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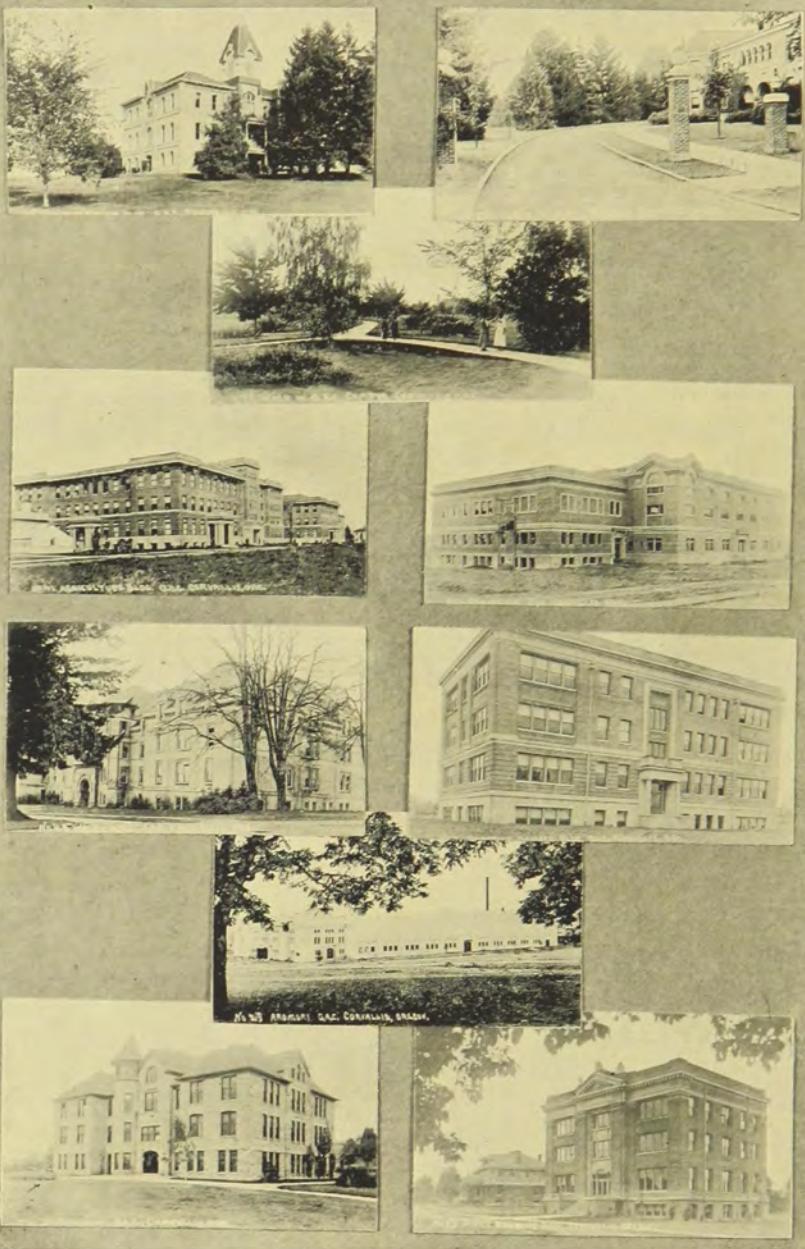
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GREEK LETTER INFORMATION

A. THE SORORITY SYSTEM

I. GREEK ALPHABET

Alpha	A	Iota	I	Rho	P
Beta	B	Kappa	K	Sigma	Σ
Gamma	Γ	Lambda	Λ	Tau	T
Delta	Δ	Mu	M	Upsilon	Υ
Epsilon	E	Nu	N	Phi	Φ
Zeta	Z	Xi	Ξ	Chi	Χ
Eta	H	Omicron	Ο	Psi	Ψ
Theta	Θ	Pi	Π	Omega	Ω

II. BEGINNINGS

1. Phi Beta Kappa

- Founded at William and Mary College, December 5, 1776.
- Membership consists of those who have obtained high scholarship.
- Women admitted since 1875.
- Badge, a watch key pattern.

2. Adelphean

- First secret organization for women.
- Founded in 1851 at Macon, Georgia.
- Became national in 1905 under name of Alpha Delta Pi.

3. Philomathean

- Founded in 1852 at Macon.

- (b) Became national in 1905 under name of Phi Mu.
- 4. I. C. Sorosis (1867)
 - (a) Became Pi Beta Phi in 1888.
- 5. Kappa Alpha Theta (1870)
 - (a) First sorority to bear a Greek name.

III. STANDARDS

- 1. Eligibility to N. P. C.
Dependent upon having five chapters in institutions of collegiate rank.
- 2. Collegiate rank
Determined by
 - (a) Association of Collegiate Alumnae (which admits to membership only colleges which fulfill certain high requirements of endowment and equipment).
 - (b) Phi Beta Kappa (which enters colleges of especial educational attainment).
 - (c) Carnegie Foundation (which bestows its favors only upon institutions of sufficient endowment which demand at least fourteen credit hours of work for admission).
 - (d) General Educational Board (which, endowed by Mr. Rockefeller, offers funds to colleges of high rank provided they raise a larger sum within a certain short period).

IV. GOVERNMENT

The supreme governing body of the sororities is the national convention; and between conventions a certain amount of legislative, judicial, and executive power is placed in the hands of a few members who are known as the Grand Council, Executive Committee, Grand Chapter, etc.

V. PUBLICATIONS

- 1. Secret
 - (a) Constitutions.
 - (b) Convention reports.
 - (c) Rituals.
 - (d) Bulletins.
- 2. Public
 - (a) Magazines.
 - (b) Directories.
 - (c) Songbooks.
 - (d) Histories.
 - (e) Calendars.
- 3. Items of Interest
 - (a) First magazine published by Kappa Kappa Gamma in 1882 and Delta Gamma in 1884.

- (b) First secret publication issued by Chi Omega in 1905 (*Mystagogue*.)
- (c) Other secret bulletins are *Triton* and *Trireme* (Delta Delta Delta).
- (d) The following histories have been printed:
 - Kappa Kappa Gamma (1905).
 - Chi Omega (1909).
 - Kappa Alpha Theta (1911).
 - Alpha Chi Omega (1912).
 - Alpha Gamma Delta (1918).

VI. RECOGNITION OF SCHOLARSHIP

1. Pi Beta Phi—annual fellowship of \$500 to women holding bachelor degree.
2. Gamma Phi Beta—scholarship of \$500 bestowed through A. C. A.
3. Kappa Alpha Theta—traveling fellowship.
4. Alpha Chi Omega—maintenance of a bungalow for creative artists at Macdowell Studio, Peterborough, New Hampshire.
5. Alpha Xi Delta—official honor ring presented to each Phi Beta Kappa and to all graduates who have an average of 90% for four years' work.
6. Alpha Gamma Delta—two province scholarships. Silver rose-bowl to chapter having highest chapter average.
7. About half of the sororities maintain student aid funds.

VII. SOCIAL SERVICE WORK

1. Pi Beta Phi—Settlement School for poor whites.
2. Chi Omega—Foremost among those sororities laying stress upon civic work. Each of its chapters offers annually a prize to the women of that university for the best essay, article, or thesis upon a subject relating to social service work.
3. Delta Delta Delta—First sorority to maintain an employment or vocational bureau.
4. Kappa Alpha Theta—Vocational bureau.
5. Alpha Gamma Delta—Vocational bureau.
6. Gamma Phi Beta—Fellowship awarded by A. C. A. to a college graduate for further preparation in social service work.

VIII. WAR WORK

1. Kappa Alpha Theta—Equipment of one complete hospital unit with nurses' uniforms and supplies.
2. Gamma Phi Beta—\$500 to Y. W. C.A.; adoption of French orphans.
3. Pi Beta Phi—\$500 to Y. W. C. A.
4. Alpha Gamma Delta—Specializing in knitting.

5. Alpha Xi Delta—\$500 to Y. W. C. A.; \$500 to Red Cross.
6. Alpha Delta Pi—\$500 to Y. W. C. A.; \$500 to Red Cross.
7. Sigma Kappa—Establishment of Red Cross fund.
8. Chi Omega—Definite service to regiments.
9. Kappa Kappa Gamma—Aid to French children.
10. Almost all of the sororities have invested in Liberty Bonds.
11. Delta Gamma—\$10,000 for relief of French and Belgian children.

IX. ALUMNÆ ASSOCIATIONS

1. Pi Beta Phi was the first sorority to establish alumnae associations, but its first graduate chapter was not formed until 1881. Alumnae delegates to convention have a voice but no vote; the alumnae association as a whole has one delegate, usually the alumnae editor of *The Arrow*.
2. Alpha Phi permits no association to exist which is not the direct outgrowth of an active chapter.
3. Delta Delta Delta was the first sorority to provide, at its very beginning, for alumnae associations which it calls Alliances. These alliances have a special constitution and special ritual. Alumnae clubs have no voting privileges or other benefits of the alliances.
4. Kappa Kappa Gamma has effected a national organization of alumnae associations under the control of three special officers.
5. Gamma Phi Beta has always given alumnae associations the privileges of active chapters.
6. Kappa Alpha Theta names its alumnae associations in order of founding, regardless of location.
7. Delta Gamma has made provision for alumnae chapters and alumnae associations, the former possessing a charter, paying dues, and having a vote in convention.
8. Chi Omega gives a vote to every alumna attending convention and examinations are required of alumnae chapters.

X. PANHELLENISM

1. Earliest Movement
 - (a) Invitation to other sororities from Boston University chapter of Kappa Kappa Gamma to meet in August, 1890, at Boston.
 - (b) Attempt made to secure
 1. Uniformity of interfraternity courtesy.
 2. Coöperation in purchasing fraternity jewelry and stationery.
 3. Panhellenic plan for World's Fair.
 4. Uniformity in dates of fraternity publications.
 5. Inter-chapter coöperation and etiquette.

(c) Failure

No city in which representatives from all sororities could meet conveniently.

2. Intersorority Conferences

- (a) First conference called by Margaret Mason Whitney (Grand President of Alpha Phi) for May 24, 1902, at Chicago. Delegates present from Alpha Phi, Gamma Phi Beta, Delta Gamma, Delta Delta Delta, Kappa Alpha Theta, Kappa Kappa Gamma, Pi Beta Phi.
- (b) Conference of 1903
Admitted Alpha Chi Omega and Chi Omega.
Suggested formation of Panhellenic associations.
- (d) Conference of 1904
Admitted Alpha Xi Delta and Sigma Kappa.
Decided upon rotation in office.
Defined purpose of Panhellenics.
Took up problem of social service.
Recommended establishment of women's leagues.
Made preparations to form a Bureau of Comparative Legislation.
Raised the question of the advisability of asking that deans of women be appointed in all coeducational colleges.
- (e) Conference of 1905
Admitted Alpha Omicron Pi.
Defined a national sorority as one having at least five chapters at institutions of collegiate rank.
Provided for the drafting of a model constitution for women's leagues.
- (f) Conference of 1906
Remodelled constitution of 1905.
Approved a model constitution for Panhellenics.
Condemned high school sororities.
- (g) Conference of 1907
Reported progress along the lines of social service and of local Panhellenics.
Favored a late pledge day, preferably in the sophomore year.
- (h) Conference of 1908
Made another plea for sophomore pledge day and for definite scholarship attainment.
Changed name to National Panhellenic Conference.
Admitted Zeta Tau Alpha and Alpha Gamma Delta.

- (i) Conference of 1909
Provided for annual appointment of committee on extension.
Arranged through committees for reports on college facilities for student social affairs and on scholarship standards in the Conference sororities.
Admitted Alpha Delta Phi and Delta Zeta.
- (j) Conference of 1910
Voted to request the sororities to vest in their delegates such limited legislative power as the Conference may deem necessary to make its action effective.
Recommended that every effort be made to encourage scholarship among sorority women, that the sponsor system be inaugurated in all chapters, that chaperons be salaried and given unlimited authority to enforce rules for the common good.
- (k) Conference of 1911
Adopted a constitution.
Changed name to National Panhellenic Congress.

3. National Panhellenic Congresses

- (a) Policies
 1. To make laws pertaining to its own government.
 2. To admit at its discretion petitioning sororities.
 3. To levy annual dues.
 4. To make final settlement of local Panhellenic difficulties.
 5. To have advisory power over local Panhellenies.
- (b) Order of Members
Governed by their seniority as members.
- (c) Eligibility
To be represented in the Congress a sorority must have at least five chapters in institutions of collegiate rank; a college of collegiate rank is one which requires fourteen entrance units.
- (d) Meetings
Since 1915, biennial.
Most of them have been held in Chicago, but 1914 was in New York and 1915 in Berkeley.
- (e) Government
The sororities, in rotation according to the official list, preside at the Congress.
The prospective chairman acts as secretary, the prospective secretary as treasurer. These three officials constitute the Executive Committee which carries on the

business between sessions and is the final court of appeals in college disputes.

(f) Publications.

Quarterly bulletins.

(g) College Panhellenics

Under general direction of the Congress and are expected to abide by its recommendations.

Furnished a model constitution.

(h) City Panhellenics

Encouraged by Congress.

(i) Voting

Majority vote is effective.

(j) Rulings

1. Congress of 1912

Elected historian to serve for five years.

Condemned high school fraternities.

Admitted Phi Mu and Kappa Delta.

2. Congress of 1913

Adopted uniform scholarship card and uniform house rules.

Favored extension of sorority system.

Contributed to Chicago Bureau of Occupations.

3. Congress of 1914

Adopted a Code of Ethics.

Authorized a study of the chapter-house system.

Arranged for extension and supervision of city Panhellenics.

4. Congress of 1915

Adopted a Panhellenic Creed.

Authorized study of co-operative buying and catering.

Voted for biennial conferences.

Created an editorship.

5. Congress of 1917

Passed the rule that a written paper dated and signed by the girl and a member of the sorority which bids her shall be proof that the girl is pledged.

Decided that broken and released pledges shall be filed with the local Panhellenic.

Announced itself as a deliberative not a legislative body, with a purpose of correlation not standardization.

Decided that local Panhellenic troubles are to be settled by the Grand Presidents of the sororities involved. If this is ineffectual, the case is referred to

N. P. C. and the decision of the Executive Committee is final.

(k) Model Constitution for College Panhellenics.

The Committee on a Model College Panhellenic Constitution begs to submit the following:

MODEL CONSTITUTION FOR COLLEGE PANHELLENIC ASSOCIATION

ARTICLE I—NAME

Sec. 1. The name of this organization shall be the Panhellenic Association of (Name of College).

ARTICLE II—OBJECT

Sec. 1. To maintain on a high plane fraternity life and interfraternity relationship, to coöperate with college authorities in their efforts to maintain high social and scholarship standards throughout the whole college and to be a forum for the discussion of questions of interest to the college and fraternity world.

ARTICLE III—ORGANIZATION

Sec. 1. This Panhellenic Association of shall be composed of three delegates from each chapter of the national fraternities represented in the institution, and from such locals as they may see fit to admit. The delegates from any one chapter to be an alumna, one senior, and one upperclassman; the upperclassman of one year to be the senior of the next year whenever possible.

Sec. 2. These delegates shall be elected by their chapters to serve for one college year, and are not to be substituted for unless the delegate leaves college.

Sec. 3. Every delegate shall be assessed a fine of (sum to be fixed by the unanimous vote of this college Panhellenic) for non-attendance at any regular meeting, unless her excuse in writing is accepted, prior to the meeting in which she expects to be absent.

ARTICLE IV—MEETINGS

Sec. 1. Regular meetings of the College Panhellenic Association of shall take place

Sec. 2. Special meetings shall be called at the request of any chapter represented in the College Panhellenic.

ARTICLE V—OFFICERS

Sec. 1. The officers of the Panhellenic Association of shall be

Sec. 2. The officers shall serve for a term of The term of office to begin

Sec. 3. The duties of the officers shall be those usually devolving upon such officers.

ARTICLE VI—VOTING

Sec. 1. A (preferably less than unanimous) vote shall be necessary to fix the date of pledge day and make rules regarding rushing, and a majority vote shall be necessary to carry all other questions.

Sec. 2. The power to vote shall be granted each delegate.

ARTICLE VII—PENALTIES

Sec. 1. Any chapter pledging a girl in violation of the rule for "lifting" in By-laws, Article II, shall be reported in writing by the officer of the

College Panhellenic to the grand president of the fraternity of the offending chapter, and to the National Panhellenic Congress.

Sec. 2. Any chapter breaking any of the rules of rushing, pledge day, etc., which she has promised to abide by in this constitution, shall be reported by the officer of the College Panhellenic to the grand president of the offending chapter and to the National Panhellenic Congress.

Sec. 3. No girl who has broken her pledge or resigned from one fraternity shall be asked to join another for one calendar year, from date of request for release.

Sec. 4. College Panhellenic shall not impose money penalties for violation of Panhellenic agreements.

ARTICLE VIII—AMENDMENTS

Sec. 1. This constitution can be amended by the
vote of the delegates of the Panhellenic Association of

BY-LAWS

1. No girl shall be asked to join a fraternity until she herself has matriculated.

2. Any girl pledged to a fraternity, leaving college before she is initiated, shall be considered released from her pledge at the expiration of one year's absence from the college. In case she returns, she is open to bids from all fraternities.

3. There shall be printed rules on rushing and a copy of these rules shall be mailed to every girl who is being rushed by any fraternity.

4. No chapter shall initiate any girl until she has passed (i. e. registered for the courses, attended lectures and passed satisfactory examination) at least ten (10) hours a week of collegiate work.

5. There shall be a standing committee, representing three different fraternities to be responsible for all fraternity magazines in the college library. They shall notify any editor whose magazine is missing from the files, and report at each meeting the magazines to be found in the library. They shall provide for binding of all magazines every two years at the expense of the College Panhellenic Association.

6. The Constitution and By-laws of this Panhellenic Association of shall be printed not later than May 1 of each year, and five (5) copies of the same be sent to each of the N. P. C. delegates of the fraternities represented on the College of Panhellenic.

7. All chapters shall announce any expected visiting delegate, and she shall be asked to address the College Panhellenic.

(1) Official List

1. Pi Beta Phi (I. C. 1867, II B Φ, 1888). *Badge*—arrow, *Colors*—wine and blue. *Flower*—dark red carnation. *Magazine*—*The Arrow*.
2. Kappa Alpha Theta (1870). *Badge*—kite. *Colors*—black and gold. *Flower*—black and gold pansy. *Magazine*—*Kappa Alpha Theta*.
3. Kappa Kappa Gamma (1870). *Badge*—key. *Colors*—light and dark blue. *Flower*—fleur de lis. *Magazine*—*The Key*.
4. Alpha Phi (1872). *Badge*—monogram. *Colors*—gray and Bordeaux. *Flowers*—lily of the valley and forget-me-nots. *Magazine*—*The Alpha Phi Quarterly*.

5. Delta Gamma (1874). *Badge*—anchor. *Colors*—bronze, pink, and blue. *Flower*—cream-colored rose. *Magazine*—*The Anchora*.
6. Gamma Phi Beta (1874). *Badge*—monogram enclosed within a crescent. *Colors*—light and dark brown. *Flower*—carnation. *Magazine*—THE CRESCENT.
7. Alpha Chi Omega (1885). *Badge*—lyre. *Colors*—scarlet and olive. *Flower*—scarlet carnation with smilax. *Magazine*—*The Lyre*.
8. Delta Delta Delta (1888). *Badge*—crescent inclosing three stars. *Colors*—silver, gold, and blue. *Flower*—pansy. *Magazine*—Trident.
9. Alpha Xi Delta (1893). *Badge*—quill. *Colors*—light and dark blue and gold. *Flower*—pink rose. *Magazine*—*Alpha Xi Delta*.
10. Chi Omega (1895). *Badge*—monogram. *Colors*—cardinal and straw. *Flower*—white carnation. *Magazine*—Eleusis.
11. Sigma Kappa (1874). *Badge*—triangle. *Colors*—maroon and lavender. *Flower*—violet. *Magazine*—Sigma Kappa Triangle.
12. Alpha Omicron Pi (1897). *Badge*—the sorority letters, superimposed. *Colors*—cardinal. *Flower*—Jacqueminot rose. *Magazine*—To Drama.
13. Zeta Tau Alpha (1898). *Badge*—shield. *Colors*—turquoise and gray. *Flower*—white violet. *Magazine*—Themis.
14. Alpha Gamma Delta (1904). *Badge*—monogram. *Colors*—red, buff, and green. *Flowers*—red and buff roses. *Magazine*—Alpha Gamma Delta.
15. Alpha Delta Pi (1851). *Badge*—diamond. *Colors*—pale blue and white. *Flower*—violet. *Magazine*—The Adelphean.
16. Delta Zeta (1902). *Badge*—lamp. *Colors*—old rose and Nile green. *Flower*—Killarney rose. *Magazine*—The Lamp.
17. Phi Mu (1852). *Badge*—shield. *Colors*—old rose and white. *Flower*—rose carnation. *Magazine*—The Aglaia.
18. Kappa Delta (1897). *Badge*—diamond. *Colors*—olive green and pearl white. *Flower*—white Kaiserin rose. *Magazine*—Angelos.

XI. PROFESSIONAL SORORITIES

(1) Legal

- Kappa Beta Pi (1908).
Phi Delta Delta (1911).

(2) Medical

Alpha Epsilon Iota (1890).
 Nu Sigma Phi (1898).
 Zeta Phi (1900).

(3) Musical

Delta Omicron (1909).
 Mu Phi Epsilon (1903).
 Sigma Alpha Iota (1903).

(4) Osteopathic

Delta Omega (1904).

(5) Pedagogical

Alpha Sigma Alpha (1901).
 Delta Sigma Epsilon (1918).
 Pi Kappa Sigma (1894).
 Sigma Sigma Sigma (1898).

(6) Journalistic

Theta Sigma Phi (1909).

(7) Home Economics

Omicron Nu (1912). Honor society.

B. MEN'S LITERARY FRATERNITIES

Alpha Chi Rho—1895	Phi Kappa Psi—1852
Alpha Delta Phi—1832	Phi Kappa Sigma—1850
Alpha Sigma Phi—1845	Phi Sigma Kappa—1873
Alpha Tau Omega—1865	Pi Kappa Alpha—1868
Beta Theta Pi—1839	Pi Kappa Phi—1904
Chi Phi—1824	Psi Upsilon—1833
Chi Psi—1841	Sigma Alpha Epsilon—1856
Delta Kappa Epsilon—1844	Sigma Chi—1855
Delta Phi—1827	Sigma Nu—1869
Delta Psi—1847	Sigma Phi—1827
Delta Sigma Phi—1899	Sigma Phi Epsilon—1901
Delta Tau Delta—1859	Sigma Pi—1897
Delta Upsilon—1834	Sigma Upsilon—1906
Kappa Alpha (northern) 1825	Tau Kappa Epsilon—1899
Kappa Alpha (southern) 1865	Theta Chi—1856
Kappa Sigma—1869	Theta Delta Chi—1848
Lambda Chi Alpha—1909	Theta Xi—1864
Phi Delta Theta—1848	Zeta Psi—1847
Phi Gamma Delta—1848	

C. HONORARY GREEK-LETTER SOCIETIES

- (1) Phi Beta Kappa (1776).
- (2) Sigma Xi (1886)—Science.
- (3) Phi Kappa Phi (1897)—General scholarship.
- (4) Alpha Omega Alpha (1902)—Medical.

D. FRATERNITY LITERATURE

- I. *Baird's Manual of American College Fraternities.*
William Raimond Baird (Beta Theta Pi).
- II. *Sorority Handbook.*
Ida Shaw Martin (Delta Delta Delta).
- III. *Leading Greeks.*
William C. Levere (Sigma Alpha Epsilon).
- IV. *Banta's Greek Exchange.*
George Banta (Phi Delta Theta).
- V. *The Fraternity and the College.*
Thomas Arkle Clark (Alpha Tau Omega).
- VI. *Heraldry and the American College Fraternity.*
Emily H. Butterfield (Alpha Gamma Delta).

E. INTERFRATERNITY COUNCIL

An organization of men's fraternities similar in purpose and scope to the National Panhellenic Congress and formed at a later date.

F. THE PANHELLENIC CREED FOR FRATERNITY WOMEN

(*Adopted by N. P. C., 1915*)

We, the fraternity undergraduate members, stand for good scholarship, for the guardians of good health, for whole-hearted coöperation with our college's ideals for student life, for the maintenance of fine social standards, and the serving to the best of our ability of our college community. Good college citizenship as a preparation for good citizenship in the larger world of alumnae days is the ideal that shall guide our chapter activities.

We, the fraternity alumnae members, stand for an active, sympathetic interest in the life of our undergraduate sisters, for the loyal support of the ideals of our Alma Mater, for the encouragement of high scholarship, for the maintenance of healthful physical conditions in the chapter-house and dormitory, and for using our influence to further the best standards for the education of the young women of America. Loyal service to chapter, college, and community is the ideal that shall guide our fraternity activities.

We, the fraternity officers, stand for loyal and earnest work for the realization of these fraternity standards. Coöperation for maintenance of fraternity life in harmony with its best possibilities, is the ideal that shall guide our fraternity activites.

We, the fraternity women of America, stand for preparation for service through the character building inspired in the close contact and deep friendship of fraternity life. To us, fraternity life is not the enjoyment of special privileges, but an opportunity to prepare for wide and wise human service.

SHORT HISTORY OF GAMMA PHI BETA

I. THE FOUNDING

Founded at Syracuse University on the afternoon of November 11, 1874, by Frances E. Haven, Helen M. Dodge, E. Adeline Curtis, and Mary A. Bingham.

II. THE COLORS AND FLOWER

Light and dark brown chosen in honor of Dr. Brown, who helped the new sorority in many ways. Carnation.

III. THE NAME

Bishop Haven, chancellor of the university and father of one of the founders, aided in selecting the name.

IV. THE BADGE

Designed by Mr. Cobb and Mr. Charles M. Moss (now professor in University of Illinois and husband of Frances E. Haven).

V. EARLY MEETINGS

Friday afternoons at the homes of members; afterward in the college room, occupied by Dr. Brown. There was a program at each meeting, consisting of a reading, an essay, a news report, and a criticism.

VI. FIRST SONG

List the Watchword, by Helen M. Dodge.

Other early songs:

Blessing—Charles M. Moss.

Greet We Each Other—Helen M. Dodge.

Initiation Song—Helen M. Dodge.

Hymn to Gamma Phi Beta—Charles M. Moss.

VII. FIRST INITIATION

Clara Worden—March 19, 1875.

VIII. FIRST REUNION

At home of Clara Worden on June 15, 1875.

IX. FIRST ANNIVERSARY BANQUET

November 11, 1875, at home of E. Adeline Curtis. All the faculty and many students were present.

X. FIRST INSTALLATION

June, 1882—Beta Chapter, at University of Michigan. Kate Gardner, then a freshman, was instrumental in forming this chapter.

XI. CHAPTER ROLL

1. Alpha—Syracuse University, November 11, 1874.
 - (a) Interesting Facts
 - Built its own home in 1911—value, \$18,000.
 - Has won Panhellenic Scholarship Cup for two successive years.
 - Four times has the Hiram Gee Fellowship in painting been awarded to Gamma Phis.
 - (b) Traditions and Customs
 - Sophomore "Donation Party," originating in 1892.
 - Always has the fall banquet as nearly as possible on day of founding.
 - (c) Prominent Alumnae
 - Grace Smith Richmond—Author.
 - Jessie Truman—Head of Colonial School in Washington.
 - Nellie and Jeannette Wilmot—Head of Girls' Latin School in Baltimore.
 - Mabel Hunter—Professor at Wellesley.
 - Lillian Smith—Professor at Agnes Scott.
 - Minnie Mason Beebe—Professor at Syracuse.
 - Luella Palmer Ford—President of National Women's Baptist Missionary Society.
2. Beta—University of Michigan, June, 1882.
 - (a) Interesting Facts
 - Chapter-house valued at \$30,000.
 - Every girl initiated into Beta becomes a member of Gamma Phi Beta. Incorporate, which is incorporated like a business firm. There is an executive board at the head of this firm composed of five Ann Arbor alumnae, one Detroit alumna, while the head of the active chapter is a member *ex-officio*. This board has absolute power over the house, and the house is rented from them.
 - (b) Traditions and Customs
 - Reunion Banquet.
 - Christmas Tree.
 - Valentine Party.
 - February Twenty-second Fancy Dress Party.
 - (c) Prominent Alumnae
 - Jane Sherzer, Ph.D.—President of Oxford College for Women. One of three women to take a Doctor's degree at the University of Berlin.
 - Violet Jayne Schmidt—Former dean of women at University of Illinois.

M. Ruth Guppy—Former dean of women at University of Oregon.

Marie L. Goodman—Prominent club woman of Kansas City.

Mary Ford Armstrong—Head of Rockywold Camp in New Hampshire.

Rose and Elsie Anderson—Head of Smead School in Toledo.

3. Gamma—University of Wisconsin, November 14, 1885.

(a) Interesting Facts

Was first sorority at Wisconsin to have a chapter-house and the first chapter of Gamma Phi Beta to own its home, which was built in 1904 and is valued at \$20,000. (All stock in the house is owned by Gamma Phis and no one person has a monopoly. The largest amount owned by any one person is \$500.

Established Red Domino (dramatic society) in the university.

(b) Traditions and Customs

Each year gives a \$100 scholarship for some worthy student of the university. This is awarded by the faculty. Has a silver loving-cup on which is yearly engraved the name of the freshman having the highest average.

(c) Prominent Alumnae

Carrie E. Morgan—President of the sorority. Superintendent of Schools in Appleton.

Leora Chase Sherman—Prominent in club work.

Nell Perkins Dawson—Literary critic on *New York World*.

Laura Case Sherry—Director of Wisconsin Players.

4. Delta—Boston University, April 22, 1887.

(a) Interesting Facts

Has had a larger proportion of Phi Beta Kappas than any other sorority in the university.

(b) Traditions and Customs

Annual house party.

(c) Prominent Alumnae

Katharine Aldrich Whiting—Writer. First woman to deliver a Phi Beta Kappa poem.

Grace Ward Lofberg—Author of *In the Miz*.

Clara Whitmore—Author of *Woman's Work in English Fiction*.

Esther Willard Bates—Author of *Pageants and Pageantry*. Winner of Sylvia Platt prize for best poem written by a Radcliffe student. Playwright.

Florence Marshall—Head of Manhattan Trade School for Girls. Only woman member of Commission on Factory Inspection. Head of Woman's Bureau of Red Cross.

5. Epsilon—Northwestern University, October 13, 1888.

(a) Interesting Facts

Has a point system by which so many points are given for scholarship, athletics, and student organizations. Every member of the chapter is required to make a certain number of points each semester and no freshman may be initiated without the required number.

(b) Traditions and Customs

Annual house party.

Founders' Day Banquet.

(c) Prominent Alumnae

Aileen Higgins Sinclair—Author and poet.

Nell Brooker Mayhew—Artist.

Florence Patterson—Head of the only American hospital in Roumania.

Kathryn Ammons Morton—President Federated Clubs of Wyoming.

6. Zeta—Goucher College, November 24, 1893.

(a) Interesting Facts

First southern chapter of the sorority and only chapter in a distinctly woman's city college.

(b) Traditions and Customs

Annual house party.

(c) Prominent Alumnae

Nellie Snowden Watts—Alumnae trustee of Goucher.

Charlotte Romberger—First woman to be president of the Poor Board Association (which directs activities of all charitable organizations in the city).

7. Eta—University of California, April 29, 1894.

(a) Interesting Facts

First organized society to petition Gamma Phi Beta.

Chapter-house valued at \$12,000 planned by two Eta architects.

(b) Traditions and Customs

Christmas party for poor.

(c) Prominent Alumnae

Charlotte Hofmann Kellogg—Author of *Women of Belgium*. Only woman member of Commission for Relief in Belgium.

Rachel Vrooman Colby—Lawyer. Active in Legislature; prominent in club work; translator.

Alice Hoyt—Official of Y. W. C. A.
Margaret Henderson Sawyer—Bacteriologist.
Elizabeth Austin—Architect.
Florence Hincks Sanford—Architect.

8. Theta—University of Denver, December 28, 1897.
(a) Interesting Facts

The Lodge (a clubhouse valued at \$5,000) was not built until every penny necessary to its erection was in bank. Has twice won the Panhellenic Scholarship Cup. Was first sorority in Colorado to have a chapter-house.

- (b) Traditions and Customs

Each year presents a play written by an alumna, the proceeds of which go to some worthy cause. Each Christmas, in conjunction with the alumnæ, gives a dinner to Craig Colony, a settlement for tubercular men.

- (c) Prominent Alumnae

Elinor Culton Hines—Actress.
Helen Hersey Tuthill—Concert Singer.
Louise Iliff—Director of Iliff School of Theology, which she has liberally endowed.
Margaret Packard Taussig—Former head of French Department in University of Denver. Head of Romance Languages at Saturday College of the university.
Lindsey Barbee—Editor of CRESCENT, Playwright.

9. Iota—Barnard College, November, 1901. Charter removed in 1915, when sororities were taken from Barnard.

10. Kappa—University of Minnesota, May 23, 1902.

- (a) Interesting Facts

Originally, The Khalailu Club.
The chapter-house, built in 1914 and valued at \$14,000, is already more than half paid for by means of teas, bazaars, etc.

- (b) Traditions and Customs

Christmas baskets to poor.
Annual house party at Lake Minnetonka.

- (c) Prominent Alumnae

Kathleen Hart Bibbs—Singer.
Maude Hart—Writer.
Cordelia Paine—Pianist.
Margaret Nachtrieb—Visiting Delegate.

11. Lambda—University of Washington, May, 1903.

- (a) Interesting Facts

Had the first sorority house at Washington and held the first national convention at that institution.
Formed Panhellenic.

Organized The Woman's League.

Claims the first editor of the college annual, the first "Campus Day general," and the first Y. W. C. A. president.

(b) Traditions and Customs

Gives \$100 each year for a loan fund open to all students.

(c) Prominent Alumnae

Zoé Kinkaid Penlington—Author and journalist. Edits a magazine in Tokyo, Japan.

Leah Miller—Musician.

Emmy Schmitz—Musician.

12. Mu—Stanford University, January 9, 1905.

(a) Interesting Facts

Built house valued at \$12,500 in 1907.

Was Gamma Beta, a local.

(b) Traditions and Customs

Friday night frolics.

(c) Prominent Alumnae

Helen Thoburn—National Board of Y. W. C. A.

Mildred Gilbert—with National Union for Suffrage.

13. Nu—University of Oregon, November 13, 1908.

(a) Interesting Facts

Thirteenth chapter of Gamma Phi Beta. Charter was granted on Friday, the thirteenth, and telegram was received at one o'clock (the thirteenth hour). There were thirteen in the chapter, the house was on Thirteenth Street, and the installation was on the thirteenth of the month.

Owes chapter-house valued at \$6,500.

Noted for cleverness in college stunts.

(b) Traditions and Customs

Gives a Christmas party for twenty poor children each year.

Always requires each member to enter two activities.

(c) Prominent Alumnae

Florence Cleveland—Prominent in Y. W. C. A. work.

Ruth Duniway—in motion pictures.

Esther Carson—Assistant Secretary to the Governor of Oregon.

14. Xi—University of Idaho, November, 1909.

(a) Interesting Facts

Owes its house, valued at \$10,000.

For four years held the highest scholastic average of any fraternity or nonfraternity group in college. One year

made A honors as a chapter, never done by any other group.

(b) Traditions and Customs

Organizes freshmen.

Has a Christmas party on the Sunday evening after vacation.

(c) Prominent Alumnae

Ruth W. Broman—For three years treasurer of Latah County, Idaho.

Lucy Mix Day—Wife of Idaho's greatest mining magnate and a prominent society and club woman.

Florence Umhoff—Superintendent of Schools in Shoshone County.

15. Omicron—University of Illinois, May 24, 1913.

(a) Interesting Facts

Formed under supervision of a founder, Frances E. Havens Moss.

Claims the only daughter of a founder to become a Gamma Phi—Alida Moss.

Is represented in almost every campus activity.

(b) Traditions and Customs

Has a scholarship cup on which is yearly engraved the name of the freshman having the highest average.

Has a Home-coming banquet each October and a "Post-exam Jubilee."

Gives a sum of money each Christmas to the United Charities or entertains poor children.

(c) Prominent Alumnae

Augusta Krieger Ekblaw—Secretary of Gamma Phi Beta.

Miriam Gerlach—Head of Willard Hall at Northwestern University. Business manager of CRESCENT.

Gertrude Elliott—in charge of women's dormitory at Pullman and of the University Commons.

Lita Bane—Chairman of the cookbook committee.

16. Pi—University of Nebraska, June 22, 1914.

(a) Interesting Facts

First sorority at Nebraska to own its home.

(b) Traditions and Customs

Each member of the chapter is interested in some college activity.

Each Saturday morning is given over to work at the charity organization.

(c) Prominent Alumnae

Marguerite McPhee—Assistant professor of rhetoric at the University of Nebraska.

- Dorothy Morehead—Daughter of the former governor of Nebraska.
17. Rho—University of Iowa, June 15, 1915.
 (a) Interesting Facts
 Formed by Mrs. Robert Carson (Alpha), a resident of Iowa City.
- (b) Traditions and Customs
 Christmas party.
18. Sigma—University of Kansas, October 9, 1915.
 (a) Interesting Facts
 Owns its house, valued at \$5,560.
- (b) Traditions and Customs
 Has a "spread" every other Monday evening.
 Claims a "Muffin Worry" as its particular chapter tradition.
- (c) Prominent Alumnæ
 Helen Rhoda Hoopes—Instructor in English at the University of Kansas.
 Marjorie Templin—Dietitian at Base Hospital Unit, Atlanta, Georgia.
19. Tau—Colorado Agricultural College, October 16, 1915.
 (a) Interesting Facts
 First sorority to be installed at C. A. C.
 Member of the Associated Charities of Fort Collins.
- (b) Traditions and Customs
 All members are entered in college activities.
 Has an annual "house-warming."
20. Upsilon—Hollins College, May 30, 1916.
 (a) Interesting Facts
 Originally, Alpha chapter of Phi Mu Gamma.
- (b) Traditions and Customs
 Adoption of two French babies.
21. Phi—Washington University, June, 1917.
23. Chi—Corvallis, Oregon.

XII. ALUMNÆ ORGANIZATIONS

1. Alumnæ Chapters
 (a) Privileges
 Chartered and possessing rights of active chapters.
- (b) Responsibilities
 1. Form Advisory Board.
 2. Are represented on national committees.
 3. Maintain the Endowment Fund.
 4. Keep in touch with nearest active chapters.

- (c) Meetings
Monthly, save Denver, which meets each fortnight.
- 2. Alumnæ Associations
Not chartered and possessing no active privileges.
- 3. Alumnæ List
 - (a) Chapters—Chicago, Syracuse, Boston, New York, Milwaukee, San Francisco, Denver, Minneapolis, Detroit, Baltimore, Seattle, Portland, Los Angeles.
 - (b) Associations—Madison, Moscow, Cleveland.
- 4. Special Alumnæ Customs
 - (a) Syracuse gives a prize for highest scholarship in active chapter—and one for highest freshman average.
 - (b) San Francisco gives an annual Christmas party and tree for poor children.
 - (c) Denver holds an annual Fête au Bon Marché.
In conjunction with Theta supplies Christmas dinner to Craig Colony.
 - Meets each Arbor Day at the Lodge and plants a tree or bush.
 - (d) Minneapolis holds an elaborate bazaar each year.
 - (e) Seattle has a yearly bazaar for the benefit of the Loan Fund.
 - (f) Los Angeles has adopted a widow with four little children as its especial wards, providing suitable work for the mother and watching over the welfare of the family.

XIII. GOVERNMENT

Executive Board

- 1. Grand Council
President, Vice-president, Secretary, Treasurer, Visiting Delegate, N. P. C. Delegate.
- 2. Advisory Board
Representatives from the alumnæ chapters.
- 3. National Committees
Expansion, Scholarship, Examinations, Social Service, Pin Certificates, Songbook, Endowment Fund, Cook-book, Directory.
- 4. Historian.
- 5. Auditor.
- 6. Councillor.

XIV. CONVENTION

Held biennially and alternately since 1911 in East, West, and Middle West.

XV. PUBLICATIONS

- 1. Magazine—THE CRESCENT.
 - (a) First issue—June, 1900.

- (b) First magazine committee
 - Lillian Parker Allen (Eta).
 - Claribel Moulton (Delta).
 - Mary Sanborn Richardson (Beta).
 - Mabel Mudge (Zeta).
 - Nina Rogers Sweetser (Delta).
- (c) 1902
 - Mary Sanborn Richardson, Editor.
 - Katharine Aldrich Whiting, Literary Editor.
 - Nina Rogers Sweetzer, Business Manager.
- (d) 1904
 - Anna Morris Dimmick (Zeta), Editor.
 - Publication by Zeta Chapter.
- (e) 1906
 - Anna Morris Dimmick appointed by convention Editor-in-chief for three years.
- (f) 1910
 - Lindsey Barbee (Theta) appointed Editor to succeed Anna Morris Dimmick.
- (g) Business Managers
 - Carrie E. Morgan (1911-1915).
 - Ella K. Smith (1915-1917).
 - Miriam Gerlach (1917).
- (h) Editor of Chapter Letters
 - Bertha White (1910-1912).
 - Laura Latimer Graham (1912).
- (i) Subscriptions
 - Required from freshmen for five years and from active members of alumnae chapters.
 - For life—twenty-five dollars.
- (j) Features
 - 1. Is issued quarterly.
 - 2. Each number given over to a certain subject.
 - 3. Departments for alumnae, deans of women, active chapters, exchanges, and Grand Council.
 - 4. Quarterly letters of instruction sent to chapter editors.
 - 5. Cover until 1910 designed by Alice Sloane Dimmick (Zeta); present cover designed by George Banta Publishing Co.
 - Headings for editorials and chapter letters designed by Ethelyn Phipps (Zeta).
 - 2. Songbook.
 - 3. Directory.
 - 4. Convention Bulletin.
 - 5. Cookbook.

XVI. SCHOLARSHIP

1. National Rulings
 - (a) No pledging without two-thirds of required hours.
 - (b) No initiation without necessary credits, and not until second semester.
 - (c) Chairman of the committee upon national scholarship to establish a uniform system of scholarship reports.
2. Chapter Rulings.
 - (a) A scholarship officer to keep in touch with scholarship progress of every chapter member and to render scholarship reports at regular intervals.
3. Incentives
 - (a) Alpha—Panhellenic scholarship cup and prizes from Syracuse Alumnæ.
 - (b) Gamma—Loving-cup on which is engraved name of freshman having the highest average.
 - (c) Theta—Panhellenic scholarship cup.
 - (d) Omicron—Cup for freshmen.

XVII. EXAMINATIONS**1. The Questions**

Sent out by the chairman of the committee upon uniform examinations to an alumna examiner. The alumna collects and forwards the papers to the chairman.

2. References

1. *THE CRESCENT.*
2. *Baird's Manual.*
3. *Banta's Greek Exchange.*
4. *Constitution.*
5. *Ritual.*
6. *Roberts' Rules of Order.*

XVIII. SOCIAL SERVICE**1. National**

Fellowship of \$500 to be bestowed by A. C. A. upon any woman who is a graduate of a college of recognized collegiate rank who has done in addition at least one year of graduate work and who will devote herself to preparation for social service work.

2. Local

Each chapter has some particular form of social service.

XIX. ENDOWMENT FUND

Organized and supported by alumnæ.

XX. INSIGNIA

1. Badge.
2. Pledge pin.
3. Seal.
4. Crest.

XXI. PIN CERTIFICATES

Obtained from Secretary.

XXII. OFFICIAL JEWELER

J. F. Newman, 11 John Street, New York.

XXIII. WAR WORK

\$500 to Y. W. C. A.

Adoption of French orphans.

XXIV. PLEDGE TRAINING

1. Greek alphabet.
2. Sororities in N. P. C.—badges, colors, etc.
3. Fraternities.
4. N. P. C.—organization and purpose.
5. Gamma Phi Beta
 - (a) History.
 - (b) Achievements.
 - (c) Governing system.
 - (d) National officers.
 - (e) National aims.
 - (f) Prominent alumnae.
 - (g) Publications.
 - (h) Chapter achievements.
 - (i) Alumnae chapters.
 - (j) Songs.
 - (k) Chapter roll.

XXV. RECORDS AND DOCUMENTS OF EACH CHAPTER

1. Constitution.
2. Ritual.
3. History.
4. Memory Book.
5. Archive File.
6. Card Catalogue.
7. Rushing File.
8. Gift Book.
9. Bound volumes of CRESCENT.
10. *Sorority Handbook.*

11. Songbook.
12. Convention Minutes.
13. N. P. C. Bulletins.
14. *Baird's Manual.*
15. Guest Book.

OREGON STATE AGRICULTURAL COLLEGE

The Oregon State Agricultural College is situated in Corvallis, Benton County, Oregon. She has grown from one building to thirty-six buildings, and in attendance from ninety-seven to 4,000 students.

She is now represented by all the counties in Oregon, thirty-four other states, fifteen territories and foreign countries.

The Oregon State Agricultural College is especially noted for her school in home economics. In the modern age this need is realized and taken advantage of by our best young women.

The natural situation of the college is beautiful. Slight slopes add interest with nooks of Oregon evergreens here and there. Man has improved with simple, well-planned buildings, walks, and landscape gardening.

The hills, the mill race, and farm life are all a delight and aid to the education of the students.

HISTORY AND HONORS OF CHI CHAPTER

BETA TAU BETA SORORITY

In 1915, Beta Tau Beta was organized in the women's dormitory, Waldo Hall, by eleven charter members, under the name of B. T. B. Club. It was due to the firm purpose of attaining Gamma Phi Beta that our worthy charter members persevered through many difficulties, obtaining girls worthy of working for this purpose. In 1917 the Student Affairs Committee granted permission to be called a local sorority under the name of Beta Tau Beta. This was a great step, but we were still confined to Waldo Hall. In the fall of 1917, however, we were given permission to live in our own house.

Every step in our progress has been the result of hard work, but it was worth while when we thought of the aim we had always before us.

MEMBERS

Marie Katherine Howells, Medford, Oregon

Senior Home Economics.

President Home Economics '14, '15, '16, '17.

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CHI CHAPTER OF GAMMA PHI BETA

First row: Howells, Clark, Moreton, Lindsay, Knowles, Walker, Houck, Sandon, Landram, Elliott.
Second row: Linville, Fischer, Selover, Ariss, Eldredge, Price, Stewart, Wheeler, Ash, Maxwell, Sheyle.
Third row: Brown, Hicks, Atcheson, Cameron, Lewis, Lindsay, Brisco, Crawford, Sandon, Svenson.



- Waldo Prize '15.
Secretary Class '16, '17.
Varsity Hockey '14, '15, '16, '17.
Forum '16, '17.
Chancellor Beta Tau Beta '17, '18.
Doris Aileen Clark, Portland, Oregon
Senior Home Economics.
Y. W. C. A. '15, '16, '17.
Woman's League Secretary '16, '17.
Woman's League President '17, '18.
President Junior Girls '16, '17.
Financial Manager of Women's Stunt Show '18.
Ruth Morton, White Salmon, Washington
Senior Home Economics.
President Home Economics Club '16, '17.
Manager Beta Tau Beta '17, '18.
Inez N. Knowles, La Grande, Oregon
Senior Home Economics.
Y. W. C. A. Financial Committee.
Junior Representative to Woman's League.
Annie M. Lindsay, Hawaiian Islands
Senior Home Economics.
Y. W. C. A. Cabinet.
Chemistry Assistant.
Telete Landram, Merced, California
Junior Home Economics.
Madrigal Club '16, '17, '18.
Bertha Marie Fisher, Haines, Oregon
Junior Home Economics.
Third Vice-president Waldo Hall '16, '17.
Treasurer Women's Athletic Association.
Varsity Swimming Team '16, '17, '18.
Agnes Catherine Houck, Portland, Oregon
Junior Home Economics.
Madrigal Club '16, '17, '18.
Vice-president Junior Class '17, '18.
Vice-president Women's Athletic Association '17, '18.
Varsity Swimming Team, '15, '16; Captain '17.
Class Basketball '16, '17.
Class Volleyball '16, '17.
Eleanor Marie Selover, Oneida, New York
Junior Home Economics.
Treasurer Beta Tau Beta '17, '18.
Assistant Manager Beta Tau Beta '17, '18.

- Helen B. Sandon, Corvallis, Oregon
Junior Home Economics.
Freshman Class Editor '16, '17.
Sophomore Representative Woman's League '16, '17, '18.
- Ethel Elaine Walker, Philomath, Oregon
Junior Home Economics.
Class Secretary '15, '16.
Secretary Women's Athletic Association '15, '16.
Varsity Swimming '15, '16, '17, '18.
Sophomore Volleyball '16, '17.
Vice-president Class '16, '17.
Treasurer Woman's League '17.
Vice-chancellor Beta Tau Beta '17, '18.
- Eva May Wheeler, Tillamook, Oregon
Sophomore Home Economics.
Madrigal Club '17, '18.
- Dorcas May Elliott, Vancouver, Washington
Junior Home Economics.
Y. W. C. A. Cabinet.
- Dorothy Crosfield Ariss, Portland, Oregon
Sophomore Home Economics.
- Ruth M. Stewart, Portland, Oregon
Sophomore Home Economics.
Madrigal Club '16, '17, '18.
Varsity Swimming '16, '17.
Captain Class Swimming Meet '17.
- Grace Eleanor Maxwell, Weiser, Idaho
Sophomore Home Economics.
German Club '16, '17.
Society Reporter Beta Tau Beta '17, '18.
- Minna Carolyn Ash, La Grande, Oregon
Sophomore Commerce.
Class Basketball '16, '17.
Class Volleyball '16, '17.
Secretary Women's Athletic Association '17, '18.
- Elise Groves Price, Sifton, Washington
Sophomore Home Economics.
Madrigal Club '17, '18.
- Elizabeth Adelaide Eldredge, Tacoma, Washington
Sophomore Home Economics.
- Marjorie Louise Shelley, Everett, Washington
Sophomore Home Economics.
Vice-president Home Economics Club.
Social Service Committee Y. W. C. A.

- Edith M. Lindsay, Hawaiian Islands
 Freshman Home Economics.
 Varsity Swimming '17, '18.
 Varsity Hockey.
- M. Evangeline Acheson, Chehalis, Washington
 Freshman Home Economics.
- Margaret Eckford Cameron, Gresham, Oregon
 Freshman Commerce.
- Mary Adele Lewis, Corvallis, Oregon
 Freshman Home Economics.
 Mask and Dagger Club.
- Lynette L. Svenson, Astoria, Oregon
 Freshman Commerce.

PLEDGES

- ✓ Francis Roberta Brown, Haines, Oregon
 Sophomore Home Economics.
 Varsity Basketball '16, '17.
 Vice-president Madrigal Club '16, '17.
- ✓ Myrtle Harriet Linville, Astoria, Oregon
 Junior Home Economics.
 Treasurer Madrigal Club '15; Secretary '16, '17.
 Varsity Swimming Team '16, '17 '18.
- ✓ Hazel Ion Hicks, Weiser, Idaho
 Sophomore Home Economics.
 Madrigal Club '16, '17.
- ✓ Grace Rea Sandon, Corvallis, Oregon
 Freshman Commerce.
- ✓ Lillian Louise Crawford, The Dalles, Oregon
 Freshman Commerce.
- ✓ Gladys Fern Briscoe, Weiser, Idaho
 Freshman Commerce.

ALUMNÆ

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| Kareen Hansen | ✓ Lorene Parker |
| ✓ Mary McDermott Hayes | ✓ Elizabeth Ketchum Stidd |
| Jean Ketchum | ✓ Margaret Patterson Tuttle |

NON-GRADUATE MEMBERS

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|-----------------------|------------------------|
| ✓ Erma Stidd Sieberts | Marguerite Volbrecht ✓ |
| Bess Jane Acheson ✓ | |

INSTALLATION OF CHI CHAPTER

Corvallis, Oregon,
April 29, 1918.

Dear Sisters in Gamma Phi Beta:

What a pleasure it is to call you sisters and to feel that we at last have the right to do so.

After this week-end of one enjoyable event after another, my mind is so full of it all I scarcely know where to begin. My pen will be inadequate to tell it all, I know, so I hope you can read between the lines of the wonder of it all.

On Thursday, April 25, the thrills began, for Miss Nachtrieb came in the afternoon and later three of the girls from Nu Chapter. We immediately put on our best behavior for we felt it was coming, coming. Friday noon more of the Nu girls arrived, and Friday



CHI CHAPTER-HOUSE

afternoon we escorted them to the Phi Delta Theta house. As soon the boys heard of our installation they offered us their home, and when we went down Friday, the house was spotless and their house-mother was waiting to receive us. There was not one sign of a man until we vacated on Sunday. The house was very desirable with many winding stairways and large rooms and long, long halls. To some of us later they seemed many miles long.

By evening every girl from Nu Chapter was here, and many of the Portland alumnae. Mrs. Margaret Meany Younger was with us from Lambda, and Miss June Fisk came from sunny California.

Friday night thirty-nine girls were pledged sisters of Gamma Phi Beta. To us, who have worked for Gamma Phi Beta since the days of little old B. T. B. Club, the ceremony was the beginning of the realization of a long, long dream.

In the big living-room of the Phi Delta house, with Miss Dunbar of Nu presiding, we took our pledges. There was little sleep that night between anticipation and studying; indeed, the sand-man had little to say.

At eight o'clock, April 27, the upperclassmen again reported at the Phi Delta Theta house. You know the suspense, the surprise, the joys, and the fears of the next few hours. It was twelve-thirty when we sat down to lunch with our new pins. In the afternoon the alumnae and the underclassmen were initiated and we had the pleasure of seeing and assisting them. At six o'clock we dispersed until time for the banquet, which was held at nine at the Corvallis Hotel.

The best part of the banquet was the toasts. Mrs. McDermott Hayes, alumna, acted as toastmistress. Miss Katherine Howells expressed to the girls our appreciation to Gamma Phi Beta for accepting us as members and I know every girl sincerely echoed it in her own heart. Miss Nachtrieb told us some family secrets, which made us feel very unworthy but exceedingly anxious to bring honor, as the other chapters have done to Gamma Phi Beta. Miss Younger from Lambda compared us to the buds on an apple-tree. We hope we will be as pink and big as the rest of the blossoms. Miss Dunbar told us how glad Nu Chapter will be to help us, and it is indeed a great comfort to have a chapter so near us. We should certainly accomplish great things together. Mrs. Emma Wooten Hall spoke of Gamma Phi Beta ideals. She said one Gamma Phi Beta's ideal was in Quantico, Virginia, but she did not want us all to have that ideal. Then she said she felt from our expressions we had the right idea of Gamma Phi Beta ideals, and we hope we have, and will strive to live up to them. Mrs. Stidd Sieberts gave the early history of Beta Tau Beta, and Miss Landram told of the events of this year. She told of our hasty departure from the women's hall of residence on account of crowded conditions; of our difficulty in securing a home; but how finally we were settled in time to finish our fall rushing by borrowing furniture. She told of preparing the petition, of sending it, and the suspense, the false alarms, and finally the real telegram. That day was a big one in our history. By noon the house was full of flowers, and messages arrived from everyone for all of our friends were happy to have Gamma Phi Beta at O. A. C.

A month passed before all arrangements were made, a month of busy, happy days for us, full of anticipation and plans.

Now it is all over, and we are so happy to thank you for wanting us to be your sisters. We sincerely hope we will prove our worth.

We wish you all could come to see us and let us show you our dear Alma Mater, for though we are not so rich in traditions as some of the older schools, we have much to be proud of.

It has been a great pleasure to know Miss Nachtrieb, and all the others who have been with us and who have given us so much pleasure.

Hoping our links in the chain will prove strong and true, we remain

Sincerely,
The girls of Chi Chapter,
By:
HELEN B. SANDAN.

INSTALLATION BANQUET OF CHI CHAPTER OF GAMMA PHI BETA

*At Oregon State Agricultural College, Corvallis Oregon,
April twenty-seventh, Nineteen Eighteen*

To toastmistress—Lorene Parker

Katherine Howells	Emma Wooten Hall
Margaret Nachtrieb	Genevieve Dickey
Airdrée Kincaid Coates	Ermo Stidd Sieberts
Dorothy Dunbar	Telete Landram

MENU

Fruit Cocktail	
Lemon Bouillon	Wafers
Salmon Salad	
Creamed Chicken	
Mashed Potatoes	
French Peas	
	Peanuts
Cake	Olives
	Coffee
Ice Cream	
After Dinner Mints	

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON UNIFORM EXAMINATIONS

The Committee on Uniform Examinations offers the following report:

The total average of the grade of four hundred and forty (440) papers sent in was 90, the average for all freshman papers was 91.7, the average for all upperclassmen was 88.4. With but three exceptions, as the appended table will show, the freshman average for each chapter was considerably higher than that of the upperclassmen.

Rho stands at the head with the remarkable general average of 96.9. Upsilon is next with 95.6, then Nu with 94.4, and Delta fourth averaging 93, with Theta and Tau following closely.

In general one may say that the younger chapters made the best marks and their papers showed that the outline had received the most careful consideration. The papers, for the most part, were in excellent form, neat, well written, carefully spelled and punctuated. To this there were, however, a few glaring exceptions. The papers from Epsilon were worthy of special mention. The committee would be glad if the booklet used by this chapter could be adopted for the whole sorority for future examinations. The punctuality with which the papers reached the chairman is likewise to be commended. With but two exceptions all papers reached us on or before the date set, a most important consideration. On the answers to the Panhellenic questions and the war activities of all Greek-letter organizations, and of Gamma Phi Beta especially, the committee was inclined to grade very strictly. It certainly is essential to the national standing of our organization that every Gamma Phi Beta know the Panhellenic rules and live up to them, and likewise that she be conversant with that most pertinent question of our time, the war work of our own and other sororities. Answers to these questions were often very vague and rambling. Another point concerning which many seemed in doubt was how our convention is financed.

The committee feels that the most constructive criticism that could be offered at this time is the publishing of a model paper, and certainly fortune has smiled upon us in this regard since the one written by Frances McIntosh, of Upsilon, and published in this issue of THE CRESCENT, is a model in every respect.

The chairman of this committee desires to acknowledge her deep indebtedness to Miss Barbee of THE CRESCENT and to Mrs. Woodward of Denver Alumnæ, without whose hearty coöperation this task might not have been accomplished.

Respectfully submitted,

LOIS MILES JACKSON, *Chairman.*

Name	Freshman Average	Upperclassmen Average	Chapter Average
Alpha	80.3	93.7	87
Beta	88.5	82.5	85.5
Gamma	93.9	87.6	90.7
Delta	96.8	89.3	93
Epsilon	94.5	83.3	88.9
Zeta	94.7	89.3	92
Eta	94.2	88.2	90.3
Theta	93.5	91.3	92.4
Kappa	98	84	91
Lambda	85.2	80.6	82.9
Mu	86.3	82.4	84.3
Nu	95.8	93	94.4
Xi	90.7	92.1	91.4
Omicron	92.3	87.3	89.8
Pi	86.1	85.9	86
Rho	97.7	95.3	96.9
Sigma	90.6	88.7	89.6
Tau	93.6	91.5	92.1
Upsilon	96.5	94.8	95.6
Phi	87.8	89	88.5

Total Average 90

Total Freshman Average, 91.7

EXAMINATION QUESTIONS

(1916-1918)

GAMMA PHI BETA HISTORY

- When, where, and by whom founded?
- Chapters of Gamma Phi Beta, year of founding, chapter-houses.
- National officers of Gamma Phi Beta, name, address, and picture.
- What body governs Gamma Phi Beta between conventions?
- Constitution, rules, and regulations. What action has been taken regarding the publicity of the Constitution?
- Alumnæ of Gamma Phi Beta. Know all the prominent ones in the country, most especially those of your own chapter.
- Who was the first Gamma Phi Beta initiate?
- Name two Gamma Phi Beta alumnæ who have contributed to the war literature of today. Name those contributions.

9. Gamma Phi Beta policies in regard to campus life, scholarship, social service, expansion, etc.
- Where was the last Gamma Phi Beta Convention held? How was it financed?
10. What regulations has our sorority concerning Gamma Phi Beta jewelry and the wearing of the Gamma Phi Beta pin?
11. Who is our official jeweler and how only may badges be obtained?
12. What are our colors and why were they chosen?
13. What is our sorority flower?
14. What is our sorority magazine?
15. Name the editors and business manager.
16. Give a short history of the magazine.
17. What is the present territorial arrangement of the governing body of Gamma Phi Beta? Name the grand officers and the office of each.
18. What attitude does Gamma Phi Beta take in regard to high school pledging?
19. What scholarship requirement has the Gamma Phi Beta sorority before a freshman can be initiated?
20. How can a chapter increase the Endowment Fund?
21. What is the sorority attitude concerning patronesses and honorary members?
22. Do you celebrate "Founders' Day"?
23. What do you consider the best type of rushing both for the chapter and the individual?
24. It is claimed by honest critics that sorority life fosters selfishness, exclusiveness, and false pride. Name five ways by which you would avoid these faults.
25. By whom is the Gamma Phi Beta Endowment Fund being raised? How is it being invested?
26. How many alumnae chapters has Gamma Phi? What is their total membership?
27. Name the Gamma Phi chapters in your district.

PANHELLENIC QUESTIONS

1. How many N. P. C. sororities are there? Name them.
2. Name the date of founding of five N. P. C. sororities, preferably those in your own college.
3. Describe the pin of five sororities other than your own.
4. N. P. C. legislation—past, present, and future.
5. Where was the last National Panhellenic Congress held?
6. Who was the presiding officer? To what sorority does she belong?
7. Who is the Gamma Phi Beta Panhellenic delegate?

8. What is the official organ of N. P. C.?
9. How are the officers chosen?
10. What is the N. P. C. ruling regarding broken pledges?
11. How must a girl be pledged in order that Panhellenic consider it binding?
12. Name the magazines of the N. P. C. sororities.
13. What is the N. P. C. definition of a national sorority?
14. What is the supreme governing body of a sorority?
15. How many city Panhellenic Associations are there?
16. Name twelve prominent sorority women.
17. Which of the Panhellenic sororities seems to have the best plans for social service?
18. What are other sororities doing in social service?
19. What men's fraternities have barred liquor from all fraternity functions?
20. What is to be said of the general trend of fraternity scholarship?
21. Read "Reports on Fraternity Finance." Can you make use of them in your house? How?
22. Opposition to fraternities and sororities—Means of combatting?
23. When was Panhellenic established and for what purpose? Give the derivation of the word Panhellenic.
24. What is the attitude of Panhellenic concerning fines, salary of housemother, coöperation with college authorities, scholarship, social service, pledging summer-school students?
25. Give the Code of Ethics. What is the interfraternity compact?
26. How can a college or city Panhellenic become real factors of strength?
27. Which fraternity was first to respond to the war? And what was its contribution?
28. Give the war work of the sororities.
29. What has Gamma Phi accomplished in this connection?

PARLIAMENTARY QUESTIONS

1. What do you mean by parliamentary usage?
2. How should a meeting be called?
3. What officers are necessary for every meeting? How are these chosen?
4. Define majority, plurality.
5. Can an election be reconsidered?
6. In the absence of permanent officers, who presides?
7. Define quorum, motion.

8. When can a motion be made? How should it be made and when withdrawn?
9. When is debate in order, and what is its aim?
10. Who appoints committees?
11. What is a standing committee?
12. What is meant by "rising to a point of order"?
13. How may a constitution be amended?

AUTHORITIES: *Gamma Phi Beta Constitution*, THE CRESCENT, especially convention reports, *Baird's Manual*, *Sorority Handbook*, *Banta's Greek Exchange*, *Roberts' Rules of Order*.

MODEL EXAMINATION PAPER

FRANCES MCINTOSH

APRIL 9, 1918

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GAMMA PHI BETA EXAMINATION

- I. (a) There are eighteen N. P. C. sororities. They are as follows:

(1)	Π Β Φ	(10)	X Ω
(2)	K A Θ	(11)	Σ K
(3)	K K Γ	(12)	A O Π
(4)	A Φ	(13)	Z T A
(5)	Δ Γ	(14)	A Γ Δ
(6)	Γ Φ B	(15)	A Δ Π
(7)	A X Ω	(16)	Δ Z
(8)	Δ Δ Δ	(17)	K Δ
(9)	A Ξ Δ	(18)	Φ M

(b) All sororities are governed by conventions held usually biennially. Between the conventions the government is in the hands of a Grand Council, Executive Board, or some similar body.

(c) K A Θ was the first sorority to bear a Greek-letter name.

(d) 1. The pin of K A Θ is a black enamel kite, bearing a white chevron on which are the letters K A Θ; above are two diamond stars and below, the letters "α ω ο."

2. The pin of A X Ω is a lyre. Across the lyre strings is a scroll bearing the letters A X Ω.

3. The pin of Π B Φ is a small arrow. The letters Π B Φ are written transversely across the feather and a loop chain hangs from the pin, one end attached to the feather, the other to the head of the arrow.

4. The pin of K Δ is diamond shaped, bearing the letters K Δ; above is a small dagger and below the letters "A O T."

5. The pin of Δ Γ is a small anchor, bearing on the cross-bar the letters T Δ H and on a small shield above the flukes the letters Δ Γ.

II. (a) Roosevelt is a Δ K E.

Taft is a Ψ Y.

Wilson is a Φ K Ψ .

(b) Five fraternities are $B\Theta\Pi$, $\Phi K \Psi$, $\Phi \Delta \Theta$, $K A$ (Southern), $\Sigma A E$.

III. Greeks and the War:

(a) $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ has the honor of sending the first American driver and ambulance to France. All of the fraternities have responded nobly. In Canada, of the twenty-five per cent of the college men in service, over eighty-five per cent are fraternity men. The Stanford chapter of $E N$ volunteered as a body. Of the 10,000 members of $K A$ (Southern) 1,000 are in service, and $\Sigma A E$ has 1,600 men in service. In very few cases has a chapter been completely depleted by the war. The law fraternities have suffered most, the medical, least. The alumni are supporting their fraternities loyally, in many cases helping to run the chapter-houses. In same places two fraternities are occupying the same house to cut down expenses.

(b) Because of the war $A X \Omega$, $A \Xi \Delta$, $\Delta \Gamma$, and $\Pi B \Phi$ have given up their conventions. This was a great sacrifice to $\Pi B \Phi$, since this year is its fiftieth anniversary.

$K A \Theta$ has equipped a unit of nurses as its war work.

All the sororities are loyally supporting the Red Cross, Y. W. C. A., and food conservation work.

(c) As individuals Gamma Phis have been encouraged to enter into Red Cross work, to knit, to conserve food, and to support all war interests; as chapters to fly the colors, enter Belgian relief work, buy Liberty Bonds, support French orphans, and in every way possible to cut down expense.

The Council has adopted a French orphan and the plan for Gamma Phi Beta as a whole is to build a Hostess House in one of the National Army camps.

Upsilon Chapter has tried to do its "bit" by supporting loyally and enthusiastically the food conservation, by making surgical dressings, by constantly knitting, and by adopting a French orphan; also the members are encouraged to buy Thrift and War Savings Stamps. Each week a report is made of the war work done by each individual.

Gamma Phis prominent in war work today are Mrs. Vernon Kellogg (Charlotte Hoffman), the only woman on the Belgium Relief Commission; Miss Florence Patterson, the head of the only American hospital in Roumania; and Miss Marjorie Templin, a Red Cross dietitian, who was sent to the base hospital located in Atlanta, Georgia.

IV. History of Gamma Phi Beta.

(a) Gamma Phi Beta was founded at the University of Syracuse, Syracuse, New York, November 11, 1874, by Helen M. Dodge, Frances E. Havens, E. Adeline Curtis, and Mary A. Bingham.

(b) Between conventions Gamma Phi Beta is governed by the Executive Board, made up of the Grand Council and the Advisory Board, which is composed of one member from each alumnae chapter not represented on the Grand Council.

(c) The Grand Council is composed of the President, Vice-president, Secretary, Treasurer, Visiting Delegate, and National Panhellenic Congress Delegate.

(d) Clara Worden Wilcox was the first Gamma Phi Beta initiate. She was also the first mother and the first grandmother.

V. Two $\Gamma\Phi B$ alumnae who have contributed to the war literature of today are Mrs. Vernon L. Kellogg, who wrote *Women of Belgium*, and Grace S. Richmond, who wrote *The Whistling Mother* and *Mrs. Redding Sees It Through*.

VI. Gamma Phi Beta Policies.

(a) Expansion. Gamma Phi Beta has always been a very conservative sorority but realizing the danger of becoming too conservative and thus narrow, it has begun to look around for good openings. Five new chapters have been installed since 1913 and now the plan is to expand, though accepting only the best.

1. In agricultural schools, which are a growing field.

2. In southern schools whose academic requirements give them a place on the A. C. A. list.

3. In Canada after the war if the plan is feasible.

(b) Social Service. Gamma Phi Beta has a Social Service Fellowship Fund of \$500 which is awarded to someone intending to do social service work. The requirements are that the girl who receives the fund shall hold an A.B. degree from an A. C. A. college, must have done some work in social sciences, and must attend a school of rank equivalent to the New York School of Philanthropy. Miss Agnes Neterer is the first to hold this scholarship. Gamma Phi Beta has also organized a bureau to assist girls to find vocations on leaving school.

(c) Scholarship. One of the chief aims of $\Gamma\Phi B$ is the promotion of higher scholarship. The semester reports not only show to the other girls the standing of each member of the chapter in each of her classes and thus enable the older students to lend a helping hand to the others, but by uniform blanks the comparative standing of one chapter with every other chapter in the sorority is shown.

(d) The other chief object of $\Gamma\Phi B$ is social development, and an enthusiastic entrance into college activities helps to make this development possible. The policy of $\Gamma\Phi B$ is to be interested and represented in as many activities as possible but the importance of selecting one or two activities in which one may excel and devoting time to those and not half-heartedly entering into everything is

emphasized. The value of enlistment in college activities should be brought home to the freshmen especially and it is one of the chief duties of the chairman of the Activities Committee to acquaint the freshmen with the various branches in school and see that each freshman enters one field at least.

VII. President Carrie E. Morgan.

Secretary Augusta Krieger.

Editor of CRESCENT Lindsey Barbee

VIII. J. F. Newman, 11 John Street, New York City, is the official jeweler of $\Gamma\Phi B$.

To obtain a badge it is necessary to send two cents to Miss Augusta Krieger, chairman of the Pin Certificate Committee, who then sends Newman an authorization blank for the desired badge.

IX. Life is essentially group life; the gregarious instinct is common to all of us but often in forwarding the welfare of the group, it is necessary that the regulations imposed conflict with and curtail some of the desires of the individual. Thus, if a fraternity is to live together in harmony and do anything worth while, it is necessary for each girl to give up some of her little selfish desires and interests, things in themselves which may not be wrong, but by pursuing them she creates discord in the group and thus does not make for its welfare.

If the ideal of the good of the chapter is emphasized and stress is laid upon the fact that there is a reciprocal relation between a girl and her sorority, that she must put something into the sorority as well as get everything out of it that she can, much selfishness and thoughtlessness may be avoided.

Most girls who come to college have been the center of interest in their homes, and those from small towns, especially, probably the center of interest in the community. In plain words we are all "spoiled" and "spoiled" means selfish. However, at college when we are thrown upon our own resources in a large group and have had a few hard knocks, we begin to realize that we are no better nor different from other girls. In a sorority when not only the chapter interest but the feelings of each member have to be considered, we naturally grow out of some of our little annoying habits. As Frances H. Burnett says in *The Blue Flower*, in a group "There is no time for anger, no time for selfishness."

An enthusiastic entrance into college activities not only broadens a girl by stimulating her interests but gives her the chance to meet other girls, other fraternity girls, nonfraternity girls, girls of every type and temperament. A thorough spirit of democracy with other girls, the avoidance of adopting a spirit of patronage to nonfraternity girls, and the feeling of true comradeship with all is a great help to the fraternity girl.

Most chapters are engaged in some altruistic work and a girl's interest in social service, in the betterment of humanity, may have its foundation laid in the small work that her chapter does.

X. The question of rushing has always been the bugbear of fraternities, I think. More hard feeling and unkind thought and criticism are shown during rushing season than in the rest of the year combined, and I think we all breathe a sigh of relief when that strenuous season is past. But though it seems to be a necessary evil there must be some best way of solving the problem.

We of Upsilon know little about rushing, for Hollins is different from most schools. We have no summer rushing and due to conditions here, it is necessary that we have closed rushing, though I am not yet convinced that it is the best.

Delta Delta Delta of Boston evidently doesn't believe in closed rushing for they say it is wrong from the legal, moral, psychological, and efficiency standpoint, and there are many points in their favor.

It is true that closed rushing makes strained and unnatural relations between the rushees and the fraternities, but if entire open rushing were permitted would not some ethical standards have to be laid down? What would the poor bewildered rushee think when two or three fraternities claimed to be the oldest, the best in the country, the only true member of the "Big Four," etc.? And who would be the judge of all these conflicting claims, who could say which fraternity was the best, which had the highest ideals? Yet is it fair to ask a girl to join some organization about whose ideals and aims she knows absolutely nothing and if she joins without questioning its aims there is no stimulus to talk of or question them after she has joined.

The question of rushing is an open one with many points on both sides but personally I favor open rushing, provided that each fraternity would do its part, to make only such statements as would be true in spirit as well as in letter.

PANHELLENIC QUESTIONS

I. (a) National Panhellenic Congress has decided that there is no such thing as a released bid. Whether the girl or the fraternity breaks the pledge one calendar year must elapse before the girl may join another fraternity.

(b) The recent ruling concerning when a pledge is binding went into effect January 1, 1918. N. P. C. decided that a pledge is binding only when a written paper, dated and signed by the girl who has accepted the bid and by a member of the fraternity bidding her, can be produced.

II. (a) The offices of N. P. C. are held by the sororities in rotation, in order of their entrance into N. P. C. Thus the secretary

becomes president of the next N. P. C. and the treasurer becomes secretary, or at least the sorority whose delegate was secretary, holds the presidency for the following time.

(b) The last National Panhellenic Congress was held at the Edgewater Beach Hotel, Chicago, October 24-27. Lena G. Baldwin, an A Ξ Δ, was the retiring president, and Mary C. Love Collins, an A X Ω, the incoming president.

(c) Lillian W. Thompson is the Gamma Phi Beta Panhellenic Delegate.

(d) *Banta's Greek Exchange* is the official organ of N. P. C.

PARLIAMENTARY QUESTIONS

I. An amendment to the Gamma Phi Beta Constitution may be proposed by any chapter, by the Executive Board, by a committee on revision, or by convention. The amendment may be passed by a three-fourths vote of the delegates in convention assembled, the delegates voting as they have been instructed by their chapters. Between conventions the Constitution may be amended by a three-fourths vote of the chapter. A two-thirds vote of the members of each chapter is necessary, the proposed amendment must have been read at a regular meeting of an active chapter one week before it can be voted upon, and at a regular or special meeting of an alumnae chapter one week before it is voted upon.

II. Gamma Phi Beta conventions are held biennially. They are to be held in the summer instead of the spring as formerly. The sorority tax of five dollars a year includes one dollar per capita tax, one dollar subscription to THE CRESCENT, and the rest pays the railroad and Pullman fare of one delegate from each chapter to the convention. The expenses of the convention are defrayed by the entertaining chapter but one-fourth of the expense is paid from the national treasury provided that this one-fourth does not exceed \$300.

III. To properly conduct a meeting the president, or in case of her absence the vice-president, and the secretary must be present.

IV. A simple majority constitutes a quorum unless the Constitution or By-laws of an organization provides otherwise. The Constitution of the Gamma Phi Beta Sorority states that a majority shall constitute a quorum.

V. A person wishing to make a motion should rise and address the chair, using the proper title, such as Mr. President, or Madam Chairman. After he has been recognized by the chair he shall then make the motion by saying "I move that," followed by a statement of the question. In large assemblies, the person on arising should give his name, in order that the chair may be able to recognize him. Neither rising nor recognition is necessary to second a motion, but

in large assemblies it is expedient to rise in order that everyone may hear.

VI. Debate is in order only after a motion has been properly made, seconded, and restated by the chair, who then calls for further discussion of the question. No person has the right to speak twice on the same question, if someone who has not spoken before wishes the floor.

THE CHALLENGE TO AMERICAN WOMANHOOD

BY DR. IRMA E. VOIGT

Dean of Women, Ohio University

"God help our boys if they lose their morale," said Benjamin Seovill, once actor, now entertainer along the battle front. With equal fervor we might add, and God help society unless the women of today face their problems unflinchingly. Long after the physical side of this war shall have been decided, there will still remain the scars and wounds of the moral struggle upon the body of society which must be healed and nursed back into a state of health and sanity. The great question confronting us today, and in a measure confronting the women more directly than the men, is: Shall the soldiers, over 6,300,000 of whom are today languishing in prison camps, return home shot through with disease, stagnated mentally, a drag upon society; or shall they return as great constructive forces, made serious by the unspeakable horrors which they have endured, broad of vision and deep in an abiding faith in the brotherhood of man and the fatherhood of God?

Eliminate from your minds any frivolous notion you may have gathered about sending our young women to the European camps to amuse the soldiers. There isn't a young girl among all those who may read this who could get into a European camp. What those in charge want in these camps is the finest and best womanhood that America has to offer—women of maturity, women who have been tested and tried and found not wanting. There is a chance for every woman to find her place in the service if she wishes, but many must be satisfied to efface self and occupy the most inconspicuous of positions. College women of today can do nothing better and nothing more patriotic than to finish their college work rapidly, seriously, and thoroughly, so that they may the sooner make of themselves factors in patriotism instead of dangers. As women we must work to steady the background upon which this war is being fought;

we must become the undergirding of the men's work. A group of soldiers passing down the street of one of our cities recently saw a flirting, frivolous crowd of girls. The soldiers watched them for a little while, then one of them remarked to his companions, "Ye gods, fellows, are we going to die for that? Is it worth while?" Many of us believe with all our hearts that God has sent this war upon us to burn us clean of that which is not worth while. The dignity of womanhood and with it the single standard must be faced as never before. There will be no victory for us unless we come out of this struggle with a civilization clean enough for us all to share.

There have already developed for women four main lines of work:

1. Within the army.
2. Within the community.
3. Social morality.
4. In foreign lands.

As indicated, the work within the army is for a selected group of the flower of American womanhood. The work in the community may be described, briefly, as the fostering and conservation of the natural relations of this life. Consider a small quiet town which never had a social problem having one suddenly thrust upon it by the presence, over night as it were, of a new army city. The young women of this community must be bound together and kept normal. They must be imbued with a new consciousness of the dignity of womanhood. In calling girls into the government service in garment-making factories and munitions plants, Congress failed to provide for their proper housing. Nearly 2,000,000 girls are already in industry created by war necessities. In one small town in the Middle West, there is a deplorable situation growing out of this abnormal inflation of industry. There are not enough beds in the town to care for the girls who have come from their homes far and near, to make munitions of war. Three sleep in one bed by day and another three in the same bed by night. The girls are receiving better wages than they ever received in their lives before; the town lacks wholesome forms of amusement; they have no privacy in rooms of their own; the inevitable must follow.

Some frivolous talk has, unfortunately, associated itself with the hostess houses at our cantonments and concentration camps. Some critical persons have said, "Why is there a woman's problem in connection with the cantonments and camps?" The point is this—the women are there and nothing will clear a camp of women but an army order. The army officers at present say that they wish to have the women coming to the camps because it helps to keep the life normal. Many commanders are giving the choicest location in the whole camp for the hostess house. These houses are small buildings

in which men may meet their women friends and relatives under proper conditions of surroundings and chaperonage. They supply the ordinary needs of come and go and of service to the women who come. Feeding the men is not the purpose for which they are put up. They are not used for social centers; these hostess houses and their workers have not gone to camp to entertain the soldiers. Thus far four hostess houses have been completed and are in use, eighteen are in process of building and tents are being used in the meantime. Out of thirty-two cantonments and camps the Y. M. C. A. has entered twenty-seven at the request of the officials in charge.

The new social morality problems that are confronting us today have come with the call for women to take the places of the men who have gone—many being positions of large responsibility and trust—and also with the necessary employment of women within the cantonments and camps. Among these latter we find the stenographers, telephone operators, and nurses employed in the various departments of the army headquarters. The American Express Company has offered to give all vacancies caused by the men going to war to women relatives.

Today there are 14,000,000 more women alive in Europe than there are men. What will these women look to American women for—American women trained in leadership under a democratic government? Russia, Italy, and India are calling to the American women to come to them to teach them how to enter upon their new obligations. Suddenly forced into the industrial life of the nation, suddenly burdened with the responsibilities of keeping the nation's fires burning while their men are taking their share in the great struggle, the women of these nations find themselves helpless. Is it a call that the American woman dare refuse? We as women must be brave enough to live—we covet men's opportunity to be brave enough to die. American womanhood has received its supreme challenge. Are we brave enough to face the truth?—*Eleusis of Chi Omega.*

CANVASSING FOR SUFFRAGE

BY M. RUTH GUPPY (*Beta*)

Perhaps a guilty conscience or a sneaking feeling of inactivity when placed on social service committees, or both, are reasons for social service taking such a grip on my thoughts since resignation of the deanship in the University of Oregon. For social service is like the poor, it is always with and around us.

The war with all its horror has given untold opportunities for individuality. Never before have women been called upon to act

in ways hitherto thought impossible. As regards achievement, the recent victory of Women's Suffrage in New York State is spoken of in the *New Republic* as "one of the most extraordinary and decisive achievements in the history of American polities. . . . And the result was accomplished by the hard, thorough, intelligent, and devoted work of a fine and able band of women."

One may be an "Anti," but nevertheless he cannot fail to recognize, as do many leading men of the country, the splendid organization of the women of the state; the ability of such leaders as Mrs. Norman Whitehouse, Mrs. Ogden Mills Reich; their courage in repeated defeat; and last, but not least, their vision. The far West can never appreciate the obstacles which the New York women had to overcome, because conditions have been and are so different.

Social service as a "canvasser" and as a "watcher" in this campaign was highly interesting and instructive. The city of New York, with its large foreign population, has problems which only one versed in its political history can attempt to solve. The several leaders knew this and selected their captains with much discrimination. These, in turn, selected their helpers with equal care. Several districts conspicuous for previous opposition, were given a house to house canvass, an undertaking which for effectiveness demanded a knowledge of psychology, sociology, and all other "ologies" boiled down into adaptability and common sense. Canvassers were told to make short calls,—not to argue for "nuff had been said," and to be courteous. Armed with these instructions and bundles of literature, we sallied forth to tackle the obdurate and unenlightened. Some men, and women too, were strictly "agin the government"; even, one should judge, the powers above. One man objected "because the wimen would have too much power. Even now they tried to run the movies. And no knowin' what they would do if they voted." The canvasser vouched no answer, but with a polite thank you (for what, she did not know) moved on to the eighth floor where a genial Irishman—backed by a buxom wife and four children, said: "To be shure, it's yes for me wife and babbies." Then down to the first floor where a vinegary-visaged, shrill-voiced woman replied "No! My husband has nothing to do with them loud-voiced women. Women's place is the home." When asked *her* opinion: "O, I haven't any. He never talks or tells me things." In the same apartment house was a family of Russian Jews—all in favor of suffrage—who were knitting sweaters, etc., to send across the seas. The stitches of the fourteen-year-old boy were quite as perfect as those of the grandmother who had "grown up knitting."

The eagerness with which the foreigners—all registered voters—took the proffered literature showed their desire to know. An Italian, in a tremulous voice and in broken English, said: "If it will only help my countree, I'll vote for it eevery time."

These are but a few instances of what we came across. Pathos, humor, indifference, and gentle, old-fashioned courtesy were met with in most unexpected places. Generally speaking, however, when there was a genial home atmosphere the attitude was favorable. And since two Gamma Phis and two university girls were canvassers, be it said to their credit, that their district won by a good majority. The experience of being a watcher and helping to count the suffrage amendment votes was most unique and might have been equally trying, had it not been for the courtesy of the men at the polls. It was far from unpleasant and an occasion to be remembered.

But did this phase of social service end here? No, it had only begun. For women were to be taught more fully the meaning of citizenship—its duties and responsibilities—through instruction, lectures, investigation, and actual practice. And there are the war social problems, which after all, are old problems in a new dress.

The war has not only created a job for every woman but has taught the great lesson of coöperation: "No one may live for self alone, but each for all, and all for each." Professor Palmer has spoken of the glory of the imperfect. What imperfection is now about us! And what privileges in helping to build in the right direction! After the war, the period of reconstruction, which is bound to come, to those "over there" as well as to us "right here," the work will be made easier because of our present understanding. In the words of the late Judge Choate, "We must not only do our Bit and our Best but learn to get ready to be ready."

KAPPA MEMBERS

KATHLEEN HART BIBB, *Soprano*

Kappa Chapter is exceedingly proud of two of her members who are fast gaining distinction. The following clipping from the *Musical Courier* is in praise of Kathleen Hart Bibb; and the little poem copied from *Literary Digest* is from the pen of Beatrice Washburn.

Kathleen Hart Bibb came all the way from Minneapolis to prove to New Yorkers that there is no monopoly of talent in the East. And she did so most emphatically, for her recital was one of the most satisfactory which has taken place at Aeolian Hall this season. Mrs. Bibb has a soprano voice of considerable power, pure, clear, agreeable in quality and capable of taking on much color; added to these attributes bestowed by nature is a thorough knowledge of how to sing; and superimposed upon all these, a mentality which enables her to be an interpretative artist of the first rank. Mrs. Bibb does that rare thing which is satisfactorily accomplished by so few artists. She considers each song as a mood picture by itself,

and presents it to the audience in that form. The result is that one goes away after her program with the satisfaction of having really heard something. There are distinct impressions to be taken home—not the usual confused recollection of a pretty woman, an acceptable voice, and music vague and diverse.

After one has heard Mrs. Bibb sing, for instance, Reynaldo Hahn's "Fêtes Galantes," that song takes its place in the memory as something distinct, an artistic entity that will gladly be encountered on another program, provided, of course, that it be interpreted as well as Mrs. Bibb presented it.

She began with three old Italian arias by Pergolesi, Jommelli and Mozart, quietly but most effectively done, and forming a fitting introduction for what followed. In the next group were two compositions by Weckerlin—the "Dormez Vous" had to be repeated—and three old English works, the last of which, "The Dashing White Sergeant," by Bishop, aroused so much enthusiasm that she was obliged to concede an encore. Her French group—perhaps the best work of the afternoon—had Chabrier's "Les Cigales" (repeated), Duparc's familiar "Chanson Triste," Hahn's "Fêtes Galantes" (repeated), and two rondels by the same composer, the last of which, "Le Printemps," brought such applause that she added Fay Foster's "My Menagerie"—one of the best of American songs—as an encore. The final group included songs by Rhys-Herbert, Harriet Ware, Fay Foster, Edward Horsmann and Frank Bibb. The Ware "Consolation," though artistically the poorest of the group, caught the fancy of the audience and was repeated, while Bibb's extremely effective "Rondel of Spring" scored its usual effect and called for another encore. All in all, Mrs. Bibb may well be pleased with her initial success in New York and New York well pleased to have heard and welcomed so thorough an artist, who is, incidentally, entirely an American product.

At the piano was Sergeant Major Frank Bibb, the singer's brother-in-law. One regretted that his military duties keep him away from the concert platform, for there are few who can accompany as Bibb does, especially the modern French chansons. Mrs. Bibb, who had benefited from his advance coaching as well as from his work at the piano, very rightly called upon him several times to share in the applause.

THE LOST PATH

BY BEATRICE WASHBURN

Along a little twisted, rose-hung path
We two went out to walk one summer day.
Then, led by wider streets and broader fields,
We lost our way.

We saw there running streams and deep, blue seas,
And roads that led along the winding downs,
And massive mountains on whose fir-trimmed tops
Hung ancient, hidden towns.

We saw there palaces with carven walls
And taverns where the busy highroads crossed.
Still we are seeking, but we have not found,
That little path we lost.

BITS OF NEWS

The Players of the Children's Theater of Berkeley presented *Cinderella of the Redwoods* on February 22, 1918, in the Twentieth Century Clubhouse. This performance was under the direction of Marie Derge (Eta).

"The Gamma Phi Beta Sorority deserves much credit for the able way they planned the evening for Mme Dupriez as their check for \$432 testifies." (From Report of California Committee for Relief in Belgium and France.)

An engagement which will be of interest to many Gamma Phi alumnae is that of Miss Hester Stevens Lewis of Berrien Springs, Michigan, to Sergeant Philip Francis Leslie of Toledo, Ohio. Miss Lewis is a daughter of Gertrude Stevens Lewis (Beta '87) and is a senior of Wellesley. Sergeant Leslie (University of Michigan '17) is the son of Sarah Satterthwaite Leslie (Beta '86 and the author of charming Gamma Phi songs) is with the 148th Field Hospital, Camp Sheridan, Alabama.

Mary Hungate (Pi) is dietitian of the Medical Department at the Base Hospital at Camp Wheeler in Macon, Georgia. From a recent letter we quote the following:

"The hospital is a series of shacks connected by eight-foot covered porches. There are twenty-two wards of about forty beds, an office, and a diet kitchen. Each one is surrounded by broad verandas with awnings for shade. The beds are taken on the porches these nice days and all of the patients that are strong enough are carried out.

There are in addition a dental ward, a laboratory, an operating room, receiving ward, drugstore, officers' shack, kitchen and commissary, mess hall, large diet kitchen, morgue.

"I have to inspect every one of the ward diet kitchens each morning and get the data for the specials. If I don't take any extra steps I walk a mile and a quarter. Then I have to weigh out the meals for my diabetic patients. We have every known disease in our hospital and I have tubercular menus, pneumonia cases, post operatives, mumps, and measles. The boys certainly make good use of the Red Cross equipment. They love to wear it abroad; pajamas, bathrobe and shoes furnish enough covering to wander all over this end of the camp. I laughed on Monday. An entire brigade went out for a hike. They despise a hike above all things as it means a long, long tramp, dinner cooked in the field, and a long, hard day. The convalescents crowded out and crowded over the well ones. You can't imagine a worse looking crew—that motley array of clothing, unshaven faces, cripples, men with bandaged heads and broken arms."

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WOMAN'S CLUB

CHARACTERS

(IN ORDER OF APPEARANCE)

Molly, <i>a waitress</i>	Helen Fales
Captain Clay Calhoun (<i>of Kentucky</i>).....	Jesse Bandt
Lieutenant William Joseph Wayne, <i>the groom</i>	Charles K. Phillips

Annette Richmond Wayne, <i>the bride</i>	Mabel Burton
Shirley Carlisle, <i>who wins a service pin</i>	Felice Davis
Jennie, <i>something of a mystery</i>	Margaret Patton
Whitney Charlton, "Captain Scheppel".....	Frank H. H. Roberts
Ruth Hoyt, <i>who furnishes good literature to the training camps</i> Julia Ramsey	
Nell Norris, <i>who knits</i>	Margaret Fraser
Rose Ross, <i>who allows herself to be loved</i>	Pauline Cornish
Mary Lou Lester, <i>who is tired of being a stay-at-home</i>	Gladys East
Conservation, <i>who observes meatless day</i>	Billy Hitchcock
Neil Rutherford, <i>a slacker</i>	Stuart L. Sweet
Mrs. Richmond, <i>Annette's mother</i>	Mildred Nutting
Hal Winston } Walter Warren } Jack Miller } Bob Bartlett } Bettina, <i>Annette's young sister</i>	Mereld Jobe Everett Trout Wilfred Loeffler Ralph Hulfin Louise Robinson

SYNOPSIS

ACT I. A veranda tea room. Five in the afternoon.

ACT II. A deserted cabin. Seven in the evening.

ACT III. Sun parlor in the Richmond home. Ten at night.

TIME:—Afternoon and evening of a midsummer day.

PLACE:—A summer resort.

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Once upon a time it was customary to know one's own sorority and to have a vague and hazy idea of other Greek-letter organizations; nowadays, it is a far cry from the self-centered freshman to the distracted initiate who holds *Banta's Greek Exchange* in one hand, *Baird's Manual* in the other, and tries at the same time to absorb the contents of the *Sorority Handbook*. Examinations have come to stay; and though this statement evoke a groan from the active chapter, underneath the sigh there is the realization that it is time well spent and practical knowledge gained. To be a well-informed, efficient, and intelligent sorority member, to fill her proper place in the college world, one must understand the aims and purposes not only of Gamma Phi Beta but of the fraternity movement.

Experience has taught the writer that at the last moment before a fraternity examination there is a wild scramble for proper bibliography and necessary data; so, with a desire to give each individual a manual of her own, this special issue of THE CRESCENT has been planned and compiled. The points covered in these outlines are those which must inevitably be included in any list of questions; and a thorough and systematic study of such will be sufficient preparation for any fraternity examination. The Editor is indebted for some points to the February number of the *Alpha Gamma Delta Quarterly*, a splendid and comprehensive issue.

The college year is drawing to its close, unique in its war-time setting and in its definite service from college and from sorority. As we reread the magazine, it is interesting to note just what war work echoes come from the various chapters of our sorority, and inspiring to know that there are willing hands and loyal hearts from the blue Atlantic to the broad Pacific. Most of the chapters have bought Liberty Bonds; all have subscribed to the various war drives; all are doing some form of Red Cross work, and all are knitting. Alpha opens her home two afternoons a week to Red Cross classes and

the chapter pays for and makes two garments each week. Gamma has adopted a war orphan and holds classes for discussion of war problems. Delta is making a Red Cross afghan which bears the letters, $\Gamma\Phi\beta$, in brown and mode. Zeta stands first at Goucher in amounts pledged to the rehabilitation fund. Eta was instrumental in raising over \$400 for Belgian relief. Theta, at the first production of the annual chapter play, cleared almost \$200, all of which was given to war relief; and at the second production, given for the benefit of the Soldiers' and Sailors' Clubrooms in Denver, made \$600. Kappa and Lambda have adopted orphans. Xi is knitting an ambulance robe of double brown and has a fund for the support of an Armenian baby. Omicron is materially interested in the Syrian Relief Fund, and Pi has adopted a French orphan for two years. Upsilon is sponsor for two French babies. Chicago meets twice a month for war relief. Syracuse is supporting French and Belgian orphans and is sewing diligently on war garments. Denver has made dozens of handkerchiefs for the hospitals. Minneapolis is busy with her two children in France, and Seattle is one of numerous circles which make and send clothing to the French. Truly *service* is our watchword, and Gamma Phi is meeting the present crisis with courage, with efficiency, and with tireless endeavor.

Where is the wholly light-hearted, irresponsible, and carefree member who used to belong to each chapter of each sorority? Gone—and in her place is a sweet and serious being who still keeps the flashes of gay personality but who is more thoughtful, more unselfish, and more womanly; who realizes that she is doing her small share in the great world work and who is happier and humbler for the service. What has caused the change? What has worked the miracle? The click of the knitting needles. The chapter meeting is a charmed circle these days; each member is a "knitting girl" and there is a one-ness in purpose, a you-and-I-together-ness that is good to see. Busy fingers keep pace with busy brains; sober thoughts and girlish prayers are woven in and out of the sombre colors; loving service brings new purposes, new responsibilities, and new happiness.

We hear a great deal these strenuous war times about making the world safe for democracy; and we try, each in her own way and in as many ways as we can, to do our part in bringing about this wished-for state of affairs. Why not make the college safe for democracy? Surely it is a time when all women on the campus with a united desire for service can meet on a common ground with like interests, like enthusiasm, and like purposes. Patriotism can

weld diverse elements into a perfect whole of efficiency, and in our own little world of college, the union of many hands should mean the union of many hearts. Remember that as a member of a Greek-letter organization you are supposed to know the true meaning of *fraternity*; hide your pin under the folds of red, white, and blue, and gain the larger, clearer vision which must come with service and sacrifice and sisterhood.

Upon Chi Chapter of Gamma Phi Beta, young but promising a splendid maturity, we heap our good wishes; and from Alpha to Phi comes the heartiest of welcomes into the circle.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Articles for the October CRESCENT are due from the following chapters: Alpha, Delta, Zeta, Upsilon, and Phi.

If any date or any statement in the outline for fraternity examinations is incorrect, please notify the editor and prompt revision will be made.

The Committee upon Uniform Examinations strongly advises that each chapter purchase extra numbers of this issue, so that incoming freshmen may be supplied.

Letters from the following chapters have been missing during the college year:

October—Gamma, Lambda, Nu, Pi, Phi, Milwaukee, Minneapolis, Detroit.

January—Milwaukee.

March—Phi, Upsilon.

And this issue speaks for itself.

Chapter contributions missing.

October—Zeta, Upsilon.

January—Lambda.

March—Eta, Gamma.

Four scholarships have been given to the Vassar Nurses' Training Camp by the Class of 1913 of Vassar in memory of their classmate, Amabel Roberts, who recently lost her life while in active service

with the Presbyterian Hospital Unit in France. These scholarships are for \$350 each and include the payment of expenses of the training camp and of the subsequent two years' training at a hospital. The purpose of these scholarships is to enable some girls who might otherwise be prevented to take advantage of the opportunity offered by the training camp. They will be awarded by Prof. Herbert E. Mills, dean of the camp, to whom all applications should be sent. His address is Vassar College, Poughkeepsie, New York.

The article, "The Challenge to American Womanhood," by Dr. Irma E. Voigt, dean of women, Ohio University, published in *The Eleusis* of Chi Omega, we insert as our "Dean of Women" article for this issue. It is a splendid and timely message.

Owing to the promise by the publisher of the prompt and proper appearance of the June issue if copy is sent earlier, some articles destined for this number may hold over until October, as there has been no time for personal communications.

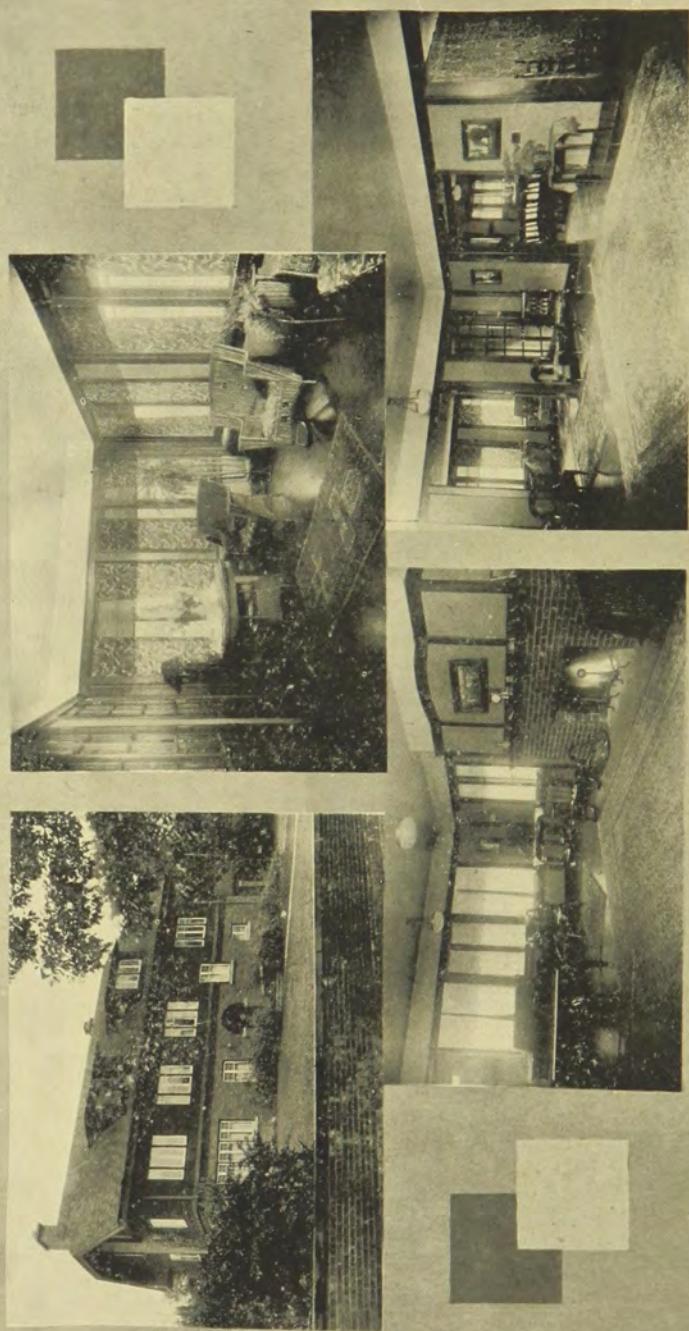
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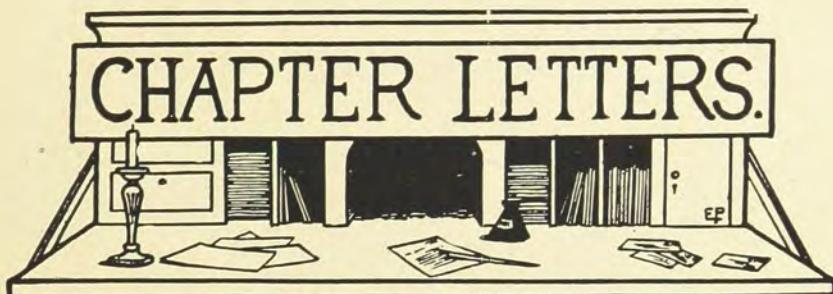
VIEWS OF BETA CHAPTER-HOUSE

Living-room

Sun Parlor

Glimpse of Dining-room





MRS. WM. J. GRAHAM, Editor of Chapter Letters, 380 Ninth St., Brooklyn, N. Y. Send *all* Chapter Letters and Personals to Mr Graham. Next letter *must* be in her hands by *September 15*.

ALPHA—SYRACUSE UNIVERSITY

Dear Gamma Phis:

This letter is bound to be uninteresting for the simple reason that the faculty suddenly decided to omit our Easter vacation and let us out May 29. Of course, we stormed and wailed that we couldn't hold out any longer; but certain sisters (who had made no lovely vacation plans) finally made us think we could survive until May, and we straightened up and even began to feel a bit patriotic. We are to have *four* whole months for farm work, and some of us are embroidering lacey farm uniforms in fluttering anticipation. A lot of us have farms at home and so we plough for home after commencement. Some are going to Washington to do government work, and one freshman intends to go to England for hospital duty. As a result, everything is grind now, but war work looms alluringly ahead. After examinations, which will be crammed into four days, we'll all stretch in relief and look around to see how the war clouds are.

On March 12, Barbara Watson and Alice Ives (both '19) were initiated into Boar's Head, the dramatic society. The initiation was most hilarious, but both girls escaped without injury from the clouds of venomous pillows "fired" at them.

On March 22, the alumnae and active girls gave Miss Mary Whitford, the Gamma Phi historian of Alpha Chapter, a surprise party after chapter meeting. It was the fortieth anniversary of her initiation and during all that time she has missed only eight meetings, and then because of an accident. Such fun as we had. The alumnae gave a show and we laughed until we thought we were dying. I've never seen anything funnier in my life. We sang to Miss Whitford and wished her all the love we possibly could. What we would do without her we don't know.

Because of the lack of men in the university, Tambourine and Bones, the men's musical society, decided to admit *real* girls into the girls' parts and for the first time, it had the genuine flavor of comic opera. *Green All Over* made a big hit both on Friday and Saturday nights, April 19 and 20. Alice Ives, '19, took the part of the vigorous reporter, while Jeannette Walters, '21, graced the chorus.

Examinations are one week away, hence I close a trifle mournfully.

"Hence, vain deluding Joys,
The brood of Folly without father bred."

ALICE M. IVES.

ENGAGEMENT

Mildred Stanley, '17, to Edgar Boggs, Psi Upsilon, Syracuse, medic '20.

DELTA—BOSTON UNIVERSITY

Dear Sisters in Gamma Phi:

(Tune, *Poor Butterfly*)

"Dear Gamma Phis once more we'll gather,
On Rockport Shore, by the ocean side."

No, tradition has been broken; not on Rockport Shore, whose rocks have rung for years with echoes of Gamma Phi chatter and glee but on the shores of Marblehead. So come ye poets and write new songs for house party, May 23. But what does the place matter when "Gamma Phis get together," and,

"The Crescent moon shines bright,
On sisters here tonight,
As we sing our songs to thee,
Dear Gamma Phi,
The dashing waves bring memories tender—"

I can't finish that. Can you, Rachel Clarke? So while other sister Gamma Phis will be burning the midnight oil (we hope you really don't, for these "am war days"), all Deltans will be scrambling over the rocks and rollicking on the sand for ten glorious days. We will be singing Gamma Phi's praises in the moonlight with only the mighty ocean with its incessant roar surging as an undertone. The gulls will be there, those mighty birds who take in with one swift swoop both heaven and earth, skiffing along on the crest of a wave, so fearless, so content, then back to the billowy heavens. The little lighthouses will be there and we will sing one of Delta's favorite songs, "Shine little lighthouse, twinkle, twinkle, etc."

By then commencement will be over and our five seniors in caps and gowns will be gone from the college portals. Amy Buck, Alice Dike, Lucy Waite, and Martha Thresher will receive the A.B. degree and Eleanor B. Ferguson the degree of B.S., in a year more than of M.D.

My French professor would say, "Cela suffit, cela suffit, mademoiselle." Sure enough, this is not the time for prophecy. Does not the little brown envelope remind us each month that we are to tell all of interest that "has happened." But I just had to let you know about house party for it is one of those few things that in anticipation is never greater than realization.

College has fairly whirled through to the end this year. Since last you heard from Delta there has been Gamma Delta dance, given by this organization to which every girl in college belongs. Decorations were strictly in keeping with war regulations but an abundance of soft, many-colored lights and pretty girls made the affair a huge success. Gamma Phi was represented by ten of its girls and many were the soldier boys and sailor lads present. Then there has been *The Amazons*, Gamma Delta play, mothers' teas, a new idea of getting the mothers of the girls, faculty, and students acquainted. We like the idea. The G. A. A. Stunt Night was considered the best event of the year. Every sorority in college gave a one-act stunt. No men allowed, but how many men were present and such stunning ones. We fear many persons have missed their calling.

Let me present Juliette Lemay, Marlboro, our new pledge and initiate-to-be. Juliette is so much one of us now that I had almost forgotten that you had not had a formal introduction but formality and Juliette, well, they are not alike. You will love her as we all do. She is president of Le Cercle Français and doing wonderful work for Boston University's L'Oeuvre des Petits Blessés, Paris. When next you hear from us she will be wearing the little crescent-shaped pin we all hold so dear. Rushing will be the theme of conversation before long but until then a happy, happy summer is Delta's best wish to you all.

BETTY MACY.

PERSONALS

The May number of the *Beacon*, the College of Liberal Art's monthly magazine, contained four articles by Gamma Phis: Ruth Roberts, Elizabeth Macy, Edith Snow, and Frances Gay.

At the University Sing held in Tremont Temple, Boston, four of our girls were chosen to represent the allied nations: Juliette Lemay, France; Elizabeth Macy, Belgium; Angelina Funai, Italy; and Ruth Roberts, Britannia.

HONORS

Ruth C. Roberts, *Hub* staff, Boston University Yearbook; Edith N. Snow, '20, *Beacon* staff, college monthly; Juliette Lemay, '19, president Le Cercle Français; Ruth Tobey, '21, secretary Y. W. C. A., delegate from the college Y. W. C. A. to Silver Bay.

EPSILON—NORTHWESTERN UNIVERSITY

Dear Sisters in Gamma Phi Beta:

Epsilon Chapter is so happy over what we think is a wonderful piece of news. At any rate, it is most unusual for us to be able to boast of a Phi Beta Kappa! However, Sarah Radebaugh has gained the honor of being elected, and we are very proud of her.

We've had lots of nice things happen to us since I wrote my last letter, and it's hard to know just where to begin. As usual, I want to tell you about our new pledges. One would think that Epsilon pledged people on the installment plan for we always have new ones to announce, but if you could see them you'd understand why we hold our heads so high when any of our freshmen are mentioned. Ruth Alexander Tracy has been pledged and initiated since my last letter. She is a married lady with a darling little girl. The rest of us stand somewhat in awe of this wonderfully talented person who gets "straight A." Dorothy Chapman comes from St. Johns, Michigan. The best thing I can say about her is that she is even nicer than she looks, and that is quite a compliment. Louise Lucas adds another Kansas girl to our list, and also some more red hair, but we love her just the same.

April 23 we had an initiation for Ruth Tracy, Helen Richardson, and Lila Robbins. Initiation was just as lovely as usual, and the girls were just as much impressed by it. They surely do make fine Gamma Phis. A week before we had our second semester dance, and enjoyed it perhaps more than usual, because it was informal.

Evanston and Chicago have been in the midst of "gittin' religion" since Billie Sunday has been here. Northwestern students were greatly excited when he talked to us in chapel. Once upon a time he went to college here, and that is the reason why he honored us so greatly. He talked to us very decorously, and used but little slang. Perhaps this was with due reverence for our classic atmosphere!

Another day in chapel we dedicated our new service flag. At present, it has 1,470 stars on it, and five gold ones. It gives us a thrill of pride to see it waving in front of University Hall, and we feel that our university is surely doing its share.

After buying more Liberty Bonds and contributing to the Lucknow Gymnasium Fund, Epsilon still had some money. Not much, to be sure, but we resolved to at least make a start in redecorating our sorority rooms. (We have two!) Some of our alumnae said that it had been twenty years since the rooms had been touched, and they certainly looked it! Three of the girls, Grace Merrill, Frances Light, and Elizabeth Wells, painted the woodwork and the floor. When new curtains and wallpaper were added our rooms looked so clean and new that we were almost afraid

to have meeting there. For a finishing touch the freshmen and sophomores presented the chapter with a beautiful floor lamp. At least I think it's beautiful for I helped choose it.

Grace Merrill, who can always be depended upon to bring new honors to Gamma Phi, won the twenty-five dollar prize offered by Woman's League for the best plot of a May pageant. She is also helping to produce the pageant. A Kappa Alpha Theta was elected May queen, and is to have the part of Eternal Peace. Mildred Wyant, a Gamma Phi freshman, is to represent War, and to dance the leading solo dance.

This letter has taken me a long time to write for it is truly warm today, and I have to pause between words to mop my fevered brow. I am glad to say that I won't have to write any more chapter letters, at least I hope not. I am not covetous of having the honor once more bestowed upon me, so after one more mop I'll end for always.

ELIZABETH WELLS.

PERSONALS

Helen Simpson Angus, ex-'20, has returned from Charlotte, S. C. Her husband, Lieut. Gaylord B. Angus, sailed for France, April 14.

Joan Crocker, '20, had to leave college this semester because of illness, Ruth Tibbles and Ruth Mecham have both had appendicitis.

Celia Merry has been elected to the senior honorary society.

Grace Merrill has been elected a junior member of the Student Judiciary Committee.

Mary Snell Cooper, ex-'20, and her husband have been visiting in Evans-ton.

MARRIAGES

On March 2, 1918, Klea Gertrude Cozzens, '13, was married to Mr. Allan Patton Ramsay, Hanover College '14, Beta Theta Pi. While at Northwestern, Mrs. Ramsay was one of Epsilon's most popular and prominent members. Mr. Ramsay is in the aviation branch of the service.

ZETA—GOUCHER COLLEGE

Dear Gamma Phis:

What do you think has happened to Zeta? We are just so puffed up and proud that even though we do try to keep our elation under cover we are afraid it might break out almost any minute—just like the measles. The election of officers for next year has taken place in a few of the college associations and the results were that in Student Organization Zeta is represented by Katharine Manning as president, Elizabeth Fehl as vice-president, and Josephine Ellinger as corresponding secretary. Mary Ely was elected president of Y. W. C. A. and Elizabeth Fehl assumes the duties of chairman of the Social Service League for the coming year. Do you wonder that it is a mite hard not to inflict our joy upon others?

At an inspiring patriotic mass meeting held the other week in college for the Third Liberty Loan drive, enthusiastic speakers, with the efficient aid of resolute "sales girls," were able to raise about \$21,000 in subscriptions from the students, faculty, trustees, and a few loyal alumnae. The spirit shown was more splendid and enthusiastic than in any former patriotic meeting held in Goucher, but that doesn't mean that loyalty and self-denial have been strangers here, only they gained a greater impetus at this meeting. To maintain this keen interest and to have different phases of the war brought before us, girls from each class—thirty in all—have been appointed as Minute Men and they are to visit the various halls at specified times in order to spread war propaganda. In addition to speaking around college, those who have time talk once a week at lunch hours to the girls in factories.

Plans for the registration of Goucher girls for summer work in the Woman's Land Army are going forward with great vigor. Numbers of prospective farmerettes have signed up and already, no doubt, visions of overalls, pitchforks, and hay wagons, and even fresh green vegetables with all the other "right from the farm" food, are floating tantalizingly in the farmerette's imagination.

Another war note (it is difficult nowadays to think of any other topic) is that we have been most fortunate in having a number of speakers come to tell us of various aspects of the great struggle as affecting the countries abroad. Mademoiselle Clement spoke entertainingly of the work of the French women during the war and Miss Helen Fraser very soon afterward presented the same subject, "Woman's Work in the War," only she told of the women's work in England rather than in France. It was very interesting to contrast the personal characteristics of the representatives of these countries as well as interesting to learn of the sincere, magnificent work of our allies' women. Mrs. Vernon Kellogg later on gave a stirring address, one which we shall never forget, concerning the staunch, sacrificial heroism of Belgian women. Not only did we gain the lesson of self-sacrifice from the picture of the captive people which she drew, but from the example of Mrs. Kellogg's own life, for she has given her all and yet considers it nothing. Lieutenant Rochat of the French High Commission very recently talked to us and gave some very graphic pictures of life at the front. So you see from this list of speakers that we have had unusual opportunities to learn of many aspects of the war and to have our patriotism so roused that we will do all in our power to aid the Allies onward.

And now that my little store of news is exhausted it is high time to close up shop, but before I do that I shall leave a placard in the window to remain there during the summer, bearing the following message to my patronesses. "May you have a happy, profitable vacation."

ELEANOR CHISM.

MARRIAGE

Ella Haynesworth, ex-'19, to Capt. W. W. Riddick.

KAPPA—UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA

Dear Sisters:

Since Kappa's last message to you, five freshmen have been added to our sisterhood. On March 20, Helen Hart, Reine Pino, and Martha Randall were initiated, and this was followed on April 25 by the initiation of Nel Halloran and Margaret Preston. We feel so glad to have them real Gamma Phis and we're indeed proud to have them wearing the pin.

The past few months have been exceedingly full ones for this chapter. Campus activities have demanded a great deal from us, as Red Cross work especially has needed our combined efforts. Consequently, we passed a chapter ruling that each member must spend one afternoon a week at surgical dressings, or else submit a legitimate excuse to the chapter. Our girls have responded marvelously and Gamma Phi has been a very faithful unit.

The first week of May the Thetas spent the evening with us. We had a cozy spread followed by a stunt program, which helped us all to get better acquainted. Intersorority friendships must be made if sororities are to live.

Our alumnae did a wonderfully nice thing for us last month. After meeting, we were all taken over to Katherine Silverson's home where the alumnae chapter entertained us royally at dinner. We appreciated it greatly, and felt more than ever their keen interest in us as an active chapter. We are very fortunate in our thoughtful "mother chapter."

Soon college will be out and vacation will indeed be welcome after this most strenuous year for everyone. The week of May 15 we hope to have our Gamma Phi house party, celebrated in good fashion, free from care and ready for a good time. Our plans, of course, may change by that time, but it's a nice plan to dream about anyway.

Our banquet this year revealed many interesting surprises. So I'll take no more of your time, to merely talk, but I'll come straight to the most interesting feature of this number, and announce some happy engagements.

Here's wishing you all the best of vacations. Your loving sisters in Gamma Phi.

HARRIET S. THOMPSON.

ENGAGEMENTS

Verna Hermann to James Boyle, '16.

Doris Leach to Lieut. Porter Wiggins of Minneapolis.

Irene Keyes to Dr. Crossland of University of Arkansas.

BIRTHS

To Myrna Linquist Cummings, a son, James Sheldon.

To Sarah Graham Webb, a son, John William Thompson.

To Katherine Whitney Kingsbury, a daughter. She will receive a name when her father, Captain Kingsbury, now in France, cables his choice.

LAMBDA—UNIVERSITY OF WASHINGTON

Dear Gamma Phis:

You have four new sisters in Lambda, just initiated, Gretchen Brehm, Marian Carrigan, Dorothy Coffin, and Vernita Swezea, as well as one new pledge, Violet Perry.

One of the most interesting efforts we have been making since you last heard from us, is that of creating on the campus a better intersorority feeling. Sororities here, as elsewhere, are accused of exclusiveness and of hard feeling for each other. To help in overcoming any such feeling which may exist at Washington we have scheduled at least two important intersorority affairs. One given during the Easter vacation was a Gamma Phi house party for other sorority girls on the campus. The other, which will take place the first of June, is a Gamma Phi picnic to which each Gamma Phi invites one other sorority girl. Already most of us have invited our guests and are expecting a very good time.

Perhaps one of the biggest events which, early this year, served to acquaint us better with other sorority girls, was the intersorority basketball series of which I am very glad to tell you we were the champions. After we had won the sorority championship we had to play the winner of the independent series, and you can readily believe that we were very *nearly scared pink* at the prospect. Because, you see, the winning independent team was made up mostly of varsity players and supposed to be the basketball stars of the college. However, we beat them, with a score of 20-19. You can imagine how exciting the game was and how thrilled we all were, especially since in the first half the score stood about 10-0 in their favor! We might not have scored the victory had not all the loyal sisters turned out in full number and carried on a vigorous support of yells. Afterward they treated the team, Ruth Frye and Gertrude Tinling, centers, Ruth Floyd and Katharyn Barnhisel, forwards, and Virginia Benson and Margaret Coffin, guards, at Roger's. A dinner to the winning sorority and independent teams by the Independents at the dormitory, and a dinner here for the defeated girls, wound up the series pleasantly. But that was not the last of most of our basketball girls! Four of them

made class teams and one of them varsity. Ruth Frye made the junior team, Ruth Floyd, Katharyn Barnhisel, and Virginia Benson the freshman team, and Ruth Floyd the varsity as captain.

Another activity in which a number of Gamma Phis took part was the spring opera. In this, Violet Sheppard, who you may remember had a leading rôle in the spring opera, *The Red Mill*, two years ago, again was successful in an important part. Anita Merry Wheeler helped to train the chorus and also gave a Spanish solo dance, while several others of the girls took part in the chorus.

Other things which have claimed our attention are a scholarship contest, debate in which Virginia Benson made a position as alternate on the varsity, Y. W. C. A. work, dramatic clubs, etc.

We are still engaged in the war work which was outlined earlier in the year. The moss sorting and drying and the pad making which was described before is now required war work for two hours a week for every freshman and sophomore girl in the university. The senior girls are all slated for five hours a week in cooking, for which they get a certificate. In these ways the university hopes to help more and more. Lambda, as perhaps we told you before, is supporting a French orphan.

As we look forward to the coming summer, we hope that it may bring to all of you as well as to ourselves a very profitable and enjoyable time.

MARGARET COFFIN.

PERSONALS

Gretchen Smith was elected to the Dramatic Association last quarter. This quarter she is at home for vocal training.

Lucile Hicks is out of college to take up dramatic work.

Charlotte Doheny, Helen Allen, and Dorothy Leavett are at business college this quarter preparing themselves for government positions during the summer.

Margaret Meany Younger, one of Lambda's favorite alumnae, is now acting as housemother for the local chapter. She is also cashier for the Associated Student Body of Washington, a very important and responsible position.

Mildred Wiggins is now a member of the Y. W. C. A. cabinet.

Doris Ives was elected to the honorary art society.

Doris Ives and Mercedes Barber won prizes in the recent city "Own Your Own Home" art poster contest.

Virginia Benson was Campus Day freshman captain, alternate in varsity debate, and in interclub debate.

Anita Merry Wheeler made the Dramatic Association.

MARRIAGE

Ruth Frye to Albert Osborn, Pi Kappa Alpha. Mr. Osborn is in the service of the country and Mrs. Osborn is continuing her university course.

MU—STANFORD UNIVERSITY

Dear *Gamma Phi Sisters*:

When college opened for the spring quarter it found Stanford small in numbers but the Gamma Phis with just as much spirit as ever. We entered into rushing with a vim and came out of the fray with Thema Carlisle as a pledge.

Practically all the news from Stanford now is war news. Everyone is working for the boys "over there." We now have a competitive system among the sororities for Red Cross work. The percentage is taken of the amount done by each sorority and published each week in the *D. P. A.* That old, old game of competition adds excitement and gives an added

inducement to go out and work hard for Red Cross. So far, Gamma Phi, though small in numbers, has been at the top.

As you must all know, Stanford is sending a Women's Unit to France. Aida Gilchrist, one of our seniors, has been working strenuously getting large subscriptions to help send our girls.

The work of some of our alumnae has been so interesting that I must tell you about it. Marion Dorn, who is at Hopkins Art School in San Francisco, recently made practically all of the posters for the large automobile show held in the civic auditorium in San Francisco. She has also had work in the Palace of Fine Arts. She is rapidly receiving attention in the art world.



MU CHAPTER-HOUSE, STANFORD UNIVERSITY

Many of our alumnae have offered their services to the government for various branches of the service, but you will have to wait until our next letter to hear who they are as it is still a dark secret.

Mrs. Lyons, a former housemother, is doing welfare work at Camp Fremont. Recently she brought up fifteen of her officer friends for Sunday night tea, when we all had a jolly time playing games and singing.

A Women's Agricultural Unit has been organized so that the girls can help the farmers of Santa Clara Valley harvest their crops this summer. Many of our girls have volunteered to help.

Only a few more weeks and then our "big vacation"! It certainly sounds welcome, does it not? A happy vacation to all of you is the wish of Mu.

MARION E. BOCKS.

ENGAGEMENT

Alice Rowell to T. E. Haley, Delta Tau Delta, California.

MARRIAGE

Phyllis Ames to Carlos Williams, Phi Delta Theta, Stanford. Mr. Williams expects to leave soon for a training camp.

NU—UNIVERSITY OF OREGON

Dear Sisters:

The usual "just before junior week-end" dust is in the air for this is house-cleaning time for all the Gamma Phis. The guests will arrive Thursday and everyone is cleaning and scouring so that we will be all "spick and span."

Such an exciting spring as we have had! We began the excitement by pledging Buena Morgason of Portland, after rather a strenuous week of rushing her about. This new system of dividing the year into three terms means three rushing seasons.

Soon after this event we initiated our second-term girls: Aileen Tompkins, Beatrice Porteous, Jennie Parelius, and Helen Woodcock.

Excitement began to brew after these girls were initiated over the great opportunity Nu Chapter was to have. We had never hoped even to be an installing chapter but here was the honor fairly thrust upon us. Everyone was talking and planning for the installation of Chi Chapter. It seemed that the time would never come but there was much to do so we tried to think of other things of less importance. But things of less importance didn't appeal, and we had to have something big so we pledged Helen McDonald of La Grande, who is a junior in the university. At last the time came for us to go over to Corvallis and install the new chapter in the Oregon Agricultural College. Three of our girls went over a day early to get things started and under way. Friday, April 26, we all went over and found that we had a whole house to ourselves. The Phi Delta Thetas had moved out of their house for us, we moved in and made ourselves at home for the week-end. This was indeed a novel experience. We felt like Aladdin and his lamp for just about noon we began to wonder about luncheon when we heard the sound of a dinner bell and when we all flocked into the dining-room there was luncheon waiting for us. Friday evening we pledged thirty-eight girls. The next day we spent in initiating the thirty-two members. The banquet followed initiation and there were sixty-two happy Gamma Phis gathered together with six different chapters represented. The six chapters represented were Kappa, Miss Nachtrieb; Zeta, Bula Smith; Eta, June Fiske; Lambda, Mrs. Younger; Nu, all of us; Chi, thirty-two strong. Sunday we all came home again to our "little brown house" in Eugene. We were mighty tired but mighty happy.

Miss Nachtrieb came over the next day and stayed with us until Wednesday. Tuesday we had a tea for her so that she could renew the acquaintances she had made when she was in Eugene last year and also to enable her to meet more of our campus friends.

This week is junior week-end and we are expecting a goodly number of guests. We are all hurrying about planning picnics, dinners, and good times in general so that we can entertain our guests with genuine hospitality.

As this will be our last letter before each one packs her trunks, Nu wants to wish all the Gamma Phis a happy summer vacation.

MARY HELEN GUTTERY.

PERSONALS

Katherine Stanfield, '15, Grace McKenzie, '15, Beatrice Locke, '15, Mary Johns, '18, and Joy Grass, '18, motored down from Portland for installation and a short visit with Nu Chapter.

June Fiske from Eta Chapter and Mrs. Younger from Lambda were with us at installation.

Beth Smith has left college Nu regrets to say.

ENGAGEMENT

Helen McCormack, '17, to George Colton, Sigma Nu.

MARRIAGE

Virginia Wilson, '22, to Dr. Charles Pethram of Portland.

BIRTH

To Mrs. C. W. Walls (Lyle Steiwer), a daughter.

OMICRON—UNIVERSITY OF ILLINOIS

Dear Sisters in Gamma Phi Beta:

The asbestos curtain rose some three months ago upon the four-act production put on by the Omicron players of Gamma Phi Beta, which we, disregarding all prejudice, of course, consider to be by far the best production of the year. The place is the University of Illinois, the setting any place on the campus or on West California Street, or even between the two places, and the time, the last three months of the college year of 1917-1918. The *dramatis personae* is too long to be given here, but may be found at any time by glancing down Omicron's chapter roll; it is sufficient to say that we have several heroines who have survived four years of hard work as leads in the cast, also a number of excellent comedians, a very efficient property manager, and several juvenile characters, the last among the freshmen. The peculiar feature about this cast is that like Thackeray's *Vanity Fair*, it has no hero, and unlike Horatio Alger, it has no villain. The plot is very simple, the success of the play depending upon the strength of the characters; but there is action, continuous action, although at times it may seem somewhat disconnected. There is rapid action, lots of it; in fact, we have every variety except *suspended* action, and we hope we never have any of that whatever. One feature of this four-act production in which our players took a very responsible part, was that of the Third Liberty Loan campaign. The campaign was exceptionally successful and the subscriptions passed the mark by a good margin. Omicron purchased another bond, making up the fund from individual subscriptions within the chapter.

On May 1, instead of having the regular May Day fête, which has been omitted this year, the seniors and juniors marched up to the Auditorium steps, where they were addressed by President James. The juniors, all dressed in white, marched beside their elder sisters who were wearing, for the first time, their senior caps and gowns. All of these things, such as May Day fêtes and caps and gowns, bring about the sudden realization that the college year is coming to a close, and that the seniors have only a very short time left before they leave all this behind, and start all over again. This fact was brought suddenly and very closely to our minds by our annual senior breakfast on Sunday morning, May 5. For a time we thought it would be necessary to eliminate this event from our program, because of the urgent need for food conservation, but the entire cast protested so and were so positive that the entire production would not be complete without this important part of plot and action, that it was decided to go ahead with the preparation and to instruct the property manager to use the strictest measures of economy in regard to decorations, place-cards, and especially food. As a result, we had our senior breakfast and were able to enjoy every minute and every morsel without the slightest compunction because, while everything was lovely and a wonderful success, still we conserved on everything except wild flowers and announcements and toasts.

There are several long speeches, a few more thrills, and the climax yet to follow before the curtain goes down on Gamma Phi's play for 1917-1918 at Illinois, but these will have to be recorded at some later date. We can only conjecture as to the outcome of the whole play, but we hope that

it will all turn out in the right way—that the damsel, Omicron, will be wrested from the monster, Examinations, and returned safely to the waiting arms of her betrothed, Scholarship, and that they will live happily ever after.

Sincerely,

MARY COOPER.

PERSONALS

Agnes Helmreich, Omicron, and Dorothy Gardner of Epsilon were with us for senior breakfast.

ENGAGEMENTS

Lillian Woerman, '18, to Raymond Ward, '19.

Jennis Barry, '18, to Manly Jackson, '17.

HONORS

Lois Scott made Phi Delta Psi, honorary senior sorority.

Charlotte Welch is chairman of the Y. W. C. A. Stunt Show for 1918-1919.

Anna Bancroft is treasurer for Senior Illinae.

Astrid Dodge made *Daily Illini* staff.

Alida Moss, Helen James, and Lillian Woerman made Phi Beta Kappa. Mildred Welch is a member of Woman's League Council and chairman of Woman's League dance committee.

Francis Withrow was in the cast of the play, *The Lion and the Mouse*.

Anna Bancroft is manager of the archery tournament for next year.

Hazel Barackman is manager of the bowling tournament for next year.

Mary Cooper made W. A. A. and guard on the second varsity basketball team.

Lillian Woerman and Irma Latzer were initiated into Iota Sigma Pi, honorary chemical organization.

Pi—UNIVERSITY OF NEBRASKA

Dear Gamma Phis:

Since you last heard from Pi we have initiated fourteen girls who are now enthusiastic, real Gamma Phis. It has been our custom to have our annual banquet on the same day as our initiation. We find this advantageous in several ways. The girls who come for initiation can then usually stay for the banquet. Then, too, we find it quite an item of saving on table decorations as we are then able to use the same flowers and smilax which we used in initiation. Our banquet this year was really very wonderful. It was held in the garden-room at the Lincoln. Covers were laid for forty-four. Our place-cards were cut in shape of the pin, with snapshot pictures of the fourteen new initiates filling in the space between letters. Each freshman sang a Gamma Phi song of her own composition. We were very fortunate in getting some very talented singers this year. You will agree with me I am sure that it would be most unfortunate to have to listen to fourteen people who could not sing. The freshmen acted a clever little skit which was entirely original, "Wedding Sweet Pledge Pi to Gamma Phi Beta." Then last but not least came the engagement announcements, but as only two ran around the table, there were only ten pounds of candy, which was devoured quickly by so many hungry girls. After this we sang all of our songs and danced. If there was any Gamma Phi spirit lying dormant in anyone there it must have been awakened that night. Next in order came our only real Gamma Phi wedding which was held at one of the large churches. All of the girls dressed in evening dresses marched in singing the Gamma Phi wedding song. Then the big spring party at the Lincoln. This was a very beautiful party, each fraternity and sorority

being represented. We tried to forget about the war long enough to enjoy the good food and decorations.

Our next pleasurable event was the coming of Miss Nachtrieb. All of the girls are very much in love with her and we felt the time was not nearly long enough. We were very much interested in the new petitions and the many interesting things she had to tell us.

Last Saturday we entertained the fathers and mothers at a luncheon. The decorations were lavender and cream. In the afternoon we gave an Orpheum program. The whole afternoon was a very great success and enjoyed by all.

There is nothing of very great interest happening in college at this time as everyone seems to be counting the days until she can go home. We have only two more weeks.

Nebraska will have a training camp at this university during the summer.

Gamma Phi will end properly by having a picnic some night the middle of May.

Farewell, everyone, until next year.

GLADYS APPLEMAN.

PERSONALS

Sara Cole, '18, was elected to Phi Beta Kappa.

Pi Chapter attained third place in scholarship this year.

Ruth E. Straight, '20, was elected to the Y. W. C. A. cabinet.

Claire Stroy, '20, was elected to the girls' freshman commission.

Gladys Appleman, '19, was elected treasurer of the Dramatic Club.

Eleanor Frampton, '18, is captain of the senior girls' swimming team.

ENGAGEMENT

Caroline Kimball to Eugene Doty.

MARRIAGES

Heila Eigenbroadt to Edward Albright.

Hazel Osmer to Wayne Montgomery.

RHO—UNIVERSITY OF IOWA

Dear Gamma Phi Sisters:

Commencement is fast approaching and we girls are already making plans for our summer work. Rho loses six girls as seniors this year. They are Sadie Whitney, Mildred Miller, Kathryn Crosby, Hermione Ellyson, Vera Dutton, and Lucy Scales, and it goes without saying that they will be missed next year.

This summer we are planning to continue in some form the war work which has been started in the chapter this year. At present each girl spends two hours a week at the Red Cross shops, and many are putting in four and six hours. Three of the girls are working in a war garden and are most enthusiastic.

But college is not all war work; we have our play as well. Spring weather seems to imply music, and we have had our share of serenades. The Iowa Hospital Unit has furnished several especially pleasing ones.

Our social functions have taken the form of rush parties. On Saturday afternoon, April 20, we entertained eight Iowa City high school girls at luncheon. Although the weather made it dreary outside, our stunts provided very enjoyable entertainment inside, and the party was a great success. May 4, we held a dancing party at the chapter-house in honor of several rushees from out of town. The house was beautifully decorated with spring flowers, and this combined with the banjo music gave just the right spring-time touch.

We have absolute proof that certain of our members love us. You should see the wonderful piano lamp that Florence Bell gave us, and the beautiful tapestry table-runner from Marion Lyons. Needless to say, both gifts were highly appreciated. This served as an impetus, for immediately Rho purchased a silver scholarship cup. On one side is to be engraved each year the name of the freshman having the highest grade average, while the other side is reserved for Phi Beta Kappas.

There are many more things I might tell you, but I realize that there must be a little room for other letters in THE CRESCENT.

LUCY SCALES.

PLEDGES, SECOND SEMESTER

Ruth Hall, Sergeant Bluffs, Iowa.
 Louise Hoover, Iowa City, Iowa.
 Vede Miller, Harlan, Iowa.
 Mary Martin, Des Moines, Iowa.
 Hiril Henning, Scranton, Iowa.

PERSONALS

Neva Louis Caraway, one of Rho's charter members, left for Alaska April 29. She will join her husband there, and they will make their home at Juneau, Alaska.

Florence Dennison Quigley is teaching at Tipton, Iowa. Her husband, Lieutenant Quigley, is now in active service in France.

Grace Emery won first in the speed race, and tied for second in the back swimming contest at the woman's swimming contest. She was third in total number of points at the meet.

We were deeply grieved to learn of the death of Aldura Hayne's father during spring vacation. Aldura left college several weeks ago to accept a position with the *Des Moines Capital*.

ENGAGEMENTS

Irene Anderson to Edwin Hicklin, Phi Alpha Delta.
 Lucy Scales to Clarence Thurston, Pi Sigma.
 Eva Wright to Frank Patzen, Delta Chi.
 Vera Dutton to Norbert Hirschman, Sigma Chi.
 Lillian Lambert to Corporal H. H. Russel, Sigma Chi.
 Esther Boysen to Logan McKee, Phi Delta Theta.

MARRIAGE

Gladys Loyen married Harvey Blount, Phi Delta Theta, May 17 at Des Moines.

BIRTH

To Mr. and Mrs. Donald MacRae (Joyce Parker), a son, April 12.

SIGMA—UNIVERSITY OF KANSAS

Dear Sisters in Gamma Phi Beta:

Your Kansas sisters are rather busy preparing for final examinations which are only two weeks away. Everyone is rather glad that the college year is nearly over for this has been a hard year for all of us.

Kansas University students have been greatly interested in the Third Liberty Loan campaign which has just been completed. Kansas University oversubscribed the amount apportioned to her and has received a large Liberty Loan flag of which we are justly proud.

Sigma has two fine pledges to introduce to her sister chapters, Frances Kennedy and Florence Harkrader.

Sigma intends to celebrate Mothers' and Fathers' Day, May 9, with a Hoover dinner followed by a line party to *Comus*, a presentation by the Kansas University Dramatic Club of Milton's masque, *Comus*. Then we plan to give an afternoon party for rushees in about a week, and finally a farewell party for our seniors, after which we will say goodbye for the summer.

Sigma very much enjoyed the visit of Margaret Nachtrieb. We were glad to hear such fine reports of all our sister chapters.

Earline Allen has been elected to Theta Sigma Phi, honorary journalism sorority.

Florence Ingham is now a member of the Kansas University Dramatic Club.

Margaret Shaw and Mildred Gilmore have been appointed to the second cabinet of the Y. W. C. A.

Sigma wishes every Gamma Phi a happy vacation.

MILDRED L. GILMORE.

ENGAGEMENTS

Marion Gray to Tracy Conklin, Delta Tau Delta.

Frances Kennedy to Floyd Fink, Kappa Sigma.

TAU—COLORADO AGRICULTURAL COLLEGE

Dear Sisters in Gamma Phi Beta:

Is it possible that three months have passed since I last sent my contribution to THE CRESCENT? Three short months, full to overflowing of everything exciting.

Most interesting of all is the fact that we have a new pledge. Gladys Thornton from Wyoming was pledged on our mid-semester pledge day, and a truer Gamma Phi could never be. We have also initiated June Howard.

In April our coed prom took place. It was a costume affair and I wish you could have seen Miss Allison, dignified head of the Home Economics Department, parading the hall in overalls and a big straw hat. I couldn't begin to tell you of all the unique costumes. This is the one college activity of the year where men are not allowed and it is always anticipated with pleasure. This year it fully justified its reputation.

Owing to existing conditions the May Fête was not given as usual. In its place was substituted a gymnasium exhibit. Swedish gymnastic exercises, drills, and simple dances made up the program. In conclusion the girls formed a service flag and everyone sang the *Star Spangled Banner*.

April 22, we held our annual song contest in assembly, at which original songs were sung by each of the classes. This year the sophomores took first prize, and the freshmen second. Some very clever class and college songs were sung. It is our intention to collect them all for an Aggie song-book.

This spring has marked the passing of our college mascot, Peanuts. He has lived next door to us for several years, and we miss him, for he was a good old dog. It was Peanuts who always proudly led the band and our "A" formation down the Aggie field at all the football games; Peanuts who finally toured the United States this winter with our college battery, returning to us only when they left the country for France. We regret his loss very much.

Now I shall tell you something very nice about our chapter, but you must not tell anyone. We'd hate to have anyone think we are boasting. In the *Silver Spruce*, our annual publication, was published the picture of the most popular girl from each class. This was determined by vote

of the students last fall, and two out of the four were Gamma Phis, Dorothy Martin of the junior class and June Howard of the freshman class.

The close of college begins to loom up very prominently in our thoughts at the present time. Our college has been accepted by the government and is to be used for training drafted men. We are under contract to close on two days' notice. It will be a relief to all of us when college work is over, as we have had no spring vacation and the stretch from Christmas to May 24 seems pretty long.

Tau's wish to each sister is that all may go well with you and those dear to you.

KATHARINE LEACH.

ENGAGEMENTS

Mary Ryer, '20, to Jay T. Williams, Sigma Alpha Epsilon.
June Howard, '21, to Harold Kiersey, Alpha Pi Lambda.

HONORS

Anne Correy, '19, has been elected president of the Woman's Self-government Association for next year.

Jane Kirk, '19, was elected exchange editor for the *Rocky Mountain Collegian*.

Katharine Leach, '20, is representative of the women's athletics on the Student Activity Council.

UPSILON—HOLLINS COLLEGE

Dear Sisters in Gamma Phi Beta:

Beware the Ides of March! Is Cæsar the only one to whom that applies? Anyway it does not apply to Upsilon, for we bid Miriam McClammey, a perfectly fine girl, and now we are fourteen. March brought us good luck.

We have had a very exciting time, for several old members have been back to see us, Minnie Brewer and Ella Haynsworth, who became Mrs. Wallace Riddick shortly after her visit here. She is our first married lady and we are proud of her. Two Gamma Phis are coming for commencement, Beulah Bennett and Margaret Howard, whom we await with pleasure, old and new alike, old ones because they know them, and new ones because they have heard so much about them.

The Euzelian Literary Society gave a play, *Eliza Comes to Stay*, which was one of the best we have ever had. Upsilon was well represented, for out of a cast of eight people, there were four Gamma Phis and that, you will admit, was doing pretty well.

We have had two letters from our war baby, and want to make up a box to send him before we leave.

Many are the events which come in May, but I'm going to tell you about only a few of them. At Hollins there is a "Peyton University," which many staid and proper persons fail to take into consideration. It is composed of very diminutive people, ages from six to eleven years, who belong to some of the faculty. On the first of May, these and their chosen few guests from college arise early and sally forth to celebrate the coming of spring. They usually have a May queen but this year the queens all gave out, so they started on the kings. He, King Charles, looked very cute as he sang to his lady love, and although his voice was rather tremulous and shrill at times, he was a charming cavalier.

The big May Day came soon after its miniature forerunner, and there was a play, *Pierot Comes to Bel Forêt*, which was given in a beautiful big grove of trees, "The Forest of Arden."

At present we are all interested in our Panhellenic tea which will also take place in the Forest of Arden if the weather permits, which fact, how-

ever, is doubtful, as it seems as if the sky had turned itself upside down and remained that way. Our color scheme will be lavender and pale green, and our invitations are cards with dainty little May baskets on them.

I could keep on writing you about our doings till Doomsday, but then you'd be so interested in other things, that you would not care so much about reading it.

Upsilon wishes you all a happy summer.

LETA ADAMS.

SYRACUSE

Dear Sisters:

Our last letter chronicled us up to that regretted day when "the old bear saw his shadow" and crept back into his "igloo."

This stormy interval was filled full of yarn, sewing, Red Cross work, etc., etc., including pricked fingers! On March 2, however, the actives thought we needed a change, so they bid us to come up higher, and witness the initiation of fifteen as fine freshmen as ever you did spy! To this minute we are increasingly proud of them. For them we are shedding this last drop of ink! Although they produced in us such a heavenly frame of mind, we were able to come down to earth after the rites and eat a good supper, all sitting around, perched in every nook and corner of the living-room.

You just ought to see Alpha and Syracuse Alumnae together. If you looked at our *spirits*, and shut your eyes to our flesh, you would surely take us all for twins at such times. A few days later at Mrs. Wadleigh's we buttonholed many service bags, and planned more war work. Many of our alumnae are individually and in various organizations supporting Belgian and French orphans. At least a dozen, probably more.

Prof. Minnie Mason Beebe, of the Department of History, is to leave in June for a year's work in France among the soldiers, urgently called there by the Y. M. C. A. because of her executive ability, her knowledge of the French language and people, and her deep consecration to work among our young men. Gamma Phi is planning a little special leavetaking for her as the guest of honor at our annual luncheon at Krebs May 25, and we are hoping to help her some in her work on the other side.

A little bird whispered to us one day that the fortieth anniversary of Mary Whitford's initiation was due March 22. This was enough! Gamma Phi's loyalty and love know no bounds for this sister whose devotion to the sorority is as wide as the Atlantic plus the Pacific. Our one member who has never missed a chapter meeting (except during eight weeks' illness in a hospital). Actives and alumnae put their heads together, looked wise, and arranged one of the nicest parties we ever had. Too fine to be kept in the ordinary letter, so a special description will appear in this issue of THE CRESCENT, by "Mr. Lumpkins," the hero of the charade "Anniversary." Although you know him (?) better as Flo Palmer Baker, Mr. Lumpkins was a great success as a man, husband of Mrs. Lumpkins, father of the irrepressible twins, and brother of the almost immortal "Aunt Sairy" (as she was ninety-five years old—going on a hundred!).

Nellie Chamberlayne, librarian of Binghamton High School, spent her Easter vacation here. By courtesy of her hostess, Mrs. Gertrude Fuller, about a dozen of Nellie's compatriots in college had a happy afternoon with her. It did us all good to see her again.

April 5, Louise Klock French had an all day house-warming for Gamma Phi Beta in her lovely new home overlooking the city. We carried lunches. (Baked potatoes sold for five cents apiece in *that* market, and one sister ate two.) Coffee was made and sold, and with a few additional dimes,

we reaped \$4.50 for our orphan fund, beside making and equipping one hundred housewives for the comfort bags.

Do you all have a sophomore donation party at your chapter-houses? The finest time ever *here*, clever hits, bright stunts, plenty of alumnae, and ice cream cones, and as we came out into the night at ten-thirty, a free gratis performance of the Aurora Borealis for a finale!

Our annual meeting occurred May 3 at the home of Emily and Letitia Price. Much work, some play, business, election of officers, and plans made for commencement which this year will be all over before the first of June.

They say the beginning and end of a letter are the telling parts, but just as I am getting ready to say things at the close which will "thrill your very souls," in comes our cat! Indeed, it would seem that Ebenezer had been present some time, for he is now a cocoon wound up in my too long neglected knitting.

I think I shall have to say goodbye till fall, for by the appearance it will take me all summer to get him extricated from the 7,000 yard tangle from which he glares at me.

Moral: Don't let your cat occupy the house during the knitting season! I might have accomplished more socks and sweaters had I followed my own advice.

MARY W. S. CUYKENDALL.

PERSONALS

Mrs. Kitty Branch Mellen and little daughter, Margaret Louise, are spending a month here, before moving from Chicago to Texas.

Mrs. Flo Palmer Baker has just visited her son, Alva, at Mercersburg Academy, Pennsylvania. He enters college here next year.

Mrs. Lou Palmer Ford is spending several weeks with her husband at Clifton Springs, New York, for his health.

Mrs. Martha Schultze Chandler is to be present at commencement this year and give readings on several occasions. Her husband, Dr. Chandler, is at the head of the New York State Constabulary.

Alice Graves spent Easter in Washington with her sister, Mrs. Helen Graves Sprague, who has a fine business position with the Gormley Construction Co.

Mildred Fish is to be again with the Y. W. C. A. girls at the Tully Lake Encampment.

Mrs. Grace Smith Richmond is supporting an ambulance in France, and devoting all proceeds of her story, *The Whistling Mother*, and also of *Mrs. Redding Sees It Through* to Red Cross funds in her own town.

Mrs. Genevieve Porter's two sons are both in war work. Lieut. Wilfred W. Porter, Jr., Psi Upsilon and Phi Kappa Alpha, is in a machine gun battalion in France. His engagement has just been announced to Harriet Duguid Dey, Smith College 1916.

The younger son, Harold, College of Medicine, 1918, Psi Upsilon, Phi Kappa Alpha, and Nu Sigma Nu, has been awarded the Alpha Omega Alpha Scholarship in medicine. He has recently been recommended for appointment as assistant surgeon in Naval Reserve forces with rank of lieutenant.

COMING MARRIAGES

Ruth Calkins, '17, is to be married May 30 to Kenneth Ray Curtis, Psi Upsilon. They are to reside at Nobel, Ontario, Canada.

Emily Price, '13, is to be married about the middle of June to Dr. Clifford Fulmer, Psi Upsilon. Their home will be in Syracuse where Dr. Fulmer is practicing medicine.

BIRTHS

To Professor and Mrs. C. H. Steele (Charlotte Romberger, Zeta), a daughter, Margarette Williamson.

To Mr. and Mrs. Charles Troasdale Trump (Rachel Bulley), a son, Peter Bulley Trump.

To Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Herrick (Olive Hunt), a daughter, Virginia Ruth Herrick.

To Mr. and Mrs. Howells (Katherine Davenport), a daughter, Janice Olive Howells.

DEATH

At Geneva Sanitarium recently Mrs. Jessie Jones Carson, '92, wife of State Senator W. A. Carson.

AN APPRECIATION

Dear Sisters:

To only one of us has been given the privilege of seeing initiated every Alpha of Gamma Phi since March 22, 1878.

Tonight at our chapter-house we are celebrating the fortieth anniversary of Mary Whitford's initiation. Since that time she has been always with us in each regular meeting ready to help with advice and good cheer.

As a classmate and lifelong friend I can say that her loyalty to Gamma Phi is only equaled by her devotion to her home and to her church.

Our celebration is taking the form of a surprise party. Surprise No. I was a beautiful leather handbag from the active girls. In it was a check for five dollars from her niece, Marian, in Baltimore. Surprise No. II was a bunch of forty pink carnations from "the old girls." Surprise No. III was the large number of alumnae in the chapter-house to greet Mary when she came from chapter meeting. Surprise No. IV, and to the "young" girls a very great one, was charades given by the alumnae. I heard one *nearly* saying, "I didn't know they could do it."

Our peanut and olive spread and the singing by all closed the evening. It is our prayer and hope that our loyal sister Mary may be with us forty years more!

From one who helped to initiate her,

FLORENCE PALMER BAKER.

March 22, 1918.

NEW YORK

Our closing meeting on April 20 was held at the new "Students' Building" at Barnard, as any organization of college women can arrange to meet there. To visualize the building, just think of the nicest features of all the buildings of the kind that you know, and add a glorious view of the Hudson. We had our luncheon at the top of the building, and afterward we visited the exercise courts on the roof, where we had more view of the river. In the building there are a gymnasium, restaurant, and library, beside committee and board rooms of various sizes. The color scheme throughout is beige, if one may speak of buildings as one does of clothes, with high notes of strong color in the different rooms, and one beautiful period drawing-room for formal affairs. At the meeting we decided to adopt a French war orphan, and a committee was appointed to raise the necessary funds. There were twenty-three at the luncheon, from Alpha, Delta, Zeta, Theta, Iota, and Omicron, so we feel that we were carrying out the cosmopolitan idea of the city.

We wish to remind the active chapters that, according to the rule passed by convention, they should give us the names of members coming to New York, as those members are supposed to join our chapter. We

want you and need you, so please remember! Girls who come to New York will find our president, Aurill Bishop, in Dean Gildersleeve's office at Barnard, and a perusal of the first few pages of THE CRESCENT, will always reveal several addresses of members, who are permanently located here.

We are all trying to prove our sterling American characteristics and feel that the amount we are doing is very small in comparison with many others. We can't help feeling a bit of pride, though, when we read in Governor Whitman's proclamation of April 6, that New York State has sent 175,000 men into the Federal service, that the citizens of the state have contributed \$30,000,000 to the Red Cross, and that one-third of the three Liberty Loans has been subscribed in the state. We cannot stop too long, however, to gaze at our past achievements, but we must ever do more and more, until we see a real victory.

JESSIE G. RICHARDSON.

PERSONALS

Mrs. Blanche Shove Palmer has recovered from a serious operation, and has been persuaded to retain the chairmanship of the Endowment Fund Committee.

Florence Heermans is entering very earnestly into garden work, both in a practical way herself, and as adviser to the high school girls under her care.

Avery and Weston Richardson, high school sons of Jessie Richardson, sold between six and seven thousand dollars worth of Liberty Bonds in the second and third drives in the Boys' High School.

Ruth Elva Russum has an official class in Eastern District High School of thirty-five girls, few of whom are American. They sold ten thousand dollars worth of Liberty Bonds in the campaign just closed May 4. In addition to this work, they sell War Savings Stamps, and have knitted scores of garments for the soldiers and sailors.

Aurill Bishop sold Liberty Bonds in the large waiting-room of the Grand Central Station, and had many interesting experiences.

Grace Bunker has arrived in France. She has met one of the Barnard professors, who has been in the war zone for some time, instructing the men in French. She has dined with officers, senators, and other prominent people, and is most comfortably located in one of the canteens.

BIRTHS

To Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Doubleday (Marguerite Cook, Alpha), a son, Allen Cook Doubleday.

To Mr. and Mrs. Wallace M. Husk (Helen Brown, Iota), a daughter.

DEATHS

The sympathy of the chapter is extended to Helen Newbold on the death of her aunt, Miss Phoebe Hagar, with whom she has made her home since childhood.

Varian White's father, a prominent physician in Hackensack, N. J., died in April after a brief illness. Dr. White was overworked on the exemption board, so that he could not withstand an attack of pneumonia. He gave his life for his country's service just as truly as those who have seen actual fighting.

MILWAUKEE

Dear Gamma Phi Sisters:

We have had only one meeting since our last letter so there isn't much to tell you about the chapter as a whole, but we can assure you that none of us has been wasting any time.

Our last meeting was held at Margaret Ryan McDonald's home and we had a most enjoyable time. Catharine Ryan Hill and her two months

old daughter were there. (It was little Mary Elizabeth's first Gamma Phi meeting and she seemed duly impressed.) Edith Brook Newell was also present.

We are all such busy people that it is hard to get together, for the Red Cross instructors must be at their posts, the Liberty Bond sellers have to canvass their neighborhoods, all of which makes time for meetings of an almost social nature rather limited.

Ethel Garbutt has been singing at several Red Cross benefit concerts of late. She recently appeared at Fond du Lac, Wisconsin, and at Great Lakes Training Station where she made a big hit with the sailor lads.

Beatrice Barnes has also enlisted her services as a reader in the entertainment bureau for soldiers and sailors and received a very flattering reception at Great Lakes a few weeks ago.

There is general regret in Collegiate Alumnae circles in Milwaukee over Mrs. Evan D. Jones's retirement from the presidency of A. C. A. However, one cannot say that Mrs. Jones (Gamma, '97) ever retires, for she transfers her splendid abilities to other fields and her work stands forth as wonderfully as ever. Beatrice Barnes will be secretary-treasurer of Milwaukee Branch of A. C. A. for the coming year.

Milwaukee sends her love and best wishes to all Gamma Phis for a busy and happy summer.

BEATRICE F. BARNES.

MARRIAGE

Harriet Snell, Gamma '18, and Mr. Henry Hastings were married Saturday, April 27, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. George P. Earling, cousins of the bride.

BIRTHS

Mr. and Mrs. Alfred J. Kieckhefer (Alison More) announce the birth of a son, James Ferdinand, on March 2.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Bartelt (Mabel Duncan) announce the birth of a daughter on March 19.

Mr. and Mrs. Roland Coerper (Alice Ringling) announce the birth of a son, Gordon Ringling, on March 21.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Kuehn (Isabelle Brownell) announce the birth of a son, May 9.

SAN FRANCISCO

Dear Sisters:

It has been a long time since I last wrote about the members of the San Francisco Alumnae and their various doings, so I shall start in again by telling you of the most important thing that we have done this year. The members of the active and alumnae chapters arranged for a lecture by Madame Leon Dupriez, for the benefit of the Belgian Relief Fund. Madame Dupriez's subject was the "Flight from Louvain," a topic on which she is particularly well informed, as her husband was professor of law in the university before the German occupation of the town.

The lecture was a great success. We made \$430, and I think could have made more if the hall had been larger. All the expenses were guaranteed, so the entire amount went to the relief fund.

Since then, the Gamma Phis as a unit have not done any particular war work. We have started a table for surgical dressings at the Red Cross headquarters in Berkeley, where those of us who are free on Tuesday mornings come and work, and several of the girls are working in the city at the Collegiate Alumnae rooms.

Our newest plan concerns the spring banquet. It hardly seemed proper to have a regular banquet at a hotel, so we finally decided to have a basket luncheon at the chapter-house, and invite Mu Chapter to be our guests.

It is to be a very informal party on strictly Hoover lines, and I think will be lots of fun.

Of course, I can't close a letter without a word about our latest brides-to-be. Grace Cartridge and Robert Underhill are to be married this summer. Marian Nowell, '15, has announced her engagement to George Ware of Williams College and Juliette Atwater and Stanley King are to be married in August. Lurita Stone, who has been doing splendid dramatic work in New York, was married on April 22 to Mr. Benjamin Gravely Fernald, and will make her home in New York.

My supply of news is exhausted, so I wish all the corresponding secretaries a pleasant vacation. They need it!

Sincerely,

BERENICE A. BARKER.

PERSONALS

Dora Atwater Wallace is here from Nicaragua.

Gertrude Comfort has been made supervising architect for the McDuffies in San Francisco.

ENGAGEMENTS

Juliette Atwater, ex-'17, to Stanley King.

Marian Nowell, '15, to George Ware.

Grace Partridge to Robert Underhill.

MARRIAGE

Lurita Stone to Benjamin Fernald.

DENVER

Dear Sisters in Gamma Phi Beta:

With this heavy war cloud hanging over us, it is hard to think or write of anything but surgical dressings, knitting, and the various other duties which we find claiming our instant attention. However, may we not take a brief moment or two for a survey of the wonderful work which is being accomplished by our own Greek world? If we but think of the unusually fine response to the call of the colors of our fraternity brethren, I am sure our hearts will glow with pride. And not less patriotic, though perhaps our opportunities are not so vast, has been the response of the sorority women of America. Not a single sorority but has given generously both of time and of money; while, as individuals, I doubt if any other class of women has surpassed the sorority girl in the power of her sacrifice. It must necessarily be so, if we live up to our high ideals of fellowship and service. Gamma Phi has done good work this year, but I wonder if more could not be accomplished in the future were the individual chapters to coöperate with our Grand Council in the doing of some uniform work so that we could have the inspiration of accomplishing a really big service and of being united and brought closer to one another in so doing.

The Panhellenic luncheon, April 20, has been the only social function on our spring calendar and it is not entirely social in that the constitution provides for such a meeting for the transaction of necessary business. Denver Alumnae was well represented and felt that the meeting was very worth while. Mrs. Fry of Kappa Kappa Gamma presided most gracefully and Captain Hanna, a medical officer of the Canadian Recruiting Mission, gave the address. It was a most interesting and sane talk and especially appealed to our hearts in that he gave a clear account of the wonderfully efficient and gentle way in which our wounded are treated from the moment they are injured to the time they reach the base hospital.

The Collegiate Alumnae Association of Denver has undertaken a work greatly to be commended. It has started a Vocational Guidance Bureau

for trained women which aims not only to furnish desirable positions for college graduates but also to investigate the conditions under which their applicants work and to take decided steps toward raising the economic status of women by insisting on a salary basis equal to that of men doing similar work. I am happy to say that Denver Alumnae is heartily in sympathy with the work and is showing its interest and coöperation by having a representative on the bureau's Board of Control.

We wish to congratulate Edith Hoop and Marie Garrison on the excellent work each did in the operetta presented by the Denver Teachers' Club for the benefit of the Red Cross. Edith and Marie had two of the major parts and did them most beautifully.

Our meetings have been well attended this year. We find that doing our war work together makes a closer tie in Gamma Phi Beta. The following hostesses have opened their homes to us since our last CRESCENT letter: Belle Connor, Grace McDonough, Mary Woy Puffer, Lois Miles Jackson, and Jessie Austin Weiner.

Our president, Margaret Carmen Selby, who has served us so faithfully this year, has been forced to resign this spring on account of added home duties, for she is the mother of a wee small Gamma Phi, as we hope. Mary Woy Puffer has consented to guide our small craft for the remainder of the year and we are greatly rejoiced to find such a capable and splendid successor for Margaret.

Best wishes and cordial greetings to all her sister chapters from Denver Alumnae.

KATHRYN A. WOODWARD.

PERSONALS

Grace McDonough is visiting at Camp Lewis, Wash., where her brother is in training.

Marie Garrison is now teaching in North Side High School.

Ruth Wallace has been granted a leave of absence from East Side High School to devote her time to further study in New York.

Louise Iliff is spending a few months with her mother in California.

ENGAGEMENTS

Frances Hoop to Mr. John R. Ritter.

Lucia Herbert to Lieut. Grove Griffith.

BIRTHS

To Mr. and Mrs. Claude Chandler, a daughter.

To Mr. and Mrs. Donald Graham, a son.

To Mr. and Mrs. William Ballinger, a daughter.

To Mr. and Mrs. Ray Henry, a daughter.

To Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Selby, a daughter.

LOS ANGELES

Dear Sisters in Gamma Phi Beta:

We have had two meetings since the last chapter letter. Our April meeting was held at Mable Posson's home in Highland Park. It is situated on a most sightly hill which rises higher than any of those surrounding it and commands a superb view of other hills dotted with splendid live oaks and the Sierra Madre Mountains rising out of a blue haze to the north. The soft spring green which covered every knoll brought instantly to mind both the well-known phrase and song "With verdure clad the hills appear, delightful to the ravished sense," and we could more easily realize why so many artists, one of whom is our own Mrs. Stella Brooks Mayhew, choose to live in this delightful part of the city.

The second meeting was a program given in the auditorium of the Westlake School for Girls. The object was to raise our contribution to the Endowment Fund. We were so pleased to have Harriet Pasmore, Eta, who is one of the music faculty of Pomona College, give us the pleasure of her very rich contralto voice.

The program was as follows and I think you will all agree with us as to its high grade quality even though you may not have been present to pronounce it a success with those who did attend.

Program

1	J'ai pleure en reve.....	Hue
	Chanson des Noisettes	Dupont
	Aria—Amour viens aider from Samson et Delilah	Saint Saens
	.....	Miss Pasmore, Contralto
2	Reading	
	Spring a la Carte.....	O. Henry
	.....	Miss Earle
3	The Lass with the Delicate Air.....	Arne
	Come Unto the Yellow Sands.....	La Forge
	Come Down to Kew.....	Elinor Warren
	Jeremiah	Elinor Warren
	.....	Miss Hutchinson, Soprano
4	Piano	
	Prelude	Mendelssohn
	St. Francis' Bird Sermon.....	Liszt
	.....	Miss Warren
5	Song of the Shepherd Lehl.....	Rimsky-Korsakow
	Clover	Watts
	Don't Care	Carpenter
	.....	Miss Pasmore
6	Reading	
	The Bear Story	Riley
	.....	Miss Holdredge
7	Aria—Louise	Charpentier
	Song of India	Rimsky-Korsakow
	Ecstacy	Rummel
	.....	Miss Hutchinson
	Accompanists, Miss Elinor Warren, Mr. Walter A. Allen.	
	Sincerely,	
		RUTH HUTCHINSON.

BALTIMORE

Dear Sisters in Gamma Phi Beta:

The coming of spring has meant busier days than ever before for Baltimore members of the sorority, for their time is well taken up with war work. Nell Watts has been a real honor to us all in carrying out so efficiently the chairmanship of the Goucher War Work Committee. She has reported splendid additions to the fund recently, one a contribution of \$340, the net proceeds of *Beau Brummel*, 1918's senior dramatics. Beside this personal pledges are bringing the sum up to the desired amount. Nell has left for New York where she will complete arrangements with the Red Cross authorities for sending two Goucher representatives abroad immediately.

Baltimore has been fortunate in having Mrs. Vernon Kellogg so near, for she has made several appealing addresses on Occupied Belgium. On

April 25 she so moved her audience, in an address to the Goucher students, that the junior and senior classes decided to cut the menu of their banquet to a dessert course, and were thus able to contribute over \$250 toward her Belgian Relief work. Baltimore Gamma Phi Betas are more than proud of the effective work of their sister.

We are hoping for a large reunion in June, when Alma Mater as well as sorority festivities should attract our absent sisters. And may we wish similar happy meetings to all chapters and pleasant summers to all members?

CLARA A. WAGNER.

PERSONALS

Mary T. McCurley has left for a short trip to Boston and New York. Virginia Merritt is doing government work for the Children's Bureau in Georgia.

Ethel Metzner and Clara Wagner attended a house party at Dorothy Frey's before her wedding.

MARRIAGES

Matilda Omwake, Goucher '12, will be married in June.

Dorothy Frey, Goucher '17, was married on May 11 to Claude Richmond Stauffer at York, Pa. Ethel Metzner and Clara Wagner were among her attendants, and many of the Baltimore Gamma Phis attended the wedding.

DEATH

Baltimore Alumnae extend their sympathy to Helen Dingle and her family, on the death of her sister, Mary, a member of Zeta '01.

SEATTLE

Dear Sisters in Gamma Phi:

Seattle Chapter has really nothing to tell you of itself, but lest you forget us we insist on taking up a few lines of print in the June CRESCENT.

We are still toiling on clothing for the French. One box has gone and another is nearly ready to send. And now has come a request for hospital things since these last terrible battles.

This coming Saturday, the first one in May, we are having a birthday party at the home of Mrs. Frank L. Horsfall (Jessie Ludden). Lambda Chapter is fifteen years old (oh, how we all groaned and sighed when reminded of our antiquity) and it, she, or they will be guest or guests of honor. This is the first play time we have had for a long time and we know we shall have a good time with old friends and the younger ones from the chapter-house.

ALMA DELANEY TEAL.

PERSONALS

We are missing Clara Taney Will (Kappa) from our sewing meetings. She is visiting home folks in Minnesota.

Margaret Meany Younger is temporary housemother at the chapter-house.

BIRTHS

April brought three new Gamma Phis into the world—the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Frederick Shroeder (Violet Megrath), the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Geary (Ruth Allen), and the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Welts (Persis Buell).

DEATH

It is with grief that we send you word of the death of Gudrig Thomle. She had only recently returned from a trip to Norway on her brother's ship.

BETA—UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN

No letter.

MARGARET WALSH.

GAMMA—UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN

No letter.

ALINE ELLES.

ETA—UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA

No letter.

ELFREDA KELLOGG.

THETA—UNIVERSITY OF DENVER

No letter.

MARY MILLIGAN.

XI—UNIVERSITY OF IDAHO

No letter.

FREDA SOULEN.

PHI—WASHINGTON UNIVERSITY

No letter.

ELIZABETH CHAPIN.

CHICAGO

No letter.

MINNIE PATTERSON.

BOSTON

No letter.

KATHARINE A. WHITING.

MINNEAPOLIS

No letter.

JEANNETTE MONROE.

DETROIT

No letter.

HELEN TUTHILL.

PORTLAND

Two notices for letters were returned to the Alumnæ Editor, marked unclaimed. We will have hopes for better success the next time.

DIRECTORY OF CHAPTER MEETINGS

- ALPHA meets every Friday evening at 7:30 in the chapter house, 113 Euclid Ave.
- BETA meets every Monday evening at 7:30 in the chapter house, 1520 S. University Ave.
- GAMMA meets every Monday evening at 7:30 in the chapter house, 428 Sterling Court, Madison, Wis.
- DELTA meets every Thursday afternoon at 4:45 in the chapter rooms, 196 Washington Ave., Boston, Mass.
- EPSILON meets every Monday from 5:00 to 6:00 p. m. at the sorority rooms, fourth floor, Willard Hall.
- ZETA meets every Saturday evening at 2119 Maryland Ave.
- ETA meets very Monday evening at 7:30 at the chapter house, 2723 Channing Way.
- THETA meets every Thursday afternoon at 2:30 at the Lodge in University Park.
- KAPPA meets Monday afternoon at 5:30 at the chapter house, 310 10th Ave. S. E., Minneapolis, Minn.
- LAMBDA meets Monday evening at 6:45 at the chapter house, 4524 17th St. N. E.
- MU meets every Monday evening at 7:15 at the chapter house.
- NU meets Monday evening at 7:00 at the chapter house, 1316 Alder St.
- XI meets every Monday afternoon at 5:00 at the chapter house.
- OMICRON meets Monday evening at 7:00 at the chapter house, 1002½ California Ave., Urbana, Ill.
- Pi meets every Monday at 7:00 at the chapter house, 227 N. Clinton, Iowa City, Iowa.
- RHO meets Monday evening at 7:00 at the chapter house, 310 N. Clinton, Iowa City, Iowa.
- TAU meets every Thursday evening at 7:15 at the chapter house, 121 West Olive.
- UPSILON meets every Sunday evening at 9:00 in Room A West, Hollins College.
- PHI meets every Monday afternoon at 3:45 at the chapter rooms in McMilan Hall.
- BOSTON meets the first Saturday of each month at 11:00 a. m. usually at the Delta rooms, 22 Blagdon St., Boston.
- CHICAGO meets the first Saturday of each month at the Chicago College Clubrooms—17th Floor, Stevens Bldg., 16 N. Wabash Ave. Luncheon at 12:30.
- SYRACUSE meets the first Friday of every month at the homes of members.
- DENVER meets fortnightly at 3:00 on Friday at the homes of members.
- DETROIT meets the third Saturday of each month for an informal luncheon at the College Club.
- NEW YORK meets for luncheon at one, at the homes of members.
- MINNEAPOLIS meets the last Friday of the month at the homes of members. Banquet in May.
- SAN FRANCISCO meets the third Wednesday of one month; third Saturday of next month.
- MILWAUKEE meets the third Saturday of every month at the homes of members.

OUR CONTEMPORARIES IN BLACK AND WHITE

FOR FEBRUARY—*Tomahawk* of Alpha Sigma Phi; *Triangle* of Mu Phi Epsilon; *Desmos* of Sigma Delta Sigma; *Beta Sigma Omicron*; *Angelos* of Kappa Delta; *Alpha Gamma Delta Quarterly*; *Key* of Kappa Kappa Gamma; *Themis* of Zeta Tau Alpha; *Delta* of Sigma Nu; *Eleusis* of Chi Omega.

FOR MARCH—*Association Monthly*; *Alpha Xi Delta*; *Aglaia* of Phi Mu; *Arrow* of Pi Beta Phi; *Kappa Alpha Theta*; *Alpha Phi Quarterly*; *Delta Upsilon Quarterly*.

The fraternity magazine of today is filled with interesting letters from the boys "over there." The first two are reprinted from *The Scroll of Phi Delta Theta*; the third is an extract from a letter of Harold Page (Alpha Gamma of Kappa Sigma), published in the *Caduceus*:

"KULTUR" MARKS ON THE RHEIMS CATHEDRAL

From a letter by Warren Pierson, California, '17, now in the camion service in France, published in the *Berkeley Gazette* of October 16, 1917, the following paragraphs are clipped:

The cathedral has been hit many times with great shells, but so well was it built that in spite of having been hit nearly a thousand times it still stands. I had trouble in getting inside until I located a young priest. My poor French was sufficient to explain my wishes, and he very kindly raised the attendant. Just as I entered two more of our fellows (they also had sneaked away) appeared, so the three of us went through together.

The interior is in quite a sorry state. All the beautiful windows, with the rare old glass, have been shattered; much of the stonework is ruined; the hangings, the altar decorations, and many other decorations have been removed for safekeeping. One great German shell came through the roof, landed on the stone floor, but did not explode. They have kept the shell, which stands waist high.

Although the cathedral is still frequently fired upon, workmen are working each day replacing the damaged stonework, and preparing to remedy other destroyed parts. Only last week a workman was killed while on duty there when a shell crashed through a window. The building is immense, and presents a striking picture of medieval architecture. The entire outside appears to be made up of countless statues, many of which still stand where they were placed hundreds of years ago.

The city is always under fire. All the time we were there great shells came whistling in. They seemed to come from the clouds; first a tiny hum, gradually increasing to a dull whine and then comes the shattering crash; and, if you are quite near, it gives you a very restless feeling. Some days the Huns hurl several thousand high explosives into this poor place. And the result has been terrific. Before the war this beautiful city had a population of 125,000, a prosperous, thriving place. Now there is a mere handful of people, and those who persist in staying are being gradually thinned by the boche.

We enjoyed an unusually good lunch, met the mayor of the city, who has remained there throughout the war, and we "played around" for several

hours. It is strange to walk for blocks along the streets, which are quite deserted, and which are lined with houses almost entirely destroyed—just great heaps of bricks, mortar, broken glass, and scrap iron. No sound but the echo of your clattering heels or the methodical crash of German shells.

MEETING FRIENDS FROM HOME IN PARIS

Hugh J. Morgan, Vanderbilt, '15, was for three years "All Southern Center" in football. He attended the National Convention of $\Phi\Delta\Theta$ at Chicago five years ago. He is a member of United States Base Hospital No. 2 (formerly Johns Hopkins Unit, Base Hospital No. 18), American Expeditionary Force, France. The following letter from him is reproduced from the *Vanderbilt Alumnus*, October, 1917, an issue containing a list of 500 Vanderbilt men in various forms of war service:

September 2, 1917.

It is indeed a small world that we live in! While in Paris I took dinner one night at the Café de la Paix at the Place de l'Opera. I dined alone surrounded by soldiers of practically all of the allied nations—English, Scotch, Australian, Canadian, French, one Russian, Belgian, a few Japanese, and a few of the colored French Colonial troops. Here and there an American ambulance man could be seen, or an American officer. All the world seemed to be represented there, either at dinner or promenading out in front of the café along the Boulevard. After dinner I took a seat at a table near the sidewalk and began talking to a couple of American ambulance men just in from Verdun. (They were both college men, and I had previously met one of them near his post.) As we were talking an American private came up, stopped, and addressed me with the usual "Hello, Soldier." I responded in the same "lingo," being a hardened army man. The conversation was then about as follows:

Sergeant—Where're you from?

Private M.—Tennessee. Where're you from?

Sergeant—Tennessee! What town?

Private M.—Nashville. What's your town?

Sergeant—Nashville! I will be damned.

Forthwith we shook hands, and he took a chair at our table after general introduction around. He was a mighty good sort of a chap, had been in the army six years and was in Paris with Headquarters Medical Staff. At the beginning of the conversation we told each other our names, but neither of us seemed to think much about it; am sure I didn't. After a time he asked me if I went to Vanderbilt. He then began to ask me if I knew any of the old football players. "Know Ray Morrison?" "Well, rather." "Know Big Freeland?" "Guess I do." "Know Slick Stewart?" "Was a mighty good friend of mine." "Know 'Buddy' Morgan?" "That's what they used to call me." "You—well—I—I—am damned. Why, Buddy, I used to see you play your first year; and I never recognized you! Damn me!" Well, there we were together in France, the two of us from God's own country, and both a little homesick and anxious for news, though I'm afraid my sergeant friend from home would never admit or even recognize the former. Anyway, he must have subconsciously felt as I did that strange something, for his next words were, "Let's drink to the good old burg!" So drink we did, my friend to the "old burg" and I silently to the people there, who make that "burg" dear to me.

This afternoon we had a baseball game with Field Hospital No. 6. It was a good afternoon, and the big, open field behind the hospital was the scene of action. The nurses, the officers, many of the natives from the village, some French soldiers, and many American soldiers, formed the "rooters." Two of the many expressions of "contempt" hurled at the players stuck in my mind. One directed at our pitcher was: "That guy pitcher! Why, he couldn't throw a hand grenade!" And the other remark was directed at the catcher of the Field Hospital No. 6 team when he was

advised, after missing a ball, to "get a gas mask on; you'll see 'em better!" Local color even for an ordinary game, isn't it?

The part of our unit which has been operating a base hospital at our port has returned to us again and we are once more a united family. There were sixteen students in this detail, and it was good to see many of them again. The work in the hospital is well organized now and running smoothly. I am, of course, in splendid health and enjoying every moment of my work, for now I am really *doing* something.

The afternoon we came here one of the boys was remarking how good it seemed to be away from the incessant booming of the cannons, which we had been hearing day and night for the last month, when Bang! bang! bang! There were a dozen loud reports and a cloud of smoke out in a field about a block from the cantonment. We started to duck for shelter, but one of the villagers came out to tell us that it was only hand-grenade practice, so we strolled over to watch.

There we found a company—territorials from Africa, blacker than midnight in a fog, and every one blacker than the other. We let out a roar. They were installed in a practice trench hurling the devilish little persuaders at another trench not far away with wonderful accuracy.

"*Un!*!" the commander would shout. The blacks would hit the fuses against their knees.

"*Deux!*!" And they twisted back, raising the hand with the sizzling, whistling fuse ignited.

"*Trois!*!" And they would hurl them, and a second later they would explode over and in the trenches, scattering the deadly little pieces of *eclat* all around.

This is the first time we have been near black territorials. They are the rarest birds I've ever met with. They are playful little things, finding much enjoyment in throwing rocks at each other and chasing one another up and down the one street of the village with hammers and monkey wrenches and brooms, laughing and yelling and having the best time in the world. Unlike the rest of the French army, they wear khaki uniforms, and they immediately fell for us and seem to think that because we wear the same color they are bound to us by a little closer tie. Always they call us "comrade" and insist upon stopping to shake hands as often as we will let them. They protest that they love the American very much.

These fellows are wonderful fighters, and the Germans fear them as they fear hell itself. They have the reputation of never being taken prisoners. They fight till they're done for. They have the queerest collection of cries you've ever heard, which they shout back and forth to each other. We've taught them a new one. It would surprise residents of Champaign and Urbana if they heard them. You may remember that Illinois has a yell which goes: "Oskey wow, wow! Skinney wow, wow! Illinois, Illinois, wow!" Well, we taught them that, and how they love it! They never let up on it and they make more noise with it than 3,000 in the bleachers in Illinois ever did.

You have probably seen by the Chicago papers that our section was cited for bravery and given the *Croix de Guerre* on August 7 at Epieds. I wonder if I can make you see the beauty and dignity of the ceremony. Picture, if you can, a French countryside in the valley of the Marne on the site of a part of the historic battle. The field sloped down into the valley to the now peaceful stream. The background was those wonderful cultivated fields which make northern France so beautiful. A white stone chateau perched on a distant hillside added the distinctly French note—otherwise a looker-on might have thought himself in America as he heard a band strike up "The

"Star Spangled Banner" when a little company of men, dressed not in the horizon blue of France, but the khaki of America, marched in the field.

You who have never been in a far country in times like these can never know how good that wonderful air sounded. We were marching pretty well and holding ourselves pretty straight to make a good appearance before the French division, which was taken there in honor of the occasion, but I think every spine took another kink out of itself and every chin lifted a notch higher when we heard that music. There was a blaze of bugles as the general and his staff appeared on the field, and thousands of rifles, with bayonets fixed, flashed up to attention and held there while the band played the second greatest tune in the world, "The Marseillaise."

Then stepping to the front of the little section in the brown uniforms, the general read *Ordre General, Numero 176; Section Sanitaire Américaine 65*, followed by the official citation in French as it appears on the official records of the department of war. Our lieutenant, who speaks English, read the following translation:

"During the period from July 10 to August 1, and especially the days of July 14, 23, 30 and August 1, these volunteers, who were seeing fire for the first time, conducted themselves with a perfect courage and a coolness which won the admiration of all, assuring the transportation of the wounded over a road under a continual bombardment and under a particularly violent curtain of fire. They have honored their country and well deserve the recognition of their French comrades in arms."

Then he solemnly kissed the bearer of the section's flag and pinned the coveted cross on the section's flag, while the soldiers saluted and the band again played our national anthem. We are the fourth sanitary section to be decorated with the *Croix de Guerre* and the second to receive above a regimental citation—ours was a division citation.

HAROLD PAGE.

The *Arrow* of Pi Beta Phi publishes an article which is of interest to those of us "over here":

WAR WORKERS OF PANHELLENIC INTEREST

It will be of general interest for Pi Phis to know of the following members of Panhellenic fraternities who are especially prominent in various places of war work. There are doubtless others who should be included but these are the items which have attracted the Editor's attention, recently.

Mrs. Herbert Hoover is known to Beta Eta Chapter of K K G as "Lou Henry" and her chapter writes of her in a recent letter to *The Key*:

Speaking of Hooverizing, we feel very closely connected with the work of the food administration. In the first place Mrs. Hoover—Lou Henry Hoover—is a Kappa of Beta Eta, and while she was staying in Palo Alto recently, gave us most interesting talks on the relief work in Belgium and the plans of the food administration. And then Mary Stevick, one of our last year's seniors, is in Washington now, acting as Mrs. Hoover's private secretary.

Dorothy Canfield Fisher, whose novels are so widely read, is also a member of K K G, and the secretary of the Columbus Alumnae Association writes of the work she has inspired her fraternity sisters to accomplish:

We wanted to do something beside contribute to the big general fund because the name, "Dorothy Canfield," appears on Beta Nu's rolls and records of our association is made up mostly of Beta Nu girls. So we wrote to Mrs. Fisher and she answered with a beautiful letter and the suggestion that we become the "Kappa Aunts of Bellevue." She asked us to collect old clothing, which could be made over, bolts and pieces of material, all sorts of garments for children, from caps to shoes, toys, especially dolls—anything to lighten the lot of the Bellevue children. Since the day that letter came we have been busy, making, collecting, and packing our own presents for the little tots, and busy promoting the work among the other Kappa organizations.

Mrs. Vernon Kellogg, wife of Prof. Vernon Lyman Kellogg of the Entomology Department of Stanford University, is a member of Eta Chapter

of $\Gamma\Phi B$. She was appointed the only American woman member of the Commission for the Relief of Belgium and spent the last six months of 1916 in Belgium where her husband was in charge of the chief office of the commission on the field, at Brussels. Gamma Phis everywhere are endeavoring to increase the fund for Belgian relief by the sale of Mrs. Kellogg's book, a press notice of which follows:

Among the many thousands of war books that have been written since this world war began, probably the volume entitled *Women of Belgium, Turning Tragedy to Triumph* embodies the intensest human interest, the profoundest pathos. It has just been published by the Funk & Wagnalls Company as a labor of love and philanthropy. All profits accruing from its sales go to the Commission for Relief in Belgium. The only American woman member of that Commission wrote the book—Mrs. Charlotte Kellogg—after spending eight months on Belgian soil; and her strong sympathy, her unfailing appreciation, intensify the literary charm of its pages. Learning how these women have labored, in their mothering of smitten millions, we get from this book side-lights upon the effects of the war.—*Richmond Times Despatch*.

Florence M. Marshall, the newly created head of the Woman's Bureau of the Red Cross, is also a member of $\Gamma\Phi B$, belonging to Delta Chapter.

Another war book of unusual interest is entitled *Short Rations, an American Woman in Germany, 1915-16*. The author is Madeleine Z. Doty, A O II. Says the *Christian Endeavor World* of this book:

Miss Doty went with the intention of finding out, if she could, where the common people of Germany stand in regard to war and peace, and also whether the food shortage is serious. She had difficulty in finding Germany's poor at all, not because there are no poor, but because official Germany, as she says, denies and hides them. Nevertheless, Miss Doty found them, and tells the story of their suffering. She is indignant at the efficient inefficiency of officialdom, the everlasting red tape, and the lack of understanding of human nature. One begins as one reads to get an idea of the wide-spread under-feeling that is endured with patient heroism. Miss Doty believes that the patience of the hungry people may turn to fury at any time. She foresaw the likelihood of a renewal of submarine ruthlessness. She intimates that there will probably be great changes in Germany when the men get back from the front and learn what their women folk have had to endure. In the meanwhile the women suffer, are sick of the war, gagged, but yearning for peace that does not come. The book is interesting as a first-hand record of an eye-witness whose good name is a guaranty for its truthfulness.

Mrs. Grace Humiston, the lawyer who solved the murder of Ruth Kruger after police efforts had failed, is a member of Nu Chapter of A O II. Mrs. Humiston has gained considerable publicity lately for her activities connected with social conditions near certain army camps.

The *Delta Kappa Epsilon Quarterly* quotes the following exquisite bit of sentiment credited to a professor in the *Cornell Sun*:

"They are going. And there is something very fine about the quiet way in which these boys have taken to their unpleasant task. There has not been any enthusiasm. That was right. A war like this does not ask for words, but for silent deeds. Our boys seem to understand it. At odd moments they drop into the office. There is very little talk."

"Going away?"

"Yes, sir."

"Army or Navy?"

"I don't know yet. I called up my people on the long-distance phone last night. They said it was all right. So I am going to New York tonight and then home to say goodbye."

"Want to go?"

"Not particularly. But I suppose it is the only thing to do."

"And that is all."

"They are going, and many of them will never come back. The pleasant life of mediocre endeavor has come to an end. To be sure, we had never looked at them in the light of heroes. They were nice, lovable fellows. Their outlook upon life was simplicity itself. Graduation and a job. Then, after a few years, another job, a little higher up. Finally, a home of their own

and some nice girl to be their wife and a few babies and a car and two weeks' vacation to go hunting and fishing. Here and there a man with a hobby or the ambition to do, or write, or build, or achieve some particular purpose. To most of them, however, life meant a cheerful gift to be enjoyed as the faithful days came along. There was no searching for hidden motives or for an ulterior purpose. The amiable Divinity of Things-as-they-are ruled their realm. They accepted whatever came with a smile, and they did not ask questions. And now, without a word of warning, they have been asked to face the Invisible Mystery. There was no complaint. They packed their trunks and God bless them. They are going.

"Thus far they have been my students. But now, in an humble fashion, I am grateful that I have been their teacher."—*Arrow of Pi Beta Phi*.

SOIXANTE TROIS

"The First American Newspaper Printed at the Front" is now being issued every Sunday by Section 63 of the American Red Cross Ambulance Service. The title of this weekly production is *Soixante Trois*, done in large and decorative lettering beneath the Red Cross emblem and the American eagle which is majestically winging its way toward the crossed flags of the United States and France in the upper right corner. . . . *Soixante Trois* is an ambitious youngster, embellished with drawings of commendable skill and illuminated with exceptional verse. Its columns range through the emotions from gravity to gaiety. There are editorials of appeal to the fortitude and courage of the men and prompt recognition of their achievement. Then, too, there is the news of the immediate vicinity . . . the dissemination of advice and the elucidation in simple language of officially couched orders from the chief de section. Latest reports of activities in the dugouts and messroom are given with characteristic comment and the customary woes of the editor are by no means omitted. Gossip, "social notes," and bantering occupy much space in its pages and here the staff has its inning, and lays about itself as if it were at a Donnybrook Fair. The "grouch" is held up to general view invariably with good result, the joker is paid in his own coin, and the fellow upon whom everyone imposes is stiffened to just rebellion.—*Red Cross Magazine*.—*Angelos of Kappa Delta*.

From *Banta's Greek Exchange* we cull the following:

The following telegram, reprinted from the *Δ K E Quarterly*, purports to be from the inimitable Teddy:

Oyster Bay, L. I.

Extremely sorry cannot attend banquet of brother Dekes. Am spending my entire time raising an expedition to go overseas—the primary object of which is to establish a chapter of Alpha Delta Phi at the University of Berlin. Wish you all a "bully" time.
THEODORE ROOSEVELT.

We are indebted to the *Angelos* of K Δ for the census statistics which show that the following National Panhellenic Congress sororities are represented at Smith College: K K Γ, 9; Γ Φ B, 4; K A Θ, 2; Δ Δ Δ, 2; K Δ, 2; A Ξ Δ, 2; Δ Γ, 1; A Φ, 1; Σ K, 1; A O Π, 1. These girls came from every section of the country and were mostly entering juniors.

The Portland alumnae of Γ Φ B have adopted a little eight-year-old girl. Beside providing the necessary funds for her clothing, food, medical attention, and education, they visit her regularly and oversee her upbringing.

Members of Γ Φ B at Boston University conduct classes in cooking, sewing, and dramatics for the Chinese immigrants of the city. They also do settlement work at the Frances Willard Home and the Margaret Fuller House in Cambridge.

The epistolary efforts of young girls for the benefit of unknown soldiers is discussed in the *Association Monthly*. This is the closing paragraph:

A good "antiseptic treatment" for an outbreak of this form of war hysteria among girls would be a series of talks on some of the great letters of the world, emphasizing the high and noble spirit that may find expression through letters and illustrating the fact that there must be a common ground of mutual respect and understanding before people can write great letters. Some of the recently published collections of letters from the battlefield might be used to illustrate this point; for the finest of these letters are written to near relatives—in most cases, from a boy to his mother—and are so far removed from sentimentality and frivolity that no girl can read them without gaining a sense of the importance and dignity of letter-writing.

The *Key of Kappa Kappa Gamma* discusses an "after the war" problem as follows:

Second Lieut. Donald Hankey concludes his article "An Experiment in Democracy" with these significant words, "Much depends on the women. If they carefully guard the ancient ruts against our return, and if their gentle fingers press us back into them we shall acquiesce, but if at this hour of crisis they too have seen a wider vision of National Unity and learnt a more Catholic Charity, the future is indeed radiant with hope."

Kappa sisters, do we realize the problem that is before us? Are we doing anything to solve it? Our men are beginning to come back to us in Canada and to come back with a different view of life. They are men who have faced naked facts and elemental truths over there in the trenches of France, and no man can live through that and remain unchanged. Are they to find us unchanged? Are they to come through the fire purged of their petty interests and their false pride to find us still concerned with the trifles and frivolities of life? We can only guard against this by carefully taking thought for the future and preparing ourselves against their return.

This is a time of great national crisis for all the combatant nations. Church and state and private life must be affected by the altered vision of our returning soldiers and only those institutions and organizations will prove themselves worthy of their existence that help in some manner to turn this national crisis into a national good. We who remain at home must be educated to understand the problems that face the men in the trenches, and what they are doing to solve them, since it is inevitable that their problems give rise to ours.

Is our fraternity going to rise to the occasion? Are we going to study and strive to escape from the old ruts, and to make the wider vision ours, or are we going to let our fraternity meetings be a time merely for social amusement and to discussion of local feminine topics?

THE ATHENIAN OATH

I will never sully these sacred arms nor will I forsake my comrade in the battle line.

I will defend my country's shrines though all other defender's fail.

I will not leave my country less, but greater and better than I found her.

I will obey my superiors and hearken to whatsoever laws the people have established or shall hereafter establish.

If any man aims to make void these laws or disobey them, I will prevent him and will defend the laws though I stand alone.

I will honor the faith of my fathers.
As witnesses hereof I call on the gods.

(This pledge was taken by the men graduating in Adelbert College of Western Reserve University at the Commencement of 1917. At the time of taking this oath, which was administered by the President of the University, about fifty of this class had already enrolled in the army, navy, or other service.)

—*Delta Upsilon Quarterly.*

A NEW DECALOGUE FOR AMERICAN WOMEN

(Proposed by the Women's Committee of the Council of National Defense.)

Do not chatter. Keep to yourself the news you hear.

Do not listen to alarmists or slackers.

Be moderate in your spending; neither lavish in gifts nor sordid in your economies.

Encourage national industries, avoiding imported ones.

Do not look upon the departures for the front of those dear to you as an abandonment. Be with them constantly in thought, as they are with you, particularly in the hour of danger.

Do not complain of the difficulties, annoyances, and privations caused by the war.

Multiply your activities in your home as well as outside.

Exhibit day by day and hour by hour the same courage a man shows upon the field of battle.

No matter how long the struggle may last, await victory with strength and patience.

If you are stricken in your dearest affections, bear your sorrow nobly, that your tears may be worthy of the hero whose death you mourn.

—*Arrow of Pi Beta Phi.*

And just a smile in closing:

YOU ARE YOUNG, LITTLE SISTER

"You are young, Little Sister," the sophomore said,
And a lovable child, I confess.
But your tie isn't straight and your placket's unhooked;
Don't you think you are rather a mess?"

"But, my dear," cried the freshman, "I'm late as it is
And the breakfast room's only downstairs;
And everyone always is in such a rush
Who is there who sees me or cares?"

"You are young, Little Sister," the sophomore said,
"And you've always been thought very bright;
Yet you wrote in your theme 'I'm a Vermont *bread* girl,'
Will the Prof. understand the thing right?"

"In prep school, of course," the freshman replied,
"I should never have made such a break,
But here we're so worried in all that we do
Any one might make such a mistake."

"You are young, Little Sister," the sophomore said,
"And your youth is a fault I condone
But you called up a man at the Yappa Yap House
And talked half an hour on the phone."

"That's all right, my dear sister, that talk was all bluff,
I'm not smitten with him, not at all,
But Flora Jane Brown is just nuts over him
And she was outside in the hall."

"You are young, Little Sister—I've said so before—
But your manners are not always rude,
Yet you giggled in chapel the whole blessed hour.
Don't you think that looked frightfully crude?"

"But why all this fuss?" the freshman replied,
"I tell you I've broken no rule.
I really don't see what a college is for
I might just as well be in 'prep' school."

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