Williamson, '13, is on the Donnybrook board for next year.

Dear Sisters in Gamma Phi Beta: We are wondering how all the pleasures that we have planned for ourselves and all the examinations and quizzes that the faculty have planned for us, can possibly be crowded into the one short month between now and Commencement. Each class in the sorority is busy with work for its special spring class function, and the chapter as a whole is busily making plans for our June banquet and the entertainment of the Gamma Phi alumnae whom we expect to have with us at that time.

The seniors have time for little except rehearsals of "Midsummer Night's Dream" and the juniors, now that "Donny Brook Fair" has at last made its appearance, have turned their attention to the banquet which they will give to the seniors on the twelfth of May. The sophomores are hard at work on their out door play for the seniors to be given the week after the junior banquet, and even the freshmen are busily working for the first big stunt which they give as

a class,—their boat ride to the juniors comes next week.

The Spring elections are also drawing near and as several Gamma Phis are up for important offices next year, we are all anxiously awaiting the outcome. In the past, Zeta has been unusually fortunate in holding so many prominent college offices, and we hope that

in the future we may have the same good fortune.

After the seniors have received their diplomas and the excitement of commencement is over, the Zeta girls will go off on their usual June house party at the sea shore. We are looking forward to this outing with much pleasure. It will be an unusually large house party and we are expecting a correspondingly good time.

Zeta sends to you all her best wishes for pleasant and happy vaca-

tions.

ETA (UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA)

MEMBERS

Marie Derge
Penelope Murdock
Lorraine Andrews
Ora Muir Willits
Josephine LeConte
Mildred LeConte
Carmelita Woerner
Eleanor French
Ellen Ord
May Atkinson
Genevieve Atkinson
Margaret Hodgen

Louella Jackson
Ruth Genung
Sue Davis
Pauline Davis
Nadjy Rost
Jean Ross
Harriet Pasmore
Lurita Stone
Thoda Cockroft
Gertrude Comfort
Winifred Bridge

Dorothy Brown

SORORITIES REPRESENTED IN THE UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA

Gamma Phi Beta Alpha Chi Omega Alpha Omicron Pi Alpha Phi Alpha Xi Delta Chi Omega

Delta Delta Delta Delta Gamma Kappa Alpha Theta Kappa Kappa Gamma Pi Beta Phi Sigma Kappa

CHAPTER HONORS

Lorraine Andrews, '12, Phi Beta Kappa, President Associated Women Students, Prytanean Society, winner of Cooke prize in poetry.

Penelope Murdock, '12, Y. W. C. A. Cabinet, Secretary Architectural

Ora Muir, '12, first Vice-President Y. W. C. A. Margaret Hodgen, '13, Secretary Sophomore Class, 1910; "Blue and Gold" staff, '13; Assistant Editor of "Occident."

Dorothy Brown, '13, "Blue and Gold" staff, '13; Assistant Editor "Occident."

Gertrude Comfort, '13, "Blue and Gold" art staff, '13; sophomore hop cover design; interscholastic track meet cover design; secretary-treasurer women's mandolin club.

Harriet Pasmore, '14, treasurer freshman class, '10; vice-president Treble Clef Club.

Dear Sisters in Gamma Phi Beta: We are now looking forward to the festivities of Senior Week. Last month was very eventful for us. On April twenty-sixth we gave a reception or rather a garden-party for which we sent out about a thousand invitations. The garden is lovely now with roses of all kinds.

Eta is planning to combine an initiation and annual spring banquet on the twenty-ninth. The freshman we are introducing to you is Winifred Bridge.

We are very proud of Lorraine Andrews, '12, who has brought so many honors to Gamma Phi. She has just been elected President of the Associated Women Students next year. She was one of the four Phi Beta Kappa Juniors this term and has just been awarded the Cooke Poetry Prize. Besides all this, she is one of the new members of Prytanean, the women's honor society.

Local Pan-Hellenic has decided on practically the same regulations which we found to be very successful last year. Registration day is to be pledge day and our rushing is to be very simple.

THETA (UNIVERSITY OF DENVER)

Jessie Austin Frances Brown Harriette Brown Eda Burkhalter

Marie Hostetter Genevieve Knight Jean Mentzer Grace McDonough Ethel Clark
Blanche Champlin
Belle Connor
Inda Davis
Anne Henry
Elizabeth Hessler
Edith Hoop
Frances Hoop
Anita Hostetter

Ethel Rankin
Eunice Robinson
Carlota Roose
Irene Seltzer
Katherine Sheldon
Muriel Steele
Elizabeth Stephenson
Marguerite Stephenson
Belle St. Clair

Ada Tucker

SORORITIES

Gamma Phi Beta

Pi Beta Phi

Sigma Kappa

CHAPTER HONORS

Kynewisbok Board 1912—Eunice Robinson.

Kynewisbok Board elections for next year joke editor, Jean Mentzer—art editor, Katherine Sheldon.

Delegate to Y. W. C. A. convention at Cascade, Colorado, Katherine Sheldon.

Y. W. C. A. Cabinet, Anne Henry, Katherine Sheldon.

Sophomore play, Katherine Sheldon.

Senior play, Beth Stephenson.

French play, Irene Seltzer, Muriel Steele.

Dear Sisters in Gamma Phi Beta: Theta wonders if Spring means such a rush of work and play to the other chapters as it does to her. Seniors preparing to graduate, juniors editing the *Kynewisbok*, under-classmen leading a butterfly existence with brief intervals of studying; all are deluged alike with a shower of plays, dances, teas, rushing parties, beefsteak fries. Where shall we begin?

In the spring vacation eleven of the girls went to Glen Park for a few days, staying at Grace McDonough's cottage. Such a time as they had in that then-deserted summer resort is beyond

telling.

When college began again, we pledged two girls, Marguerite Stephenson and Inda Davis, both Gamma Phi sisters. These girls and our other pledges, Ethel Rankin and Marie Hostetter, were initiated the evening of March 31. Our new members make their

bow to you.

On the seventeenth of March we gave a dance at the home of Grace McDonough for the men who helped us with our play. It was a great success. Then on the sixteenth of April we gave a tea for the faculty women at the Lodge, and on the twenty-seventh we entertained the Pi Beta Phi chapter at an out door supper. On this last occasion we had a marvelous game of baseball, in which a

tennis racquet served as bat, and in which many home runs were scored. The Pi Phis entertained us at lunch a few weeks ago.

Ahead of us we see many more "stunts." We are going to entertain Mrs. Le Rossignol on the second of May. She is our faculty chaperon this year, but she and Dr. Le Rossignol, the Professor of Economics, are going to Nebraska next year, much to our sorrow. May fifth is high school night and we intend to give a supper to the high school girls we are rushing, before the entertainment at the gymnasium. We are also going to entertain the Sigma Kappa chapter on the fourth and to give an informal on the eleventh at the home of Bertha Webb, one of our alumnae.

The spring banquet is to be held on the twentieth, and we are all looking forward to it. Soon, too, we are going to give a supper for our seniors and alumnae. Several private rushing parties are planned, and we have lunches every Thursday for new girls. There will be quite a little summer rushing, including house parties in the mountains. There are several plays coming, in all of which some of our girls take part.

This sounds like the entries in a date book, but we hope you won't be bored by the list of our frivolities. If only we had space to tell you more about them in detail, they might be more interesting.

Commencement is not far off, and then the girls will separate for the summer. Several will not return to us in the fall, among them Elizabeth Stephenson and her sister Marguerite, who are going to Pennsylvania to live.

Theta sends best wishes to all for a happy and successful summer.

IOTA (BARNARD UNIVERSITY)

Dear Sisters in Gamma Phi Beta: Since its last letter, Iota has settled down into a steady routine, interrupted by few pleasures. One Saturday Varian White entertained the chapter at her home in Hackensack. It was a gloomy enough day when we started out, and boded ill for some new spring bonnets, worn for the occasion, but weather was forgotten after we arrived, a merry Gamma Phi party. We played cards all afternoon, with an occasional song or discussion of the freshmen. On March thirty-first we gave our last dance in Brinckerhoff Theatre. With the exception of a shower, these were the limits of our frivolities. Everyone, especially the seniors, is busy with school affairs. Field Day is approaching with its many athletic "stunts," which require strenuous practice beforehand, and only three weeks ahead looms up the "Dark Ages,"—examination week. We dare not think of Commencement, however, for just now

it means to us, the stealing away of too many sisters, who have grown so dear to us.

KAPPA (UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA)

ACTIVE MEMBERS

Harriet Ahlers Marie Allen Alice Ames B. June Ames Lucile Babcock Dorothy Bell Julia Bell Constance Davis Ruth Fagundus Helena Fitzsimmons Mildred Gamble Mary Haupt Anne Hull

Clara Jenson Eva Kaye Eunice McGilvra Margaret Menzel Gertrude Moore Margaret Nachtrieb Natalie Niles Bertha Poole Mary Rhodes Helen Sheridan Louise Sumner Blanche Wilcox Grace Wilcox

Frances Works

SORORITIES REPRESENTED AT MINNESOTA

Gamma Phi Beta Alpha Phi Kappa Kappa Gamma Delta Gamma

Kappa Alpha Theta Pi Beta Phi Delta Delta Delta Alpha Xi Delta

Alpha Gamma Delta

CHAPTER HONORS FOR 1910-11

Seniors-Anne Hull, President Student Government Association; President, Theta Epsilon (literary society). President Student Council. Member of Sigma Tau, (an organization of 30 senior girls).

Julia Bell, member of Sigma Tau.

JUNIORS—Louise Sumner, junior representative on Woman's League Council. Secretary of Thalian (literary society).

Helena Fitzsimmons, academic representative on the Gopher board, (Gopher is the junior annual). Representative on Woman's Athletic Board. SOPHOMORES-Margaret Menzel, Euterpean club (girls' glee club). Mu Phi Delta (musical fraternity).

Margaret Nachtrieb, secretary of Y. W. C. A. Cabinet. Margaret Menzel, Aenone in "Arraignment of Paris." O Kittu-San in

Japanese Opereta O Hanu-San.

Freshmen—Frances Works, Euterpean Club. Masquer's Club, (dramatics). Secretary of freshman class. Second lead, Imogene Parott in Trelawney of the Wells. Nerissa in Merchant of Venice.

Lucile Babcock, Mu Phi Delta. Fleur de Lys (French club).

Gertrude Moore, secretary of Alpha Epsilon, freshman inter-sorority club.

CHAPTER HONORS FOR 1911-12

Results of spring elections up-to-date.

Seniors-Louise Sumner, senior representative on Woman's League Council.

JUNIORS—Margaret Nachtrieb, on the Y. W. C. A. Cabinet as chairman of the social committee. Secretary of Student Government Association. SOPHOMORES—Gertrude Moore, sophomore representative on Student Council.

Wanted: A short, fat, jovial youth to take the part of Friar Tuck; also a six-foot-two, three hundred pound ditto to act as Bacchus in "The Arraignment of Paris." Apply to H. J. Hadfield, box etc. . . .

Dear Sisters: Such notices in blackest print, have been appearing lately in the Daily, for we are going to have a real May Fête on the eighteenth of May. Don't for a minute think that the students are not interested. Quite the opposite. But with a thousand parts of various shapes and sizes to fill, isn't it necessary to specify what is needed? The purpose of the Fête, we are told, is "to unite all the departments in one undertaking, to concentrate in one effort the energies which are generally expended upon a multitude of trivial events, and to produce an entertainment of historic interest and real beauty." Furthermore, we are told an attempt will be made to give it once in every college generation. The Fête will begin at two o'clock and last through the evening. There will be a glorious pageant of scenes from allegories and fables, consisting of St. George and the Dragon-a noble youth killing the wicked beast every other block—the seven deadly sins and the seven cardinal virtues, the nine worthies, Morris dancers, gypsies, yeomen, foresters, strolling singers, milk-maids, Robin Hood archers, and Mavpole dancers. The wife of our new president, Mrs. Vincent, as Queen Elizabeth, and Governor Eberhart as the Lord Mayor of London, preceded by heralds, will lead the procession. Next will come the court, composed of faculty members, then the Lord and Lady of the May, floats and the players. The Queen of the May is Dorothy Loyhed, a charming Theta junior. Two plays will be given, twice in the afternoon and once in the evening, Peele's Arraignment of Paris and Robin Hood, revised and arranged by two undergraduates. Margaret Menzel, '13, has the part of Aenone in the "Arraignment" and the rest of us are all going to take some part, from a dance to the selling of programs. The one absorbing subject of conversation in any group is the Fête discussed from Mr. Hadfield who is managing it to the minutest detail of the ticket seller's costume.

But other things are happening at college. The girls have adopted a "point system" suggested by the student council. It was found that about half a dozen girls were before the college public as "doing things" because they had shown ability, and consequently

had received all the honors and work. On the other hand, many equally capable girls graduated without ever being discovered. order to try to overcome this unfairness, the council proposed that positions in organizations to which membership is not elective should count a certain number of points, and that a maximum number of points be allowed to each year. Thus a presidency counts five points, the maximum for the senior year, so that a girl who is president of one organization can hold no other office. Under this plan it is surprising how much the nominating committees have to consider. Whereas formerly they picked anywhere, now they have to choose carefully. They say: "Here's the girl for this office, but we have to save her for the Gopher Board;" or: "this is the woman for our president, but she has her five points," and they look elsewhere. (I know, I was on one committee). A girl may be elected to a number of offices and then choose which she wants, but everyone is trying to avoid such complications. The system is accomplishing its object.

And still other things are running their course in the shadow of the Fête. April twenty-sixth, we had a Pure Food Sale to help the house-deficit and we succeeded to the extent of forty dollars. On May second, the Masquers will stage a Shakespeare play, their annual custom. This year it is to be the "Merchant of Venice" and Frances Works, '14, will appear as Nerissa. Some of the elections are over and Gertrude Moore, '14, is the freshman '13 representative on the student council; Margaret Nachtrieb is secretary of the student government association, and is on the Y. W. C. A. Cabinet as social chairman. Later in May there is Gamma's house party, then finals, commencement, and our own house party. However, just at present—the last of April—all we can see is the May Fête, the mammoth May Fête. We have a hazy idea that college work will continue until the first of June, but to most of us the time after May eighteenth seems to be filled with empty atmosphere. Nevertheless we will take a firm grasp upon that atmosphere and swing ourselves lightly to the summertime when some of us may meet anywhere from Boston to Berkeley.

Good-bye, dear sisters, and the best of every good thing attend you.

LAMBDA (UNIVERSITY OF WASHINGTON) ACTIVE MEMBERS

Elizabeth Clark Emma Dalquist Sallie Hill Phoebe Prosch Lovina Willson Marie Kettenbach Sylvia Wold Gertrude Crites Nell Frater Verna Pendleton Bernice Sully Helen Steele Gertrude Young Willie Schumacher Orpha Meachum Florence Jones Virginia Hadley Leah Miller Ruth Allen Esther White

Francis Markey

SORORITIES REPRESENTED IN COLLEGE

Gamma Phi Beta Delta Gamma Kappa Kappa Gamma Pi Beta Phi Alpha Xi Delta Kappa Alpha Theta Chi Omega Alpha Gamma Delta Delta Delta Delta Sigma Kappa

Alpha Chi Omega

Dear Sisters in Gamma Phi Beta: May is our busiest month for with it comes junior day, junior prom, the May Day Fête, class

picnics, and the annual regatta.

The women of the University of Washington were recently successful in placing a woman representative on the board of control of the associated student body. This is the first time a woman has been chosen as one of the class representatives. Heretofore the only place open to women was the office of secretary. The recent election places two women representatives on the board.

During the latter part of May the college dramatic club will present "The Servant in the House" in which Leah Miller, one of our

freshmen, will play the leading role.

It is a custom at Washington for the German classes to present a German play each year. This year the production was on a much larger scale. The play chosen was "Minna Von Barnhelm." Sylvia Wold one of our senior girls successfully played the leading role of "Minna."

Helen Steele, '13, was winner of the Houghton-Miffin prize given to the University of Washington. The prize was awarded as a result of the recent contest made for testing the imagination of the English classes in nineteen different colleges. The question asked was, "What kind of a man does the name Queed suggest."

Wilhelmina Schumacher, another one of our sophomore girls, was recently elected into Theta Sigma Phi, the national honorary journalism sorority. She has recently been promoted on the staff of the U. of W. Daily and is now one of the associate editors.

Gertrude Crites, '12, is very busy with her work on the junior

prom committee.

As a result of our mid-year rushing we have three new pledges

of whom we are very proud. They are Helen Stuchell, Edna Johanson, and Hazel McDonald.

Charla Blodgett, has recently entered college again, and is doing

post-graduate work.

Best wishes for successful commencements to all the chapters from Lambda.

Mu (Leland Stanford Junior University)

ACTIVE MEMBERS

Mildred Hayes Jennie Heartt Ruth Hutchinson Edith Engelhard Gladys Gill Hazel Gilbert Grace Childs Maud Bassett Charlotte Tuttle Bertha Masters
Mildred Gilbert
Edith Ireland
Cordelia Smith
Edith Hutchinson
Helen Batchellor
Lyetta Hayes
Emilie Steel
Ruth Show

Marian Curtner

SORORITIES AT STANFORD

Gamma Phi Beta Alpha Phi Delta Gamma Kappa Alpha Theta Kappa Kappa Gamma Pi Beta Phi Delta Delta Delta Alpha Omicron Pi

CHAPTER HONORS

Ruth Hutchinson was recently elected a member of "Cap and Gown," the women's honor society.

Bertha Masters has been chosen to serve on the 1913 Quad board.
Mildred Gilbert has been put on the staff of the "Daily Palo Alto."
Jennie Heartt is a member of the senior farce committee and Mildred Hayes of the senior ball committee.

Dear Sisters: Only two weeks remain before the final rush of "exams," the spring banquet, and then our departure from college for vacation. We were fortunate in being able to rent our house for the summer this year. Luckily for the campus, Stanford has become quite a favorite summer resort for San Francisco people who rent the sorority and fraternity houses and give large house parties here.

On April twenty-first we entertained with our formal dance. The decorations were rose color and white, and the great profusion of pink roses, tulle, and greenery was quite effective against our dark woodwork. We have also sent out cards for a faculty tea next week. Mrs. Edwin Williams, a Northwestern Gamma Phi, has invited our active chapter to spend one Saturday before college closes

with her at her beautiful country home near Saratoga. We will certainly enjoy the buffet luncheon, tramp in the cañon, and all the other things that Mrs. Williams has planned for us.

Junior week at Stanford was unusually successful this year. The chief attraction was the clever original opera written by college people. The local hits, which brought in everybody from the girls' crew to members of the faculty, were especially good. The music was so "catchy" that it has since been played at all the campus dances. Three of our Gamma Phis took part in the opera.

The girls of the university are trying to raise funds for a "Women's Club Home" which is to be built in the fall. This Saturday "La Liana," a club made up of girls living in Palo Alto, gave a large caféteria luncheon in one of the halls in town. It was well patronized by students and faculty and, as all the "eats" were donated, it was undoubtedly a success financially, as well as socially. "Cap and Gown," the girls' honor society, is planning a big "stunt party" in the early part of September, also for the benefit of the club house.

Our Pan-Hellenic contract for next year has not been definitely decided upon as yet. Gamma Phi stands strongly for a short rushing season, with a limited number of "stunts," but a number of the other crowds wish a semester. We are anxiously awaiting the outcome.

Mu sends love and hopes that every "Jimmy Fee" will have the best sort of a vacation, wherever she may be.

NU (UNIVERSITY OF OREGON)

ACTIVE MEMBERS

Pearl Wilbur
Edith Woodcock
Helen Beach
Sophie Catlin
Beulah Bridges
Jarvina Stanfield
Erma Clifford
Lenora Hansen
Anna McMicken

Mildred Whittlesey Florence Cleveland Ada Kendall Ruth Beach Alsea Hawley Edith Sheehy Marie Zimmerman Esther Carson Grace Bean

Flora Dunham

Sororities Represented in University of Oregon

NATIONAL

Gamma Phi Beta Chi Omega Kappa Alpha Theta Delta Delta Delta

LOCAL

Gamma Delta Gamma Lambda Rho Beth Reah

MEMBERS OF SENIOR CLASS AND HONORS

Pearl Wilbur, member of cast in senior play. Member of the junior

prom. committee.

Edith Woodcock, secretary of the dramatic club, 1908-1909. Vice-president of girls' tennis club, 1908-1909. President of Y. W. C. A., 1909-1910, Member of junior day committee, 1909. Secretary of student body, 1910-1911. Member of Scroll and Script, senior honor society. Member of woman's council.

Helen Beach, associate editor of Oregon monthly, 1909-1910. Associate editor of girls' edition of weekly, 1910. President of dramatic club, 1910-1911. Vice-president of girls' tennis club, 1910-1911. Member of Y. W. C. A. social committee, 1909-1910. Member of junior day committee, 1910. Member of Scroll and Script senior honor society. Leading part in junior week-end play, "At Yale," 1911. Member of senior play committee, 1911. Gamma Phi Beta representative in U. of O. Pan-Hellenic, 1910-1911.

Sophie Catlin, entered from Mills college, California, in her junior year.

Secretary of Salem club. Member of cast in senior play.

Beulah Bridges, affiliated from Eta chapter in her senior year. Gertrude Holmes completed her work the first semester of her senior

year.

Dear Sisters in Gamma Phi Beta: We have just returned from our spring vacation, which most of us spent in Portland. While there we had luncheon at the Bowers, covers being laid for twentyfour and among our guests were several prospective rushees.

It has been the custom for each fraternity in college to give a formal dance each year, but no sorority has ever entertained with a strictly formal dancing party before. April the first, we chose as our date, and gave a very pretty party in the university gymnasium. Decorations were uniquely carried out. In the center of the hall was a lattice-work bower, covered with greens, which formed the position of the orchestra, and from this to all parts of the hall, were stretched garlands of greens, intermingled with wisteria blossoms. In the adjoining handball court, which had been converted into a dainty tea room, "eats" were served. At the close of the party, all the lights were turned down, save from the large crescent of lights, which was embedded in a mass of greens at one end of the hall, whence a silver radiance fell over the dancers. To add to the attractiveness, light and dark brown confetti was caused to flutter through the air. Among the guests were several of our alumnae.

The annual frolic of the co-eds was given in the university gymnasium, April the twenty-eighth. Edith Woodcock was a member of the stunt committee. Each sorority had prepared some new and

original stunt, and some of us Gamma Phis were handsome, posing as "The Hungry Seven" German band, singing some little German ditties and performing with much gusto, with hands and feet, on

imaginary instruments.

Junior week-end is approaching and promises to be more successful than ever before. It begins Wednesday night, May the tenth, with the customary junior orations; Thursday night, the dramatic club produces "At Yale," in which Helen Beach will take the leading role; Friday is University Day and in the morning all university men work on the campus, and at noon, the girls serve luncheon at the men's dormitory; Friday afternoon and evening will be taken up with the Canoe Carnival on the mill-race. The next day, there are two baseball games and a track meet and last and most important, is the junior prom on Saturday night. Every fraternity and sorority house is filled with guests for the affair.

This will be the last letter before the summer vacation, and Nu takes this opportunity of wishing, for you all, a very pleasant sum-

mer.

XI (UNIVERSITY OF IDAHO)

ACTIVE MEMBERS

Veronica Foley Elizabeth Dunn Gretchen Zumhof Sadie Stockton Linda Rae Margaret Stolle Louise Richardson Iva Emmett Edna Price Helen Noyes Jessie Coram Ruth Annett Kathryn Smith Marguerite Allen Harriet Bolger Maude Bonham Gladys Collins Elizabeth Hays Georgie Kaufman Gladys Lessinger Corinne Robertson Mabel Wilson

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Ida Walker

Gamma Phi Beta is the only national sorority represented at Idaho. There are two locals, Beta Sigma and Omega Pi.

Dear Girls: We girls of Xi have been going quickly from one excitement to another. First it was the annual freshman glee, which of course interested our own freshmen very greatly, and several of them were kept very busy because they formed a large part of different committees. Of course it went off beautifully and now the baby freshmen are most delighted with themselves.

Right on the heels of that excitement came our spring vacation. Most of us went home or visiting, but there were seven or eight girls at the house the greater part of the week. We, who stayed, managed to keep ourselves busy, as the tennis courts on the campus had just been put in order and then, you know, there is always lots of spring mending to be done. However, we were mighty glad to see the girls

come back and all be together again.

Then came the biggest excitement of all. Our first annual dance was to be given on April 21st. Needless to say it took lots of planning and thought. The affair was splendid and we have been told that it was by far the prettiest party Idaho has seen for many years. Everything was elaborate, but all went off just as we wished, and now we feel that it was well worth the effort. We hoped very much to have Helen Riheldaffer, '09 of Kappa, and Rosella Mohr and Helen McDonald Sanders of Lambda with us but they were unable to come. However, we were fortunate enough to have Maude Heiser of Kappa, who is teaching in Spokane, here. Several of our alumnae were here also.

Xi's annual spring banquet is to be given June 3rd. It is to be given in the domestic science department of the university, and we hope very much to have many of our old girls back for the event.

Soon after our last letter was written, the freshmen having gained their required credits, were joyful candidates for our mystic circle and after a most interesting week of labor on their part, we let them join us. The initiation went off very well, and we all enjoyed the

little supper which the sophomore girls gave later.

Early in March we entertained the Beta Sigma sorority at a very novel dancing party at the home of Mrs. Lewis. Each of us engaged our "lady" for the affair, and to an outsider it would have looked greatly like a most formal college dance. A few weeks later we gave a kimono breakfast to the girls of Omega Pi, and both affairs were very enjoyable.

The summer vacation is not very far off, and we all have just oceans of things to do before we will be ready to go to our different homes, but we are all looking forward to most enjoyable vacations and wish each and every Gamma Phi the most delightful summer.

CHICAGO MEMBERS

Grace Adele Lasher Berry, Epsilon Grace Lasher Boice, Epsilon Elizabeth Davidson Barbour, Epsilon Agnes Bassett, Epsilon Honta Smalley Bredin, Beta Dorothea Curtis Chickering, Gamma Harriet Durham Coffman, Epsilon Olive Foster Corlett, Epsilon Laura B. Hutchins, Epsilon Harriet Ludlow, Gamma Alice Smalley McKinney, Gamma Effie Chase Page, Gamma Alice Hosmer Preble, Beta Esther Rich Reilly, Beta Persis Rollins, Epsilon Vena Brunk Rogers, Gamma Frances Fisher, Epsilon Adah Grandy, Gamma Mrs. Fred Kraft, Epsilon Barbara Curtis Rose, Gamma Lillian Thompson, Beta Margaret Williams, Epsilon 22

Dear Sisters in Gamma Phi Beta: Since our last letter we have had two very pleasant luncheons, one on March 11th at the home of Mrs. Robert Preble, and our last meeting was on April 15th with Mrs. Hayes McKinney. We also had a joint luncheon and spread with Epsilon chapter, at the home of Honta Smalley Bredin.

At our last meeting we decided to hold over during the summer months, and are going to have our luncheons in Chicago for a while. This has been tried several times before, but it was not a success because we had no regular meeting place. Our next luncheon is on May 13th at the Great Northern Hotel. We want to give this plan a thorough try out and if it proves a success it will be the regular meeting place for the Chicago alumnae.

Epsilon's spring banquet at the La Salle Hotel promises to be one of the best in the history of the chapter and of course we are all

going to attend.

The Chicago alumnae wishes you all a very pleasant summer.

Syracuse

MEMBERS

Florence Wooster Allen, Alpha Gertrude Andrews, Alpha Florence Palmer Baker Alpha Kate Gardiner Cooke, Alpha Florence Bailey Crouse, Alpha E. Addie Curtis, Founder Emogene Day, Alpha Grace H. Webb Edgecomb, Alpha Isabel Gage Dibble, Alpha Alvia Horton Fish, Alpha Laura Page Flick, Alpha Helen Gowing, Alpha Alice Graves, Alpha Marion Heffron, Alpha Milicent Hinkley, Alpha Mrs. Lucius Johnson, Alpha C. Blanche Knapp, Alpha Lucy Yates Manning, Alpha

Christine McLennan, Alpha Edith McLennan, Alpha Belle Yates Porter, Alpha Mrs. W. W. Porter, Alpha Nettie Sadler, Alpha Mabel Stone, Alpha Florence Trobridge, Alpha Harriet Budd Wadleigh, Alpha Mary Whitford, Alpha Laura Wilbur Reynolds, Alpha Christine Reed Townsend, Alpha Katharine Sibley, Alpha Marion Scott, Alpha Grace Leslie Paltz, Alpha Nellie Morgan, Alpha Kate Smith Reynolds, Alpha Ruth Laycock, Cora Willard Fredrick, Alpha Mildred Fulmer, Alpha

Since the last CRESCENT was published considerable has happened to the Syracuse alumnae. To take things in their proper order we had one of the most delightful parties of many a day at Cora Willard Frederick's. This was made a general affair, and all graduate

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Gamma Phis in Syracuse and vicinity were invited. Over sixty were present. The feature of the occasion was an auction. Milicent Hinckley made an excellent auctioneer, and bids were made on unopened packages. The results were interesting to the last degree, and best of all everybody had the time of her life.

Another good afternoon was spent with Belle Yates Porter in April, Every one reports a delightful time as we always have, in

this hospitable family—and we always want to go again.

Finally we have decided to build a chapter house. The lot is on Euclid Avenue, a handsome paved street just around the corner from college place. It faces an attractive square of green and on beyond it looks down a winding country road with all sorts of charming glimpses of hill and dale. With all this it is scarcely a moment's walk from the campus. An excellent car service takes one to the heart of the city in ten minutes. In other words we have an unsurpassed location. We enclose a rough sketch of the front elevation and later we shall send you a real picture of the house with interiors—and, we are ready for congratulations!

BOSTON

Those people who are fortunate enough to be numbered among the active members of Gamma Phi Beta are:

Carlotta Brant, Delta Susan Brown, Delta Helen Byrne, Delta Marion Dean, Delta Elizabeth Hacker, Delta Bess Newhall Sanger, Delta Grace Newhall, Delta Elizabeth Putnam, Delta

Mabel Langford Priest, Delta Miriam Parker Rice, Delta Gene Ward Rigby, Delta Mary Shepherd, Delta Florence Sherman, Delta Marion West, Delta Katherine Whiting, Delta Mary Wren, Delta

Harriet Ross Wilcutt, Delta

Dear Sisters in Gamma Phi Beta: Isn't it fine to be introduced

print and wish we might in person.

Since the last issue of the Crescent there has been a most wonderful addition to Delta chapter and consequently we hope, to Boston alumnae. Yes, the active girls surely ought to feel amply rewarded for their long and arduous labors, for the freshmen are certainly fine. But you will be told about them all in Delta's letter, I suppose—and also about the initiation and banquet. The banquet was held at Hotel Vendome and took the place of our annual spring banquet. Esther Bates made a most delightful toastmistress, all the toasts were splendid—in fact everything was just right for a good time.

this way? We are all very glad to meet our alumnae sisters in

We were so sorry to hear Marion Dean say, at the last meeting, that she would be obliged to resign her position on the executive board as she expects to go to Honolulu to teach. The chapter meetings will not seem the same with Marion gone;—but though none can take her place in meetings, we are glad to say, because we know she will fill it so well, that Elizabeth Putnam has consented to fill the vacancy on the board.

As loyal supporters of our college, the chief matter of interest concerning us now in connection with it is the election of a new president. We have all known Dr. Huntington, and learned to love and respect him so sincerely that we must always think of him as president of the university he has served so long and well; but it is our sincere wish that Dr. Murlin may receive, as of course he will, a hearty welcome and support as he steps into the place of the retiring president.

It does not seem possible that our Crescent year is over—but I suppose we are all looking forward, even now, to our summer's good time. Well, here is wishing that you may all enjoy yourselves to the fullest extent until we meet again in the fall.

NEW YORK

ACTIVE MEMBERS

Mrs. N. H. Bannard, Zeta Mrs. C. J. Beakes, Alpha Florence Beers, Iota Jean Bruce, Iota Anna Cole, Alpha Mrs. J. L. Caughey, Alpha Mrs. A. W. Frost, Alpha Elda Fink, Iota Laura Latimer Graham, Alpha Una Winterburn Harsen, Iota Carolyn A. Hammond, Alpha Florence Heermans, Alpha Edith I. Hedges, Alpha Ola Jermy, Alpha Bertha L. Jenkins, Alpha Caroline Kline, Zeta Janet Kevand, Alpha Louise V. Kimbal, Iota

Annie M. Knapp, Alpha Emma Lowd, Delta Gertrude Leete, Alpha Mrs. R. H. McKelvey, Iota Helen Newbold, Iota Mrs. E. J. Palmer, Alpha Hazel Plate, Iota Elva Russum, Alpha Jeannette Lubert, Iota Edna Stitt, Iota Mrs. J. W. Slawson, Alpha Emily Treadway, Alpha Mrs. E. L. Thorndike, Alpha Laura Van Cise, Iota Louise Ware, Alpha Isabelle D. White, Alpha Clara H. Whitmore, Delta Mrs. H. W. Frink, Theta

Sisters in Gamma Phi Beta: As I write I try to feel what a privilege it is to keep in touch with a nation-scattered organization, but the enthusiasm which that thought should arouse fails to answer to the appeal, so I shall just have to append a few commonplace facts—you see it always happens that I am a busy working woman

at just those intervals when the meetings occur and never see anyone.—The New York alumnae has had two meetings, one with Isabelle D. White, Alpha, and one with Edna Stitt, Iota, since the last letter. Both of them seen from the secretary's reports which are sent to me to scan before writing you, to have been unusually parliamentary and business-like. You may judge for yourselves whether this was really the case or only a secretary's report. Nothing like it ever happened when I was present I know, I always

had a very nice time.

Now we are planning for our banquet and final appearance for the season at the Marie Antoinette on May thirteenth. The cards are out but if you have not received yours and live near enough to attend, just send me your hurt feelings in a note and I will regret the oversight and cordially invite you by return mail. Indeed we wish we could gather in all the Gamma Phis who are located in this vicinity—they would surely enjoy our society; we always do. Before we meet again we shall all have gone abroad or to Japan or to Alaska; may you all be happy too. And to the seniors we offer congratulations for the culmination of four years' effort, and we shall be glad to extend as many helping hands as possible to those who are looking for positions.

MILWAUKEE

ACTIVE MEMBERS

Lucy Churchill Baldwin, Gamma Bernice Hunter Hoffman, Gamma Clara Erwin, Gamma Mary Laflin Jones, Gamma Etta Smith Laflin, Gamma Allison More Kieckhefer, Gamma Julia Richardson McLenegan, GammaGrace Steiner Lindsay, Gamma Hazel Milversted, Gamma Mrs. V. S. Norton, Epsilon

Katharyn Mathewson Moss, Gamma Carrie E. Norgan, Gamma Elizabeth McNary Peterson, Gamma Gertrude C. Ross, Gamma Laura Case Sherry, Gamma Margaret Ryan, Gamma Jean Williams, Gamma Mabel Walker, Gamma

Dear Sisters in Gamma Phi Beta: The March meeting was held the eighteenth of the month at the Milwaukee Athletic Club with a fair attendance. But the banner meeting of the year was such a lovely luncheon at the home of Lucy Churchill Baldwin. Mrs. Baldwin, Mrs. Hoffman, and Miss Erwin acted as hostesses, and as it was vacation at the university three of the active girls, Louise Perkins, Marie Leavins, and Florence Sayle were present and Gamma Phi gossip ran high. Ann Martin, Gamma, '08, and Mabel Duncan Becht were with us also. Mrs. Becht has only recently moved to Milwaukee, and so we have another new member to welcome. Time flew too fast, as you can imagine, and we are all looking forward to our next meeting at Waukesha and are urging all Gamma girls to go to the banquet at Madison in June.

SAN FRANCISCO

(No letter.)

DENVER

ACTIVE MEMBERS.

Kathryn Allen Helen Barbee Lindsey Barbee Kittie Lee Bishop Margaret Carmen Elinor Culton Eva Davis Edith Jean Boughton Denious Esther Doll Mabel Walker Edwards Gertrude Wolfe Folev Elizabeth Church Grant Mayme Gallup Blossom Henry Mabel Brown Holt Louise Iliff Mildred Hansen Theo Price Hough Margaret McNeil Fern Mitchell

Ora Bowman Moore Lucy Moore Irene Poole May Schiffer Ella Jamieson Sanderson Mabel Short Florence Slocumb Southard Clara Sperry Grace Evans Shannon Florence Hovey Taylor Margaret Packard Taussig Mary Uzzell Edith Wallace Ruth Wheeler Winifred Willard Bertha Webb Carolyn Wolfe Chellie Stevens Wright Lucia Pattison Young

Lisle Brownell Milton

Janet Newkirk Birkins

All of Theta, except Theo Price Hough, Alpha.

Dear Sisters in Gamma Phi: Before we meet again to read the CRESCENT the college world will have made one more revolution, and a new crop of pledges, freshmen, and newly-made alumnae will be upon us. Already the festivities of commencement are taking shape. In our own case, these include an alumnae supper to be tendered us by our little sisters of Theta—an event which we anticipate with delight.

I am not sure whether a Pan-Hellenic luncheon has any right to be recorded in these pages; but since Gamma Phi has this year held the presidency of the Woman's Pan-Hellenic of Denver, I will mention that this organization held a large and elaborate luncheon on April fifteenth at the Brown Palace Hotel, and that our own Lindsey Barbee was the charming and witty toastmistress of the occasion.

For the rest, we've been going to meeting once a fortnight, as

usual. A particularly successful meeting was held with Clara Sperry, when the building-fund campaign was earnestly discussed. Our next meeting, with Mabel Brown Holt, will include a tea given to the alumnae of Kappa Kappa Gamma and Kappa Alpha Theta, which will be the last of our informal receptions for this year.

We wish all our college sisters a most happy and successful com-

mencement.

MINNESOTA

Dear Gamma Phi Sisters: Some times when one knows the Crescent letter must be written lest we should be conspicuous by our absence, only a horde of small happenings come trooping to the call of the distressed would-be recorder of events. So a simple

history it must be.

Our first business meeting after the last letter was in March. We were entertained very delightfully by Rewey Belle Inglis. I am putting the social part first, but we really did have a business meeting, and discussed the "pro's and con's" of several troublesome questions. The future thrust herself into our circle in her well-known guise, the "rushing season." The report of the Pan-Hellenic delegate and the talk of our active guests about rushing plans for next fall furnished food for thought. Plans were made and a committee appointed for our reception for the Gamma Phi fathers and mothers, which we gave at the chapter house on the evening of March 21st. It was a semi-formal and very pleasant evening, and the cheerful noise of talk and laughter was interspersed with music; Margaret Menzel sang very charmingly and Lucile Babcock and Ethel Works played.

Between this occasion and our next business meeting Louise Jenkins entertained us at another of our bridge teas, at which we pay a small sum for the pleasure of playing bridge with merry company

and for the good of Gamma Phi's finances.

The last business meeting was held at the home of Mary Norton Ludduth. Officers for next year were elected, banquet plans were discussed,—for the alumnae association takes full charge of the banquet,—the house committee reported, and a decision was made to keep the same chapter house next year. The date for the banquet is the twenty-third of May and we are planning on having ninety Gamma Phis gathered together that evening. Good cheer, good songs, and glad faces will surely be the order of the day. Plans for our next alumnae association year were discussed, and we shall all look forward to the first meeting of the new season.

Since our last letter we have had a wedding, that of Sara Preston, now Mrs. Finley, with all the attendant fun and interest. And again we have had a member before the footlights. Cora Taney appeared in the leading woman's part in Rostand's "The Romancers" which was biven by the St. Paul college woman's club.

A pleasant surprise was a visit from Lora Gooding Tanner, who was married in February and has gone to Saskatoon, Canada, to live. Her visit was the occasion of some delightful small parties. Then we are all interested in the May Fête at the university, more especially because Eleanor Sheldon is the general chairman. That means a "deal o' work" and responsibilty but Eleanor is quite equal to that.

The glorious spring weather is bringing forth summer plans; talk and thought of trips and out-of-door life, canoeing, tennis, walking, motoring, and playing and working in the air and sunshine are uppermost. We wish for you all a happy summer and a delightful vacation-time.

PERSONALS

BETA

M. Ruth Guppy has been president of the Collegiate Alumnae Association of Tacoma, Washington, for the past two years.

Helen Hicks Stimson spent one day with us at the chapter house in March while on her wedding trip. Her home is in Philadelphia.

Helen Gable stopped in Ann Arbor to visit us before going to

Chicago where she is entering settlement work.

Bess Bigelow Moore and Paula Henze of Detroit have visted the chapter during the past month.

GAMMA

Ada Gandy, Gamma, visited the chapter and Mrs. Sullivan in March.

Minnie Patterson and Ida Brook from Burlington, Wisconsin, both members of Epsilon, visited Gamma the last of April.

Honta Smalley Bredin (Chicago Alumnae) visited the chapter the first of April.

Mrs. Brittingham spent several months in California.

DELTA

Mrs. Florine Cartwright Graylow has been spending the winter in Jamaica.

Louise Putnam, while visiting in New York, this winter, was most hospitably entertained by the New York Alumnae Chapter.

Marion Dean has, we regret to say, been obliged to resign her position on the executive board, as she expects to go to Honolulu to teach.

Delta is glad to welcome Herbert Murlin, D. D., president of Baker University, Kansas, who is President-elect of Boston University.

EPSILON

Mr. John H. Harris, Winifred Harris' father, died at his residence in Bearstown, Illinois, on March fourth.

Frieda Hansen has recently been elected secretary of the Associated Charities of Calumet, Michigan.

ZETA

Kezia Manifold, '09, visited Caroline Kline, '09, and Sara Turner, '09, in March.

Myra Manifold, '05, paid the chapter a visit in April. Charlotte Romberger, '13, and Adeline Snapp, '13, spent the spring vacation at Hampton Rhodes, Va.

Lillias House, '13, spent the spring vacation near Belair, Md. Kezia Manifold, '09, has been teaching since Easter in the Kingston High School, Kingston, N. Y.

Adeline Snapp, Charlotte Romberger, and Lillias House, '13, spent the week end with Margaretta Williamson, '13, in Washington. Margaretta Williamson, '13, entertained nine Gamma Phis at

dinner in her home at Washington the 29th of April.

Mary Thomas McCurley, '10, who has been teaching in Porto Rico, will sail for home in June and be in Baltimore next year.

Ета

Alma Eastin, '04, paid us a short visit in March.

Marion D. Dean, Delta, visited us on her way to Honolulu.

Emma Lee, Iota, has resigned her secretaryship in Y. W. C. A. and is going to live in Hollywood.

THETA

Ethel Clark is visiting in California.

Jean Mentzer has gone to teach at Brookvale, Colorado.

Elizabeth and Marguerite Stephenson will go to Lewisburg, Pennsylvania, to make their home.

Mu

Caroline Benson, '08, spent a few days with us this month on her way north.

Edna Earle, '09, expects to leave for a European trip in June. Helen Thoburn, Elsie Owen, and Pauline Gertzman, all '07 graduates, have recently paid us short visits.

Ethel Palmer, '10, and her mother have just returned from a trip

around the world.

Marian Skinner and her husband, a member of the German department of the university, leave next month for a year's stay in Europe.

Nu

Mrs. Caroline Burbank, Epsilon, was our guest in March. Gertrude Holmes is teaching in the Cognille High School.

XI

Maude Heiser, Kappa, of Spokane, visited Linda Rae at the time of our annual dance. Grace Bolger, sister of Harriet Bolger, '14, visited at the house and attended our party.

Edna Price, an Alpha Delta Pi, has again registered in college and is living at the house, having been pledged to Gamma Phi Beta. The girls are very delighted to have her back and hope soon to take her into our mystic circle.

At the time of the interscholastic track meet, which is to be held here May 4th and 5th, we are going to have open house for visiting girls, and we hope to discover some splendid material among the high school girls of the state.

Rosa Forney Harrison has been visiting her home in Moscow for the past few months and the chapter has had several visits with her.

Caroline Clifford Burbank, Epsilon, '90, visited the chapter a few hours while on a trip with her husband through the northwest.

CHICAGO

Mrs. Holland Ground of Aberdeen, S. Dak., (Grace McDonnell, Gamma), has been spending a month in Evanston with her parents.

Mrs. John L. Vance (Laura McCarty, Epsilon, '08), is visiting

her sister Carolyn at Northwestern.

Mrs. Fred Collman (Adele Goble, Epsilon), has moved to Winnetka, Ill.

SYRACUSE

Florence Trowbridge will spend the summer traveling in Europe. Mr. and Mrs. William Gowing, née Deirdre Mace, of Burnsville, West Virginia, accompanied by their sister, Helen Gowing, will sail for England early in July.

Bessie Bowe has been visiting in Syracuse during the Easter vacation of her school.

Mrs. Le Roy Dale, née Mildred Webb, is in Syracuse for a short visit.

NEW YORK

Miss Bridges, Eta, and Mrs. Godfrey, Beta, were guests at the last meeting at Edna Stitts.

Helen Newbold, Iota, '09, has secured her master's degree in Economics and Sociology.

Miss Lowd, Delta, Miss Hersey, Theta, Miss Stitts, Miss Newbold, Miss Aignier, all of Iota, attended the cast of Iota's subscription dances. Mrs. Frink, Theta, has joined the alumnae, we are happy to announce.

We extend our sympathy to Gertrude Leete, Alpha, in the death of her father, Rev. Mr. Leete.

MILWAUKEE

Gertrude Ross spent Easter in Fond du Lac and now has her

sister Mrs. J. Earle Martin with her as a guest.

Mrs. Laura Case Sherry is taking the leading rôle in two plays to be put on in the near future. One is a short one act sketch by John Millington Synge, "The Riders to The Sea," while the other is Ibsen's "The Master Builder," which is later produced at Madison under the auspices of a new drama movement headed by Prof. Dickinson of the university. The early part of May, Mr. and Mrs. Sherry sail for England where they will spend several months in touring in their own machine, which they take with them.

Louise Perkins of Gamma chapter was the guest of Allison More

Kieckhefer during her Easter vacation.

Edythe Mac Millen spent a few days with Hazel Milversted the

early part of the month.

CRESCENT readers will be glad to know that Julia Richardson McLenegan is swiftly recovering from her severe illness at Rochester, Minnesota.

Jean Williams has spent the past month in the home of Vena Brunk Rogers, '07, Minnesota Gamma chapter at Riverside, Illinois.

Reney Belle Onglis is teaching in the East Side High School of Minneapolis, taking Sara Preston's place as teacher of English.

Catharine Taney Silverson of New Ulm has returned recently

from Bermuda, and has visited her family in St. Paul.

Lora Gooding Tanner of Saskatoon, Canada, has been in Minneapolis for two weeks; she spent a few days in New Ulm with Mrs. Silverson.

May and June Welch have just returned from a six weeks' trip to French Lick Springs and Chicago.

Olive Brooks is in California for an extended stay.

Marion Jones is back in Minneapolis and is teaching at Central High School.

Rachel Beard will return from New York some time in May.

Georgiana Campbell Keith has been visiting in St. Paul.

Ruth Hall spent two weeks in the twin cities.

Clara Taney has just been with Florence Millspaugh for a few days in Little Falls, Minnesota.

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Agnes Malloy Moore and Katharine Taney Silverson are coming to Minneapolis for the banquet.

DENVER

Ruth Drake Drysdale of New Plymouth visited in Denver during March.

Inez Ridgeway is studying at the School of Design in Chicago.

Mayme Gallup, Theta '08, is spending the season at Westgate,
near Los Angeles, California.

BIRTHS

Born to Mr. and Mrs. George Beach (Alice Benson, Eta), a son, George Benson, on January twenty-sixth.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Leland Shaw (Emma Vella, Delta, '97), a

son in November, 1910.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Fred Collman (Adele Goble, Epsilon, ex-

'09), a daughter, in April.

Mr. and Mrs. E. R. Munro (Florence Reid, Alpha), of Camillus, are receiving congratulations over the arrival of a daughter, Janet Gere, born March 28.

Mr. and Mrs. James Baines (Miriam Ernhout, Alpha), also have

a young daughter, born in April.

To Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Hodge (Jessie Hurlburt, Alpha, '95), of Charlotte, North Carolina, was born, on April 8, a son, Edwin Spafford.

A son was born to Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Watt (Effie White,

Gamma), in March.

Born to Sarah Seeber Ivans, Gamma, a son, in February.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. S. E. Whitaker (Edith Wilder, Delta), a son, Lawrence Wilder, on April 10th, at 419 West 121st St., New York City.

Born to Katherine Parkhurst Wilbur (Alpha, ex-'09), a daughter,

Winifred, on March 18th.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. James Chambers (Florence Rhodes, Epsilon), of Savannah, Illinois, a son, in January.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. William Collins Buell (Mae Webster Alpha

ex-'12), a son, William Collins Buell, April 24, 1911.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Adelbert G. Green (Bernice Peck, Alpha

ex-'11), a son, Lewis T., March 1, 1911.

Born to Harriet Young Burchard, Kappa, '06, a daughter, Elizabeth, on February 23.

ENGAGEMENTS

The engagement of Mabel Walker, Gamma, to Mr. Stanley Tallman, of Racine, has been announced.

Announcement has been made of the engagement of Gladys Whitham, Epsilon, to Mr. Earl Stearns, of Pittsburg, Pennsylvania.

Dr. and Mrs. T. H. McClure have announced the engagement of their daughter, Ethelda, Epsilon, to Mr. Harry Clifford, Sigma Xi. Ruth Warrington, Epsilon, has announced her engagement to Mr. J. Harold Gillson, Sigma Nu.

Nora Buell, Gamma, has announced her engagement to Mr.

Robert Duncan, Sigma Xi.

The engagement of Helen Aigiuer, Iota, '09, to Mr. Richard Warner, of Gemridge, is announced.

MARRIAGES

On January eighteenth at Los Angeles, California, Nell Danely Brooker, Epsilon, was married to Mr. L. P. Mayhew.

Leona Chandler, Delta, '08, was married to Mr. Elmer C. Ray-

mond, on April 19th.

Therese Martha Preston, Lambda, ex-'11, and Mr. Roy Winfield McCarthy, Delta Kappa Epsilon, were married April twentieth, at the home of the bride's parents in Seattle. Mr. and Mrs. McCarthy will reside in Minneapolis. Miss Preston was the guest of honor at several delightful pre-nuptial affairs, including a dinner at which Florence Lewis was hostess, a spread at the chapter house, a luncheon at the Arctic Club, when Zella Steele entertained in her honor, and a luncheon with Margaret Reilly as hostess.

Jessie Hurley, Nu, '09, was married in March to Mr. Gordon C.

Moores, Kappa Sigma, at Salem, Oregon.

Caroline Benson, Mu, ex-'08, was married to Mr. Sigfried Unander, Phi Kappa Psi, on April 29th, at Portland.

Maud Terry, Gamma, is to be married in June to Mr. Lawrence

Johnson, at Broadhead, Wisconsin.

The marriage of Winifred Harris, Epsilon, to Mr. Robert B. Glenn, will take place in June, at Beardstown, Illinois. Owing to the death of Mr. Harris, the wedding will be a very quiet one.

On April 24th, Sara Preston, Kappa, '07, was married to Mr. Joseph Edward Finley, Kappa Sigma. It was a simple and very pretty morning wedding at the church of the Immaculate Conception. The bride's only attendant was her small sister in a dainty white dress and with an armful of pink roses. During the ceremony, Kathleen Hart, a Gamma Phi song-bird, sang most beautifully, and Florence Hofflin, one of Miss Preston's college friends, delighted us with her violin accompanied by Mrs. Babcock at the organ. After a six weeks' stay on the western coast, Mr. and Mrs. Finley will be at home in Minneapolis.

DEATHS

On April 23rd the death of Myrtle Hutchins Key, Zeta, '04, occured. Mrs. Key had been ill for several years, and a trip to California during the winter proved of no benefit to her. Mrs. Key was a sister of Laura Hutchins, Epsilon and Zeta.

Laura Sparks Brooks, Gamma, died at her home in Toronto, in

February.

IN MEMORIAM

Whereas, in the providence of God, our sister, Myrtle Hutchins Key, of the class of 1904, has been taken from us, be it

Resolved, that we, Zeta chapter of Gamma Phi Beta, do hereby express to her bereaved ones our heartfelt sympathy, and be it

Resolved, that we, in token of our sorrow, drape our pins for the period of thirty days, and be it

Resolved, that a copy of these resolutions be sent to the family, and inserted in the Crescent, our sorority magazine.

ELIZABETH BARNES, ANNA BLANTON, FAYE MYERS.

OUR CONTEMPORARIES IN BLACK AND WHITE

For February—To Dragma of Alpha Omicron Pi; Circle of Zeta Psi; The Key of Kappa Kappa Gamma; The Aegis of Alpha Sigma Alpha; The Beta Theta Pi; The Sigma Kappa Triangle.

For March—Alpha Phi Quarterly: The Scroll of Phi Delta Theta; The Shield of Phi Kappa Psi; The Adelphean of Alpha Delta Phi; The Kappa Alpha Theta; The Rainbow of Delta Tau Delta; The Palm of Alpha Tau Omega; The Delta Upsilon Quarterly; The Record of Sigma Alpha Epsilon; The Delta Chi Quarterly.

For April—The Anchora of Delta Gamma; The Arrow of Pi Beta Phi; The Trident of Delta Delta Delta; The Shield of Phi Kappa Psi; The Phi Chi Quarterly.

For May—The Kappa Alpha Theta; The Beta Theta Pi; The Chi Zeta Chi Medical Record.

The editor is indebted to Miss Lucy Moore, Denver alumnae for the compilation of exchanges in this issue of the magazine.

AND WHY NOT THE CRESCENT AND GAMMA PHI?

It seems to me that the true value of *The Arrow* as a compendium of chapter and fraternity history; as a prospectus, catalogue and advertisement of colleges and universities, and as a medium for the discussion of matters relating to the interests of the college world, men and women, fraternity and non-fraternity, is not properly appreciated. How many chapters devote stated meetings each year to a careful consideration of chapter history as it is recorded four times each year in The Arrow and once every two years in the report of the delegate to convention? Would not such a study tend to a better acquaintance with the "old grads" and a greater feeling of loyalty and enthusiasm for the present chapter which is today a monument to their endeavor. Would not this be a good study for the meetings soon after the new girls have entered the chapter? And as for general Pi Phi history, this is volume XXVII, you know, and a careful study of the file would show a most wonderful development, which is history.

How many of you are really vitally interested in the problems of the colleges and universities where Pi Beta Phi has chapters? There are forty-two of them besides your own. Do you appreciate

some at least, of the difficulties, the successes, the developments of these different institutions due so largely to their environment? Have you ever stopped to consider how the girls entering colleges of east and west, north and south, city and country, denominational or otherwise, must have come from widely diverse environments and must be possessed of very different aims and purposes, and yet how the ideals of all find in Pi Beta Phi some fit expressions? You, who have been to convention know that distance and locality count for nothing and that fraternity enthusiasm is a great leveler.—Arrow of Pi Beta Phi. Quoted in The Key of Kappa Kappa Gamma.

The following suggestion is a good one:

So too in the gatherings that are general and bear the stamp of your fraternity, let them be individually yours. Get rid of all the externals! In these days of intense rivalry, many rushing parties have become so overladen with the externals of caterers and colored waiters, fine clothes and formality, they have almost entirely lost their character of undergraduate times. The jar to naturalness has been raised and only Herculean effort will overcome it.

After all what is the object of a rushing party? To make the rushee enjoy herself. She is far more likely to do it if she is made to forget herself, than if she is simply impressed by the resources at the fraternity's command. But the vital ethical point in rushing is

the intersorority attitude.

Carried away by anxiety and nervousness we are to prone to forget that we and our rivals as well are daughters of the same Alma Mater, and as such, deserve the same respect. Those most opposed to fraternities argue that they destroy college spirit and unity. Would we for a moment forget it? Perish the thought! And yet it lies with us to prove it false. What more conclusive proof than a fine spirit of noblesse oblige toward those not of our faith. Such a spirit every fraternity girl should feel bound in honor and loyalty to foster the real ethics of rushing.—To Dragma of Alpha Omicron Pi.

Cold water has its virtues—so many virtues in fact that just the mention of the name calls forth many charming visions of babbling brooks, ocean voyages, temperance meetings and what not. In certain cases such as fainting and the like it is the most excellent remedy and one should not hesitate to throw it in the face of a person so afflicted.

But it is against the promiscuous use of the fluid that we would

warn our sister Kappas, for it is easy to form the habit of throwing cold water and it is such a bad habit. Of course we do not refer to the few drops cast down on the heads of innocent serenaders wandering about the campus, but it is rather to the figurative meaning of the phrase that we would call your attention.

All no doubt have heard older persons speak of this evil which we shall call the cold water habit and they have said no doubt that those persons who are most addicted to it are generally those who have accomplished least in life. Perhaps that is true, but there are so many ways and so many places to throw cold water that even the

most successful Kappa may fall if she be not warv.

Especially are those college interests which lie outside the realm of fraternity life in danger of being submerged. We often meet girls who are so engrossed in fraternity life that they feel it a bore to go to those gatherings where they meet the student body at large, and then we meet others who go but feel it their duty to criticize everything which they do not find to their taste, and then wonder why no college organization but the fraternity succeeds.—The Key of Kappa Kappa Gamma.

But with the alumna comes an entirely different question, when we regard the regularity with which the badge is worn. As unfortunate as it seems, the alumna who wears her pin constantly after all other ties with her college are broken is the exception rather than the rule. Does it argue that the fraternity is an idol of callow minds,—an idol whose clay feet are discovered as we become older? Does it argue that the fraternity is merely a social club which ceases to be of interest when the dance-programs and tally-cards are lost or forgotten? If its vows are lasting, and its standards those of maturest woman-hood, why need we fear the continuation of interest where an expression of it carried very little more expenditure of our busy time than the clasping of a pin?—

Themis of Zeta Tau Alpha.

Concerning things Pan-Hellenic we quote the following from the Kappa Alpha Theta Journal.

PAN-HELLENIC AND THE COLLEGE.

The idea of a broader field of activity for the local Pan-Hellenic associations—the idea of working with the college world and not apart from it, has recently been making itself felt. This development may be traced to two sources—the recognition among college authorities of women's fraternities as live forces in college life,

and the broad-minded study of general student relationships on the part of the National Pan-Hellenic conference. The last reports show that this representative body has widened the scope of its consideration to include the whole field of women's college life, and is aiming to exert a conserving influence through the many chapters of the different fraternities.

The day of the woman's fraternity as an exclusive secret society is passing, and the years of its usefulness as a real factor in coordinating the social forces of the college world are now with us. And the responsibility for furthering this broader development rests largely with the college Pan-Hellenic. It forms the logical medium through which the college—students and faculty—may deal with the chapters, and through which the ideas of the national organizations working through the Conference may be carried into effect.

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While fraternities were new and their lives not assured, it was necessary to make the chapters as attractive as possible, to entertain lavishly and to ask students to join them. That puts the upper-classmen in the wrong light. It puts the freshman in the position, where he confers honor upon the fraternity in choosing to accept its invitation, hurts it in refusing the invitation. Both freshmen and upperclassmen neglect their college work and the freshmen naturally believe that the fraternity stands for such neglect and low scholarship, and that its chief object is pleasure.

Couldn't this condition be rectified were this system turned around? Would it not be better for freshmen to apply for membership? Would we lose by being chosen and being allowed to confer all honors ourselves?

Why not let the student enter college regularly? Let her apply herself to her studies and make herself acquainted with the college life. Let the fraternity people lead regular lives so that the new people may know them under real and not forced conditions. If the student wishes to become a member of any fraternity, let her apply secretly to the group of her choice. The student might be placed on probation for a month or any time that might be determined, at the end of which time the answer could be given secretly. In this manner no feelings need be hurt, for the black ball need never be known. This is not a new system, but has been in use for many years by the Masons and other like fraternities. These organizations have been able to control their membership, and we could do worse than look at their methods.

It seems almost heresy to attack the old system under which we

were all chosen, but I believe that the old system is worn out and that there must be some new system put in its place. This plan has been suggested to alumni and active members of some twelve fraternities, and as yet only one person has found objections. It is proposed now merely as food for thought, and as beginning from which better things may come.

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The only rules which any of my colleges report as particularly satisfactory are those which provide for:

1. Publicity of all Pan-Hellenic regulations and provisions for

making such regulations known among rushees.

2. Non-initiation of members until after the satisfactory completion of one semester's work in college.

3. Pan-Hellenic provision for uniform oversight of students

academic work.

- 4. A committee of alumnæ delegates to the local Pan-Hellenic to receive and investigate all charges of non-observance of rushing rules.
- 5. Absolute prohibition of asking for or receiving assistance of any kind in rushing from any college man or men's organization.

I believe good would result from adding to this last rule a prohibition against inviting any gentlemen as guests at a rushing party. Such parties should be wholly the affairs of our women's fraternities.

From *The Key* of Kappa Kappa Gamma we have the following interesting account of the work of the committee on national scholarship:

There seems to be a growing tendency among college students in some universities to overestimate the value of social development and general culture as compared with literary advancement. Some decades ago, there were fewer social organizations and the attention to booklore was more undivided. The social element has steadily increased and now absorbs so much time and attention that in many universities it is a serious problem how to apportion one's time so that it will be adequate for both study and other college activities.

The committee on the national scholarship of Kappa Kappa Gamma was established with the intent of stimulating the idea that high scholarship is compatible with general culture and with the well-

rounded character which is developed by social contact.

The early part of the work has been to obtain at least once in two years from all institutions where we have chapters, the report of the standing or the grade marks of all members. To simplify the work, blank forms are printed and sent to chapters, each secretary supplying names of members, and passing the forms to the Registrar with the request that the grade marks be supplied and forms be then forwarded directly to the national committee. The responses from institutions have been in most cases prompt, and have often been accompanied by some words of encouragement, or of explanation of methods of marking. We are more than grateful for the cheerfulness with which our calls have been met, when we know that they entail considerable additional work for the already very busy officials of our universities.

The next step is to examine the reports and to condense them into tabular form for report to the Grand Council. From these marks we then figure the percentages of the different grades of work that each chapter has done, these percentages being sent with our report to the evonvention. Then in writing to chapters, we commend them for their good work and advise with them regarding the poorer grades.

The graduate counsellor, or advisor, is a power for good in many fraternities, both men's and women's; sometimes the fraternity constitution requires that each chapter shall have such an officer, and prescribes the qualifications for, and the duties of, the office; sometimes the office is created by only a few chapters, on their own initiative; sometimes the relation is one that grows up without formal recognition, perhaps even without being noticed. But however the relation arises, its results are almost inevitably good, and we would be glad to have Alpha Phi make provisions for such an officer.

Let each chapter appoint as its counsellor or advisor a resident alumna, of say five years standing; it would be the duty of this advisor to be conversant with all the transactions of the chapter and to be all that the title implies—advisor or counsellor. As such she would be, in a way, responsible for the chapter to the alumnæ of her chapter and to the fraternity.—Alpha Phi Quarterly.

Two admirable plans:

Ours is the first sorority here to start another plan—the Sunday night hour. We are going to have different people come to talk to us and with us every Sunday evening from seven to eight o'clock. Perhaps later on we shall find some one person to regularly, so that a regular line of thought can be followed. The town girls will drop in at the appointed time to join the group. We all feel that

one quiet, serious hour a week together will be a pleasure and inspiration to us.

Our president tried a plan that is new to us of giving the freshmen a special fraternity examination before their initiation. Of the three questions, the first dealt with the general fraternity; the number of chapters and alumnae associations, the grand officers, and convention information. The second question concerned the local chapter; when, where, and by whom installed, the names of the charter members, the number of active members, the number of Phi Beta Kappas on the chapter roll, and the names of the grand officers the chapter has given to the national fraternity. Finally the freshmen were asked for their ideas as to desirable rushing material; what constituted an ideal sorority member; wherein national strength lies, and what the fraternity had meant to them. There were many excellent answers, particularly to the last question.—Anchora of Delta Gamma.