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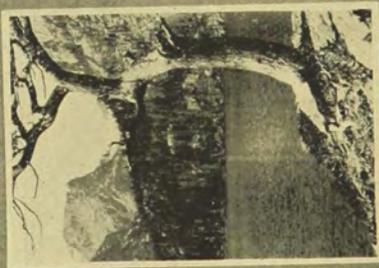
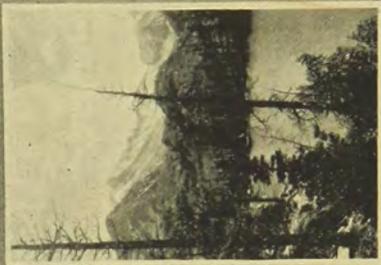
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VIEWS OF ESTES PARK

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Bear's Lake—Long Peak
Thompson Canon

Lochvale
Eagles' Nest Rock

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COME TO CONVENTION

WHERE?

Estes Park, Colorado—Hotel Stanley

WHEN?

August 24-28, 1919.

WITH WHOM?

Theta and Denver Alumnae.

WHY?

Because it will revive your enthusiasm—if you are an alumna.

Because it will be a fitting climax to your college life—if you are a senior.

Because it will give you splendid inspiration for your last year in college—if you are a junior.

Because it will make your ~~two remaining~~ years in the sorority doubly worth while—if you are a sophomore.

Because it will be the one magic touch to make you understand the real strength and meaning of Gamma Phi—if you are a freshman.

WHAT WILL YOU SEE?

The most wonderful mountains in the world, in all their varying lights and shadows.

WHAT WILL YOU DO?

Walk, climb, motor, fish, play golf, play tennis, ride horseback.

WHAT FUN WILL YOU HAVE?

Theta's first-class vaudeville.
 Beefsteak fry—innovation of the West.
 A bonfire.
 A fancy dress ball.
 And a banquet such as never was.

WHAT WILL YOU LEARN?

All about Gamma Phi Beta and its progress.
 All about nature, from Enos Mills, the famous naturalist.

WHAT WILL YOU EAT?

The very best of everything—The Hotel Stanley says so!

WHAT WILL YOU TAKE AWAY?

A renewed strength and vigor.
 A stronger love for Gamma Phi.
 New friendships.
 A stronger cementing of old ties.
 And—Memories!
 COME TO CONVENTION.

ESTES PARK, COLORADO

Estes Park, Colorado, is the natural gateway to Rocky Mountain National Park. This most recently created of our National parks is at once the most accessible and at the same time the most suited in its location, surroundings and accommodations to fulfill the purpose for which it was set aside—namely, to be a real playground for the people.

Situated on the slopes of the Continental Divide, it is still within easy reach by direct rail routes of Chicago, St. Louis, New Orleans, the Atlantic Coast, and all intervening territory. While thus easily and quickly accessible it is also secluded in its situation, the rail lines carrying one only to the base of the lower mountain range which forms its eastern boundary and through which a most fitting introduction to this wonderful region is found in the inspiring automobile ride through twisting canyons and over the splendid climbing highways, which at length land the traveler at the door of the Stanley Hotels, which occupy a commanding situation overlooking the broad sweep of Estes Park, with the snow-capped peaks of the Continental Divide on the one hand, and the lower peaks of the Front Range on the other, completing the encircling horizon which encloses protectingly on all sides this gem, without an equal in all

the entire Rocky Mountain region. From the early days, when it might be said the wonderful majesty and beauty of Estes Park were really discovered for the first time by the Earl of Dunraven, who made it his home for many years, this delightful spot has become increasingly well known to all true lovers of the beauties of Nature. Its pristine loveliness never disturbed by even the remote approach of factory or mine, it is today as it left Nature's creative hand—unspoiled and free from all those vandalisms of man which have been the unfortunate lot of so many of Earth's beauty spots. And, best of all, the continuance of this happy condition is assured, now that the hand of the United States Government has been spread protectingly over this region which has been set aside as Rocky Mountain National Park.

Running the gamut of all the physical characteristics found in Nature, from the snow-crowned giants of the Continental Divide to the pleasant wild-flower-dotted, stream-side meadows, with intervening glacial lakes, mountain torrents and waterfalls which joyously twist and tumble through innumerable forest-clad canyons from their homes in the melting snows of the rocky uplands to the smiling meadows below, there is never a person but will here find satisfaction for his every passing mood.

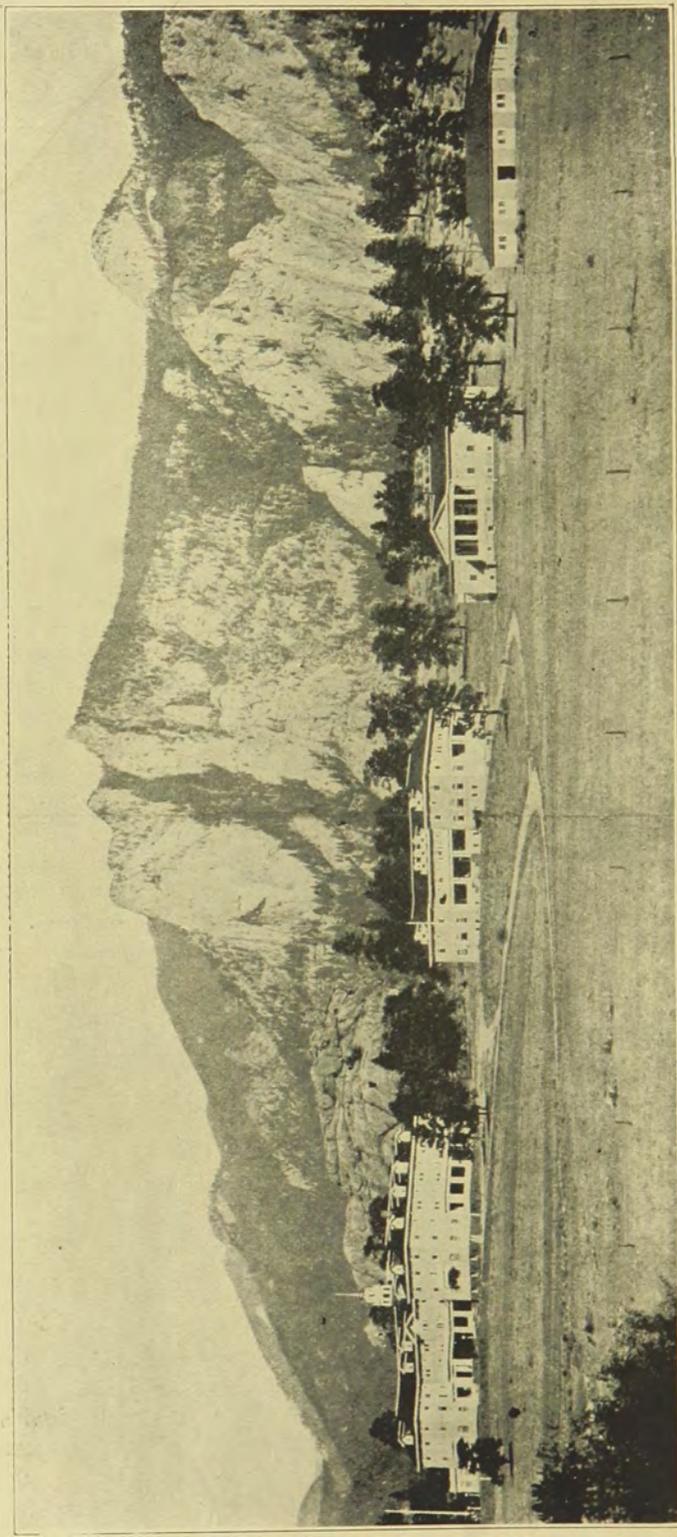
All the points of interest of this wonderful region are accessible by automobile over the splendid natural highways which lead in all directions over the lower levels, by the innumerable trails which tempt the horseback rider up the winding canyons, past waterfall and torrent, through the groves of romantic quaking aspen or the more stately forests of pine and cedar, and by the more difficult mountain trails which lead to glacier and dizzy height on snow-capped peak which cast their everlasting challenge before the more daring mountain climber.

The followers of Izaak Walton must not be forgotten, for the streams of these parks are the natural home of the trout, and being kept well stocked from the local state hatchery furnish splendid sport for the fisherman. Wild animals are protected and are occasionally seen; in certain parts the beaver is quite numerous, as his well-built dams and dome-shaped houses attest; mountain sheep and deer also are frequently seen.

Perhaps the display of wild flowers, marvelous in its profusion and variety, makes the most popular appeal, and they are found everywhere, even almost to the tops of the highest peaks.

Estes Park is the natural gateway to this whole wonderful region, and from the Stanley Hotels, which are here situated, all the roads and trails which reach the many points of interest, radiate.

The Stanley Hotels were built in 1909 and occupy an ideal site within a half mile of the village of Estes Park. Not built primarily



THE STANLEY HOTELS

as a commercial venture, but because of the love of the owner (F. O. Stanley) for this beautiful region and his desire to supply accommodations which would satisfy those accustomed to the comforts and luxuries of urban life, they are far superior to the usual resort hotel and the equal in everything but size of the finest in the land. No expense was spared and no modern ideas in hotel equipment overlooked in making the Stanley Hotels thoroughly up-to-date. There are two hotel buildings, the Hotel Stanley and the Stanley Manor, the former being open from about June 20 to September 15, and the Stanley Manor, a smaller, but otherwise identical building, which is open all the year around except during the midwinter months.

Stanley Hall is a large casino adjacent to the hotels, which has a splendid dancing floor and a stage for musicians or private theatricals. Here a high-class orchestra provides music for dancing and other entertainments. It is also sufficiently spacious for conventions, and other large gatherings. Billiard rooms and bowling alleys, with all the latest and best equipment, also are provided.

Automobile tourists will find a thoroughly equipped garage, with expert mechanics in attendance. Our own laundry, fully supplied with every known appliance for turning out first-class work, is at the disposal of our guests.

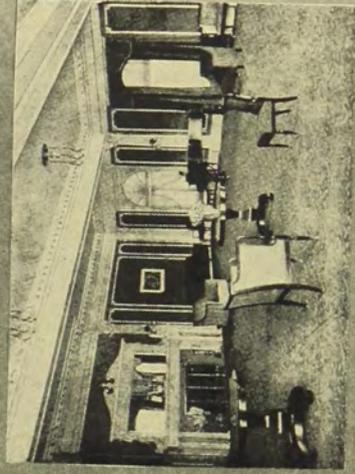
A private water plant, at a considerable elevation in the mountains, guarantees an abundant supply of pure spring water for all purposes; the water is absolutely free from any possible contamination and is the pure, undefiled, sparkling life-giving water of mountain springs fed by the perpetual snows of the higher peaks.

The Hotels' buildings and grounds are well lighted by electricity supplied by a powerful electric light plant. The laundry is operated by electricity and the Stanley Hotels were the first in the country to equip their kitchens completely with electric cooking apparatus.

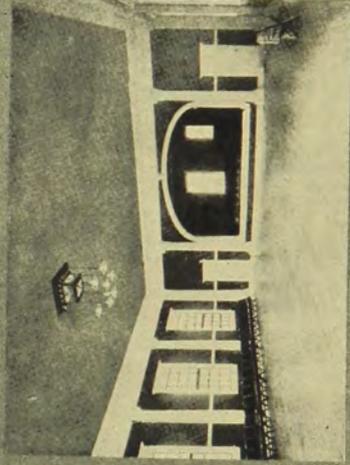
The table is the feature of which the Stanley Hotels are justly proud, and suffice it to say that the food is the best that the markets afford and the cooking and service such as to please the most fastidious. An abundant supply of pure fresh milk and cream is furnished from the ranch belonging to the hotels.

The Hotels, themselves, are luxuriously furnished both as to the public rooms and the bedrooms, practically all of which are provided with private bath.

The golf course, immediately in front of the hotel buildings and overlooking Estes Park and the Big Thompson River, is as nearly ideal as Nature and the art and labor of man can make it. Tennis courts and croquet grounds have also been laid out for the devotees of these sports.

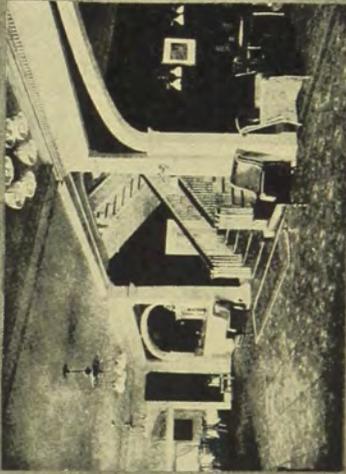


Drawing Room



Ball Room

THE STANLEY HOTEL



Hall



Dining Room

The automobile service in connection with the hotels provides the best machines, with competent chauffeurs who are thoroughly familiar with the mountain roads. With these drivers in charge of cars a journey over the surrounding country, through deep canyons and along the "sky line" is as safe as along quiet country roads down on the plains.

But the horse is not entirely out of fashion and most people enjoy a quiet drive in a comfortable carriage or the more strenuous enjoyment of horseback riding and therefore a well-equipped livery is maintained by the Stanley Hotels. The driving and saddle horses are thoroughly broken to mountain trails and are as much at home on the edge of some dizzy precipice as are their brothers on a city street. And then there are those who prefer "Shanks' mare," and for all, competent guides, who are familiar with the many roads and trails, are provided.

Enough has been said to assure all prospective visitors that it is the wish and plan of the management to provide every possible comfort and every form of healthful recreation.

Enabling one to live close to Nature in her most pleasing aspects and at the same time enjoy all the comforts of modern civilization is one of the reasons for the great popularity of the Stanley Hotels among the better class of discriminating tourists and travelers.

Little need be said about the benefits in general to be derived from a stay in the crystal-clear, ozone-laden air of this mountain region, where one may spend all his waking hours in the out-of-doors in some kind of pleasant activity and sleep soundly at night beneath the blankets which are always needed. A vacation spent in Estes and Rocky Mountain National Parks will build up the physical and revive the lagging mental powers more quickly than one of almost any other form and send a man back to his usual vocation thoroughly rejuvenated in mind and body.

As a matter of information it might be said that the altitude ranges from about 7,500 feet at Stanley Hotels, and along the lower stream and meadows, to 14,255 at the summit of Long's Peak, that snow-capped giant which dominates the entire region.

GOLF ON THE STANLEY LINKS

The rigor of the game is dear to the heart of the true lover of golf, be he cannie Scot or plain American, and is found on the Stanley course, in the shadows of the regal Rockies, as truly as on the mist-covered links of Scotland, the ancient home of the royal game. And no Scotsman ever swung a brassie over a fairer green than this one with its carpet of meadow grasses all a-bloom with alpine flowers, with its crystal-clear tonic mountain air to steady

his stroke, and the matchless splendor of a majestic panorama, sweeping in unfading glory on every side, to inspire his best efforts.

The Stanley course is one of nine holes, and the links are located on the rolling meadow plateau which spreads away to the Big Thompson River from the front of the hotels, from whose verandas almost the entire game, from the first tee-off to the last put-in, may be followed.

Nature has been bountiful in furnishing the natural advantages, and all that man could do in artful planning and in unsparing labor and expense has been done to make this an ideal course. And then one may play in perfect comfort during every hour of every day. The caddie service, too, is excellent, and golf supplies (clubs, balls, etc.) may be purchased in the village near by.—*From Stanley Hotels Publications.*

PROGRAM OF CONVENTION

1919

(Subject to change)

Sunday, August 24

Arrival of delegates.
Alumnæ council.
Informal reception.

Monday, August 25

9:00 A.M. to 12:00 A.M.—Business session.
1:30 P.M. to 3:00 P.M.—Business session.
3:00 to 6:00 P.M.—(Open.)
8:00 P.M.—Theta Vaudeville.

Tuesday, August 26

9:00 A.M. to 12:00 A.M.—Business session.
1:30 P.M. to 3:00 P.M.—Business session.
3:00 P.M. to 6:00 P.M.—Ride.
8:00 P.M.—Fancy Dress Ball.

Wednesday, August 27

9:00 A.M. to 12:00 A.M.—Business session.
1:30 P.M. to 3:00 P.M.—Business session.
3:00 P.M. to 6:00 P.M.—Beefsteak fry.
8:00 P.M.—Bonfire. Talk by Enos Mills.

Thursday, August 28

9:00 A.M. to 12: A.M.—Business session.

1:30 P.M.—Conference of Outgoing and Incoming Boards.

3:00 P.M. to 6:00 P.M.—(Open.)

8:00 P.M.—Banquet.

Friday, August 29

Return to Denver.

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Guests and delegates from the East and South should buy tickets direct to Estes Park. Those from the West should buy to Denver and re-buy to Estes Park. Send trunks a day earlier than your departure, so that they may be in your rooms when you arrive. Later on you will receive convention stickers for your baggage, so that it may go direct to Hotel Stanley, Estes Park.

Trunks will be carried to and from the gateway of the Park to the hotel at \$1.25 per hundred pounds each way. Hand luggage is carried free. If two girls from the same town are coming, why not use one trunk and save expenses?

ABOUT ENTERTAINMENT

All delegates and national officers are guests of Theta and Denver Alumnæ. All visitors must pay \$4 per day for at least four days. All guests and delegates may remain at the Stanley as many more days as desired, at this rate.

ABOUT OTHER EXPENSES

Formal banquet fee for all guests and delegates is \$2.50.

Delegates and visitors are guests of the hostess chapter only after they arrive at Estes Park.

ABOUT REGISTRATION CARDS

All delegates, national officers, and all members of Theta who wish to be guests of the chapter in Estes Park must return their registration cards by *June 10*.

All visitors at convention must return registration cards on or before August 10. Visitors kindly send postal immediately to Mrs. W. E. Clark, 450 Logan Avenue, Denver, Colorado, for registration cards.

ABOUT CLOTHES

Bring heavy boots and short skirt suitable for climbing. If you care to ride horseback, bring your riding togs.

Carry one heavy wrap, for there is a twenty-mile ride by auto stage and the day may be cool.

It is warm in the daytime but always cool at night, so with your summer gowns bring a sweater.

For the banquet you will need a formal evening gown; for the informal reception and vaudeville, simpler gowns.

For the fancy dress ball each delegate and visitor is scheduled—so *all* come prepared. Prizes will be given for the prettiest costume and for the cleverest, and there need be no great expense as ingenuity will count more than money in the consideration of the judges.

Bring golf clubs, tennis racquets, and if you like to fish, fishing rods. Also supply yourself with kodaks and Gamma Phi songbooks. Carry your credentials, reports, etc., in your hand luggage, so there may be no possibility of delay.

ABOUT MAIL

All mail should be directed to Hotel Stanley, Estes Park, Colorado, care of Gamma Phi Beta Convention.

DELEGATES TO THE 1919 CONVENTION

Alpha—Dorothy Price.

Beta—Quinneth Summers.

Gamma—

Delta—Elizabeth Macy.

Epsilon—Lila Robbins.

Zeta—Louise Dexter, Hester Corner.

Eta—Annette Ruggles, Helen Gardner.

Theta—Elsie Olsen, Margaret Dennison, Helen Champion.

Kappa—Virginia Morrison.

Lambda—Margaret Coffin.

Mu—Margaret Burton.

Nu—

Xi—Mary McKenna.

Omicron—Christine Stubbs.

Pi—

Rho—Frances Turner, Virginia Carson.

Sigma—Mary Tudor.

Tau—Frances Foster, Mary Reyer.

Upsilon—Frances McIntosh.

Phi—Josephine Michael.

Chi—Eve Wheeler.

Psi—Edith Mahier.

Omega—Marion Garland.

CONCERNING THE DELEGATES

ALPHA

DOROTHY PRICE

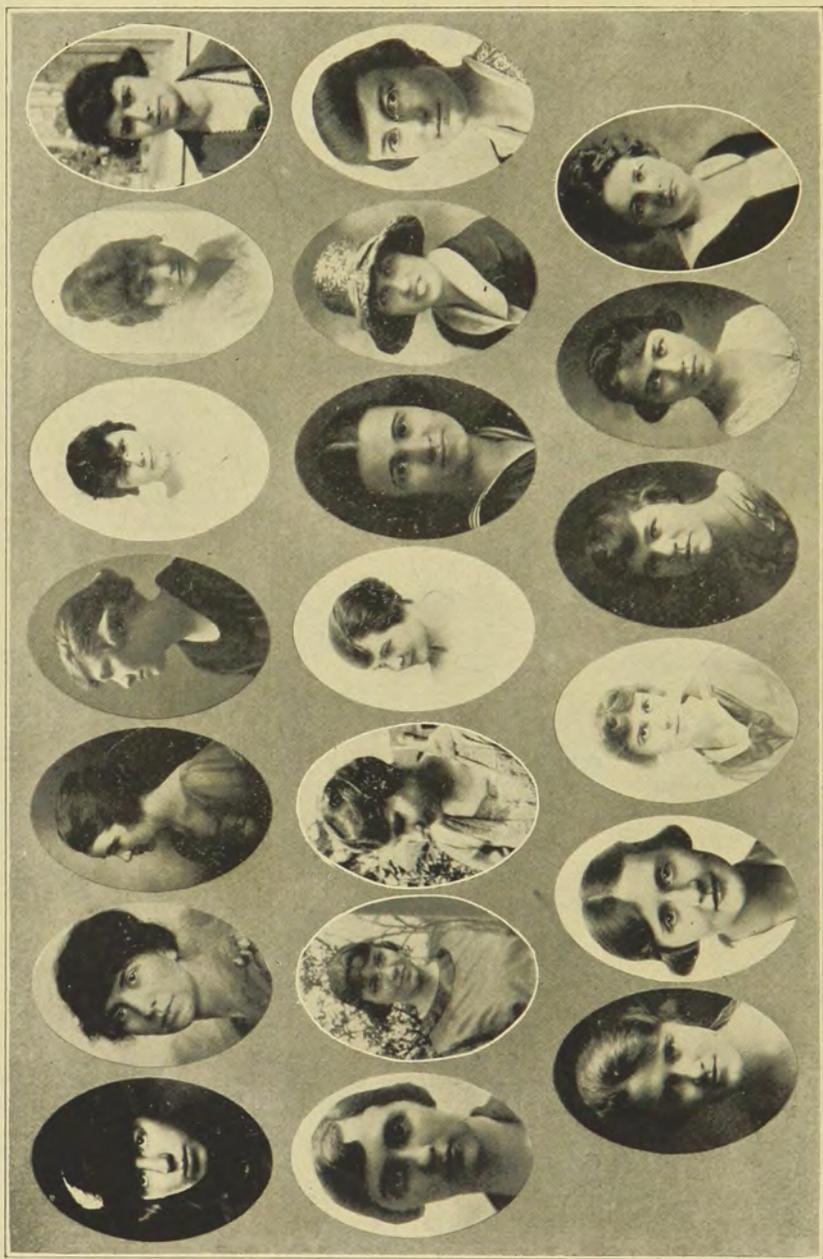
Beta, Gamma, Delta, and all the other chapters, meet Miss Dorothy Price. Why? She is Alpha's sophomore delegate to convention. As you can see by her picture "Dot" is a most attractive girl. (Luckily she is all unaware of what I am doing or I'm afraid she would never let me write this.) But "Dot" is not only "easy to look at" and talk to. She is also one of the most representative girls in the chapter and the university. She can tell you all about Women's League, Athletic Association, Y. W. C. A., and Patriotic League at Syracuse for she is an active and capable member of each of them. She is also intensely interested in Gamma Phi and is eager to meet girls from all your chapters and to bring back your inspiration and ideas to Alpha.

BETA

QUINNETH SUMMERS

It is indeed a painful task for me to attempt a description of Beta's delegate to convention. Being her roommate, I am constrained by the laws of practicability and the fear of annihilation, so if this report suffers from lack of veracity, please realize that the inaccuracy results from a desire to live peacefully with the maiden in question.

When we chose our convention delegate, it was a very easy matter to decide, for there was one girl who was just made for that special purpose, and that girl is Quinneth Summers, one of our sophomores. She is a real dyed-in-the-wool Gamma Phi, as her mother belonged to Beta Chapter; and she has ideas and energy and ability, all the things that a convention delegate should have. We consider ourselves especially fortunate to have a sophomore whom we can send, for now we shall enjoy for the next two years the advantage of having a member in the chapter who has been to convention, an advantage which we lack this year. I believe this brief sketch is supposed to include a "personal description." I have not seen the photograph which was sent to THE CRESCENT, but I am sure that it does not do her justice, for it will be just plain brown or gray. So don't pay any attention to the picture, but when you see a trim, tailor-made person with gorgeous crimson hair, you will know it is the Beta delegate.



DELEGATES TO CONVENTION

Top row, left to right: Quineth Summers (Beta), Elizabeth Dewing Macy (Delta), Mary McKenna (Xi), Christine Stubbe (Omicron), Frances Foster (Tau), Eve Wheeler (Chi), Frances F. Turner (Rho).
 Middle row: Virginia Morrison (Kappa), Frances McIntosh (Upsilon), Josephine Michael (Phi), Mary Coleman Ryer (Tau), Mary Tudor (Sigma), Edith Maher (Psi), Margaret Burton (Mu).
 Bottom row: Marion Garland (Omega), Lila Robbins (Epsilon), Virginia Carson (Rho), Margaret Dennison (Theta), Elsie Olsen (Theta), Helen Campion (Theta).

DELTA

ELIZABETH MACY

Elizabeth Dewing Macy, whose usual appellation is "Betty, will you do this for me"? is a twenty-one years ago native of Parkersburg, West Virginia, but a very good Bostonian, too. That is to say, not the kind of Bostonian who just drinks in lecture after lecture on erudite topics, but the kind who can write anything from a children's story to a perfectly good essay. To give a list of the other things she can do would be too long a process, but they include anything from college tennis championship to manager of the University Employment Bureau. And her charms! They simply can't be put on paper, but you're going to see them for yourselves, so I won't even try.

EPSILON

LILA ROBBINS

Lila Robbins, the convention delegate from Epsilon Chapter, is truly a representative of whom we are proud. She is a tall, fair girl. Her hair is the kind that it is a pity to curl. Her nose is just retroussé enough to make her face a piquant setting for her big blue eyes. Best of all, her eyes are always sparkling, and her smiles make us all happy. She is well liked both among girls and men for her sunny, democratic disposition. She is just finishing her sophomore year at Northwestern, and is a member of her class social committee. She takes an active interest in the sorority, and is one of our most dependable members.

ZETA

LOUISE DEXTER

If there ever was a perfect illustration of that saying, "Many are called but few are chosen," it was the state of the girls in Zeta when the question of going to convention arose. Though we can't send ourselves we are glad to send as our delegate, Louise Dexter. Just being herself she is typical of the chapter, for her vivacity, straightforwardness, and earnestness of purpose are all qualities which we like to think describe Zeta. She possesses one crowning attribute which we can't claim or acquire (naturally), for she has red hair—as for the accompanying freckles and temper—I have never seen them, but she insists she has both in the summer. In college activities she has proved herself a born manager, especially in directing dramatics and banquets, and incidentally in advising freshmen. There is a lot more I might say but, she will read it, so I will leave you to find out those characteristics when you meet her. But do let me say that with Louise goes the wish from every Zeta Gamma Phi that this convention will prove the finest one in the history of our sorority.

THETA

When the beloved Editor of the ever-sparkling CRESCENT pounces upon us with a demand for a letter concerning the Theta delegates, what are we to do? In the first place, as a resident of the same metropolis, we are at the mercy of the aforesaid Editor. Secondly, and this is even more disconcerting, we are also in the close vicinity of the delegates. Like Admiral Simms we "may get into trouble by telling the truth," but we will risk a hasty demise for the sake of veracity.

MARGARET DENNISON

Margaret Dennison, yeleft "Peggy Den" will be our first victim. She must be one of the atoms of perpetual motion that Mr. Darwin talked so much about. Peggy is what our esteemed professor of history once defined as a "comfortable student, neither too warm nor too cold in the pursuit of knowledge." The art of captivating the fair sex, as well as the opposite sex, is a difficult thing to acquire, but Peg is a paragon of skill. One of her most striking characteristics is originality. Who but Peggy Den would play basketball in high-heeled shoes, a tailored gown (with two blushing roses pinned over her heart) and a tiny hat adorned with a spotted veil? Peggy is one of the university's prize tennis players, and a member of the simple sophomore class. Wherever there is any fun to be had or work to be done, you will find Peggy.

ELSIE OLSEN

Next we beg to introduce to you Miss Elsie Olsen, the charming "Ruth" of our Gamma Phi play. As a dishwasher, she shone in her freshman days and her career seems to be equally bright now. Some of her "sisters" are loud in the praises of Elsie and "Willy." Willy, kind friends, is Elsie's car. We are secretly of the opinion that her vocation in life is assured, as no jitney-service has ever surpassed hers. Unlike Shakespeare's heroine who "speaks and yet says nothing" Elsie O.'s remarks are well worth hearing. Even the stern-visaged professor of Romance Languages smiles when Elsie begins to converse in French with him. Yea, the trees on the campus shed tears, when they think that next year will be Elsie's last beneath their shade. She is so evidently a believer in Byron's adage:

All who joy would win
Must share it; Happiness
Was born a twin!

HELEN CAMPION

The Editor, so maligned by the writer of the above biographies, who, having disposed of her sister delegates, naturally refuses to

exploit herself, might wreak vengeance because of the imputed kaiseristic characteristic of "pouncing"; but, metaphorically speaking, she "turns the other cheek" since she happens to be desperately fond of the aforesaid writer and doesn't mind saying so. Helen Champion, Theta's third delegate, after graduating at Wolcott School in Denver, attended the Visitation Convent at Georgetown, was last year at Columbia, is now a junior at the University of Denver, and is incidentally the best kind of a Gamma Phi. If we were to designate Helen by one term we'd say "fine spirit," for she has it in abundant amount whether she displays it in a Gamma Phi play, a Gamma Phi stunt, or a basketball game where she wears one yellow stocking and one brown and carries, as mascot a raving lion. She shines dramatically, is a fine student, an indispensable member of the staff of the college paper, and to quote the dean of women, whose opinion is worth much, "is one of the strongest girls who has ever entered college."

KAPPA

VIRGINIA MORRISON

Although Kappa Chapter would like to attend convention in a body, we feel, that since that is impossible, our interests will be cared for splendidly, and you will all get to know Kappa as we would like to have you, through the efforts of Virginia Morrison, who is to be our delegate. She is a junior in college, and has the ideal combination of good looks, personality, and executive ability. As Panhellenic delegate for two years, and rushing captain for the same length of time, she has watched out for Gamma Phi in a thoroughly efficient manner. We predict that before convention days are over you will all love "Virginn."

LAMBDA

MARGARET COFFIN

Margaret Coffin, our delegate to the national convention of Gamma Phi Beta, has not been with us two years, having come from Reed College, Oregon, as a sophomore. She has won her place in our midst, and exceptional prominence on the campus, for in addition to her remarkable executive ability, Miss Coffin has acquired fame through her poems, which have been widely sought, both within and outside the sorority.

During her first year here, she was made CRESCENT editor, and has done much writing for the campus publications. Margaret is always willing to give her services when called upon, and she meets every situation with a calm capability that sees her through to an admirable end.

On the campus, she has held many positions, and at present is secretary of the junior class, vice-president of the Sacajewea Debating Club, the largest organization of its kind on the campus. She also holds a position of trust on the Y. W. C. A. cabinet, and has worked on many Women's League committees. It was largely her ability and originality that did much to make the varsity ball, the largest formal college dance of the year, a huge success.

Margaret is from Yakima, an eastern Washington city, and during her college life has selected sociology as her major subject. She is an exceptional student, having achieved a record of straight "A" since her entrance here.

We of Lambda are all proud of her achievements and admire her versatility. We are confident that she will succeed in making a name for herself in various fields.

MU

MARGARET BURTON

Margaret came to us from Los Angeles three years ago, and her never-tiring interest in the sorority makes her stand out as a true Gamma Phi. She is now president of the house and makes a splendid and enthusiastic leader. Her ability is not only recognized in the house but on the campus as well. She has always been active in Y. W. C. A. and is now treasurer of that organization.

We know that Margaret will represent us well at the convention and will bring back to us the things that we most need.

XI

MARY MCKENNA

Dear Girls! I am sure you will like Xi's "visiting delegate" (as she terms herself), Mary McKenna. Mary is "a clever little Irish mick" with the large blue eyes and ready smile of her ancestors from the Emerald Isle. She is very popular on the campus here and is prominent in college dramatics, having taken a leading part in *The Best Man* presented a short time ago by the English Club. She dances, sings, and plays after the manner of all true college girls. Mary lives in Spokane and as she has neither been to a Gamma Phi Beta convention nor to Denver, she is very much thrilled about her trip this summer. We know she will have "the best time" and that she will represent us in the most creditable manner, so we do not hesitate in recommending her highly to you. With her we send Xi's best wishes for a successful convention.

OMICRON

CHRISTINE STUBBS

There were a number of things to be taken into consideration in the selection of Omicron's delegate to the national convention to be held this summer, not the least of which were pep, geniality, and level-headedness. You will not be at all surprised upon meeting the girl of our choice, Christine Stubbs, and will realize at once that she is just the one to fill the place. Christine is a sophomore in the university, and has about as much life and vivacity as three average girls. It is her energy and general likableness that have aided in making her well known over all the campus, and well liked by everyone who knows her. She is at present a member of the Y. W. C. A. cabinet and of Yo Ma, an intersorority here. Christine won a name for herself as an efficient worker and manager, when she acted as business manager of the *Follies*, a large entertainment put on by the girls of the university in order to raise money for the Woman's War Relief pledge. The *Follies* totaled a gain of about \$2,500 for one night's performance and of course we attribute at least \$2,400 of that sum to Christine's untiring efforts. She has been very active (one has to be of course) in hockey and basketball during both years that she has been here. At the present time she is running for the office of treasurer of the Junior Alumnæ, and we are all wishing her the best possible outcome.

All things considered, we are proud to send her as our representative to the convention and feel sure that you are going to like her and to think as highly of our selection as we do, and the rest of you will not be so prejudiced as we are either!

RHO

FRANCES F. TURNER

Frances F. Turner, Avoca, Iowa, is one of our capable and attractive juniors. After a year of teaching she is back with us and we are very glad, for Frances is always full of "pep" and energy for her chapter.

VIRGINIA J. CARSON

Virginia Josephine Carson is a daughter of Mrs. Robert N. Carson, a member of Alpha and our esteemed sponsor. Virginia is a sophomore in the university and her pleasing personality makes her a great favorite among both the girls and men.

SIGMA

MARY TUDOR

In spite of her regal name and soulful eyes, our Mary is a real girl. And isn't she clever though! Mary is the artist that she

looks. Doesn't she just do all kinds of things in charcoal, water color, and oil, and doesn't she drag us in to pose for her at the most unearthly hours? But then after her composition is framed, and is hung up in the Fine Arts building, the admired of all admirers, don't we just feel so important that we were the models!

I suppose you think from this description that Mary is quite temperamental and moons around and so on, as so many artists do. Well, you don't know Mary. If she isn't busy with her work, or her duties as president of Delta Phi Delta (national art sorority) or secretary of the Fine Arts School, she is playing basketball or hiking, or doing something equally inartistic.

TAU

FRANCES FOSTER

Whether it is to represent her class on the baseball team, decorate the dance hall, climb a mountain, or delight us with her "Indianola," Frances is always ready. Seemingly not a care in the world, yet she always arrives on time. A ready smile and a firm grip for all. Our choice as convention delegate, can we say more?

MARY RYER

A level head, a broad mind, and an Σ A E pin; that's "Molly." Equally efficient as entertainer or caterer, handling freshmen or just plain men. Is a tactful person needed? Let Molly do it.

UPSILON

FRANCES MCINTOSH

Upsilon will certainly mourn the loss of Frances McIntosh next year. Seniors may come and seniors may go, but never will we find a more thoughtful, more unselfish girl than "Mac." Her mission in life seems to be to play the rôle of chief comforter. She was the business manager of the college annual, *The Spinster*, and has been for two years a member of the Executive Council. She has always held the highest average in her class and one of the highest in college. Gamma Phi can well be proud of her.

PHI

JOSEPHINE MICHAEL

Josephine Michael is to be Phi's representative at convention. Truly, very little need be said of Josephine, she will speak for herself. The instant you look at her you will realize what an elastic capacity for business she has. Anon, the merry twinkle in her eye will inform you that we call her "Jo" and that one of the reasons for her aforesaid business capacity is her good nature about doing the hard things which nobody else wants to do.

She is a member of the Student Government Association of the women's dormitory and quite prominent in campus social life. Others as well as Gamma Phi have discovered Jo's ability to put things through.

Neither Phi Chapter nor Washington University could get along without Jo. We feared that convention could not either, so we have sent her to you.

CHI

EVE WHEELER

Eve Wheeler is a junior and our newly elected manager. We have chosen Eve because we feel she can tell you how Chi wants to be one of the best chapters. She is a member of Madrigal and has been active in class affairs. Her home is in Tillamook, Oregon.

PSI

EDITH MAHIER

To introduce Edith Mahier, delegate to the Gamma Phi Beta Convention from Psi Chapter, University of Oklahoma, Norman, Oklahoma.

Our "Ely," as we call her, is a charter member of Psi Chapter. Because of her position as art instructor in the University of Oklahoma, she has been able to help us materially, but her aid did not stop with this. She volunteered her services as chaperon and house-mother to the baby chapter, but do not let these words give the impression of a staid, prim person. She has really a warm southern disposition and an aptitude for southern "nigger-talk" which, as sung in her original jingles, has won for us many of our most charming girls. She came to us from Baton Rouge, Louisiana. She is a graduate of the H. Sophia Newcomb School of Art, Tulane University, New Orleans, where she won the Neill Art Medal. Not only with the students is she popular, but also is most active in faculty social affairs. She is a chronic server on committees and her affairs are famed for their unique character. As our delegate to local Panhellenic, "Ely" has done much to enable our sorority to take its place among the older organizations on the campus.

Those of you who have read the letters from Psi in *THE CRESCENT* already know our "Ely" and will doubtless greet her with pleasure when you meet her in person next summer.

OMEGA

MARION GARLAND

Marion Garland, our president, is the delegate from Omega Chapter. Marion's home is in Dubuque, Iowa. She came to us in her



THETA OF GAMMA PHI BETA—THE HOSTESS CHAPTER

Top row, left to right: Helen Strauss, Mary Buchtel, Marguerite McKlveen, Martha Siple, Lucile Hendrie, Ruth Tucker, Pauline Cornish, Mary Peart.
 Second row: Marion Herbert, Genevieve Simms, Corinne Bourk, Hazel Kearny, Helen Burdick, Felice Davis, Edith Fales.
 Third row: Edyth Quimby, Polly Miles, Ellen Bourk, Bernice Tucker, Eleanor Fish, Ruth Burgard, Margaret Fraser, Florence Kob.
 Eotton row: Jessie Carman, Margaret Dennison, Elsie Olsen, Helen Campion.

sophomore year from Grinnell College, and is now a junior in home economics. Athletics is Marion's strong point; she has won medals in tennis, golf, and basketball, which fact makes her a member of the Women's "A" fraternity and entitles her to wear the official "A" sweater. She also believes in the might of the pen and is a member of the *Iowa State Student Staff*. We are looking forward to the interesting report Marion will bring back to us next fall.

HISTORY OF THETA CHAPTER

Once upon a time—as all good fairy stories begin, only this isn't a fairy story—there flourished in the University of Denver a band of extraordinary maidens who called themselves the Alpha Iotas. Alpha Iota lived with its head in the clouds, not necessarily because it was in the vicinity of Pike's Peak but for the reason of the very superiority mentioned above. Alpha Iota claimed its own ritual, its own book of songs, and boasted many followers won from the national sorority that was its rival; its members shone resplendent in pins that bore as emblems the laurel wreath of victory, the lamp of knowledge (sometimes mistaken by the uninitiated for a gravy bowl), and the mysterious letters, Phi Kappa Sigma. These same members were—figuratively speaking—joined together with the bonds of cherry and tan (in spite of the fact that cherry was vastly unbecoming to the red-headed members). In lusty volume of song they proclaimed to the outside world that the flower which they chose to honor was the marguerite—modestly adding:

And we are like it in that we
Are veritable daisies.

Finally, in order that the freshmen might be taught self-control, the mouse was chosen as the spirit of their devotion; and the worshippers after much experience, much Spartan endurance, and much heroic suffering learned to regard the sudden advent of the frisky god without even moving an eyelash!

Each week these Alpha Iotas met in solemn conclave; continually they reveled in the hospitable Warren home, ever open for their festivities. If there was a college celebration, Alpha Iota was at the front; if there was a spirited rushing season, Alpha Iota carried off her share of the booty; in short, the complacency of Alpha Iota in regard to its place in the college world, its brilliancy and popularity and its ability to accomplish great things has never been equalled—certainly has never been surpassed.

Time went on. Beta Theta Pi succeeded in disfiguring the third finger of the left hand of several of the alumnae and the epidemic of

matrimony set in. The rest of the coterie gasped—did fate ordain that particular destiny for each and every one of them? Once again did they put forth their collective voice in the following plea, sung to the well-worn tune of *Solomon Levi*:

Oh Alph' Iota mousie, be careful what you do—
 For all you know the Beta dog is running after you—
 And if, by chance he catches you, just do the best you can
 And mingle with the pink and blue, the cherry and the tan.

Here it is that the indefinite third person becomes the editorial we. We woke to the progressiveness of the age and decided that we must become national. 'Twas sad indeed to localize such talent and such gifts as fate had showered upon us; 'twas ours to see that world was informed of the very existence of such greatness. "We want a charter from a national" became the war-cry—and many were the discussions thereof. "Let's 'hitch our wagon to a star,'" cried Lindsey the poetical, editing the college paper with one hand and writing nonsense verses for the *Kynewisbok* with the other. "No"—said practical Louise—"We'll try for the crescent instead," and with one accord her sister Alpha Iotas cried, "Aye verily—even so."

Then came the application for the aforesaid charter. Will any of us ever forget the shrieks of laughter, the howls of derision that greeted the efforts of our scribe as she patiently labored with the letters which were to describe us so exactly that the hoped-for sisters would see us in their mind's eye. "I won't be called an honored alumna" wailed Lucia—"it sounds too old." "You're not doing me justice," said Winifred—"I'm much nicer than you make me out." "Don't say I'm 'a faithful student'" remarked matter-of-fact Edith—"It's the same principle that makes one speak of a hopeless creature as 'well meaning,' and I'm really attractive," she modestly added. "Well," said the unfortunate scribe, ignoring as usual, all complaints and doing just as she pleased, "I've written all the letters, sent all the pictures, told all the lies—yes, *lies*"—and she dodged a sofa pillow—"and now all we can do is to wait."

We waited all right. Finally we played our trump card. Louise Iliff set out for Ann Arbor to plead our cause at convention—and lo! Solomon in all his glory was naught in comparison with her. And—to make the story short—one night, a certain telegram winged its way to University Park, and Alpha Iota as individuals came so near the verge of imbecility—all from sheer happiness—that even now some of the members have scarcely recovered.

They came, they saw, they conquered—and were conquered, we hope. By "they" we mean Honta Smalley Bredin (Beta '88), Louise Klock French (Alpha '95), Irma Wheeler Thayer (Beta '95), Ruth Philippi Sparling (Epsilon '99), and Louise White Huller (Epsilon

'98). Even now the thrill of that initiation week comes back, and never in the installation of any chapter have five finer or more representative members "put through" an enthusiastic local.

December 27, 1897, looms up as a red-letter day in our memory for on that day Alpha Iota became Theta of Gamma Phi Beta. In the afternoon a farewell service for Alpha Iota was held and if the initiates elect were a little "teary 'round the lashes," 'twas not to be wondered at for Alpha Iota had been a very dear and precious thing. On that evening at the Warren home, the mystic rites of Gamma Phi Beta were administered and after each maiden had won the shining badge of her order, we gathered in the great dining-room where "joy was unconfined." Next morning we had a "sing," and from that day Theta girls have loved to sing and have made their songs truly a part of their chapter life. That afternoon we were at home to "our friends the enemy," Pi Beta Phi, and in the evening Bishop and Mrs. Warren gave a large and beautiful reception in honor of the delegates and the new Gamma Phis. Oh, it was a week of rejoicing, and when the last goodbye was said and the flutter of handkerchiefs could no longer be seen, we turned to the sober responsibilities of the new life.

We had always been organized, so rushing was nothing new. To be frank, our greatest responsibility was constant guard over the pins which our generous sisters had loaned to us. At this time, we moved into the chapter-house which was then the scene of so much of the college life—which also had the distinction of being the first sorority house in Colorado. Here, eleven girls held high carnival; here were the initiations, the jolly Hallowe'en parties, the dances, the luncheons, and the rushing stunts; here it was that the goat—the real goat—began his sway. This goat was presented by an enthusiastic Gamma Phi brother, and with a great stretch of the imagination and both eyes shut, one might describe him as double brown. Certain it was, that at his advent the girls fell down and worshipped—and straightway called him Theta! Oh the comedies and tragedies in which Theta played a leading part! University Park residents became accustomed to the sight of distracted maidens chasing a belligerent animal over the cactus; college men grew weary of coaxing Theta from recitation halls where in emulation of Mary's little lamb, he wandered with a thirst for knowledge. Theta, undismayed, still ate the stockings from the clothes line, cheerfully pushed the affrighted guest from sidewalk to door and insisted on leaving a smudge along the dining-room window, where, eager for admiration, he gazed in upon his admiring subjects. Truly over the door it might have been written "Theta and Theta—one and inseparable, now and forever."

From the chapter-house we moved into the little rustic lodge which for so long was the center of chapter life. As the college has grown and prospered, the chapter has increased in numbers and in strength; from a freshman class of two or three, we now initiate ten or eleven, and we can truthfully say that there is no college activity or college honor which Gamma Phi Beta has not shared. Theta girls have basked in the light of faculty approbation, they have filled every position of responsibility and trust; the chapter has never chronicled a failure. They have contributed \$1,000 toward the new gymnasium; they bought all the trees that adorn the north campus, and have materially aided every endowment campaign of the university.

In 1904 came the convention and for the first time we understood the national significance of the order. The new chapter with whom this responsibility of convention rests for the first time will realize the inspiration and added enthusiasm which were ours after our Gamma Phi sisters from all sections of the country had given us the grip and had smiled upon all our undertakings. Then it was that the treasurer of our convention committee, Edith Wallace (Potter) gained everlasting fame and gratitude by turning over eighty-five dollars after every bill was met.

No history of Theta would be complete without a mention of the annual play which has been the one distinctive feature of the chapter. This play has been written each year since 1905 by Lindsey Barbee, and the proceeds from each performance have been given to some worthy cause. During war time, war relief of course received all contributions and Theta had the satisfaction of raising \$600—enough to start the Soldiers' and Sailors' Club which is now a flourishing organization of Denver; while half the sum realized this year was given to Craig Colony—a tubercular settlement which is the chapter's special interest and for which the girls yearly provide and serve a Christmas dinner. These plays have been more than amateur; and more remarkable than the individual acting has been the united effort of the chapter—for, in football parlance, "each time the team worked as one man and pushed the ball over." More than anything else has the play taught Theta Chapter the beauty and wisdom of concentrated effort, the true value of sisterhood, the necessity of forgetting one's personal desires and selfishness in the pursuit of the greatest good for the greatest number.

In 1913, the new lodge opened its doors to active members, alumnae, and Greeks, and since then it has been the center of Theta activities. Under the blue of Colorado skies, with the everlasting mountains as a daily tonic, with the golden sunshine and the fresh breezes to inspire, Theta has lived, moved, and had its being; and

its one particular pleasure at the present moment is to stretch a collective hand to all Gamma Phis, together with a persuasive "Please come to convention!"

WHAT THE THETA GIRLS ARE DOING IN COLLEGE

Gladys East—Kedros (senior honorary society), member of student commission, assistant in Department of Mathematics.

Edith Fales—Kedros, head of chapter, Evans Literary Club.

Helen Strauss—Kedros, Rilling Athletic Club, assistant in Psychology Department.

Mary Buchtel—Y. W. C. A. cabinet, staff of *Kynewisbok* (College Annual), representative of Active Chapter on Convention Committee, manager of 1919 Play.

Marian Herbert—Rilling Athletic Club, manager of 1919 play.

Pauline Cornish—Phi Alpha (literary club), cast of *The Real Thing After All*.

Mary Peart—Y. W. C. A. Cabinet.

Felice Davis—Editor of *Clarion* (college weekly), the only woman, except Lindsey Barbee to hold this office), member of Student Commission, member of *The Scribes*, cast of *The Real Thing After All*.

Helen Campion—*The Scribes*, convention delegate, cast of *The Real Thing After All*, Gamma Phi basketball team.

Margaret Fraser—Y. W. C. A. Cabinet.

Margaret Patton—Y. W. C. A., Sophomore play.

Florence Kob—Y. W. C. A.

Bernice Tucker—*The Scribes*, assistant in English Department, cast of *The Real Thing After All*, Drama Club, Gamma Phi Beta basketball team.

Elsie Olsen—Cast of *The Real Thing After All*, convention delegate, Gamma Phi basketball team.

Lucile Hendrie—*The Scribes*, Drama Club.

Martha Siple—Advertising manager of *The Real Thing After All*.

Jessie Carman—Cast of sophomore play.

Edyth Quinby—Drama Club, cast of *The Real Thing After All*.

Margaret Dennison—Chairman of rushing committee, champion tennis player, convention delegate, Gamma Phi basketball team.

Della Humphrey—Assistant editor of *Clarion*, sophomore play, assistant in Psychology Department.

Ruth Burgard—Cast of *The Real Thing After All*.

Eleanor Fish—Cast of *The Real Thing After All*.

Corinne Bourk—Gamma Phi basketball team.

Ellen Bourk—Y. W. C. A.

Genevieve Simms—Y. W. C. A.

Polly Miles—Gamma Phi basketball team.

Helen Burdick—Secretary of freshman class.

Hazel Kearny—Gamma Phi basketball team.

Marguerite McKloeen—President of Gamma Phi Pledge Organization.

Ruth Tucker—Pledge.

HISTORY OF DENVER ALUMNÆ

Our Denver Alumnæ Chapter is undoubtedly like all other alumnæ chapters, but since we have the honor of being joint hostesses at convention, we insist upon impressing our collective personality upon CRESCENT readers until we can introduce ourselves individually at convention. Then, of course, we take it for granted that you want to know about us.

First, we've been organized since—oh dear me, it's so long ago that I've forgotten the date! And we first met each month until, becoming desperately enamoured of each other, we decided that fortnightly gatherings were much better. And, once more, we've always met at the various homes of our members where we could come early, could stay late and, frankly, could enjoy "cats." Of course we've had our cliques, for the "baby" crowd is ubiquitous and proper feeding is a subject of more than national import; and the "school" set has sometimes insisted upon talking shop; and the newly engaged girls are often provokingly absent-minded; while the staid housekeepers are ridiculously careful about getting home on time; but it hasn't made a bit of difference and we've gone triumphantly and unitedly upon our way.

Then we've been cosmopolitan. For Theo Price Hough of Alpha has been affiliated with us for years; Helen Welles Thackwell and Wanda Seemann Lippincott of Beta were active while sojourning in Denver; Grace Burgard Holcomb of Gamma is our corresponding secretary, and Edna Cantril Betts and Edna Howard of the same chapter are also members; for a long time Isabelle White of Delta, and now of New York Alumnæ, was one of our dearest possessions; Lois Miles Jackson of Epsilon we jealously claim as our own and now we are hoping to annex Helen Bernheisel Hier, also of Epsilon. From Zeta are Mary Crary Moore and Grace McDonough;

Eta gives us Zena West Henderson; Florence Fabling of Mu will soon be in our ranks; and Tau gives us Elizabeth Gates, Dorothy Martin, Margaret McGregor Prickett, and Elizabeth Aldrich Parks.

As to real achievements—well we originated the national committee upon scholarship, we've aided very materially in the University of Denver endowment campaign, we've always been practically and actively interested in Theta's various enterprises, and each year we have shared in some charitable work. For years we have assisted the active girls in presenting and serving the Christmas dinner to the Craig Colony; we rolled bandages, did Red Cross work, and made dozens and dozens of handkerchiefs during war time; we have given our services in turn to the Y. W. C. A. cafeteria, the Day Nursery, and the Florence Crittenden Home; and for three years we held what we called our Fête au Bon Marché, a Christmas sale, the proceeds of which went to various worthy causes.

Just now, under our wise and clever president, Edith Boughton Denious, we are more than busy with our plans for convention; and we join with Theta in urging each Gamma Phi to find her way to Estes Park where we promise to stage a four days' performance with an all-star cast!

THE DENVER ALUMNÆ DELEGATES

MARGARET PACKARD TAUSSIG

The old woman who lived in a shoe wasn't a bit busier with her numerous children than Margaret Packard Taussig is with her numerous interests. In addition to directing the destinies of the Alliance Française, a large and prominent French club of Denver, she has for the past year been at the head of the Junior Red Cross work in the city, and is now secretary of the Women's Division of the Victory Loan Campaign, which position she has held in each Liberty Loan drive. When she isn't saving the country, she is reading erudite papers before erudite organizations, is helping along the career of the Denver University Alumnæ Club which couldn't exist without her, and is lending her enthusiasm and energy to the university itself, for she is a very loyal alumna. Denver Alumnæ Chapter is very proud of Margaret Taussig and glad to have the opportunity of presenting her to Gamma Phi Beta.

LISLE BROWNELL MILTON

Lisle Brownell Milton with her Sophie Braslau voice and her very winning personality is sure to be an ideal hostess; and being



DENVER ALUMNÆ DELEGATES

Lisle Brownell Milton

Adaline Bullen

Margaret Packard Taussig

conscientious to a maximum degree, she will undoubtedly prove an efficient delegate. If Lisle had not chosen to fill a domestic rôle, she might easily have been "starring" on the operatic stage; but, in that case we should have missed the fun of the Gamma Phi meetings at her house, and incidentally Lisle herself. So we are content to listen to her under more informal circumstances and are ever so proud to have her represent us on this auspicious occasion.

ADALINE BULLEN

Adaline Bullen is a connecting link between us and the active chapter, for she was graduated just last year and has active enthusiasm and alumnæ dignity in admirable proportion. In her freshman year, Adaline attended the Asilomar convention; in her junior year, we loaned her to Delta Chapter; and now that she is a sure enough alumna, the university, loath to part with her, has bestowed upon her a position in the French Department. Adaline does everything well; she is popular with everybody; and, in alumnæ sentiment and active vernacular, "she's a peach."

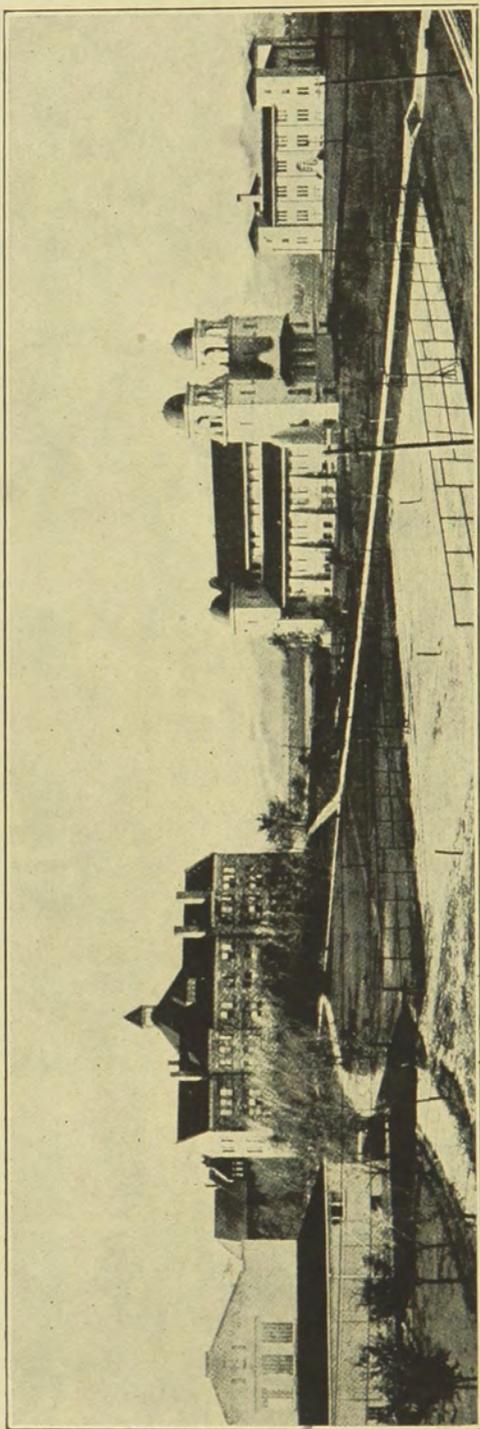
THE UNIVERSITY OF DENVER

There is an institution of American life that has never been sufficiently noticed—the little freshwater college. It has never been sufficiently praised—how could it be? Without traditions, without prestige, so often without much backing, it manages somehow to exist, the little college; is there anything more typical of American life at its freshest, at its finest?

What is prestige? If you are going to be obliged to bluff some vocational educationalist of a school superintendent in Walla Walla or Twin Falls, it is well to be able to say, "I got my degree from Vassar." These Bolsheviki are like their brethren in other lines—they repudiate, but they are impressed! On the other hand, as any Rhodes scholar could tell you, Oxford will sniff at Harvard, or even one of its colleges consider another an upstart! The Sorbonne will sniff at Oxford; the universities of Spain and Rome will give scant heed to the Sorbonne; and I suppose the really *decent* colleges of Peking smile languidly at all Occidental culture!

We are back in the West again, by dint of circling the globe; let me introduce my own college, which is the home of Theta: the University of Denver.

I never see it, in its setting of beauty-throbbing plains and background of unchanging hills, without a feeling of affection. I may smile (but please don't *you*, O Sister from afar!) at its variety of



CAMPUS OF UNIVERSITY OF DENVER

architecture. To me there is, or will be, no more pleasing agglomeration of styles of building on the earth! But fifteen years ago, when I was a student at Denver, we didn't have all that. We had just the dear old "Synagogue" or Main Building, very much mortgaged, and always with scratched woodwork and a broken window or two. We didn't have the Library, the Science Hall, the Gymnasium, the Chapel; we hadn't even the concrete paths on which the town girls now may walk daintily in pumps and sandals (if they condescend to sandals); *I* pushed valiantly, in buckled arctics, through scarcely broken snow from the car line to the old Main Building door.

We are endowed now, not with too much money, but with some; we can pay a good coach and beat the State University at football; we are no longer "struggling."

But some things are the same! We were endowed then with what heroism of effort, with what will to do, with what real depth of democratic ideal, with what scholarship, at once exact and broad! We were never anything but rich.

I heard one of the most modest girls I ever knew say of Denver (she is now "professor" in an important eastern university): "I wouldn't exchange my four years there for four years anywhere else. In my postgraduate courses at Columbia, I met girls from everywhere—Ann Arbor, Wellesley, Vassar, Radcliffe; and my scholarship stood up against the scholarship of any."

Of course it "stood up"; Denver could always offer the best things, the real things; if you can look past ivyed walls and sculptured interiors, lovely as they are to have—but easy, easy to get!—into the things that a college ought to mean, Denver has them all! She always has had them; scholarship, sacrifice, breadth of ideal.

The most of her alumni are always proud to say, "I came from Denver!"

EDITH BOUGHTON DENIOUS, '04.

"THE LODGE"

"You know," the tactful Gamma Phi rusher at the University of Denver always says to the rushee, "our Lodge is already paid for; and any freshman whom we initiate is never forced to any house debt whatever." Sometimes the prospective member is impressed and sometimes she isn't—but, as Kipling says, "That is another story." It remains an incontrovertible fact that there is no debt upon the little clubhouse which is the very heart of Theta's existence; and a very watchful board of directors sternly forbids new furniture and new "fixings" until the money is in the bank.

The Lodge, built on a corner which commands an unobstructed and magnificent view of the mountains, has a front pergola, presented by the charter members of the chapter, a south porch, a large living-room, a reception room with alcove, a cloakroom, and a most completely equipped kitchen. In the basement there is to be, eventually, another room and a large meeting hall; and when the chapter treasury expands the upper floor is to be enlarged and finished while a landscape gardener is to transform the grounds into a marvel of beauty.



THETA LODGE

The large room with the southern exposure is the center of all festivities, and here one finds various treasures such as the Beta andirons and the S A E clock; the smaller room has a Pi Phi lamp to brighten it, and here is the good-looking Roycroft guestbook in which each newcomer is forced to register; and ever since that day in 1913 when the "house-warming" welcomed all Greeks, the little house has been a vital part of the college and campus activities.

THE ANNUAL THETA PLAY

The Real Thing After All, a comedy-drama, written by Miss Lindsey Barbee, was given on Saturday evening, March 15, 1919, at the Broadway Theater, Denver, this being the fifteenth play written by Miss Barbee and presented by Theta Chapter, Gamma

Phi Beta. For brilliant repartee, clever situations, and interesting plot this play is, in the writer's estimation, the peer of any the author has yet written and will add luster to a splendidly established reputation. The play was staged and coached by Miss Edna Mae Sprague who surely deserves high praise for the fine presentation, and it was ably managed by Miss Mary Buchtel, assisted by Miss Marion Herbert.

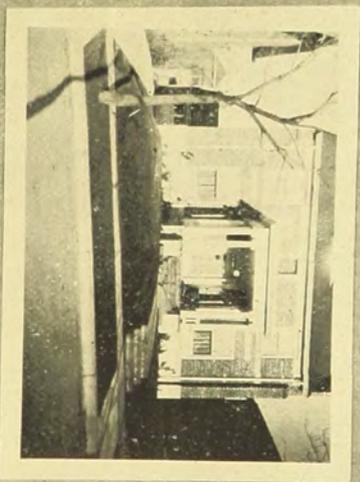
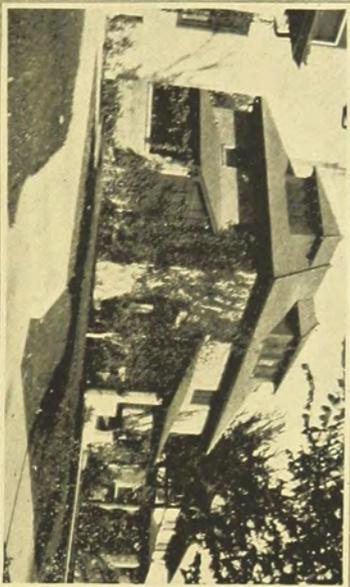
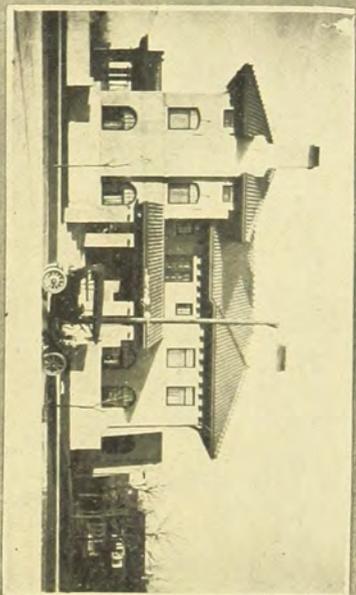
It was the unanimous opinion of the audience that the management offered an all-star cast which included two of most unusual brilliancy. Stars to be bright and scintillating are not necessarily large, so the part of Bobby Winton, seven years old, taken so perfectly by Dayton Denious, and that of Aimée, four years old, played by Emma Boughton Denious, shine out so as to demand first mention. Stage children are not always convincing but these two were so natural and so charming that they left nothing to be desired. Helen Campion as Anne Winton, mother of Bobby, was sweet and wholesome and rose to her emotional parts splendidly and these two together with Jesse Brandt as Robert Winton, the father, made a delightful family group. Elsie Olsen played the part of Ruth Meredith, whose gift of understanding called for the repression of her own feelings, with fine understanding. The perplexing character of Cecily Hargraves, sophisticated and selfish, was taken by Edith Quinby and should have particular mention in that she did a difficult thing very well. The splendid acting of Frank H. H. Roberts as Thomas Gregory, a mystery, came as a fine foil to the cleverness of Felice Davis as Alison Page, and between them they made the most of some of the most interesting situations in the play. Pauline Cornish as the little war-bride who confessed that she had not been sure that she would know her husband when she met him at the pier, and Verner Z. Reed, Jr., her lord and master, gave a fascinating picture of youthful ardor and enthusiasm. William J. Schaetzel as Richard Winton, whose delightful unconventionality is heralded before he arrives, was in every way equal to his part, and in his scenes with Aimée he quite scaled the heights. The character of Miss Ward, Dick's aunt and housekeeper, was given with fine dignity by Ruth Burgard and the parts of Kate, Fifi, and Dennis, played by Bernice Tucker, Eleanor Fish, and Dwight Lambert were quite up to the high level set by the rest of the cast. Ernest Howe, as Roger Atherton, who appeared only in the last act, made a very favorable impression.

On the whole the acting was so uniformly good that it set a high standard for all future performances.

The audience, representative as it was of the intellectual and social life of Denver, was enthusiastic in its approval and no doubt



HOME OF LOUISE ILIFF (Where the Theta Installation Was Held)



GAMMA PHI HOMES IN DENVER

Home of Mabel Walker Edwards (Mrs. J. S.)
Home of Adahne Bullen

Home of Mildred and Louise Robinson (Theta '18)
Home of Esie Olsen (Theta '20)

this will encourage the girls of Theta Chapter, Gamma Phi Beta, in their future efforts.

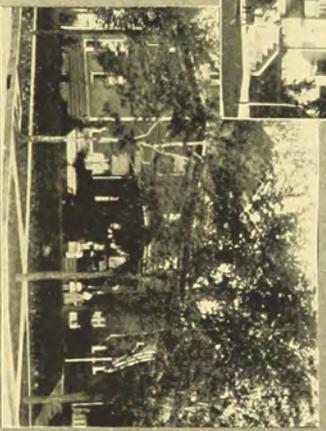
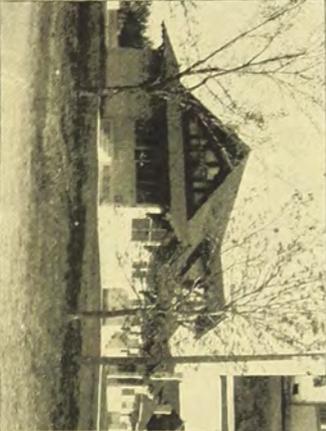
That the receipts so far over-balanced the expenditures, making possible a generous sum for the afflicted residents of Craig Colony for whose benefit the performance was given, is cause for additional congratulation.

LOIS MILES JACKSON.

GAMMA PHI HOMES IN DENVER

The homes of a chapter are inseparably connected with its history, and especially is this true of Theta, for since the time of installation, the loyal members have thrown their doors wide open for every kind of festivity and ceremony. The Lodge does not comfortably accommodate a large crowd; therefore rushing stunts, Panhellenic receptions, and "at homes" have often been given in these chapter homes—and a "birdseye view" of Theta, as convention hostesses, necessarily includes a mention of these dear and familiar residences.

The installation of Theta was held at the large Warren home in University Park where Mrs. Warren, as deeply interested in the welfare and progress of the chapter as was her daughter, Louise Iliff, helped to make that time a memorable one. The last rites of Alpha Iota—the initiation, the banquet, a large evening reception at which the new organization made its bow—all these functions were given at this home. There, in succeeding years, the Gamma Phis found headquarters, and many happy hours were spent within the walls. Aside from sorority associations, the house contains many treasures brought back from the foreign lands where Mrs. Warren and Miss Iliff have often visited. In the early days of the chapter, no home was more beloved than that of Lucia Pattison (Young) for here there was not only the heartiest of welcomes but the most friendly and informal atmosphere. Mabel Brown Holt has always been very close to both active and alumnae girls, and her beautiful home has always been open to sorority sisters; the first meeting of the chapter was held with Grace Evans Shannon; the spaciousness of Mabel Walker Edward's house with its gorgeous outlook over park and mountains has made it a popular spot; and there is no more charming home in Denver than that of Mary Crary Moore, in its white and gray colonial setting, its picket fence, and its wonderful sun porch. Grace McDonough's house has always been a rendezvous and her hospitality has been enjoyed more times than can be chronicled; while the lovely new residence

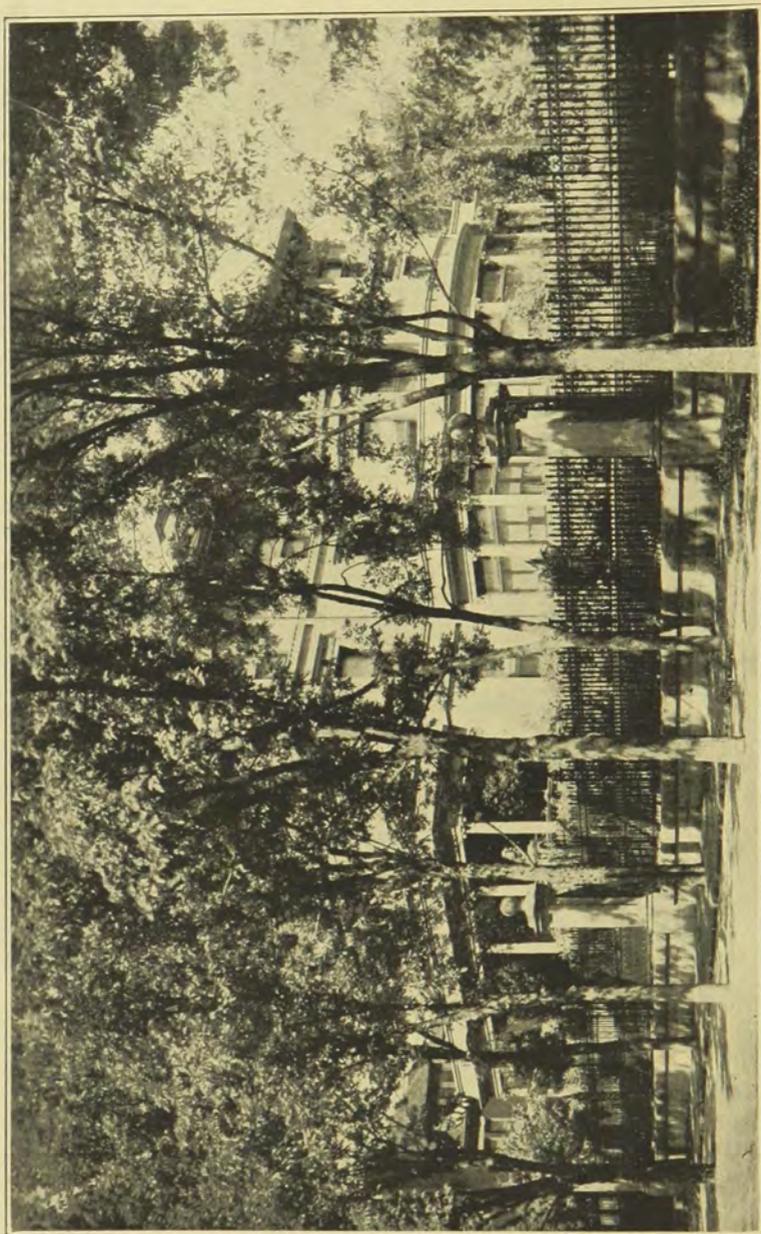


GAMMA PHI HOMES IN DENVER

Home of Felice Davis (Theta '20)
Home of Mary Butchel (Theta 20)

Home of Grace McDonough (Zeta)

Home of Lisle Brownell Milton (Mrs. J. B.)
Home of Grace Evans Shannon (Mrs. E. L.)
Where the First Theta Meeting Was Held



HOME OF HELEN CAMPION (Theta '20)

of Lisle Brownell Milton, which, so far, has had but one Gamma Phi affair, will probably be the center for many more.

Among the younger alumnae, Adaline Bullen and the Robinson girls have been hostesses for many Gamma Phi functions. The Bullen garden is well worthy of inspection and is a constant joy to the friends of the family.

In the active chapter, the Chancellor's charming bungalow has made all Gamma Phis welcome in its large, attractive living-room with the fine pictures and its rows and rows and shelves and shelves of books; and it is a favorite pastime of the Chancellor to gather at a party of his own all the college girls who wear the crescent. The homes of Elsie Olsen and Pauline Cornish have often been the setting for initiations and rushing parties; and the mention of play rehearsals always brings to mind Felice Davis' big library and hall where everything has been staged and where an appreciative audience has draped itself on stairway and over balustrade; and where Mrs. Davis, in the rôle of the ideal Gamma Phi mother, thinks of everything which may appeal to the comfort of the Thespians. Rehearsals have also been held in Helen Champion's home—and the Champion home, with its large grounds and wonderful flower beds is considered one of the most distinctive and beautiful places in Denver.

But, if you tarry with us in Denver, you will see them all for yourselves!

GAMMA PHI BETA WAR WORK

COPY OF NOTE FROM BELGIAN LEGATION

Legation de Belgique, Washington, D. C.

March 15, 1919.

Dear Miss Richardson:—

I am grateful beyond words for the check of One Thousand Dollars (\$1,000) which you have been so kind to send to the Belgian Legation on behalf of Gamma Phi Beta Sorority, destined to the Belgian Relief. It is really too good of you to keep working so faithfully for the welfare of my people.

According to your instructions I will divide this amount equally between the Countess Ven den Stein's fund and the Santé de l'Enfance belge.

With renewed heartfelt thanks, I beg to remain, dear Miss Richardson,
Yours very sincerely,

C. SYMONS,

Charge d' Affaires de Belgique.

REPORT OF WISCONSIN MILK BOTTLE FUND

Forward from February 15, 1919..... \$93.97

Collections

Hartford\$ 11.00

Whitewater 14.00

THE CRESCENT OF GAMMA PHI BETA

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| Beloit | \$40.00 |
| Stoughton | 13.58 |
| Edgerton | 1.57 |
| Wausau | 21.64 |
| Milwaukee | 130.00 |
| Madison | 56.35 |
| Fond du Lac | 37.84 |
| Janesville | 26.64 |
| Burlington | 10.00 (a gift) |
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| | \$353.62 |

Total\$447.59

Disbursements

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| To Miss Richardson Nos. 16, 17, 18..... | \$330.00 |
| To Findorff No. 15 for 12 stands..... | 70.00 |
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| | \$400.00 |

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| Balance on hand May 1, 1919..... | \$ 47.59 |
| Wisconsin's total collections to date..... | \$864.56 |
| Wisconsin's total contribution to Miss Richardson. | 730.00 |
| Wisconsin's expenses of administration..... | 86.97 |

Stands discontinued in Beloit and about to be discontinued in Milwaukee.

NOTE: Up to April 1 the sum of \$4,000 was sent to the Belgian legation.
Make it five thousand by convention time!



Comradship—from north and south and east and west;
Opportunity—for gaining what is best.
National spirit—ever strong and full and free;
Vision of a Gamma Phi that is to be.
Endeavor, too,—that's tireless in her cause;
Nonsense—fun—frivolity—in ev'ry pause.
Tonic—from the mountain breeze, the western sun;
Increased enthusiasm, zeal, for ev'ry one.
Old friends—true friends of college days to greet;
New ties to form and strengthen—and new friends to meet.

Dear me! What can one say of convention that hasn't already been said? Is it possible to make our invitation stronger? Can we paint the beauties of Estes Park in colors more alluring, more entrancing? We wish that we might use illuminated letters and that you might find an eloquent message between the lines, and perhaps you will. Anyway we want you—everyone who wears the crescent—and we know that our every anticipation will be realized when you are introduced to the beautiful spot which we have chosen for Gamma Phi Beta's biennial gathering. It will be the first Gamma Phi convention in the heart of the mountains; and with delegates, visitors, and hostesses all under one roof surely there should be plenty of inspiration and good fellowship. So, once more our slogan—Come to convention!

"What will you western maidens do?" said dubious Gamma Phi.
"Just wait and see," laughed Theta, "We'll have a beefsteak fry.
A wild and woolly custom, but it doesn't hurt a bit
And you'll be western just as soon as you have sampled it.

*We'll treat you to a vaudeville show—of 'vaudes' the very best,
 We'll hike you as a pastime to the nearest mountain crest.
 We'll challenge you to tennis, and to golf, and some dark night,
 We'll swear eternal friendship by a bonfire, huge and bright.
 We'll do our best to make your stay one grand convention lark,
 So that you'll be most awful glad you came to Estes Park!"*

Long's Peak g'lowing and sullen in a thunderstorm; Long's Peak, enveloped in silvery mist and smiling through a rainbow; Long's Peak radiant in the gorgeous hues of sunset; Long's Peak, stern and forbidding, in a coronet of snow; Long's Peak, glorious in the haze of golden Colorado sunshine; Long's Peak, changing ever and yet eternally steadfast. Won't it prove a magnet to easterners? And can't we persuade you to watch it in its many moods?

*And faith, you must not be believin',
 That sunshine is all you're receivin'—
 When the chill comes, bedad,
 For a sweater you're glad—
 And weather is often deceivin'!*

You've heard of Colorado wild flowers, haven't you? Well, we want to introduce you, first, to our own state flower, the dainty columbine; and then, to a lovely purple snake weed, a large white poppy, a gorgeous painter's brush, and a winsome wild rose; and if you wend your way above timber line, you'll find violets, buttercups, and forget-me-nots—strange as it may seem!

*"We'll have a ball, in fancy dress," says Theta, with a smile.
 "And everybody must appear in some alluring style.
 We'll one-step and we'll fox-trot—and we'll one-step once again,
 To show you that we can have fun without the college men.
 And then a grand cotillion in formal style we'll lead,
 When prizes for distinction will duly be decreed.
 Straightway put on your thinking cap—for here's your chance to be
 The very thing you've always been denied by destiny."*

The management of the Hotel Stanley is enthusiastically and generously coöperating with the Convention Committee, and is inventing all kinds of plans to make your stay comfortable, memorable, and just a little bit different from anything you have ever experienced. So come along, alumnaë! Do your bit in helping to make this gathering a wonderful experience and get acquainted with our entire chapter roll! For it now uses all the Greek alpha-

bet to designate itself, and the only way you'll appreciate our nationalism is to be one of us on this auspicious occasion.

*In the country of the Rockies, 'neath the Colorado blue,
There's a welcome that is waiting—and it's waiting all for you.
For the wind is in the pine trees—can't you hear it calling? Hark!
"There is just one road for Gamma Phis—the road to Estes Park!"*

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Will convention delegates and visitors kindly send names and requisitions as soon as possible to Mrs. Clarke? This will greatly facilitate the work of the Convention Committee.

The October CRESCENT is, of course, scheduled as *Convention Number*.

On account of lack of time, the Editor has deemed it wise to keep the "write-up" of the new Business Manager, Miss Van Patten, until the October CRESCENT, when she may be given proper prominence.

Once more we make the plea—send all chapter letters and personals to Mrs. Graham; everything else to the Editor. Extra work and much confusion have resulted from some chapters sending photographs and biographies of delegates to Mrs. Graham, who was as a consequence caused the unnecessary trouble of forwarding them to Miss Barbee. On the other hand, the Editor received several chapter letters which had to be remailed to Mrs. Graham.

If your chapter is omitted in the Chapter Directory or if there is some mistake, notify the Editor immediately.

DEPARTMENT OF THE GRAND COUNCIL

Convention time is approaching and the Council wishes to join Theta and Denver in extending an invitation to everyone who can to join us in Estes Park the last week in August. A complete description has been prepared by the committee for this number of *THE CRESCENT*, so there is no need of enlarging upon the charms of Colorado in the summer time. We hope to have a very busy and profitable time as well as pleasant one and shall rely upon everyone present to do her part to make convention a success.

Since convention is so near no important business has been transacted by the Council since the last letter was published. We are saving everything for action at convention. A circular letter has been mailed to all chapters and council members containing the suggestions for convention business sent in by chapters. If any fail to receive said copies please notify the President and another will be sent. The suggestions of one chapter came after the letter had been mimeographed; we shall see that the suggestions are presented at convention anyway and if possible they may be sent out before that time.

The Council announces the appointment of Mrs. Irene Cuykendall Garrett of Syracuse as visiting delegate from the Eastern District to succeed Mrs. Dorothy Potter France, resigned. Mrs. Garrett is making such visits as possible before the colleges close. It has been a very difficult year to secure workers for any field and the influenza has greatly hampered the work of those who have been appointed.

We are pleased to announce the organization of two more alumnæ associations, the Evanston and North Shore, and the St. Louis Association. The secretary of the former is Mrs. Helen Paddock Truesdale, 1830 Sheridan Road, Evanston. The name of the latter's secretary has not been received up to the time of writing, but may be announced elsewhere.

The subject of alumnæ associations will receive much attention at convention and we hope to strengthen these greatly by new plans and uniform rulings. It is our hope to have an organization in every locality where the number of members living there will warrant it, and to have the scattered ones affiliated with the nearest one even when distances prevent that member from attending meetings. There is much to be gained by correspondence and keeping in touch with things. San Francisco, with the aid of our western visiting delegate, Miss Bridge, has worked out an excellent plan which we hope will be adopted at convention.

The past year has been a trying one for all chapters with college work so broken up by illness and consequent closing of classes, but we know that everyone has tried to do her best and in the closing letter for the college year I wish to express for myself and the other members of the Council our great appreciation of the coöperation we have received in our efforts to advance the interests of Gamma Phi Beta.

Very sincerely yours,

CARRIE E. MORGAN,
President of Gamma Phi Beta.



MRS. WM. J. GRAHAM, Editor of Chapter Letters, 380 Ninth St., Brooklyn, N. Y. Send *all* Chapter Letters and Personals to Mrs. Graham. Next letter *must* be in her hands by *September 15*. Kindly send to Mrs. Graham the name of new "Crescent" correspondent, with both winter and summer addresses, as soon as she is elected.

ALPHA—SYRACUSE UNIVERSITY

Dear Gamma Phis:

The most exciting events of the spring still lurk in the dim rosy future. Our formal dance is to happen April 26 in the ballroom of the Onondaga Hotel. The girls are already planning dainty concoctions of maline and "sparkly stuff" in which to greet the dazzled eyes of their escorts. Since we have had no formal dances during the war, this one is doubly exciting. We expect quite a few of our alumnæ back to help us follow,

"With nimble grace

A happy pace."

The sophomores are getting suspiciously clannish lately and we expect donation party soon. They laugh a great deal when they are planning it, so we hope it will be as funny as they think it will be. There have been rumors that it will be a Bolsheviki party and we only hope that they will leave us a little of our chapter-house furniture for next year.

Of course we hate to brag or anything but celebrities—that's Gamma Phi "all over Mable." Jeanette Walters, '21, Kathryn Stephen, '21, and Janet Cook, '22, all made Boars Head, the college dramatic society. Lillian Boyd is vice-president of the senior class and Julia Gant of the freshman class. Jean Flick, '21, is an associate editor of the *Daily Orange* and swimming representative to the Athletic Association. Ruth Halsted, '22, is captain of the freshman swimming team.

We have tried a new plan lately, or rather it isn't exactly new because some of the western chapters have tried it, but it's new for us. We decided we'd like to get better acquainted with the girls of the other sororities on the "hill," so we've been inviting the different sororities to our chapter-house Friday evenings after meeting. The first time the Kappa Alpha Thetas came up. We gave a short program, then we sang them our songs and the Thetas "retaliated." Afterward we danced. Alpha Phi was the next sorority that we entertained. We all had a mighty good time and are strong for this way of enlarging college acquaintances. We recommend it to all chapters who have not yet tried it.

We have been doing a little rushing of city girls this spring, hoping in this way to make our fall rushing easier. It seems fine to have our pledges

really part of the chapter now. They were all safely initiated February 28 except Dorothy Hawkins and Mary Ellis who were prevented by illness from getting the necessary counts.

Spring vacation is just ahead of us, a real vacation this year of over a week, for which we are duly grateful.

MARGARET GANT.

PERSONALS

Olivia Bigelow and Earnestine Spaulding of the class of 1918 both spent a part of their spring vacation at the chapter-house.

Joie Potter, '18, has been appointed assistant physical director at the Y. W. C. A. in Syracuse.

Irene Cuykendall Garret is taking Dorothy Potter France's place as visiting delegate for the eastern chapters.

BETA—UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN

Dear Sisters:

Since I judge the excitement of college life to be about equal in all such institutions as this, I will have regard for your being loath to lose any precious time and begin "in the middle."

We all came back from spring vacation, amid a rain storm and plenty of mud, to excitement and surprise. Peggy Lippincott, one of our seniors, had announced her engagement while she was at home and ten pounds of candy awaited us for immediate consumption. Speechless surprise greeted the announcement, much to the delight of the few who had known. Peggy's Sam is still flying in France, so we have another soldier to welcome into our circle of brothers.

Out of the mad whirl of that week before we went home, everything peers forth. Mid-semesters, opera, junior girls' play, Gamma Phi reception, and junior hop. Mid-semesters I do not attempt. I am perfectly willing to infer that the horrible things are the same everywhere. The opera is more agreeable in literature. The Michigan Union Opera (its official title) is a species of musical comedy given (in all years but last) exclusively by men. This year the men reclaimed their precedent and the opera was again constructed along customary lines. I will say that it was a credit to precedent. Our girls who were in the cast last year could peacefully behold the work of other talent.

The junior girls' play, though not exactly "opposite" to the opera, is at least composed entirely of girls. The chief difference is that this is of a slightly more "highbrow" nature. This year we are very proud to say that it was written by a Gamma Phi, Pauline Benedict Fischer. In addition, two of our juniors were members of the cast. The play itself was very pretty and a great success.

Thursday of the week before vacation Beta and her alumnae gave an evening reception in honor of Dr. Clara M. Davis, who has just returned from France. Dr. Davis is a Beta alumna and has been in France since 1917, with the French army at the front. She was a guest of Winnifred Morse Kinne, who is also one of our alumnae.

The Michigan junior hop, which is usually given between semesters, and which was omitted entirely last year, was given this year during spring vacation. Beta was well represented. Clara Hagerman, who was in the chapter three years ago, came back to the Sigma Phi house party. The hop itself was lovely and the chapter is just now hearing the thrilling tales of it. It is surely too bad to have vacation intervene.

And now back to initiation. Our fourteen new full-fledged Gamma Phis we surely feel we can be proud of. We held initiation the first Saturday

in March in the afternoon. Our freshmen stayed with us the night before, and we hope spent a peaceful night in our beds. In the evening we held our annual banquet, at which all our new sisters in the midst of flowers and ribbons spoke to us. Clara Stimson, '17, acted as toastmistress, calling in turn upon Dorothea Flintermann, a junior initiate, who spoke for the freshmen, Freda Stuart, Bertral Summers, daughter and sister, Nona Doherty, Doris Sprague, Ethel Williams, Helen Bishop, Margaret Crittenden, Hilda Bowen, Laura Gridley, Margaret Simonson, Olive Hatton, Frances Weimer, and Harriet Gustin, who are our initiates. We were very fortunate in having Dorothy Chapman from Epsilon with us for initiation. We are certainly glad to have our freshmen more truly one with us and are looking forward to the time when they will live in the house with us.

With this Beta bids you all farewell and good luck.

QUINNETH C. SUMMERS.

PERSONALS

Margaret Hoyt is in France in the canteen service.

Kate and Alice Wieber are spending the winter in Asheville, N. C.

Helen Tuttle, Pansy Blake, and Vivienne Kerr spent a week-end in April at the house.

Marguerite Adams is doing Red Cross work in Crystal Falls, Mich.

Pauline Adams Drake has come to Ann Arbor to live.

Hester Cooper, Pansy Blake, Sarah Denbleiker Vandiemer, Vivienne Kerr, Marion Scott Goodrich, and Augusta Durfee Flintermann came out for initiation.

ENGAGEMENT

Margaret I. Lippincott to Samuel Ewart Emmons, Phi Gamma Delta, U. S. Army, France.

MARRIAGE

Margaret Pauline Benedict to Alfred Fischer.

GAMMA—UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN

Dear Sisters in Gamma Phi Beta:

The third quarter at the University of Wisconsin opened under the disagreeable auspices of our persistent visitor, the "flu" ban. Very little was accomplished therefore during the first two weeks, as activities were necessarily curtailed.

However, as soon as the restrictions were removed, everyone turned in with characteristic Wisconsin spirit to restore old traditions and customs. The campus has been the scene of almost bloody conflicts between those friendly enemies, the sophomores and freshmen; and the yearlings have been ducked in the icy waters of Mendota by the dozen. Although the girls have not taken an active part in such rough pastimes as these, they, too, have been busy showing enthusiasm and spirit in rebuilding the university.

We were very happy to have a Gamma girl elected to the vice-presidency of the Student Government Association last week. Doris Simonson, '20, brought us this honor. Mildred Rogers, '21, and Helen Harper, '21, were placed on the Y. W. C. A. Cabinet recently, and Irene Haley, '20, was made social chairman of the junior class.

With the lifting of the "flu" ban the social affairs of the university again came into prominence. The much discussed junior prom is definitely slated for April 25, and Irene Haley will lead the grand march which precedes the big event.

We are planning on holding our annual formal on May 2, and we are importing entertainment from Milwaukee in order to contribute to its success. All in all our social events of the year have been highly gratifying and have built us quite a reputation as pleasing hostesses. After which self-complacent remark I will close with due haste, lest I convince my unknown sisters that I am totally unfit to act as scribe for Gamma Chapter.

FLORENCE DEAKIN.

PERSONAL

Ethel Garbutt and Dorothy Bannen of Milwaukee were house guests in April.

ENGAGEMENTS

Doris Simonson, '20, to Harry West Hirshheimer, Delta Upsilon '17.
Jean Towsley, '19, to Allen Byrne Woodard, Delta Tau Delta.

MARRIAGE

Myrtle Olive Milner to Mr. Warren Henry Lewis, February 22. Mr. and Mrs. Lewis are living in Kenosha, Wis.

BIRTH

To Mr. and Mrs. Vergil Rector (Mary Clark, '18), a son on March 22.

DEATH

Catherine Mount, '14, at Bellevue Hospital, New York City.

DELTA—BOSTON UNIVERSITY

Dear Sisters in Gamma Phi:

Life is so springlike just now that writing in a "Line-a-day" is an exertion to be avoided. What chance has a poor chapter letter? But "let's go" as they say in the movies.

Did I foretell stunt night in my last letter? Stunt night, when each of the ten sororities puts on a stunt in the erstwhile chapel, and no men are allowed, but masculine attire is abundant and varied? The stunts range from a real playlet to Mrs. Jarley's waxworks and a faculty meeting! Gamma Phi gave Julius Cæsar, a musical comedy, which is a concoction of Delta in the older days and loses nothing of its spice! One of the immortal scenes is when Antony offers the chafing dish legs as a crown to Cæsar (alias Betty Macy whom you will see at convention), who in his wrath dented it on the floor. (Private note for Theta: She isn't given to breaking dishes, really!) Table knives took the place of swords and drew forth gobs of blood (red middy ties) thus making possible a charmingly realistic presentation of the joys of Rome on a certain date in March, 44 B.C.

Quick change—the whole university at a Conscience lecture, which is one of a series of ten, given by Prof. George Herbert Palmer, THE Professor Palmer. Aren't we lucky? He doesn't guarantee to make our consciences any better but we are in hopes, at least some of us are!

As an example of the rhetorical principle of contrast, let me take you next to the Fritz Carleton Hotel. Conscience lectures, chemical laboratory, and Calculus forgotten, "the Gamma Phis are giv'n to dancing." It was our first "sure 'nough" dance since early in 1917 and we had every right to enjoy it, which we did!

As usual we parlez-vous-ed enthusiastically at the Cercle Français, soirée, which was a combination of colorful living posters, chansons mimées, Captain Morize in his horizon blue, and Angelina Funai and Juliette Lemay in "La poudre aux yeux."

On April 5, the CRESCENT correspondent chased a train *à pied*—not even time to hire a taxi—half way to Wollaston to be at the long awaited initiation. You see the three-term plan makes it dreadfully late, as so few freshmen take eighteen hours' work. In spite of my strenuous efforts to be at initiation, I'm afraid I have no new and illuminating comments to make, particularly for the press. So hurry back to Boston, where at the Hotel Bellevue the eighteen active girls and twenty-seven *alumnæ* banqueted and sang, toasted and were toasted.

"Gamma Phi, the freshmen love you
And will loyal be;
Here's our pledge of faith and service,
Delta here's to thee."

sang the freshmen, which made us prouder than ever to be Gamma Phis and actives with them.

Ahead of us is a circus at college, where one may be any thing from a monkey to a movie star. And speaking of parades the 26th Division, the Y. D. boys, are to parade in Boston soon, and this time we haven't got to chase over to Commonwealth Avenue but can "take our ease" (no lessons that day) at "our inn" (688 Boylston Street) and be a part of their welcome. The whistles for the *Agamemnon* are blowing now and excitement is in the very air. Some of the girls from college, by the way, have been entertaining the French brides who landed last week and are waiting for the discharge of their husbands.

Commencement is late this year, "the twenty-fourth of June," but in spite of the real one it promises to be with pops, prom, and play as in the good old days, it seems woefully near, when we remember that the turn of a tassel takes Thelma, Mildred, and Juliette from us. Little things do make such a difference, don't they? Oh dear, I meant that to apply to the act of tassel-turning, and it sounds as if it were the girls!!! They aren't any of them very large physically, so please consider that is where the reference ends. Philosophizing is apt to get one into trouble!

Delta's best wishes for a happy summer and a most successful convention.

EDITH SNOW.

EPSILON—NORTHWESTERN UNIVERSITY

Dear Gamma Phis:

In my last letter I hinted to you of a party we were planning for our *alumnæ*. It was given in the tea-garden of Evanston's new hotel. Our guests had quite a lively time renewing acquaintances, talking with old friends, and meeting new ones. After tea had been served, Ruth Hine told of our activities on the campus, of our success in politics as well as athletics. Lucile Jenks gave us some very important information on Epsilon's financial standing. The message Marion Van Patten had to deliver was, perhaps, the most important of all. She outlined plans for a North Shore *Alumnæ* Association which were met with unbounded enthusiasm. As a result we now have an enthusiastic number of *alumnæ* sitting up nights trying to think of things to do for us.

Our dance was just as successful as our tea. Owing to the nearness of *Prom* we decided to make our party informal, and dispense with our usual guests from each sorority. Several rushees and two or three out-of-town sisters made us quite happy with their presence. We had marvelous music, delicious punch, and loads of fun.

Between convention, our annual house party, and our June banquet with its formal dance, we shall be kept pretty busy. Everybody is pulling wires, and begging and praying, determined to get to Denver by hook or crook. I

just know you'll be surprised when the time comes and you see Epsilon turn out en masse. Our house party is requiring a great deal of thought this year. We want everybody to come and help lay the plans for rushing in the fall. We get the work done and have a wonderful time besides. If everyone goes that wants to we'll have to rent a hotel instead of a cottage. That won't make any difference though, for the more, the merrier, when they are Gamma Phis.

Instead of having an initiation banquet, Epsilon has always had a huge one in June. It is always the Saturday before commencement, and everybody attends. It's the biggest event of the year, and the most memorable. Miss Morgan and most of the Grand Council favor us with their presence, and make it a gala occasion indeed. With the return to more normal conditions it is bound to be bigger and more thrilling than ever, this year. I just wish that every one of you could be here for it. If any of you are in town at that time don't fail to let us know, and don't hesitate to come.

I don't suppose I'll get another chance to tell you about our seniors, so I'd better do it right now. Just think there are eleven of them: Lucile Jenks, Jane Kendall, Mildred Clark, Elizabeth Wells, Ruth Bartells, Frances Light, Gladys Williams, Willa Jansky, Celia Merry, Lucile Helmuth, Ann Latimer. It's pretty early to talk about, as yet, but I'm sure at least two of them will be Phi Betta Kappas, and there will be a number of close seconds. The chapter surely is proud of them all, but how it will miss them!

As it's very late, and I've told you all I know, I'll have to say bye-bye.

ANN LATIMER.

PERSONALS

Esther Stoffel visited Evanston on April 4.

Joan Crocker came up for prom and spent the week-end with us.

Margaret Walsh, home from Michigan on Easter vacation, paid us a visit.

Anne Roy came up to Chicago to get her trousseau, and dropped in to say "Hello."

Mrs. James Mosher visited Evanston early in March.

MARRIAGE

Anne Roy to Lynn Pewitt Sifford, Anna, Ill., April 9, 1919.

BIRTHS

To Joyce Farr Damm, '15, a son, Nelson Eugene Damm.

ZETA—GOUCHER COLLEGE

Dear Gamma Phis:

Alas and alack! I had a feeling that a great many exciting things had happened here lately but when I come to write them down I cannot think of much that is so very interesting.

One of our main topics of conversation now is the convention. It certainly is a lucky thing for Denver that most of us are too poor to pack up and go. I know that is what each one of us would love to do. The two juniors, Louise Dexter and Hester Corner, who are going are quite the objects of envy.

Since I last wrote, two things for which we always wait longingly have come and gone—senior dramatics and spring vacation! The former was a howling success. The seniors presented Molière's *Le Bourgeois Gentilhomme*. Some of the girls in the class made all of the costumes and they could not have been better.

The great mystery now is the date of the appearance of *Donnybrook Fair*, our yearbook. The juniors keep it a great secret but the rest of us have our suspicions that we will not have to wait much longer.

If you were to be around college now you would see the Gamma Phis hustling around trying to sell tickets to different moving picture theaters for the benefit of their "social service work." Please wish us great success!

Wishing you all a happy vacation this summer.

EMMA E. THOMAS.

ETA—UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA

Dear Sisters:

It seems as if the last chapter letter had just been stamped and mailed, but now comes the brown envelope calling for another one. Everything that should have happened last year has been crowded into this semester, and some more too. The faculty is working us all to the limit to make up for last semester's deficiencies. Beside this, we are having the most glorious California spring weather. The combination is really hectic.



ETA'S PLEDGES

Ruth Kindsen and Felicia Mahl

Just at present the most important thing on the campus is the Students' Union Campaign. This week we are trying to raise \$75,000 on the campus and we hope to get enough additional money from the alumni and regents of the University of California to build a million-dollar Students' Union. This building is to consist eventually of three stories and a roof garden; to hold the students' cooperative store and the cafeteria, offices for the publications and officers of the student body, committee rooms, restrooms, bedrooms for commuters, banquet-rooms, a dance hall and theater. It will be dedicated to the men who have given up their lives in the Great

War. Its purpose is to promote a spirit of fellowship and a feeling of unity, which have almost vanished during the last few years due to the tremendous growth of the student body. We want the building so much, and if we are ever going to have it we need it now. So far, the campaign is having considerable success.

Speaking of this spirit of unity, Eta and Mu Chapters have decided it is time we know each other better. The first of March a number of Mu girls came up to Berkeley. In the afternoon we went to the junior farce, and in the evening we had jinks at the house, the *alumnæ* superintending. Everybody appeared in very impromptu costumes, some of which, nevertheless, rivaled the best at the big Prytanean Fête, which is the biggest fancy dress campus party. At the Mu-Eta party two of the freshmen appeared in ballet costumes made of newspapers with coiffures of hundreds of braids. Try the effect and see how coquettish it is! The 1920 styles were there and we all approved. The *alumnæ* presented a dramatic gem, in which the Phi Beta received great applause. The one hitch in the party occurred when "E. B." Bridge discovered some of the freshmen eating ice cream which was left over from what the cook had served for dinner and which was ordered by the *alumnæ* for refreshments! We finally discovered the ice cream originally intended for dinner and ate that instead, although it was in a rather melted condition. We wish we could see the Mu girls oftener and all the rest of you.

We have two new pledges of whom we are very proud, Ruth Knudsen and Felicia Mahl. The rushing rules here have been somewhat revised lately and are not so stringent as formerly. A rule providing for no bidding until two weeks before final examinations was turned down, for which we were very glad. Elizabeth Bridge lived at the house for a week as visiting delegate (we never realized before how very businesslike she could be) and told us about the rushing in other places. Whatever system is used, rushing seems to be a necessary evil.

We are all looking forward to convention, some to going and the others to hearing about it. Eta Chapter is sending two official delegates, Annette Ruggles, '20, and Helen Gardner, '21. Annette has a Gamma Phi sister who has a small daughter three weeks old. The daughter is really the important member of the family. Annette is official dance orchestra, ex-house manager, and has her finger in many campus activities. If anything is wrong, "Ask Annette." Helen's most remarkable feature is her red hair. (If she should see this letter before it is printed that sentence wouldn't be there.) The hair explains everything else, pep, temperament, general popularity, and so forth. I could say a lot more about the girls, but words fail me. You can find out the worst for yourselves.

This is a very long letter, and if I do not stop now, it will be longer, so I'll end with sending Eta's best wishes to you all for the very happiest of vacations.

MARGARET SMITH.

ENGAGEMENT

Ivy Little, '22, to Lieut. Kenneth Barager.

THETA—UNIVERSITY OF DENVER

Dear Gamma Phis:

Of course we want to tell you first of all about the play. It still seems the most important thing in sorority life, although it was given three weeks ago. It could not have been more of a success, but as it was one of Lindsey's plays that was a matter of course. We sold out the largest theater in the city and had a most appreciative audience. The best part of it all

was that we were able to turn over half the proceeds, \$250, to a very worthy charity.

Four days later the play was repeated at the Soldiers' and Sailors' Club, the actors feeling very blasé by that time and much like old treaders of the footlights but enjoying the performance because of the "double quick" wit and huge good nature of the military audience. They did prove a trifle embarrassing to the gentlemen of the cast during some tender love scenes but no one ever expected the army to be too hard hearted. We have been asked to repeat the play at the Government's Recuperation Camp here so it is possible that our theatrical career has not yet ended.

The after-the-play problem of how to entertain the men who took part was easily solved this year by a picnic supper and dance. The plans are still in process of construction, but it is to be a back-to-nature party, with gingham dresses, tin plates, and a ranch, if we can find one accommodat-ingly near town.

We've also marked May 17 for a subscription dance that Gamma Phi is arranging and May 3 for the dance which our alumnæ are giving, so prospects seem bright for much social flitting after Easter.

Theta is very glad to announce Ruth Tucker as a pledge. She does not come as a friendless orphan, having a Gamma Phi sister, Bernice, who will make her walk chalk and mind her "p's" and "q's." But at the same time that we gained a pledge the active chapter lost a member in Marion Herbert. It has been darkly rumored that Lieut. Flynn Andrew, Kappa Sigma, who has just returned with aviation honors and the war cross, is responsible for this lamentable straying from the paths of higher education.

Theta, as you can guess, is busy with plans, programs, and committees; things that we can't discuss now but want to tell you about personally in August. So pack your kits and you will find us waiting for you in "the queen city of the plains" near the stately Rockies that offer amusement, rest, and every beauty of Nature.

Wishing you a pleasant journey.

Sincerely yours,

FELICE DAVIS.

KAPPA—UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA

Dear Gamma Phi:

I have so much to tell you in this letter that I hardly know where to begin. Perhaps I had better go clear back into rushing and tell you first of all how that came out. We finished up on a Wednesday with our famous "train luncheon," after which the freshmen left our door to enter into silence. Saturday was pledge day, and we anxiously awaited, behind drawn curtains, our quota of freshmen. When they arrived, there was a dreadful uproar, and much kissing and laughing, and then followed that service so dear to all Gamma Phi hearts. We pledged Alice Dunnell and Florence Warnock of Minneapolis and Alice Kidder of Fergus Falls. The following Monday we gained another new member, Ruth Duesler, a sophomore from Minneapolis. We are very happy with our four new girls, and we realize that they add to our chapter four good students, for rushing this year was on a scholarship basis, and only those passing in all their work could be rushed or pledged. Before this letter reaches you they will all be initiated.

We gave our second dancing party this year, on March 14 at the house. There were St. Patrick's day decorations, and we all had a wonderful time, as we always do at Gamma Phi parties. Another social event which has taken place since I last wrote you, was the bridge which we gave to

raise money for the house. Alumnæ, mothers, friends, and the active girls played, and we served tea after bridge was over.

Last Monday night, after meeting and spread, our freshmen put on a show for us. I do wish all of you could have seen and enjoyed it with us. I think our laughter must have been heard blocks away, for it was the cleverest bunch of nonsense I have heard for a long time. Incidentally, I think we discovered some very good rushing stunts, which will be used, I'm afraid, all too soon.

Our third spasm of rushing begins very soon now, for the freshmen who successfully completed their last quarter's work. It seems dreadful to have so much rushing, but we are in hopes that if we have this system again next year, there will be only one season for it.

Kappa's best wishes for a wonderful summer for every one of you.

HELEN HART.

PERSONALS

Ruth Duesler has just been elected the academic woman's representative on the board of publishers for the 1921 *Gopher*, the Minnesota yearbook.

Harriet Thompson has returned to college this quarter, after being out all year because of illness.

Helen Hart has been elected vice-president of Y. W. C. A.

Ethel Robinson has returned to college this quarter to take up special work.

Kappa Chapter is very proud to have one of her sophomores, Evangeline Skellet, lead the junior ball, which is the biggest social event of the college year.

LAMBDA—UNIVERSITY OF WASHINGTON

Dear Sisters in Gamma Phi Beta:

This is the beginning of the third quarter of the college year, and the university is just assuming a little of the old-time atmosphere. All military regulations and restrictions have been removed. The boys are coming back, and college activities which had to be forfeited to the war, are all starting up anew.

We have not been able to do as much as we should like the first two quarters, as it has been more a period of organization than one of actual activity. However, our girls have been active in all fields. Virginia Benson and Katherine Barnhisel made the sophomore basketball team, which class won the interclass basketball championship. Ruth Frye Osborn, made the women's varsity basketball team, as well as her senior team. Anita Merry Wheeler and Ruth Norton, sophomores, made Mu Phi Epsilon, honorary musical fraternity. Virginia Benson made varsity debating team, and three made Sacejewea, girl's largest debating society on the campus.

Doreen Kennedy was elected vice-president of Women's League, the largest women's organization on the campus. Many have turned their attention to journalism, and have made the staff of the *Daily*. Isabel McCormack was on the Junior Prom committee. Margaret Coffin was appointed to the Y. W. C. A. cabinet, an important position of responsibility and trust, and was active on the varsity ball committee which arranged the largest formal function of the college year. We have just given two big dansants for the relief of the Belgian babies, on Monday and Tuesday, the first two days of registration for the new quarter. This we thought to substitute for the milk bottle relief service which we are not able to use in this state. Invitations were sent to all the organizations on the campus, inviting them to travel to Persia with us. The motif was Persian, and incense, heavy rugs, and girls in costume suggested the Persian atmosphere.

Both dansants were a success financially and we were satisfied that our results were worth while.

Sincerely,
 MARIAN DENYER CARREGAN.

PERSONALS

Helen Allen, Gertrude Tingling, and Josephine Carmen, all of the class of 1920, are back in college after a year's absence.

Ruth Floyd and Marion Fargo, '21, and Katy Wagner, '22, have returned to college, after the absence of a quarter.

Lillian Brock of Nu Chapter is spending the winter in Seattle.

MARRIAGES

Gretchen Smith, ex-'20, of Everett, Wash., was married on April 9 to David M. Hartly.

Edna Stuchell, ex-'19, of Seattle, Wash., was married to Glen Warren Carpenter.

MU—STANFORD UNIVERSITY

Dear Gamma Phis:

The spring quarter has begun and the girls came back from a fine vacation of a week, and if they wished it had been just a little longer, they forgot all about it when they found that Wilma Donnel was back with us again, and everything certainly looked as if it would be a big quarter.

If last week things merely looked like a big quarter, this week we can say definitely and positively that is IS a big quarter. Why, do you know that we have two brand new pledges? They are Frances Sheldon of San Francisco, and Hester Proctor of Palo Alto. We are delighted to have Alfreda Smith from Lambda affiliated with us now.

The girls are in everything. Margaret Burton is Y. W. C. A. treasurer and Ellen Clark is conference secretary. Josephine Terrill is taking a part in a faculty play to be given soon. Three of the girls made the junior opera, and there isn't a girl in the house that isn't already in or trying out for some college activity.

We still think of how splendidly we were entertained by the Eta Chapter. The girls went up to Berkeley in the afternoon and attended the junior farce given by the University of California, and in the evening there was a costume party at the chapter-house. It was all thoroughly enjoyed, and we were so glad to be with the Eta girls and to become really acquainted.

We have much to look forward to. April 12, there is to be a water carnival held at the Lagunita. It is a benefit for the crew and one has only to see the beauties of the place to be sure of a splendid success. And more exciting yet is our dance to be given April 19. We are all planning and looking forward to it so hard that we can scarcely wait for the day to arrive.

Best wishes to you all from Mu.

ISTALIA RHINE.

PERSONALS

Caroline Benson Unander, '08, and her niece, Georgia Benson, visited us last month.

Evelyn Haydock, '16, has recently returned from the East.

Mrs. John Clark, Ellen Clark's mother, spent a few days with us last week.

Mary Calloway, '16, visited us this week.

BIRTHS

To Mr. and Mrs. Patterson (Dorothea Browning, '15), a son.

To Mr. and Mrs. Albert J. Jones (May Vorhees, '04), a son, Evan Vorhees, April 3.

XI—UNIVERSITY OF IDAHO

Dear Sisters in Gamma Phi Beta:

We have had a year so full of good times, hard work, and real accomplishment, that I want you to know all about it. Our good times outside the house have been had mostly during the last quarter, because of the "flu" epidemic which kept us closely quarantined during the first quarter. But, oh! the good times we had right here at home during those weeks. One of the most enjoyable of our "all girl" parties was the Hallowe'en party given by the upperclassmen for the freshmen. The white-draped figures, weird masks, and peculiar antics of the ghosts contributed largely to the fun.

On Thanksgiving day came a short release from quarantine, and we certainly made the best of it. We had a big house party and entertained about forty couples. We girls, with the assistance of the boys, prepared and served the entire dinner and had a lot of fun doing it. Between whiles, when there wasn't much to be done in the kitchen, we danced. As the quarantine was put on again in full force the next day, we doubly appreciated the few hours of liberty.

Almost before we knew the time had passed, the Christmas vacation had arrived, and we were all off to our homes for the holidays. After two weeks of rest and fun we came back ready for a fresh start and another few days of rushing, the results of which were three charming new pledges, Fay Morris of Moscow, and Harlene Sartoris and Daisy Crump of Payette.

At the end of the first week we freshmen gave a Christmas party for the upperclassmen and alumnæ. One of the happiest features of the party was a big Christmas tree, from which a bearded Santa Claus distributed gifts to the deserving upperclassmen and also presented the house with several needed articles.

Next on our list of important events came the visit of Elizabeth Bridge, our visiting delegate who arrived here February 2 and spent a week with us which was both pleasant and profitable for us. During the week the Delta Gammas gave a tea and the Kappa Kappa Gammas gave a dinner in her honor. She was also entertained by Mrs. Truett, one of our charming patronesses. On February 4 we gave a large reception for Miss Bridge at our chapter-house on "Fraternity Row."

Later by one week came a strenuous initiation week and then, on February 22, the wonderful initiation services and our annual banquet. Those who were initiated are: Florence Allebaugh, of Boise; Helen Bloom, of Spokane, Washington; Edna Capps, of Blackfoot; Eleanor Faris, Nell Cornelius, and Marguerite Yingst, of Buhl; Mercedes Jones, Violet Seeley, and Marjorie Lyons, of Moscow; Geraldine Nusbaum, of Burley; Lyla Harsh, of Deary; Harlene Sartoris, of Payette; Margaret Knipe, of Emmett; Bessie Newman, of Shoshone, and Verna Wilkinson, of Salt Lake City, Utah. At the banquet Ruth Broman, an alumna, ran around the table, announcing her engagement to E. V. Ellington, a Beta Theta Pi.

Spring vacation started March 23. During the week we entertained the Blackfoot basketball team at luncheon. Almost every fraternity on the campus had a "leftover dance" and we who were "leftovers" had a royal good time. Those who went home or went to visit friends also reported a splendid vacation.

At the end of the second quarter we held another initiation service and welcomed into our ranks four new members: Ruth Coffey, of Spokane, Washington; Daisy Crump, of Payette; Bernice Harding, of Buhl; and Fay Morris, of Moscow.

On April 11, we were entertained at a "prehistoric party" by the Kappa Kappa Gammas. The house was very appropriately decorated and we all had a lovely time.

We are anticipating with great pleasure the Gamma Phi dance which we are planning to give on May 10.

With best wishes from Xi to you all.

VERNA WILKINSON.

PERSONALS

Angelina Burns has been appointed assistant editor of the *Gem of the Mountains*, our annual.

Mary McKenna took a leading part in *The Best Man*, a play put on by the English Club.

Virginia Dermott was elected treasurer of the junior class.

Marjorie McCrea was elected secretary of the sophomore class and is a member of the cabinet of the Y. W. C. A.

Florence Allebaugh is now secretary of the freshman class.

We are glad to welcome Mrs. Ronald Everly (Joyce Jenness) back to Moscow and the ranks of our alumnæ chapter.

BIRTHS

Born to Lieut. and Mrs. Ronald Everly (Joyce Jenness), a son, Edward Everly.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. B. F. Moe (Evelyn Cox), a son, Richard Moe.

OMICRON—UNIVERSITY OF ILLINOIS

Dear Gamma Phis:

We have just finished up the second quarter and started our third. This quarter system has one redeeming feature to its credit, if no other, and that is that it gives us a new lease on life at regular periods, and clears up all past records. Everyone has begun the new quarter with new energy and a strong intention of raising our rank of second place in scholarship to that of first place. As we stand now, however, Gamma Phi ranks first among the national sororities, although a local organization ranks one above Gamma Phi.

Since our last CRESCENT letter Omicron has added two new girls to her chapter roll. The first is Mildred Dimick, who is working for her Master's degree at the University of Illinois. Aside from all her own personal attractions Mildred has two Gamma Phi sisters, of Zeta Chapter. We all feel very proud of our new pledge, who, in reality, is no longer a pledge, but a full-fledged initiate of some two days.

Helen Johnson, of Epsilon Chapter, is our other new acquisition, and a very highly prized addition to our collection of valuable and indispensable Gamma Phis. She entered the university for this quarter, and has entered the hearts of everyone in Omicron for much longer than just one quarter.

Ella Tillotson Watson, who was in the chapter in 1915-1916, is now back with us, and incidentally with her husband, who seems determined to monopolize all her time almost to the exclusion of her sisters. Ella has been quite ill, however, for the last two weeks, but is much better at the present time.

I suppose you are all looking forward to the convention this summer and have been engaged in the business of choosing your delegate. We have also, and have chosen Christine Stubbs as our representative, and feel certain that you will understand why we have made the selection when you know her yourself this summer.

We have, beside our transfer, Helen Johnson, and our new initiate, Mildred Dimick, another new pledge of whom we are equally proud. Her name is Doris Simpson, and she is from Flora, Illinois. This swells our chapter roll to quite a large number, but we hasten to assure you all that we go in for quality as well as quantity, and that our newest pledge is only further proof of this policy.

There are many other things to write about, but they are of such a diverse character as to make it almost impossible to get them all in, so I shall pass over them for this time.

MARY COOPER.

PI—UNIVERSITY OF NEBRASKA

Dear Gamma Phis:

Looking at the many "circled" dates on the calendar one might almost think March was a month of holidays; and in fact, days the brightest of all

in a Gamma Phi's heart were numbered there, for on March 1 came initiation and banquet, and March 29 the formal. Among those back for initiation were Doris Weaver, Sylvia Prokes, Vivian Bahr, Sarah Cole, Ruth Irvine, Mrs. Mildred Reese Landers, Florence Jenks, Carolyn Kimball, Kate Helzer. Initiation this year seemed somehow to bring us all much closer together, a source of renewed strength to those who perhaps had pledged their faith to Gamma Phi Beta some years ago; a beginning in the path of comradeship, learning, and understanding for those just starting the journey lighted by the crescent. This feeling of close association was carried over into the banquet, particularly when messages from those who could not be present were read, all gladly welcoming into the sisterhood the new members who will soon again be joining hands with others—our ever-growing circle. Eleanor Frampton as toastmistress spoke briefly of the crest, its emblems serving as basis for toasts given by members of the four classes, as follows:



VIOLA KLEINKE
Phi Beta Kappa

Freshman—"The Carnation"—Gene Hudson.
Sophomore—"The Crescent"—Effie Starbuck.

Junior—"The Open Book"—Delia Cobb.

Senior—"The Lighted Lamp"—Viola Kleinke.

Alumnæ—"The Shield"—Sylvia Prokes.

The announcement of engagements and general merrymaking succeeded the toasts, until once again the banquet time was gone.

At noon on March 29 in honor of guests from Omaha and elsewhere, a daisy luncheon was held at the Lincoln Hotel. Brown and mode triumphed and predominated at the formal, brown crescents and letters $\Gamma \Phi B$, on mode ground dressed the lamps down the ballroom floor, and were even repeated in the ice cream and cake. We were justly pleased when many a lingering goodnight signified proof of the real pleasure of the party.

But work days have been plentifully sprinkled in as well as red-letter ones. Our university Grace Coppock campaign has secured individual attention this past week, some of us serving as captains, some as members of teams which were to help in "Going Over the Top" for the \$1,700 pledged for our Y. W. C. A. secretary in China. Miss May Ting, of Ann Arbor, who has felt the influence of Miss Coppock, and Mrs. Eddy, a national secretary, have helped us invaluablely in realizing the good to be done in China through our efforts.

Tonight as I write, I can see Gamma Phi in every state setting forth on the last few weeks of effort before another vacation brings everyone to her home. It will be a specially interesting time for those of us at Nebraska, for this year at commencement is to come the celebration of the semi-centennial of the founding of the university. Ivy Day, old in story and song, will be but one of the days crowded with pageants, addresses, and commemoration exercises. The historical pageant written by Dr. Alexander, will depict the evolution of the world through its struggles up to the world war. A book containing founders' addresses, a history of the university, and other things of interest at this time, is now in process of printing. This is just a taste of the things we are all concerned with on the campus at Nebraska. You also are having experiences as great and as enjoyable. With it all, there is the growth in Gamma Phi through work and play into a larger understanding of the new era which is ours.

Pi Chapter extends best wishes for the very happiest of vacations.

VIOLA KLEINKE.

PERSONALS

Marguerite McPhee is president of the Panhellenic board.

Sara Cole, '18, has sailed for France.

Martha Leal is training for a nurse at St. Luke's Hospital in Denver.

Viola Kleinke, '19, was elected to Phi Beta Kappa.

Bertha Helzer and Viola Kleinke were captains of teams in the Grace Coppock campaign.

Genevieve Addleman won second place in the *Cornhusker* selling contest.

ENGAGEMENTS

Estel Marjorie Lull to Claude Winston Diehl, 1st lieutenant, U. S. Infantry, A. E. F.

Viola Lenore Kleinke to Lyle Stephen Powell, captain 99th Aero Squadron, A. E. F.

MARRIAGES

Lois Hardy to Glen Gibson, ΔX .

Mildred Rees to Leland Landers, $\Pi K \Phi$.

BIRTH

Janet Thompson Stacey.

RHO—UNIVERSITY OF IOWA

Dear Sisters:

Early in April after a week of strenuous preparation, and I assure you it was equally hard on the upperclassmen and the freshmen, twelve sisters were welcomed into the fold. We could not have chosen a better time to initiate for the day was ideal and that wonderfully exhilarating spring-time spirit prevailed everywhere. Initiation began promptly at ten and ended when the last pin was put on at twelve-thirty. At one o'clock a lovely luncheon was served and a happier time there never was. But that isn't all; at seven o'clock that evening taxis, bearing the sweetest of the sweets, drew up to the Jefferson Hotel and out of each stepped dainty-gowned Gamma Phis. Surely you have guessed it—a banquet.

Since the beginning of the second quarter Iowa has been most brilliant with social events. Parties and more parties! Perhaps I should say formals for they have taken the place, to a large extent, of those once-upon-a-time numerous semi-dress affairs. Of course, we still have plenty of the latter in the forms of fraternity parties and varsities on Friday and Saturday nights. But the big university parties, such as the sophomore cotillion, the junior prom, the big Panhellenic, the military ball, the senior hop, etc., are all brilliant formals. The Jefferson during the past month has been the scene of several lovely formals given by the Phi Delta Thetas, Alpha Tau Omegas, Theta Xis, Delta Tau Deltas, and others. Just at present the question of a Gamma Phi formal (dinner-dance) to take place some time in May at the hotel, is being enthusiastically considered and a committee appointed to gather all information relative to such a party. All the girls seem highly in favor of a regular party, so it undoubtedly will come about the latter part of May.

Our social functions have taken the form of rush and homey parties. Our most recent affair took place on Saturday afternoon, March 15, when we entertained nine of the high school girls at a most delightful and successful St. Patrick's party. The house was decorated with large baskets of green and white carnations while stunts and dancing constituted the entertainment. At six o'clock a very dainty dinner was served amid green, for green was everywhere, in the form of favors, flower bouquets, lights, decorations, and pretty little touches of all sorts. At present we are praying for a glorious spring day so that we can enjoy one of those "good-time" rush picnics at the park. Rho never fails to have two or three each spring before commencement.

Our annual, the Hawkeye, will be out in two weeks and what sighs during these days of anxious waiting and suspense. Is it any wonder that we show curiosity and much interest when a Vamp Section, a Beauty and Popularity Section, among many others of the sort, and the so-said motto of the editors, "The truth and nothing but the truth unsparingly used," is rumored and whispered about the campus? No, we are all waiting and from all reports it will be a bigger and better *Hawkeye* than we have ever had, and much can be said for those of the past.

Before extending Rho's greetings to all, I must tell you of the honors recently bestowed upon one of our new initiates, Lucile Everett. She is to be treasurer of the Y. W. C. A. and secretary of the Morrison Club the coming year.

VIRGINIA J. CARSON.

PLEDGE, THIRD QUARTER

Eleanor Boesch, Burlington, Iowa.

PERSONALS

Marianne Ashford is back in college this quarter.

Florence Dennison Quegley spent a week-end in April at the chapter house.

Eva Wright and June Cummins were back for initiation in April.

SIGMA—UNIVERSITY OF KANSAS

Dear Gamma Phis:

Our newest initiate, Margaret Lodge, presented the chapter with a collie pup yesterday, and he has howled continuously ever since. I do not mean to cast any reflections on Sigma! Although he is in the cellar and I am on the second floor, I can hear his plaintive wails only too clearly. This is unfortunate, as I am not feeling very bright or intellectual today anyway, and one is so easily distracted when in that condition, especially in the spring. In the spring one feels so—so springy, if you know what I mean. I do hope all the chapter correspondents are not thus afflicted. If they were, I'm sure the Editor would resign immediately.

However, the rest of the chapter is not so lazy as the CRESCENT correspondent. Observe the loving cup—Gamma Phi Beta, winner of the Intramural Basketball Tournament. Read the *University Daily Kansan* of recent date, and notice the Gamma Phis who were in the Women's indoor circus, and the annual K. U. *Follies*. And here's the best of all. "Why, do you know," said Nelle Smith, our Panhellenic delegate, "that whole crowd simply gasped when we read our freshmen's grades. They were much better than any of the others."

We had the nicest party the other night. Marjorie Templin, Red Cross dietitian, is just back from France, and she was over for Monday spread. After the freshmen had given their stunt we all crowded around Marjorie, and made the poor girl talk and talk until she was hoarse.

We are to have our spring house party and rush dance about the middle of May. After that comes our Mother and Fathers' Day, and then commencement in June. Commencement week this year will be like those before the war.

The above sounds like a list in a society column. The CRESCENT correspondent wishes she could write something clever and highly entertaining, but as she can't, she will withdraw gracefully from public view.

FLORENCE INGHAM.

PERSONALS

Dorothy Derge, '20, has returned from Washington, and is enrolled in the college.

Genevieve Dunakin, Psi Chapter, is enrolled in the Fine Arts School this Quarter.

HONORS

Lucile Rarig, First cabinet Y. W. C. A.

Jennie Glendinning, solo dancer in the *Follies*.

Margaret Lodge, First cabinet Y. W. C. A.

Earline Allen, senior representative W. S. G. A., chorus of *Follies*.

Mary Tudor, Second cabinet Y. W. C. A.

Florence Ingham, *Follies* cast, senior play cast.

TAU—COLORADO AGRICULTURAL COLLEGE

Dear Sisters in Gamma Phi Beta:

"In the spring a young man's fancy"—yes, and a young lady's too. How can we help it when the sky is azure blue, the fields showing a faint green

haze, and the mountains—oh! the mountains. I can't tell you how they look. Just wait until August and you shall see it all for yourself. (Just today happens to be about the coldest we have had since January, but tomorrow will be pleasant again.)

Spring is such a busy season that I almost despair of being able to include all that has happened and is about to happen in the following ten weeks.

Chronologically they are as follows: First comes the waffle breakfast on February 22, our method of raising our national social service fund. This year as always it was a big success; seventy-five college students and town people were served.

Initiation took place March 8, and we are happy to announce as new sisters in Gamma Phi Beta, June Moore, Ruby Franklin, Helen Eggers, and Catherine Somerville.

Just before going home for spring vacation we pledged Marion Y. Townsend. We are expecting great things of Marion.

Not the least exciting of our all college events was the indoor baseball game between the junior and sophomore girls. Fifteen cents admission was charged and the net proceeds amounted to twenty-seven dollars. This is to start a fund for a woman's building on the campus. There was great excitement during the game, both teams being ably supported from the side lines. The sophomores were victorious. (As I am a junior I have forgotten the score.)

Ahead of us, among other activities, we are looking forward to the annual coed prom and the college picnic, and we juniors to the day when we must needs "take off" the faculty in assembly.

As a result of the National Student Conference at Evanston, Illinois, in February, the girls of C. A. C. are establishing discussion groups to talk over present-day problems. A decided interest has been shown by the girls in this movement and it is hoped that we may accomplish some results of real value. "The war is over, the war is just begun," may well be our slogan for the coming year. May we all measure up to the highest standard, that in this hour of greatest need to the world we shall not be found wanting. We expected no less of our soldiers, and are we not Christian Americans too?

KATHARINE LEACH.

PERSONALS

June Howard, '21, has returned from California where she spent the winter. She is once more taking work in the college.

Anne Correy, '19, finished her work in March and has accepted the position of assistant dietitian in Minnequa Hospital, Pueblo.

Katharine Leach was selected to represent C. A. C. at the National Student Conference in Evanston, Illinois.

ENGAGEMENTS

Mary Agnes Jones, '21, to Charles Breshahan, A. P. L.

Katharine Leach, '20, to Wayne M. Akin, Sigma Alpha Epsilon.

Ruth Fuller, '19, to Francis A. Chisholm, Sigma Alpha Epsilon.

MARRIAGE

Orra May Tanner, '20, to Harold L. Gaymon, Sigma Alpha Epsilon.

UPSILON—HOLLINS COLLEGE

Dear Gamma Phis:

Some of the most pleasant of our Hollins memories are the hours spent at the concerts which always come as a preliminary to the real commence-

ment and Upsilon is certainly proud of one of her members, Kathleen Kelly, who has just given two graduating recitals, one in piano and the other in voice. It is seldom that the muse of music smiles so favorably on one human being, but if the members of the feline race, which prowl around at night and fill the air with strains of sweet music sang one half as melodiously as our "Kitty" does, even the most hard-hearted music-hating old bachelor would fall a victim to their charms.

Since the last letter we have had initiation and six new Gamma Phi pins fastened "o'er fast beating hearts," have appeared on the campus, their dazzling brightness only overshadowed by the six beaming faces above them.

Probably the most interesting event of the year was the Fourth Annual Conference of the Southern Intercollegiate Association of Student Government, held at Hollins, April 10-12. With the warm weather and so many new faces on the campus, it required only a small stretch of the imagination to suppose this the opening of college. There have certainly been delegates, delegates everywhere, and the extended date lists and entertainment were quite comparable to rushing season. They were feasted and dined royally at everything from Dutch suppers and Easter proms to a formal reception by the president of the college and a lovely drive by the Rotary Club of Roanoke. Only once did luck forsake us and that was when we had planned a picnic in a beautiful valley rightly called Happy Valley, for the banks of the mountain creek running through it are blooming with wild plum and red bud, but according to the perversity of fate, the gods deemed otherwise and it drizzled dismally all day just enough to dampen the ardor of even the most enthusiastic for an outdoor affair. By the time the conference was over we all hated to see the girls go as we felt almost as if they belonged to us and were real Hollins girls.

It is hard to believe that the year is almost over. Upsilon sends good wishes to all the Gamma Phis for the coming year.

LETA ADAMS.

PHI—WASHINGTON UNIVERSITY

Dear Gamma Phis:

Since we last wrote you, we have had a birthday. Phi is two years old now, but somehow we feel quite mature and experienced in spite of our apparent youth. Our birthday party was great fun, for many of our older Phi sisters came back to celebrate with us, and not only Phi sisters, but Gamma Phi sisters from elsewhere. Among them was a surprise, and, you know surprises are especially nice on your birthday! This particular surprise was Mrs. Dunlap from Alpha. It seems that Mrs. Hollingworth, also of Alpha, discovered her. She rightly guessed that we would consider her the very nicest sort of birthday present, so she brought her to the party.

The real beneficiary of Phi's birthday is the Phi establishment. Most of the loveliest things you see as you cast your eye about, the things which are placed at most imposing angles, are the birthday gifts from Phi's generous friends and relatives.

Just at present Phi has a more favorable milk bottle report to give than the one in the issue of THE CRESCENT devoted to the subject. Then we humbly presented our good excuses for the delay in starting the campaign here. Now we proudly announce that the campaign has been going on for some time. We have found, however, that the generosity of picture-show goers is in rather an apathetic state compared with what it was prior to the signing of the armistice. Nevertheless, we shall have our mite to add to the general fund.

In desperation we are pleading for new ideas on the stunt question here at Washington! We have stunts served table d'hôte, à la carte, à la

mode, à la everything from three to six times a day! Naturally we have come to the point where the "à las" are about to give out, and I fear we shall be obliged to import talent and ingenuity to keep up the pace already set. This is the situation. The Women's Council is foster-mother to numerous French orphans, and many are the funds necessary for the maintenance of the foster family. For this purpose the women of each class have been divided into platoons, each with a lieutenant at its head. It is the sole purpose in the lives of these platoons to germinate schemes whereby students can be separated from part of their allowances for the benefit of the orphans. Needless to say, the platoons hold true to their purpose!

The social gaiety at Washington this year looms bright in comparison with the tense quiet of last year. As one function follows another in quick



SOME OF PHI'S PLEDGES

Left to right, Top row: Louise Brouster, Katherine Brady. Second row: Mary Jones, Beulah Rackerby, Virginia Callahan, Charlotte Briner. Bottom row: Ethel Knobloch, Dorothy Logan, Virginia Black.

succession, the whole campus acquires a sort of carnival spirit. The real pinnacle of this spirit is to be reached the night of April 4 when a mammoth "mixer" is to take place.

Then will come McMillan Day! One day in May is set aside annually for a women's dormitory celebration. The traditional program for the day is the presentation of a play written by a student of the university. The play must be a lovely fantastic thing in which hosts and hosts of girls can take part. We are hoping that the renaissance spirit of Washington will show itself in something new and unusually good for McMillan Day this year.

By the time this letter is read, you will have some new sisters. We finished the second trimester the third week in March and hence are

permitted to initiate our September pledges. Initiation is to take place the night of April 12.

To all Gamma Phis, greetings from Phi.

FRANCES BARBOUR.

PERSONALS

Margaret Ewing, '17, has recently become a member of the Department of English at Washington University. We feel that Gamma Phi is well represented in the department now since two of our alumnae, Margaret Johnson and Margaret Ewing, are members.

Lois Klein, a Phi alumna, has been made head of the Department of Occupational Therapy at Barnes Hospital, St. Louis.

Mary Jones, a Phi freshman, has been appointed swimming manager for the freshman class.

Julia Jonah, '20, has been elected president of the Y. W. C. A.; Charlotte Briner, '22, is treasurer.

Julia Jonah, '20, was quite startlingly successful in playing the rôle of the Clod, when *The Clod* was presented by Thyrsus, Washington's dramatic club.

Josephine Michael, '20, is a member of Iota Phi Kappa, the upper class honorary sorority of Washington.

CHI—OREGON AGRICULTURAL COLLEGE

Dear Sisters in Gamma Phi Beta:

How we wish you could be here to enjoy our beautiful Oregon spring. It was late in coming, but after such a long rainy season we appreciate the flowers and sunshine more than ever.

We had a splendid visit with our Oregon sisters at the time of the O. A. C.-U. of O. basketball game. They treated us royally, and we want to go again.

Just before vacation we were all heart-broken at the death of our beloved sister, Elizabeth Eldridge. She had been to visit us and was on her way home when she contracted influenza. Betty was so dear and unselfish we all miss her every day.

Spring examinations under the new quarter system were a rude awakening to many of us who were about to indulge in spring fever, but instead had to "bone" for "Xs."

We are just back from spring vacation. The girls going home of course, had a grand time, but certainly no one could have had a better time than the nine girls left in the house. We indulged in every conceivable frolic and certainly chased dull care away.

We are very busy with rushing and registering, and plan to have initiation this week-end. The next week-end we are to have our formal house dance. We are planning an April shower dance which promises to be very clever.

Miss Bridge's visit was an inspiration—we might say a revelation, for we know so much more and hope we will be a better chapter for knowing it.

Sincerely,

HELEN B. SANDON.

PERSONALS

Elsie Price is the new president of Y. W. C. A. She is also secretary of the Women's League.

Agnes Houck was elected manager of the girls' annual stunt show.

Ruth Middlekauff is treasurer of Y. W. C. A.

Gladys Morton is elected secretary of the House Economics Club.

Elsie Price was elected to the honorary society, Forum.

Telete Landram is with us again.

Doris Clark, '18, is managing a hotel in Seattle.

In the recent home economics exhibit Bertha Fisher had charge of the domestic art exhibit, Helen Sandon, domestic science, and Eleanor Selover, decoration. All of our home economics girls took an active part in it.

Beth Ketchum Stidd visited us with her son, Charles, Jr.

A new pledge last quarter was Ruth Middlekauff, '18, Corvallis, Ore.

ENGAGEMENT

Myrtle Linville, '19, announced her engagement to Waldo Grenville.

PSI—UNIVERSITY OF OKLAHOMA

Dear Sisters:

In welcoming our new Omega Chapter into our happy family of Gamma Phi Beta we "hand over" the silver spoon of babyhood and, after the manner of an apt infant, insist upon sitting at the table with the grown ups atop of the Webster's unabridged, napkin tucked under chin, laboriously using a fork and pertinently imitating our elders.

The second initiation since our own marks our progress as Gamma Phis. Again we placed nine pins upon nine happy maidens, two of whom were charter members. But before speaking of their initiation I want to describe the entertainment that the pledges gave to the old members.

One day we were one by one blindfolded and led all over the house. We were given elaborate invitations to a George Washington breakfast. We answered in verse and the morning of the twenty-second found us clothed for the occasion in olden time array. The dining-room was beautifully decorated and the color scheme was carried out faithfully even to a brown and mode dessert. After a few fitting remarks in reverence to the Father of our country, Edith Breeden said that it was their purpose to show us the founding of Gamma Phi Beta. In the first act there were four old-fashioned little ladies. They wore bustles and muttonleg sleeves. They called each other Helen and Frances, Addie and Minnie, and spoke of starting a sorority all their own. They discussed the high ideals they would establish and sought a suitable name coupling all of the letters of the alphabet. They finally chose Gamma Phi Beta. Gamma for grand, Phi, fine, and B, best. One said: "Let us have something to write at the end of our letters, something that no one will understand but ourselves." One suggested Pi as we are so fond of chocolate pie. One contributed "made in the kitchen," another asked what we should do about it.

"Why, *eat it*," cried the other.

Then they all chorused:

"I K E fine!"

They chose their colors in honor of Dr. Brown and concluded the first act with the remark that Gamma Phi Beta should never go south of the Mason-Dixon line or west of the Mississippi. The next act showed these same little ladies arguing as to whether to let the new chapters in or not. Every now and then some modern phrase would fall from the lips of these quaint little ladies. It was very amusing. Then when Oklahoma presented a petition they were shocked indeed and even a little afraid of this person who would come from so new and wild a state. But when she arrived she was so sweet and demure and stylish that she won their hearts at once. The play ended with a song which Edith had written. It is now one of our favorites. The party ended when two dancers hurled serpentine confetti until we were draped in the multi-colored curls.

Our initiation on March 30 was the first held without the aid of some neighboring Gamma Phi friend. But Miss Cole visited us at our meeting the next night. Her presence was greatly appreciated, especially on welcoming our new members. We hope she can come down more often for our meetings.

Initiation was held for nine initiates. The banquet was held in our own home. Ruth Munger acted as toastmistress and Dorothy Fry and Edith Mahier responded as representatives of the "old school" or "dark ages," while Edith Breeden representing the modern age or the girls of tomorrow, pledged herself and her loyalty to "carry on." With each new initiation there seems to be more meaning, something new to remember, and something that binds us closer together.

Our new members are Mrs. Blanche Cooley Ratliffe, Mary Mitchel, charter members, and Edith Breeden, Lillian Rees, Justine Harms, Thelma Vaughn, Mable Herrington, Stella Jo Wantland, and Della Brunsteter.

A Panhellenic Association has been organized in Oklahoma City and on April 5 the sororities at Norman were invited to send delegates to a luncheon given at the Skirvin Hotel. It is the purpose of this organization to maintain a scholarship fund in order to help Oklahoma City girls who want to go to the university at Norman. It was decided, as a way of raising funds, to have a bridge party at the Lee Huckins Hotel. We have all taken tickets to sell and have promised to decorate the hall with our banners.

In closing I want to wish a pleasant vacation to each of you.

EDITH MAHIER.

SYRACUSE

Dear Sisters in Gamma Phi Beta:

Since we last told you about what we were doing in Syracuse, we have had two meetings. One was at Louise Klock French's beautiful home with a delightful hostess. There were attracted to this all-day meeting about thirty. We had our basket luncheon served in the sun parlor, and enjoyed ourselves particularly because we had invited the Alpha seniors to be our guests.

Our other meeting was with Ruth Laycock Reed. Each month the groups into which we have divided our membership contribute the entertainment and the refreshments, now that we have refreshments again. These groups are arranged by our executive committee, and have, for several seasons, proved a helpful way of uniting our interests.

The history of our year does not differ from its usual story. We are always glad when every month brings us together, and there come back some who have been separated from us, for some reason. So we sit and talk over old times and new times, and write on slips of paper, passed by our CRESCENT correspondent, any news we know about each other or about any other Gamma Phi.

We send you greetings and good wishes.

MILLCENT HINCKLEY.

PERSONALS

Jean Leete Andrews, '16, and her husband were recently guests of Katharine Dawley Brown. Jean is very proud of her hero soldier who comes back from France covered with glory, but very modestly wears his honors. They are now living in Hartford, Conn.

Aurelia Mansfield Leonard, '16, has lately been visiting Judge and Mrs. Cobb and family.

Mrs. Smith Thomas Ford of Chicago, Ill., is spending several weeks in the East, part of the time in Clifton Springs, Hamilton, and Syracuse.

Marguerite Woodworth, '18, Alpha, is recreation secretary in Syracuse Y. W. C. A., after spending several weeks in New York City at National Training School.

Johanna Potter, Alpha, is acting as assistant swimming instructor in Syracuse Y. W. C. A.

Alice Graves is justly proud of her sister Helen's record in war activities. She has been in Washington during the past year and, as a member of the Red Cross Motor Corps of the District of Columbia, worked hard at the time of the influenza epidemic, until contracting the disease herself. She also did work in the office of the Federated Board of Vocational Education Department.

Mrs. Florence Baker, '81, has sold her house and will live at 611 Comstock Avenue.

Grace Webb Edgecomb has been spending part of the winter at Naples, Fla. Now she is entertaining her sister, Mildred Webb Dale, for a few weeks.

BIRTH

In December a daughter, Sylvia, was born to Kathleen Small in De Moines, Iowa.

DEATH

We grieve over the death of Carrie Green, '82. She died in February, after an illness that weakened her greatly, but which she did not allow to lessen her helpfulness. If we could be assured that those among whom we live and labor would miss us as sorely and mourn us as lovingly as her friends in her home town, we would rejoice and be truly grateful that we could be of such real worth in the world.

BOSTON

Dear Sisters:

Boston Chapter, or I might better say the Lynn members of Boston Chapter, held an emergency business meeting here in Swampscott April 9, and that, if you please, is the only meeting I have been able to attend in the past year. Nevertheless, knowing this, the four teachers who were present sat calmly by and deliberately "wished" the writing of this letter on me. Four to one, and teachers in the majority! That in itself should bring me the sympathy I certainly need, though it's facts that I really need most of all.

I know that the chapter met at Delta's rooms on February 1 and March 1 as announced on my typewritten card. Celia Jordan and Eleanor Simmons did the honors, respectively. I wish I might have been there, for I know that both meetings meant a royal good time for everybody—a chronic state of affairs when Gamma Phis get together, of course!

Delta Chapter held its initiation and banquet April 5 and many of the alumnæ attended. I'm not going to steal Edith's thunder by telling you about the fun we all had, but I *must* say that the alumnæ are all agreed that those six initiates are just the best kind of Gamma Phi freshmen.

Now that the war is over and there is less demand for workers in all the various war-work activities, we are planning a few frivolous parties, the first of which will be with Beth Hacker in Lynn sometime in May. Delta is to be introduced to a real "ice cream cone bat." It will be our first joint party we have held in over a year.

And speaking of the war, Boston is this week welcoming to its hearts and homes the New England 26th Division. Only this morning, even here in Swampscott, removed as we are fifteen miles from Boston proper, we could hear a continuous rumble like the hum of an aeroplane motor over-

head, as the blowing of whistles and ringing of bells announced the arrival of the *Mongolian* at Commonwealth Pier. Who wouldn't blow whistles and ring bells and sing songs! Forty-seven hundred home-comings in this case, symbolic of millions of others, some already realized, others to come in the near future, but all of them bringing to those who have stood and waited a fullness of life never before experienced.

"Now the heart is so full that a drop overfills it."

The richest of all springtimes to each and every sister.

ISABELLE T. BLOOD.

PERSONAL

Anna Raymond's brother, Capt. Robert Raymond, is home from a German prison wearing a Distinguished Service Cross. He took part in several exciting air battles, during one of which, with a defective engine, he succeeded in crippling and sending to earth his enemy's plane. A second brother in the Tank Corps, is expected home soon.

BIRTH

To Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Williamson Raines (Ruth Garland, ex-'17), a son, Donald Garland, on March 6.

NEW YORK

New York City has been greatly stirred by the return of the soldiers from France. Welcoming whistles announce their arrival in the bay, which let us know that a few thousand more of our boys have come back from the horrors of the front line trenches. Those of us who are engaged in canteen work, war camp community work, and such allied war service, know that there are many thoughtful tasks to be performed to aid the boys who are far from home. When New York's own division, the twenty-seventh, came home, we had a general holiday, and those of us who had friends and relatives in the number, were immensely proud to see them march up Fifth Avenue, amid the cheers of the crowd. Now, the Atlantic fleet is anchored in the Hudson, and the ships are illuminated nightly to aid in the Victory Bond campaign.

Our March meeting was a bridge party at Mrs. Palmer's home. The largest part of the credit for a social and financial success belongs to our hostess, who, in spite of illness in her family, worked untiringly to raise the money for our social service work, and our Endowment Fund.

Some of the more frivolous minded of the chapter have made plans for a dance, such as we used to have "befo' de wah," and we hope to have a delightful time, for there is no dearth of partners.

Our April meeting was at the home of Mrs. Hubert Howe. At this meeting, convention business was discussed, and Mrs. Howe was elected delegate to convention. Theta and Denver Alumnæ will need no introduction to Mrs. Howe, for they knew her as Mamie Gallup, and will be glad to welcome her, while we of New York know that she will represent us most beautifully. We all wish that we could go too, but as that is impossible, we will send you heartfelt greetings and best wishes for a successful session.

Sincerely,

FREDERICKA BELKNAP.

PERSONALS

Mrs. Alice Benson Beach of Eta and M. Ruth Guppy, former dean of women in the University of Oregon, were delegates from Portland to the convention of the National League for Women's Service, held in New York in March.

Grace Banker, U. S. Signal Corps, is stationed in Paris, and has had charge of the work at President Wilson's house. She received a citation for her splendid work while in charge of the unit stationed with the First Army.

Aurill Bishop has been celebrating the near conclusion of peace terms by an attack of Liberty Measles.

M. Ruth Guppy is teaching history at "The Castle" at Tarrytown, N. Y.

Norma Barney entertained a number of Alpha girls at her home in Newark.

Marion Weaver expects to go overseas with the next theatrical group.

Ruth Duniway of Nu and Portland has just organized the Hall of States for the war camp community service of New York.

MILWAUKEE

Dear Gamma Phi Sisters:

I believe that Milwaukee chapter is suffering from spring fever as my searching fails to reveal any new activities on our part. Our last meeting was held on March 12 at the home of Ethel Garbutt. Our discussion naturally turned to "milk bottle" receipts and to means of disposing of the extra stands we had made. The extras were not the result of over enthusiasm on our part, just our feminine trait of not resisting a bargain. You see a large job lot was cheaper. Our April meeting has been postponed until late in the month, but I am sure I would receive definite instructions to send our best wishes to all chapters.

BEATRICE BARNES.

PERSONALS

Ethel Garbutt and Dorothy Bannen visited Gamma Chapter over a weekend in April.

Mrs. Howard Marshall (Marjorie Bennett) of Gamma has returned to Milwaukee with her husband and will make her home here.

SAN FRANCISCO

Dear Sisters:

San Francisco feels as if she is getting back to her own affairs, and normal interests can occupy their place again. Everyone wants to get to our meetings again and since Elizabeth Bridge has come back from her visiting delegate trip we've all had some of her enthusiasm. We appreciate hearing what other chapters are doing and it brings us closer to them. Elizabeth and Barbara Bridge had the last alumnae meeting at their house, March 15. They are such famous Gamma Phi hostesses that everyone expects a good time there and has it. Mrs. David Walker, Jr. (Imogene Mason, '15) was elected corresponding secretary. The membership committee is very busy and is quite revolutionizing the membership question. So don't be surprised to hear of a big increase. March 8, there was a ridiculous party at the chapter-house. Mu, Eta, and San Francisco Alumnae gave it. It was all that its name implies and everybody had lots of fun. March 10, Eta had her annual Christmas tree. Eta Alumnae and Eta mothers were the guests and the girls had a program for us beside the reason for the party. We combined and gave money instead of separate gifts as usual.

Our next meeting is to be in San Francisco with Mrs. Braun and there is to be a picnic at Sarah Morgan Patterson's; but you will hear about those next time.

RUTH GENUNG.

PERSONALS

Mrs. C. J. Carey (Elizabeth Ruggles, '16) and her small daughter expect to join Lieutenant Carey at Camp Merritt, N. J., soon.

Imra Wann Buwalda, '16, will be in Nevada for a few weeks, so Eta expects a visit from her.

Gertrude Wells, Eta '16, has entered Johns Hopkins for a three-year course.

MARRIAGE

Florence Macauley, '17, to Mr. G. Richard Ward in Honolulu.

BIRTHS

February 26, 1919, to Mr. and Mrs. Benjamin Gravely Fernald (Lurita Stone, '14) in Philadelphia, a son, Benjamin G. Fernald, Jr.

March 12, 1919, to Mr. and Mrs. C. J. Carey (Elizabeth Ruggles, '16), a daughter, Mary Virginia Carey.

March 17, 1919, to Mr. and Mrs. Harry Allen in San Francisco, a son, David Winthrop Allen.

DENVER

When the CRESCENT correspondent for Denver reads the very clever and entertaining letters written by her corresponding sisters she prays that when the next chapter letter comes due she may be visited by some divine light that will enable her to tell mere news items in an engaging style. But what a task for the imagination! In this last letter of the year with which I should like to impress you, I find that "mere news item" has narrowed itself down to just one topic, convention, and I fear me the divine light has failed me in spite of my prayers.

We have had four splendid meetings since our last letter to you and they have been so interestingly full of convention plans, that now when I want to tell you all about everything, the only things that present themselves to be told are plans, plans, plans. Of course it is somewhat reassuring to you all to know that we are making them and that we are eagerly waiting and planning for that inspiring work and play time together at Estes Park, but you'd like to learn something from this letter beside the promising fact that plans are in the making, so here goes. Mrs. Claude Taussig (Margaret Packard), Mrs. John Bly Milton (Lisle Brownell), and Adaline Bullen have been chosen as the delegates to convention. Enos Mills of Estes Park fame will speak to us sometime during convention, which is a splendid opportunity, for even many of us Coloradoans know him only by reputation.

The Theta play is getting to be an old story to you all, just as it is becoming a college tradition at the university and a social and theatrical event in Denver. The play was most certainly a success, financially and artistically, even though it was undertaken on so much bigger a scale this year, being given first at the Broadway Theater and then repeated for the Soldiers' and Sailors' Club. You have read all the details of it in Theta's letter but the only way to really appreciate how truly successful it was would be to see it and thrill with pride at the reception your own Gamma Phi received from the packed Broadway Theater audience and to realize that all those clever, subtle lines were the product of the genius of our own Lindsey Barbee. *The Real Thing After All* owes part of its success to the irresistible acting of Emma and Dayton Denious, the talented youngsters of Mr. and Mrs. Wilbur Denious (Edith Boughton Denious.) Every part was sincerely and conscientiously taken and the finished product reflected credit on the author, the actors, the managers, the coach, and the sorority.

We wish you all the best summer ever and hope you are as happy in the prospects of seeing us as we are in our plans to welcome you in Denver in August. Till then!!

LUCIA HERBERT GRIFFITH.

PERSONAL

Amy Speers Donaldson visited in Denver for a month and is now living in Alamosa.

MARRIAGE

Rowena Schaeffer to Ernest Linn.

DEATHS

We all sympathize deeply with Mabel Brown Holt in the loss of her little daughter, Margaret, and her mother, Mrs. Ellen Brown. Our loving and helping thoughts are with her at this very sad time.

MINNEAPOLIS

Dear Sisters in Gamma Phi Beta:

So far as I can discern, we of Kappa are turning our eyes to the future, as with more or less philosophy we gather up the more or less shattered shreds of our existence.

As by-products of the passing of the war we have watched the disintegration of the Aero School at Midway, along with the S. A. T. C., which promised so much; and we have seen the military hospital at Snelling grow until it is one of the largest in the country. As the patients there are largely boys from the Northwest, many of us have friends, relatives, or friends of friends there. We have had our little side glimpse at the hell of the German's making.

Since my last letter the chapter has had two regular meetings, one at Ruth Newkirk's and the last at Eunice McGilvra Erdall's. Both were fine get-togethers, with quite a number of girls who hadn't appeared at meetings for some time.

Just now we are sewing for our two little French orphans, of whom you heard in our last letter. Thanks to the popularity of the all-day sewing meetings we have been holding every week or so, the present prospects indicate that the school our children attend may profit from the bountiful supply of clothing we are planning to send them.

As the girls are beginning to come back from their distant war-time posts, we shall soon be quite ourselves again, much the richer for their experiences and our own broader interests.

The longing for a campfire and yarns is upon me. Here is to summer and vacation!

Yours as ever,

SARA MARSHALL.

PERSONALS

Harriet Ahlers sailed April 9 on the steamer *Noordam* for France where she is to enter canteen service.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Isbell (Margaret Nachtrieb) are now living in Tucson, Ariz.

Mrs. Henry Nachtrieb is spending the winter with her daughter, Margaret Isbell, in Arizona.

Louise Brace has 800 hours of Red Cross work to her credit. Good for her! Now, to utilize her surplus energy she is establishing a candy business and takes orders for delicious fudge. Call Ken. 1919 and it will be delivered.

Ethel Robertson Hull visited in Minneapolis during the holiday season.

Gretchen Schmidt and Louise Weesner have returned from Washington, D. C., where they have been engaged in government war work.

Georgianna Grandy, Gamma, and Rewey Belle Inglis, Kappa, attended the National Council of English Teachers, held at the La Salle Hotel in Chicago, February 26-7. Miss Inglis attended the delightful tea given by Epsilon at the New Evanston Hotel, March 2.

Grace Kingsley Wales, after a long visit in Minneapolis, has returned to New Rochelle, N.Y.

MARRIAGES

Verna Hermann to Ensign James Boyle, in January. Verna is living at home here, as her husband has had to report for sea duty.

Doris Leach to Lieut. Porter Wiggins of Minneapolis, in September. Lieutenant and Mrs. Wiggins are living in Manhattan, Kan.

BIRTHS

To Letha Duke Larson, a son, January 17.

To Eva Kay Rutherford, a daughter, Margaret, January 9.

To Ethel Works Kerr, a daughter, September 28, 1918.

To Margaret Bell Corson, a daughter, April 2, 1919.

DEATHS

We were shocked and deeply grieved by the death of John Ray, husband of Bertha Poole Ray, in December. Bertha and her fifteen months old son, John, Jr., are living with her family, 2121 Inglehart Ave., St. Paul.

The chapter feels deeply the loss of Sarah Graham Webb, who died of pneumonia, November 23, leaving her husband and little son.

We extend our heartfelt sympathy to Jeannette Welch Brice, whose husband, Milton D. Brice, ensign, died of pneumonia at Pensacola, Fla., in January. They were married in October.

SEATTLE

Dear Sisters in Gamma Phi Beta:

Between numerous Gamma Phi weddings, the alumnae have found time to gather twice recently in regular meetings. On Saturday, March 1, we met at the home of Gertrude Young and Anna Young Rabel. The next gathering was Saturday, April 5. Plans are about completed for a May party given by Seattle chapter for the girls of the active group in celebration of the chartering of Lambda Chapter sixteen years ago. The annual formal for both chapters will be given May 16. The banquet is scheduled for a later date. To assist in swelling the fund for Belgian babies the girls of the active chapter gave a series of very successful Persian dances last week at the chapter-house, which were attended by enthusiastic alumnae. In March Margaret Meany Younger, who has been acting as manager of the Associated Students of the University of Washington during her husband's service overseas, gave up the work, her place being taken by a returned naval officer. Mrs. Younger has filled the position and done splendid work during the months she was in the office and her departure was the object of a flattering editorial in the college daily. Katherine Jerome was sponsor at an important ship launching last week in one of the Seattle shipyards and was the subject for a generous bit of newspaper space. Maryan Shipman of Spokane who was her house guest recently was a member of the sponsor's party. For the past few years there has been a certain radius within "rushing" distance of the chapter-house where Gamma Phis have found bungalows as they have married. Now

they meet informally every two weeks for discussion of current events and recent books. Phi Beta Kappa is liberally represented so you may be sure the subjects will be upon worth-while topics.

AIRDRIE KINCAID COATS.

PERSONALS

Rosa Wald Klingenberger is in the legal division of the Red Cross Home Service.

Esther White-Langdon, Lucy Gallup Rawn, Frances Markey-Owen, and Anna Young Rabel, with their husbands and children, have moved across to Lake Washington for the summer months and have promised us a picnic.

Margaret Younger has been in Montesano, Wash., for a few weeks as the guest of Dollie McLean-Callow.

News has reached us of the loss suffered by Mabel Springer-Northcraft and her husband. Their fifteen-room farmhouse, "Greenacres," near Olympia, burned to the ground on St. Patrick's day.

Viola Schwaegler-Fisher and her mother, of Tacoma, have returned from the Hawaiian Islands where they spent six weeks.

Ella Winslow-Scudder has removed to Seattle from Sedro-Wooley, Wash., and will make her home here.

Pearl Megrath has been in the office of the adjutant general here during the war.

Lois Kiefer-White has come back from Boston and with her husband will make her home in town.

ENGAGEMENT

Fredricka Sully to Gordon Terrance Shaw. The wedding will take place in July.

MARRIAGES

Myrtle Rude, '16, to Woodworth Anderson, Alpha Sigma Phi.

Edna Stuchell (pledge) to Glenn Warner Carpenter at her home in Everett, April 2.

Gretchen Smith to David Hartley, April 9, at her home in Everett.

Sylvia Wold to Herman J. Haasch, March 26.

BIRTHS

To Mr. and Mrs. Miller (Marguerite Crosby), a son.

To Mr. and Mrs. Sander (Helen McDonald), a daughter.

To Mr. and Mrs. Ewart Upper (Gezina Thomas), a son.

To Mr. and Mrs. Robb (Janet Alexander), a daughter, in Philadelphia.

To Mr. and Mrs. John Pierce (Inez Hadley) of Olympia, a son.

LOS ANGELES

Dear Sisters:

In order to accomplish anything in the Milk Bottle Campaign we have been until now closely affiliated with the California Committee for Relief in Belgium. Everyone knows against what odds we have had to fight here on the coast. Now the C. C. R. B. has dissolved, and we as a sub-committee were advised to retire also, as we alone could not hope to overcome the difficulties with which we were unable to cope with the power of the C. R. B. behind us. However, we feel that what we have to offer is at least a drop in the bucket. Our bottles have been placed in some of the small surrounding towns where the competition was not so great, and our success has been correspondingly better.

Our meeting in February was held at "Little Belgium," the restaurant maintained by the C. R. B. They have very attractive rooms. The tables

are painted orange with black trimmings, and there are black oilcloth doyleys with red designs for each place. Even the dishes are a reminder of the country you are helping.

Last month Mrs. S. B. Cannell (Laila Knapp), Lambda '05, had the girls at her lovely foothill home at Sunny Slope. It had been raining for about three days and everyone was wondering if the meeting could be held. The day dawned bright, clear, and warm, and when we reached the country we discovered the mountains covered half-way down with snow. It was a wonderful sight with the orange trees in the valley simply loaded with fruit. We had a fine day and wonderful things to eat. Our plan of all-day meetings is proving its merits by bringing in many more of our members.

FLORENCE MACKEY JEFFERS.

DELINQUENTS

NU—UNIVERSITY OF OREGON

OMEGA

No letter.

DOROTHY DIXON.

CHICAGO

No letter.

MINNIE PATTERSON.

DETROIT

No letter.

HELEN TUTHILL.

BALTIMORE

No letter.

CLARA WAGNER.

PORTLAND

No letter.

RUBIE HAMMARSTROM.

DIRECTORY OF CHAPTER MEETINGS

- ALPHA meets every Friday evening at 7:30 in the chapter house, 118 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 Friday afternoon at 5:15 P. M. in the chapter rooms, 218 Newbury St., Boston, Mass.
- EPSILON meets every Monday from 5:00 to 6:00 P. M. at the sorority rooms, fourth floor, Willard Hall.
- ZETA meets Thursday evening at 7:45 in the chapter rooms, 111 23rd St.
- ETA meets every 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.
- SIGMA meets every Monday evening at 7:30 at the chapter house, 1244 Louisiana.
- TAU meets Wednesday evening at 7:15 at the chapter house, 312 E. Oak St. 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 McMullan Hall.
- CHI meets Monday evening at 7:30 at the chapter house.
- OMEGA meets Monday night at 7:00 at the chapter house, 2228 Lincoln Way.
- 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 DECEMBER—*Banta's Greek Exchange.*

FOR JANUARY—*Themis* of Zeta Tau Alpha; *Adelphean* of Alpha Delta Pi; *Quill* of Sigma Delta Chi; *Association Monthly*; *Beta Theta Pi*; *Rainbow* of Delta Tau Delta.

FOR FEBRUARY—*To Dragma* of Alpha Omicron Pi; *Angelos* of Kappa Delta; *Eleusis* of Chi Omega; *Shield* of Phi Kappa Psi; *Caduceus* of Kappa Sigma; *Tomahawk* of Alpha Sigma Phi; *Phi Gamma Delta*; *Desmos* of Delta Sigma Delta; *Key* of Kappa Kappa Gamma; *Beta Sigma Omicron*; *Mu Phi Epsilon.*

FOR MARCH—*Delta* of Sigma Nu; *Kappa Alpha Journal*; *Themis* of Zeta Tau Alpha; *Arrow* of Pi Beta Phi; *Caduceus* of Kappa Sigma; *Aglaiia* of Phi Mu; *Triangle* of Sigma Kappa; *Kappa Alpha Theta*; *Phi Gamma Delta.*

FOR APRIL—*Alpha Gamma Delta*; *Shield* of Phi Kappa Psi.

(Some of the articles clipped from other Greek letter publications have mysteriously disappeared from the Editor's desk. We blame the loss upon housecleaning, duly apologize, and regret that our readers are the losers.)

Propos of convention are these clippings from *Alpha Gamma Delta.*

Then there is the much-talked-of "national idea" to be inculcated. One may listen attentively to talks, one may carefully read articles, one may strive to follow precept and example, but nothing except the actual experience of a national convention will firmly fix the idea that the fraternity is equal to the sum of all the chapters, and hence is a bigger thing than anyone's own chapter, however dear.

But the most important point is really simpler than this, because more fundamental. It is this: that the convention is able to drive home the actuality of fraternity as a band of *people*, just folks; that the women who compose our fraternity are not lists of names in a directory, nor printed articles in a *QUARTERLY*, nor even photographs; that they are real people, just as we are. I am convinced that girls visiting their first convention realize this with a sense of real surprise, however pleasant.

These realizations make conventions' value. On these depends the peculiar value of such occasions, the better understanding, the sense of growing comradeship, the widening of horizons, the inspiration to achieve, and to do so in the name of something bigger than self or selfish ends. In the stimulating atmosphere of united interests and purposes, we grow and plan and hope, we see new visions and make new resolves, we gain a new comprehension of both our duties and our privileges, in short we become more truly Alpha Gamma Delta.

It ain't the time nor management,
 Nor fun we'll have each day,
 But the lovely girls we'll meet there
 So Jolly and so gay,

It ain't the games nor swimming,
 Nor the convention as a whole,
 But the everlastin' friendship
 Of every bloomin' soul.

From the *Aglaia* of Phi Mu:

What does it mean—Fraternity?
 What does it mean—to *you*?
 Is it just a name
 Bringing local fame
 With perhaps a friend or two?

What of your pin,—the three bright stars?
 What do they say—to you?
 Do they stand for aught
 In the breadth of tho't,
 Or just for a lark or two?

What of your life—in the world of Greeks?
 What have they gained—thru you?
 Have you won a smile,—
 Done a *thing* worth while?
 Or wasted a year or two?

Ah, what does it mean—Fraternity?
 To the girl with a heart of gold?
 'Tis to love and serve,
 High ideals preserve,
 With a wealth of joy untold.

From *Eleusis* of Chi Omega:

WAR ACTIVITIES OF THE WOMEN'S FRATERNITIES

As Chi Omegas, could anything be more appealing to us than the call for service which our nation has been making the past year? With Demeter to guide us into a world-wide service, how could we possibly fail to heed the summons? And the work itself has all been so fascinating that resistance was useless. The appeal has been no less insistent to all other women's fraternities. It is the purpose of this article to tell a few of the many things which women of Greekdom have been doing to help answer the call of a big, needy world.

In reading the periodicals of the various fraternities, I could not help being impressed by the long lists of their members who are in active service of some sort, either in this country or abroad. Practically all fraternities have been carrying on some definite work of their own. Some have been a little more conspicuous and widely known than others, but we have all had the same big purpose. Let us take a glance at what a few of our Greek sisters have been doing.

Kappa Alpha Theta raised a war fund of five thousand and four hundred seventy dollars, of which three thousand eight hundred dollars was sent to Miss Jane Delano, head of the Department of Nurses of the American Red Cross. Their gift seemed to be needed more in the general fund at that time, but later it was used to equip a small unit. Theta was naturally a little disappointed in not being able to have anything definitely and intimately their own, therefore the remaining one thousand six hundred

seventy dollars and all that they hope to be able to raise this winter will be used to send Theta war workers to France. Their representatives will work through the Intercollegiate Committee on Women's War Work abroad.

Gamma Phi Beta's campaign has been unique. The suggestion came through Mrs. Kellogg, one of their active alumnæ, and its success has been largely due to her influence and efforts. Their work has centered itself around the "Milk Bottle Campaign." Briefly, the campaign has been carried on somewhat in this manner. Large wooden stands bearing two quart milk bottles and a poster pleading for help for the hungry children of Belgium and France have been set up in scores of the largest theaters and restaurants throughout the United States. Passersby have been attracted by the appeal and the novelty of the thing and dropped a few pennies, nickles, and dimes into the milk bottle. With the money received in this manner combined with what may be contributed through their active and alumnæ chapters, they hope to establish a Gamma Phi shelter to care for Belgian children.

Delta Delta Delta has established a large home in France for girls who work in munition factories. At present the home is being supervised by Y. W. C. A. workers, but the Tri Delta girls hope to have some of their own members carry on the work in the near future.

The Alpha Chi Omegas have five thousand dollars' worth of Liberty Bonds in their possession. Besides, they have adopted and are caring for fifty French orphans. They indeed must have quite a sense of satisfaction in being big sisters to fifty children who need big sisters badly.

The work of Kappa Gamma has been singularly interesting in that they have been intimately associated with Dorothy Canfield Fisher in her French relief work. They have furnished her with material helps in the line of clothing and supplies to assist her in carrying on her work of mercy. They receive very interesting reports of the work which they are doing through their sister, Mrs. Fisher.

We have all heard of Delta Gamma's "mile of dimes." Thirteen thousand four hundred sixteen dollars have been raised in this way for work among the destitute children of Belgium and France. The vision of sick and starving children who have done nothing deserving such suffering seems to make the strongest appeal to all of us.

I need not mention our own Chi Omega service fund of six thousand dollars plus what we will get in our next drive with which we will support our representatives in France.

There are many other worthy and laudable campaigns which have been launched, but their stories are all the same and their purpose practically identical: helping other folk who are much less fortunate than we in happy, comfortable U. S. A. are.

But after all the very largest work is that which no one will ever be able to record. To mention the hours and days which our women have spent in monotonously folding endless yards of gauze; in knitting, knitting, knitting; in inspecting and packing; in short, in doing countless things which involve time and energy and little praise—to mention all these would be an endless and impossible task. We simply can say, or must be ashamed if we can't say, that we have done our best.

But wasn't it our duty? What other answer could we possibly have given to the challenge of the situation and to the wordless appeal coming from our men who have given all? And in that light how little, how paltry our efforts seem. Many of us have burned with the desire to do something "big," but the opportunity was denied us, and our duty has been doing the little, the insignificant things. We must remember, too, that the work is

not nearly done, that the time for rest has not yet come, but with the same zeal, the same enthusiasm strengthened by the happy knowledge that no more blood need be shed, we must keep working and smiling.

How happy Demeter must be, in looking down from the skies, to see not only her own daughters, but all the children of the Greek world, doing not their "bit," but their "best" to make this old world a happier, better place.

From *Kappa Alpha Theta* comes this helpful suggestion upon *Alumnæ Chapter Activities*.

ALUMNÆ CHAPTER ACTIVITIES

(Hints from chapters of our contemporaries)

Delta Gamma: Each semester presents to the member of nearby college chapter having highest scholarship a gold friendship pin with fraternity insignia.

Discuss at meetings the city elections, the school board organization.

Help support the local collegiate bureau of occupations by giving time to clerical work, as well as by money gifts.

Beta Sigma Omicron: Whenever have flowers for table decorations at functions of the chapter, they are taken from the meeting to the tuberculosis ward at the city hospital.

Gamma Phi Beta: Have a system of great aunts and nieces in the college and alumnæ chapter; each college member being assigned to a special alumna for her college career, and many happy friendships result, and some helpful guidance too, we hope.

Give an annual prize of twenty-five dollars (\$25.00) to the member of the college chapter with highest scholarship record for the year.

During the year, at our regular meetings we sew for our "sunshine boxes." At Christmas time we commandeer the chapter house and play the rôle of Santa Claus to some 100 children not sure to have a visit from Santa Claus. Each child receives a "sunshine box," which contains, beside one of the garments made through the year, paste, pencil, scissors, and pictures to cut out, doll's furniture, etc.

Several alumnæ chapters collected war funds which they sent directly overseas to some war worker they knew, funds to be used for any special need not otherwise provided for.

Kappa Kappa Gamma: Presented the nearby college chapter with a silver loving-cup on which each year is to be engraved the name of the member with highest scholarship record.

The New York alumnæ chapter annually holds an auction for the benefit of the Students' Aid Fund, selling to one another at this merry meeting the food and fancy work products of members.

Alpha Gamma Delta: The alumnæ chapter each year gives a ring to the freshman pledge who during the year has shown the most promising development along the lines indicated by the fraternity ideals. The ring is presented at the reunion banquet during Commencement week.

Once a year we hold a week-end house party at the chapter-house, which is attended largely by alumnæ from everywhere.

Alpha Omicron Pi: The New Orleans alumnæ chapter furnishes teachers twice a week for the Americanization classes conducted by the Y. W. C. A.

Sigma Sigma Sigma: Alumnæ chapter helped to form a "school betterment association" in the city.

Another chapter investigated the conditions and need of the public institutions of a charitable nature in the city and then led the movement for betterment.

Once a week, representatives of the chapter go to the Orphans' Home and give the children a happy two hours of play and "mothering."

Delta Delta Delta: The executive council, the officers of the *alumnæ* chapter, divide the total number of initiates in the resident college chapter equally among themselves, and each one starts a Round Robin to her squad. When the letters all return, a general news bulletin is made up and distributed.

One *alumnæ* chapter was in charge of a W.S.S. booth one day each week for three months.

Many *alumnæ* chapters have adopted French orphans.

Chi Omega: The *alumnæ* who return for the reunion banquet make it their pleasant duty to send greetings to all non-present *alumnæ*. These took the form last year of parchments decorated like the place-cards on which each one present put a line of love and greetings.

Alpha Chi Omega: One *alumnæ* chapter last winter gave concerts for the benefit of Red Cross. Other chapters sewed regularly for hospitals.

Several *alumnæ* chapters entertained the college seniors at commencement time and endeavored to enroll them for *alumnæ* chapter members.

Kappa Delta: *Alumnæ* chapters very generally gave a loving-cup to college chapters as a scholarship prize. Each year the girl or the class with the highest scholarship average has name and grade upon the cup.

Pi Mu: Last winter many chapters held weekly knitting parties.

Other chapters offered prizes to active chapters for scholarship attainments.

All *alumnæ* chapters issue printed programs of business and social meetings.

Pi Beta Phi: Several *alumnæ* chapters made layettes for Belgian mothers, raising the money for materials through salvage sales from members' attics.

Sigma Kappa: *Alumnæ* chapters doubled the number of their meetings last year, meeting every two weeks. One meeting a month was devoted to war work, sewing, or any special need of the local Red Cross chapter, the other monthly meeting being a social one with a literary program.

Some General Alumnæ Suggestions: In a number of fraternities the plan of using the college chapter-house as a place for *alumnæ* chapter meetings is followed. Very happy results in acquaintance between college girls and *alumnæ* result.

In other colleges the college chapters have formed the custom of setting aside one special night each month which is known as "Alumnæ Night." All resident *alumnæ* have a standing invitation to dinner on that night and to the meeting following. This too is a successful plan.

Last winter, in conformity with general food conservation, many *alumnæ* chapters abandoned their custom of monthly luncheons at hotels; instead they served luncheons at homes of members. Four members provided the food and a fifth member the use of her home. The difference between the price of food and the usual luncheon charge formed the chapter's war funds. Sometimes these meetings took the form of an all-day sewing bee for the Red Cross.

A most successful *alumnæ* reunion plan is carried out in Seattle. Here several fraternities have what they call "Drop-In-Luncheons," that is, they decide on a day and an hour each week when all members shopping or otherwise detained downtown at luncheon time go to one tea room where they all can eat and talk together.

And the following bits of news are from *Banta's Greek Exchange*:

All active and alumnae chapters of $\Gamma \Phi B$ have been engaged in a Milk Bottle Campaign to help the Belgian babies. Wooden stands for pennies, each of which contained two quart milk bottles, were placed in the leading moving picture houses and other prominent places in the various cities.

$\Gamma \Phi B$ is planning to establish a shelter in Holland to be known as the Gamma Phi Beta Shelter. This will be similar to the Delta Gamma Shelter in Ossendrecht, to which place the sorority sends remittances of \$400 a month.

In the "mile of dimes" drive of $\Delta \Gamma$, the sorority raised \$13,000 for the children of Belgium and France. The organization intends to "carry on" as long as money is needed in the Delta Gamma Shelter at Ossendrecht.

The alumnae of $\Delta \Gamma$ at Palo Alto are waging a novel campaign in the interest of the Belgians. The chapter is making and selling an apron for little girls, which is distinctive and original and costs one dollar.

Members of $\kappa \kappa \Gamma$ at Adelphi College entertained in a very unusual way last spring. The actives and alumnae were invited to be present at a party, the admission being at least one pair of good, not new shoes. Over fifty pairs of shoes were obtained and a quantity of serviceable clothing, to be sent to France.

Twenty members of the University of California chapter of $\kappa \alpha \theta$ each adopted a soldier in France, who was an alumnus of the university.

$\Lambda \Phi$ and $\Delta \Delta \Delta$ have been making plans to support foyers in France, to be conducted under the supervision of the Y. W. C. A.

$\Sigma \kappa$ conducted a French Market last summer for the benefit of the Belgian Relief. Over \$600 was collected for war work.

Every sorority and fraternity chapter at the University of Kansas adopted a child orphaned by the war.

In order to strengthen the ties of Franco American relationship, 130 French girls have been awarded scholarships in American colleges. The colleges which the students are attending are: Grinnell College, Iowa; Coe

College, Iowa; Iowa Wesleyan College; University of Iowa; Colorado; University of Wisconsin; Beloit College; Ripon College, Wisconsin; Whitman College, Walla Walla, Washington; Illinois College; Carthage College, Illinois; Illinois Wesleyan University; University of North Dakota; Carleton College; Hamlin University, St. Paul, Minnesota; Macalester College; College of St. Therese; Baker University, Kansas; Washburn College, Kansas; Drury College, Missouri; Mills College, California; Pomona College, Claremont, California; and Trinity College, Washington, D. C.

It is stated that the late Col. Theodore Roosevelt had more college degrees conferred upon him than any other American. He is credited with being a member of two fraternities also, having been initiated in both $\Delta \Delta \Phi$ and $\Delta \kappa \epsilon$ as class societies at Harvard.

Miss R. Louise Fitch, national president of $\Delta \Delta \Delta$, has returned from France. During November Miss Fitch toured the Southwest in the interest of the United War Work Campaign.

Russell Kelly, whose letters from the war front have appeared under the title of "Kelly of the Foreign Legion," published by Mitchell Kennerly of New York, is a member of the Virginia Military Institute chapter of $\kappa \alpha$ (S). Kelly enlisted in the Foreign Legion in Paris in November, 1914, and after varied experiences was captured and taken to Belgium, and all trace of him has been lost since January, 1916.

Constance Frazier, a member of $\Lambda \Gamma \Delta$, is known as the afghan editor of the *Little Folks' Magazine*. This was the first magazine to make afghans by mail for the Red Cross.

Alice Benson Beach is at the head of the National League for Women's Service. Miss Beach is a member of $\Gamma \Phi \beta$.

Laura Case Sherry, $\Gamma \Phi \beta$, is directing the Wisconsin Players at the Milwaukee Playhouse.

Dr. Mary Lee Edwards, $\kappa \alpha \Theta$, has been decorated and commissioned a lieutenant in the French army. Three American women doctors have received lieutenant's commissions in France and they are the first American women to obtain any ranks.

Anne Ross, $\beta \Sigma \Theta$, is a granddaughter of General Ross, who led the Cherokees into the Indiana Territory, and she is also a lineal descendant of Sequoyah, inventor of the Cherokee alphabet. Miss Ross for two years traveled with Earnest Thompson Seton, and shared the lecture platform with him. Because of her beautiful and pronounced Indian features, she was chosen to pose for T. J. Zolnay, for his statue of Sequoyah. Another distinction conferred upon this talented young woman is the membership in the Authors' League of New York. Miss Ross is the only member with Indian blood.

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